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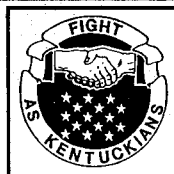


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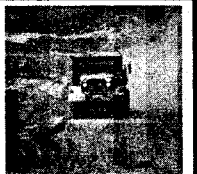
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OUR COVER

Kentucky National Guardsmen and State Troopers load seized marijuana plants onto a UH-1 helicopter hovering in an LZ near Oneida in Clay County during Phase II of Green/Gray Sweep '88. For more photos of this year's marijuana eradication operation see pages 4 and 5. (Photo by SGT Robert Ham, 133rd PAD)

AT EASE

Various Kentucky Army National Guard units have been involved during the past month with another Green/Gray Sweep, in conjunction with the Kentucky State Police. But as other stories in this edition of *The Bluegrass Guard* will show, the Guard has been involved in other projects assisting Kentucky communities, from helping build a soccer complex to hauling hay for Kentucky farmers. It seems Kentuckians continue to find they have a friend in their National Guard.

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Survey Shows Spouses Satisfied With Reserve Component

A recently released Reserve components family survey had no real surprises but proved that Reserve duty is really a "family affair," said Stephen M. Duncan, assistant secretary of defense for Reserve affairs.

The survey, conducted in 1986, covered the families of men and women serving in the Selected Reserves. More than 32,000 spouses filled out the survey.

"The vast majority of spouses are satisfied or very satisfied with participation in the Reserves," said Duncan. "There are specific areas that cause problems, but generally the perception of Reserve duty was very favorable."

A greater proportion of Reserve members are married, and they have been married longer than their active duty counterparts. A total of 61 percent of all reservists are married (79 percent for officers, 57 percent for enlisted).

"The length of time that couples are married indicates to us that the spouses are very involved with the decision of the reservist to join the Reserves and stay in," Duncan said. "With reservists, we're dealing with people who can walk away from the job any time they want. If the spouses are not satisfied with Reserve duty, then it will make an impression on the reservist and may mean the difference between keeping a fully qualified and motivated person in the Reserves."

Specific areas that spouses view as "serious or somewhat of a problem" include absences for weekend drill and annual training, extra time spent on Guard or Reserve activities, time away from civilian jobs, children and spouses due to Guard or Reserve work, drills on special days (Mother's Day, Easter, etc.), unscheduled Guard and Reserve activities and scheduling problems. Generally, the spouses of officers saw these areas as more of a problem than spouses of enlisted members.

But the problem areas can be overrated. "Yes, they are viewed as problems—but by a minority," Duncan said. "Only 13 percent of enlisted spouses said that absence for drill weekends was a problem. The highest-rated problem was drills on special days, and even then only a bit more than a third said it was a problem. This indicates that, for the most part, spouses understand the type of work that is being done and why it is necessary."

More than 65 percent of the spouses of reservists work. On the survey, they said the reason was because it was financially necessary. "Yet when we looked at what was attractive to them in the Reserves, we found the financial aspect did not lead the list," Duncan said.

The opportunity to serve the country (75 percent) leads the list as the reason for participation, followed by military pay and benefits (67 percent) and retirement benefits (63 percent). The acquaintances and friendships that grow out of Reserve duty were also rated important (56 percent). "Reserve pay does make a major contribution, and we can't forget that," Duncan said. "But these spouses give the impression that other, less tangible things are more important to them."

The survey will provide data that will be examined for years. The first reading, however, already points to an area that needs work—keeping Reserve families informed. "A large majority of spouses want to know more about the Reserves and the type of work the Reserve members perform," Duncan said. "More than three-quarters want information on benefits, including retirement and medical benefits. Almost 80 percent want an advance list of when weekend drills and annual training are scheduled."

Spouses would also like to know more about the mobilization roles of the units, and 85 percent say they need information on the family's role during a mobilization. "We have to look at ways to keep these families informed," Duncan said. "Perhaps we will look to direct mail or explore some other way of getting families into the Reserve picture."

