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## FROM THE COMMANDER

Patriotism is one of those words that, when you see it written, looks as though it needs to be proclaimed by an "all-American" like Patrick Henry, Nathan Hale or even John Wayne. Patriotism seems too formal an ideal for most of us to identify with in our everyday lives. Recently, I happened to see a book at the library about the life of former President Harry S. Truman. President Truman was before most of our times, but I had heard some stories about him, and when I saw this book, I thought I'd take a look at it. It turns out that President Truman had started out as an enlisted man in the Missouri Army National Guard in the artillery and, at the end of World War I, he was serving as an artillery battery commander with U.S. Forces in France.

President Truman believed that the true strength of the military was not in the federal troops, but in the state militias or national guards. These were the units with roots in each town and area of the country where citizens participated on a voluntary basis. These were the units where many of the members were involved in a variety of full time professions, but who believed in participating in the National Guard because they saw it as an opportunity to repay a debt they felt to their country for the freedom which they had.

Without getting on too tall of a soapbox, I know many members of the Atk Trp feel that same way today. Often the feeling of patriotism comes with age and experience. I know some of us joined the National Guard perhaps for monetary reasons, the excitement, or to do something a little different. It's only after a period of time that the more important understanding that what we're doing is truly vital to our nation's security creeps into our awareness.

So, in conclusion, I agree with President Truman and I hope you do, too. The true strength of our country's military is in the National Guard and each of you. You're each a patriot and I'm proud of you.

NEW FIRST SERGEANT SFC George McKay has been selected as the new Atk Hel Trp First Sergeant replacing 1SG Richard Payne who moved to Texas. I would like to publically thank all of the senior Atk Trp NCO's who expressed an interest in the First Sergeant job. It was a difficult decision with so many fine candidates from which to choose. I know I can count on every member of the unit to give 1SG McKay their support as he commences his new duties. Finally, best of luck to "Dicko". We'll miss you.

MAJ Mark Ryan

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND February's MUTA-4 (21,22 FEB) will provide some of the members of the Atk Trp the opportunity to practice a little "flexibility". A change in the 107th Armored Cavalry's food service school from our scheduled weekend to 15 Feb has resulted in requesting all unit mess personnel to drill on that Sunday and then with the rest of the unit on Saturday 21 Feb. In order to provide transportation for them on the 15th of Feb, Red Battle Team will subassembly on 14/15 Feb. Red Team aviators will take the Army Aviator Annual Written Exam on Saturday and support transportation to Cleveland on Sunday.

All other unit personnel will drill 21/22 Feb as originally planned. White Team will take the Writ on Saturday and fly Sunday. Blue Team will take the Writ on Sunday and fly Saturday.

All Aero Scout personnel who have not exchanged their old field gear for new ALSE equipment will bring all of their equipment in on Sat 21 Feb.

All unit personnel who are assigned tool boxes will be required to inventory them and update their hand receipt on Sat 21 Feb.

All vehicle and generator/engineer equipment operators will report to the motor pool on both Sat and Sun immediately after formation. On Sunday, we think we will receive the COMET Inspection of the motor pool area.

Ouite a few unit MOS's will finally be issued Soldier's Manuals and Job Books this weekend. Specific information will be put out at formation.

NEW LOOK FOR THE NEWSLETTER
In case you didn't notice, we've got a new cover sheet for the Gyroscoop. We've talked about it for quite a while. Special thanks go to SSG Ken Smith (and his son) for the initiative and CW2 Paul Holbrook for the artwork. By the way, articles for the newsletter are welcomed by the editor.

\* Congratulations to SP4 Brian J. Gallagher on his selection as the Atk Hel Trp Soldier of the Month for January. SP4 Gallagher has been a member of this unit since September 1978. During that time, he has been assigned as a UH-1 Helicopter Repairer and at present is a Crewchief in the 1st gunship platoon. SP4 Gallagher lives in Columbus and is attending Columbus Technical Institute. Keep up the

OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL
The State Officer Candidate School
will start 25 April 1981. Applications must be in no later than
15 March 81. If you are interested
in attending OCS, see 1SG McKay
this drill.

MEAL CARD NUMBERS

When signing the register at the mess hall, you must include your meal card number. If you can't remember your number, have your card out to avoid holding up the line.

## ENLISTED RECORDS

There seems to be some confusion concerning enlisted records and personnel actions. Since the hiring of SSG Bill Rummel in November, responsibility for enlisted personnel has been divided. SP4 Denise Estep handles all records and personnel actions for those people whose last name begins with the letters A - L. SSG Bill Rummel is responsible for those whose last name begins with the letters M -Z. If you have any questions or problems, you should contact the person responsible for your records.