Other areas not rated highly by the spouses were Reserve education opportunities and commissary privileges—although these have undergone changes in recent years. "It's taken quite a time for the word about the Reserve Component GI Bill to sink in," Duncan said. "I have a feeling that if the survey were taken today, it would be much more favorable. That's the same with the commissary privileges. We have a different policy now than we did in 1986 when this survey was filled out."

"We have the data now, and we're on much firmer ground when we go to Congress and talk about the Reserve components," he said. "We will no longer be saying 'We think we'll be able to point to the data,'" he said. "We will not rush into decisions. We will examine the data, and if we find areas where a policy change will help, then we will propose one."

(A story about a survey of Kentucky Guard members is on page 7.)



COL Daniel to be ADC of 35th ID

Calling his new assignment "a unique opportunity to gain Division level command experience," Deputy Adjutant General COL James R. Daniel will now become the Assistant Division Commander for the 35th Infantry Division (MECH), headquartered at Ft. Leavenworth, KS.

COL Daniel, who will still serve as the full-time Deputy AG, will in essence, be trading drill-assignments with the current ADC of the 35th ID, BG Julius L. Berthold.

"General Davidson has given me a unique opportunity, and that is to go and have 12 to 18 months of command time with the 35th ID," COL Daniel said, explaining that while he is now awaiting Congressional approval of his promotion to Brigadier General, he intends to defer award of a star until after his Division assignment is completed.

"The chance to gain command experience at the Division level is experience you just can't get anywhere else in the Guard, COL Daniel added."

"Moving Wall" Moves Thousands in Louisville

By SSGT Jenny Montgomery
Editor, *The Phantom's Eye*,
123rd TRW

A time for remembering. A time for healing.

Thousands, touched in some way by the Vietnam War, gathered at the Traveling Vietnam Veteran's Memorial "Moving Wall" to contemplate the past and hope for the future.

The Moving Wall was brought to Louisville through the efforts of the KyANG NCO Academy Graduates Association. On display at the Louisville Zoo between August 4 and 10, it is estimated that 10,000 people visited the Wall, said SSGT Elke Adams, president of the NCOAGA.

Open for viewing 24 hours a day, people visited the Wall throughout the night and the early hours before dawn. Often they left mementos. Poems, flowers, champagne, photographs and articles from military uniforms brought to life the countless names engraved on the Wall. More than 58,000 lives are represented on the Wall; 1,064 are Kentuckians.

It was difficult to be near the Wall and not be touched by those looking for the names of their loved ones; brothers, husbands, sons, daughters.

The following poem was one of many left at the Wall. It captures some of the emotion felt as one stood near it.

Things you didn't do

remember the day I borrowed your brand new car and I dented it?

I thought you'd kill me but you didn't. and remember the time I dragged you to the beach, and you said it would rain, and it did?

I thought you'd say I told you so but you didn't. and the time I flirted with all the guys to make you jealous and you were?

I thought you'd leave me but you didn't. and the time I spilled blueberry pie all over your brand new car rug?

I thought you'd drop me for sure but you didn't. and the time I forgot to tell you that the dance was formal and you showed up in jeans?

I thought you'd smack me but you didn't. Yes, there were lots of things you didn't do, but you put up with me, and you loved me and you protected me.

and there were so many things I wanted to make up to you when you returned from Vietnam, but you didn't.



A mother and her sons locate a familiar name on the Moving Wall in Louisville. (Photo by SMSGT Dave Tinsley, 123rd TRW)



EFMB Test Open to Guardsmen

In the photo above, Lieutenants Karen Likins and Judy Greene-Baker of the 475th MASH and Sergeants Tim Witten and Mark Burchfield of the 441st MED DET (HEL AMB) team up to hoist a litter-borne 'victim' over an obstacle on Fort Knox's combat medic course.

The four Kentucky Guardsmen are preparing themselves to tackle the test for the Army's Expert Field Medical Badge (EFMB) which will be administered by the 42nd Field Hospital at Fort Knox 11-14 October. The 42nd will also conduct a formal training session there on 3-6 October.

According to 1LT Likins, the test for the EFMB is not that easy. Normally only 10 to 12 percent of those who take it pass the rigorous challenge of successfully practicing field medical skills in combat situations that involve medics keeping their patients, as well as themselves, alive while moving to safety through hostile tactical and NBC environments.

KyARNG medics who want to 'go for it' are encouraged to apply immediately for a test slot through their unit chain of command to the director of Plans, Operations and Training.

Guard Members Are Entitled to Plenty of Benefits After Retirement

(Information for this story was provided by the Family Assistance Office.)

Retirement from the military is a time that many look forward to. But there are those who regret it because it is a time of reflected years, separation from friends in many cases, and a sign of growing older.

In recent years there has been some confusion as to what a National Guard member is eligible for and what he or she is not eligible for upon retirement. We hope the following will help.

A. Federal benefits entitled by members of the Guard who transferred to Retired Reserve prior to reaching age 60.

1. Opportunity to join Officer and NCO Clubs (local rules apply).

2. Space-available air transportation within CONUS, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

3. Option of continued Serviceman's Group Life Insurance at slightly higher costs.

4. Indefinite retention of commission, officers only.

5. Opportunity to wear the military uniform at appropriate military activities and celebrations.

6. Continue to carry Reserve Component (Red) ID Card until age 60.

B. Federal benefits entitled by member

of the Retired Reserve at age 60.

1. Receive Retired (Blue/gray) ID Card.

2. Start receiving monthly retired pay check. (Individuals must apply for this benefit.)

3. Eligible for medical and dental care for themselves and legal dependents at military medical facilities. There remains limited dental care for dependents.

4. Authorized civilian medical care using CHAMPUS.

5. Full PX and commissary privileges, including dependants

6. Eligibility to join officer and NCO clubs.

7. Eligible for treatment at VA hospitals, individuals only.

8. Full use of military clothing sales facilities.

9. Eligible for legal services.

10. Veterinary services.

11. Use of all base/post facilities.

12. Space-available air transportation worldwide, including legal dependents.

If you are retired or your retirement is impending, a resource for all information concerning the U.S. Army Retirement Program, including Reserve Components, is the Retired Military Almanac located at battalion and higher headquarters.

GREEN/GRAY

Guardsmen and Troopers Join Forces In The War On Drugs

By SGT Robert Ham, 133rd PAD

Kentucky Army National Guardsmen and Kentucky State Troopers worked together in August in a three-week war against the marijuana growers of Kentucky.

Guardsmen from the 1/49th INF BN (MECH), 201st and 206th Engineer Battalions, 35th AVN Bde, 198th MP BN, 275th MASH and the 615th MP CO (CID) were ordered to state active duty as part of OPERATION GREEN/GRAY SWEEP '88. In addition to the state agencies involved in the operation, enforcement officers from the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and enforcement officers from the U.S. Forestry Service were on hand to assist in the search of federal property.

Kentucky State Police had high praise for the assistance provided by the KyARNG. "The helicopters gave us the ability to cover more area, and the ground troops gave us the manpower to destroy the fields we found" said Special Investigator David Campbell, a KSP narcotics agent. Detective Jim Henderson, a member of the KSP and the 615th CID summed up the value of having the National Guard involved by saying "having the Guard here with us was excellent; they gave us 110 percent and it really helped!"

The final tally for the operation was 91,748 plants seized in 436 plots. State troopers arrested five individuals and have additional arrests pending.