The following should see SP4 Denise Estep on Saturday 21 Feb at the specified time. Casmo, Fuller and Blackburn should see her at their convenience. Bombich - 1000 hrs Harris - 1030 hrs Jennings - 1100 hrs

The following should see SSG Bill Rummel on Saturday 21 Feb at 0900 hrs on the drill floor.

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Stuff Taylor, John Twyford Zorko Massie McDill McMichael Mix Moss Olson O'Neal Parham Parsley, J Parsley, R Primavera Poppe Razler Regrut Richards Riedlinger Righter ATUM a pr dance which

OFFICER RECORDS

The following officers should see SP5 Candy Elledge at AASF#2 to review records.

Brinkman McAllister

McCabe Vanderbosch

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PROMOTIONS Carol A. MacIvor - to SP4 ENLISTMENTS

SGT Richard A. Pemberton - 1 yr SP4 Toby L. Wing - 6 yrs PFC John E. Taylor - 6 yrs SP4 Mark K. Franklin - 1 yr SP4 Lillian L. Lask - 6 yrs SP5 David A. Lask - 6 yrs SSG William D. Evans - 6 yrs

PERSONALIZED MUGS & STEINS We are going to bulk order mugs, steins, key chains, cigarette lighters with the 107th insignia or something similar personalized for our unit. The quantity prices are as follows:

MUGS STEINS 90-150 \$6.67 ea. \$7.98 ea. 151-250 \$6.34 ea. \$7.44 ea.

MUG/STEIN SETS 45-75 \$13.75/set 76-125 \$12.95/set

126-250 \$12.25/set

Add to the above prices: for rank \$1.00; Name - up to 10 letters \$1.25, up to 20 letters \$2.00. Delivery, insurance, etc. \$.50. These charges are for each mug or stein.

Key chain w/crest \$4.25 ea. Key chain w/2 crests \$5.25 ea. Cigarette lighter w/crest \$5.25 ea.

If you would like to order any of these items, see CW3 George Mayl. Your order must be in by drill in April. These prices may be subject to change.

NAME TAGS

The black and white name tags for the Class A uniform can be ordered for \$1.00. If you need any, give your name and the money to SSG Bill Rummel in the orderly room. They must be paid for in advance.

BUNK ROOM

The bunk room in the armory will not be available this drill. You will have to make other arrangements for a place to stay.

### INSTRUMENT RENEWALS

The following must complete instrument renewals prior to 1 Apr 81 or they will be suspended from flight status.

Jones Taylor Lewis Bovie Adkinson Haas Moore Coyan Rider

Bowman McAllister Slyh

### STAN RIDES

The following must complete annual standardization check rides prior to 1 Apr 81.

West, M Haas, B Kohls, M Mayl, B

Montgomery, 58 Ault, M Jenkins, 58

Bates, B Lewis, B Foster, B

### FLIGHT PHYSICALS

The following must complete annual flight physicals prior to 1 Apr 81. Schedule with Marla at AASF#2. 889-7125.

Jones Taylor Loar

Bovie Adkinson Montgomery Fox Rider McAllister

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# FLIGHT PHYSICAL SCHEDULE

14/15 Mar 81 19/20 Sep 81 11/12 Apr 81 17/18 Oct 81 2/3 May 81 7/8 Nov 81 25/26 Jul 81 5/6 Dec 81 29/30 Aug 81

# DRILL SCHEDULE

21/22 Feb 28/29 Mar 24/25/26 Apr 16/17 May 12 Jun - Loading Drill 13-28 Jun - Annual Training 22/23 Aug ... base 1 100 12 Tot 25/26/27 Sep

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members may have. SFC Criss Manning will be in the recruiting office across from the orderly room.

### NIGHT FLYING

AASF#2 will be open for night flying Friday night 20 Feb. Schedule early to get some night time for minimums.

### MOTOR POOL

All platoon and section sergeants are reminded that motor stables must be pulled on all assigned vehicles between 0830 and 1000 on Saturday of drill weekend. Drivers are also required to be at the motor pool on Sunday this drill.

## FREE ROLLER SKATING

Laces Roller Skating Center, 3663 E. Main St. in Whitehall (phone: 237-3736) is honoring all military members and their families during the month of March. Admission and roller skating will be FREE but you must pay \$1.00 skate rental charge. Take your ID card to get in free. They also have foosball and pinball machines and a snack bar. Laces Roller Skating Center is located right next to Service Merchandise in Whitehall.

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### W-2 Forms

W-2 forms were mailed out on 29/ 30 Jan. If you did not receive yours or there were any discrepancies, contact the orderly room immediately.