POT PATROL -- Led by a Kentucky State Police narcotics officer and an MP from the 198th Military Police Battalion, a "cutting crew" of Kentucky Army Guardsmen from the 201st EN BN moves toward a plot of marijuana plants spotted in Wolfe County by a scout helicopter crew. (Photo by CW2 Joe Haydon, 615th CID)



GREEN HARVEST -- After a field is secured by State Troopers and MP's, a "cutting crew" chops down marijuana plants with tobacco tomahawks. (Photo by CW2 Joe Haydon, 615th CID)



MOVE OUT -- Cut marijuana is Blackhawk helicopter shown in ph

SWEEP '88

SLING LOAD -- When seized plants were too numerous to be loaded into helicopters, large nets slung below the aircraft were used to transport them to burn sites. (Photo by SGT Robert Ham, 133rd PAD)



FIRED UP -- Cutting crews with loads of seized plants arrive by ground and air at a burn site where the marijuana was destroyed prior to moving the crews on to additional plots. (Photo by CW2 Joe Haydon, 615th CID)



to a pick-up zone to be loaded onto the waiting UH-60
ht. (Photo by CW2 Joe Haydon, 615th CID)



The Kentucky Army National Guard Color Guard helps open the second Bluegrass State Games at Commonwealth Stadium in Lexington with the presentation of flags.



SGT David Ryan, II, of the 438th MP Company, escorts First Lady Martha Wilkin-son during the Bluegrass State Games.

Guardsmen at the Games

By SGT Robert Ham
133rd PAD

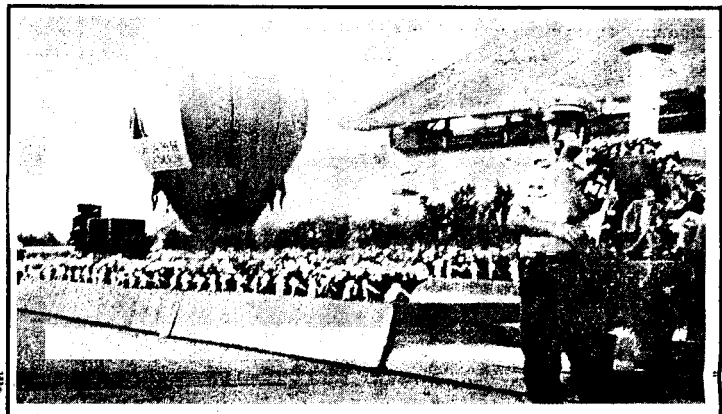
Over 100 Kentucky National Guardsmen were called to state active duty to help Governor Wilkinson host the second annual Bluegrass State Games. Guardsmen from the 198th Military Police Battalion, 202nd Army Band, 2/138th Field Artillery and 135th Aviation Brigade provided crowd control, security, ceremonial salutes and music for over 2,000 spectators and participants in the games. According to the detachment commander, Governor Wilkin-son called on the Guard because he understands the contribution it can make to such an event.

"This is a tremendous opportunity," said LTC Elmo Head. "It gives us chance to put

Kentucky's National Guard in a positive light."

Military Police SGT David Ryan also spoke of the chance to show off the best that the National Guard had to offer, saying that "We try to attend as many of these events as possible; it's the best time to recruit, because people are able to see some of what we do, while we do it."

In addition to security provided by the Military Police, the 2/138th Field Artillery provided a color guard and 19 gun salute. Music for the opening ceremonies was provided by the 202nd Army Band with a flyover by F-4 Phantoms from the Kentucky Air National Guard and a Blackhawk formation flyover by elements of the 135th Aviation Brigade.



The 198th Military Police Battalion provided security during the opening of the Bluegrass State Games, while the 2/138th Field Artillery sent a color guard and the 202nd Army Band played music at the event.

MAJ Jordan To Command New KyANG Squadron



MAJ Robert Jordan (right) inspects the KyANG's warehouse inventory with TSGT Gregory Reed of the 123rd Resource Management Squadron in Louisville. (KyANG photo by SSGT Jeff Sansbury, PAO)

MAJ Robert L. Jordan, currently chief of supply, was recently selected to command the Mobile Aerial Port Squadron (MAPS) which will come into being January 1, 1989.

The MAPS, under the Military Airlift Command, is the newest member of the KyANG in its new role as a military airlift unit. The primary function of a MAPS unit is to establish and operate non-fixed air terminals at employment sites where no permanent air terminal organization exists.

The squadron will consist of aerial port operations, vehicle maintenance, terminal services, ramp services and special cargo handling operations. These areas will include air cargo specialists, a training technician, a personnel specialist, special purpose vehicle maintenance specialists, an administrative clerk, a stan/eval specialist and the first sergeant

and commander.

Currently total manning for the unit is 106, according to MAJ Jordan. This will include seven full-time members. As a weekend commander, MAJ Jordan will continue his full-time position as management systems officer in the 123rd RMS.

Assisting MAJ Jordan in his command duties will be MSGT Barry L. Dow, currently 123rd MSS NCOIC base training, as unit first sergeant. CPT Robert J. Abell, 123rd MSS, and CPT John J. Blakeley, 165th TRS, will be transportation staff officers, and CPT Daniel G. Jones, Jr., 123rd MSS, will be the executive officer.

"In terms of the squadron, we hope to get the people qualified and up to speed by the first UEI (Unit Effectiveness Inspection) and receive an excellent," said MAJ Jordan. "On a day-to-day

basis, we have 106 people not qualified. Training is the number one priority.

"This is a heck of a challenge, an opportunity to see if I am company grade material," said MAJ Jordan of his selection.

"With all the potential and attributes he has shown over the years, he is deserving of a command position," said BG John L. Smith, wing commander. "I think he'll do a great job."

As a minority member of the Guard, MAJ Jordan hopes his position will provide incentive for young members of the unit. He started his career as an enlisted member and was commissioned from among the ranks.

"I don't look at the military in terms of minorities - I'm an American. Our enemies, currently the Russians, don't care whether I'm black, white, hispanic or whatever."

Engineers Helping Winchester Kick Off Soccer Complex



Front-end loader drivers SGT Elza Miller (left) and PFC Anthony Jenkins (right) simultaneously load fill dirt into one of Co. C's dump trucks.



Winchester City Manager Ed Burtner gives directions to Co. C commander CPT Pat Rowe (right) and 1LT John Perry during work on the soccer complex.

In July and August, members of Co. C, 201st Engineer Battalion of Cynthiana helped Winchester and Clark County construct a new complex for the Winchester Youth Soccer League.

The initial request for the National Guard assistance came last year from Clark County Judge/Executive James Allen. On July 16-17 and August 13-14 of this year up to 30 members of the company travelled to Winchester with dozers, front-end loaders, dump trucks and other equipment.

Their job, as the accompanying photos show, was to construct a road to the soccer complex and place culverts under the roadway. The job was about 50 percent complete in August, and the Guardsmen expect to return to Winchester this month to do more work. (Photos by LT Phil Miller, 133rd PAD)



SGT Tim Tucker dozes dirt into place over a culvert installed by the engineer company.

584 Surveys Returned Guardsmen Give Opinions About Life in the Guard

By COL (Ret.) Jack Haggerty
Member, Future Planning Committee

In June, 700 questionnaires were sent to a cross section of National Guardsmen across the state asking questions about eleven topics with no more than five questions on any topic. Among those topics were training, deployment, equipment, maintenance, and facilities.

A total of 584 responses were received. BG Michael Davidson, the Adjutant General of Kentucky and COL James Daniel, Deputy Adjutant General, expressed gratitude for the excellent response. In most surveys, a response of 33 percent is considered excellent.

The responses will be analyzed carefully and will aid the planning for the future of the Guard.

The Guardsmen to receive the questionnaires were picked at random.

The questions were slanted towards the present time frame and how well we were

planning for the future.

The breakout on the respondents shows that 87 percent were male; 75 percent were line personnel; 67 percent were of pay

grade E5 or below; 36 percent were between 25 and 34 years of age; 43 percent were high school graduates; 33 percent had under six years service; 32 percent had 6 to 12 years of service.

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Respondents were asked to rate areas in question on a scale of one to six. Three and below indicated a low degree of satisfaction. Four and above an increasing level of satisfaction. The preponderance of entries indicate a 4 (to some degree) or a 5 (to a

great degree). A summary by topics shows today's leadership is focused on the future (69 percent) and has identified long range goals that are understood (63 percent).

The five questions concerning deployment are favorable in four areas: Understanding (66 percent); Implementation (58 percent); Resources (57 percent); Prepared (61 percent). Identified for additional work is Family Assistance in the event of mobilization (43 percent).

Responses to training topics were mixed. Appropriateness with local training areas was at 54 percent and meaningful training was rated at 63 percent. However, 83 percent indicated training quality needs to be improved. Only 52 percent indicated that training time is used to the optimum. Sixty-two percent indicated they were performing the duties of the position assigned.

The Guardsmen were pleased with the level of full-time personnel support (61 percent), and in their performance mandated by their own assigned position (69 percent). Additional effort needs to be made on information available at each organization level (56 percent) and in responding to request for information (50 percent).

Present facilities are considered marginal (50 percent) at meeting our needs and will not serve our future needs (60 percent). The highest satisfaction was in maintaining our facilities (78 percent).

The responses generally indicated a positive degree of satisfaction though it can be improved. The resources for improvement are available; the future planning model gives us the opportunity.

BRIEFLY NOTED

Museum Features 475th MASH

The Kentucky Military History Museum in Frankfort has an exhibit featuring the 475th MASH until next February 1. The exhibit, which shows the people, mission and equipment of the hospital unit, can be viewed Monday through Saturday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

NGAKy Awards Scholarships to Four



NGAKy President MAJ Robert C. Graves, left, is pictured with four happy recipients of \$1,500 educational scholarship awards. The award winners are: John B. Hammons, son of CW4 and Mrs. Larry C. Hammons of Barbourville. CW4 Hammons is a member of HQ 1st Battalion, 149th Infantry in Barbourville; Matthew J. Saderholm, son of SGT and Mrs. Ronald J. Saderholm of Summer Shade. SGT Saderholm is a member of Battery A 1st Battalion, 623rd Field Artillery in Tompkinsville; Edith L. Tomlinson, daughter of the late CW4 Billy G. Tomlinson and Mrs. Kathy Fraillie of Frankfort. CW4 Tomlinson was a member of Company C, 42nd Aviation in Frankfort; Melissa A. Flaughter, daughter of SSG and Mrs. Ernest L. Flaughter of Grayson. SSG Flaughter is a member of Company B, 201st Engineer Battalion in Olive Hill. The scholarship checks were presented by MAJ Graves in Frankfort on August 16. The ceremony was attended by COL James R. Daniel, Deputy Adjutant General, and about fifty members of the Military Affairs Department. (NGAKy Photo)

Arkansas Minuteman Races Set for October 8

The Arkansas National Guard Minuteman Races will be held October 8 at Camp Robinson in North Little Rock. A new race has been added this year, which is the sixth year of the Minuteman Races.

Originally called the Minuteman 10K, the name has been changed due to the addition of a 5K race this year; a one-mile fun run and walk were added last year.

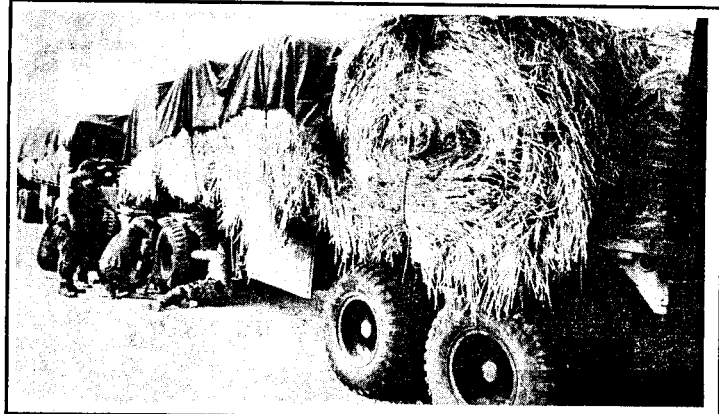
Any military unit—active or reserve—may enter a team. Teams may include three to five runners of any age, male or female. Team members are eligible for individual awards and scores are counted on the first three finishers of each team. Twenty-one teams competed last year.

For more information, call (501) 771-5210.

SSG Green Wins Grand Aggregate in Hoosier Rifle Match

SSG Charles Green of HQ STARC in Frankfort won the grand aggregate title at the Indiana State Highpower Rifle Championships at Camp Atterbury in July. He scored 780, with 25 bullseyes, against 60 competitors. His victory was unusual because he didn't win any of the individual positions but consistently shot well from the 200- to 500-yard lines.

The match was held Saturday and Sunday, July 16-17.



Members of OMS-3 prepare the convoy of 10 National Guard trucks which took the stored South Carolina hay to four locations around the state for hungry livestock. The hay was distributed through agriculture extension agents in a lottery system. (Photo by LT Phil Miller, 133rd PAD)

Co. B, 735th MSB Sends Men, Trucks To Bring Donated Hay From South Carolina

Early on the morning of August 5, ten trucks and 28 members of Richmond's Company B, 735th Main Support Battalion left for a long drive to South Carolina, where rolls and bales of hay to be donated to Kentucky's farmers awaited pickup.

The truck crews made a thousand-mile round trip to Chester and Oconee Counties, South Carolina to bring back the hay that was eventually distributed to farmers at four sites in Kentucky.

The state Agriculture Department requested the National Guard assistance when it became aware of the availability of the hay in South Carolina. The two agencies worked together on the mission under the authority of a July 8 executive order signed by Gov. Wilkinson calling on all state agencies to cooperate to help any Kentuckians affected by the long

summer drought.

The ten flatbeds, loaded with hay, were stored at Richmond for a week. On Saturday and Sunday, August 13-14, other members of the Richmond truck company drove the loads of hay to Springfield, Tompkinsville, Russellville and Lancaster. County agents at each location took control of the hay, which was distributed to area farmers through a lottery system.

This is not the first time Kentucky Guard members have been called on this summer to help alleviate the problems of the drought. In July, Guardsmen drove truckloads of hay to locations including Dixon, in Webster County, Elizabethtown and Logan County. That hay was sent to Kentucky from Oregon and flown free of charge by United Parcel Service aircraft.

SPC Shawn Daniel - First Guard Ranger Grad

On August 23, Specialist Four Shawn Daniel of HQS, 3/123 Armor became the first enlisted member of the Kentucky Army National Guard to enter and complete the Army's grueling Ranger School while in Guard status.

Of the 326 soldiers that began the 59-day course, only 176 survived the rigors of combat conditioning at Ft. Benning, GA, jungle training in Florida, desert training in Utah and mountain training in North Georgia, to receive the coveted Ranger tab during ceremonies at Ft. Benning.

Additionally, SPC Daniel was the only enlisted student to graduate that had not attended the three-week long pre-Ranger indoctrination course, and his graduation from the school comes exactly 28 years to the month after his father, former Ranger school instructor and current Deputy Adjutant General COL James Daniel completed the course.

A cavalry scout with the 3/123 AR BN, SPC Daniel is a freshman at U of L and plans to apply for admission to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Physician Assistants Needed

Are you interested in furthering your career in the health science field but find you can't afford the time or the money?

The KyARNG is looking for a few good soldiers to participate in the Physician Assistant Program, according to LT Vickie Cook, Army Medical Department recruiter.

At this time there is an excellent opportunity for qualified Kentucky Guardsmen to attend the Academy of Health Science

at Fort Sam Houston to become a Physician Assistant, Cook said.

She also said that the program, which carries a two year active duty tour, will enable a soldier to have a paid, full time learning experience. Upon graduation a soldier will receive a Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistance and be eligible to take the national certifying examination.

For more information call 1-800-372-7601.