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FROM THE COMMANDER

Brig. Gen. Robert Finch, Commander, Nevada Air National Guard

Diversity can define our generation



*By Brig. Gen. Robert Finch
Commander, Nevada Air Guard*

As we begin one of the most challenging and exciting times in the history of Nevada National Guard, I want to again take the time to thank all of the members of the Guard for their tenacity, commitment and focus.

We are embarking on challenging times and in order for each of us to make a contribution, I believe one has to prepare to learn and adjust in a constantly changing environment. Futurist Alvin Toffler best summed up the belief when he said, "The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read or write, but will be those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn."

As a leader in a dynamic organization such as the Nevada Air National Guard, I have learned that to improve from mere effectiveness to greatness, we must value, respect, embrace and learn from our differences. Diversity is a topic that is discussed all over the world, but it is extremely important and imperative to our success.

Diversity is a part of everything that we do. This nation was created over a diversity issue. The Civil War was fought over a diversity issue. During the current war on

global terrorism we have encountered numerous diversity issues that have impacted how we fought this war.

It impacts how we recruit, hire, prepare, qualify, mentor, coach, help and promote those around us. As Guardsmen, many of us think we are comfortable with the topic of diversity.

But I have learned the hardest thing to do is to get a person to the point in life that he believes he has already attained. Most of us feel we are comfortable with the topic of diversity. But I challenge each of us to examine ourselves and ask, "Where must I be better when it comes to diversity?"

I believe that if each of us can boldly discuss and prioritize diversity, we will be surprised with the results. The Nevada Air National Guard leads the nation in providing diversity training for our members. Although I recognize it takes some sacrifice to provide this training, I have learned it is more important to provide people with the knowledge, skills and abilities that give them tools to improve this organization.

Diversity is mission imperative! We must remember that wisdom is the right use of knowledge. It is not enough just to

know about the topic of diversity.

Look beyond your comfort zone, embrace those who have differing views, talk with someone who may not appear or speak like you, and aim to release the individual talent of each and every airman regardless of paradigm.

The enemy of progress is ignorance, arrogance and dogma. The antidote to progress is knowledge, humility and tolerance. To win, compete and succeed in today's military, one needs the best attributes of each member. Our lives depend upon it.

Remember, there are some things we need to unlearn and relearn about the Nevada National Guard's most precious resource – the men and women who proudly serve our organization each and every day.

Let's choose to make a difference! ■

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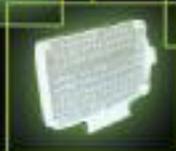
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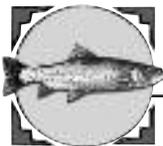


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FROM THE COUNTERDRUG TASK FORCE

Chief Master Sgt. Ken Gray

Counterdrug Task Force backbone of Nevada Guard anti drug operations

By Chief Master Sgt. Ken Gray, Nevada Counterdrug Task Force

The Counterdrug Task Force is a unique operational unit comprised within the Nevada National Guard of about 60 soldiers and airmen. The assigned troops in the task force are drilling Guardsmen who are voluntarily on active duty to perform counterdrug activities.

All personnel assigned to the task force continue to perform weekend drills with their unit of assignment. This is a unique arrangement with benefits to the task force, the Guardsman and their home unit.

Lt. Col. Kim LaBrie, an Army Guard aviation officer, leads the task force as the counterdrug coordinator. His deputy, Maj. Brian Thayer, is a 152nd Airlift Wing C-130 pilot.

The NVCDTF is a joint unit and includes Army Guard and Air Guard personnel who are hired based on their individual skills and capabilities to perform varied missions throughout the state.

The mission of the task force is to support law enforcement and community organizations' anti drug operations. The first objective is to instill in Nevada's youth the ability to resist powerful peer and social forces that drive them to drug experimentation and abuse.

Primarily targeted at middle school-age children, the task force provides education on the effects and dangers of drug use along with team-building and confidence-inspiring exercises to build a sense of achievement in the students. The NVCDTF Drug Demand Reduction team provides its curricula to requesting schools, camps and youth organizations throughout Nevada.

The second objective is to assist law enforcement interdiction activities to disrupt or dismantle drug trafficking organizations within the state. The NVCDTF is focused on supporting Nevada's 14 high-intensity drug trafficking area initiatives. With four specially equipped, on-call OH-58 helicopters, the task force provides around-the-clock aerial support to local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

The task force also provides trained

criminal analysts to the Nevada HIDTA and an additional criminal analyst and certified narcotics dog handler to a northern Nevada law-enforcement task force. The soldier and airmen support allows agents more time to develop and investigate cases outside the confines of the office.

Using the skills and equipment developed for its counter-narcotics mission, the NVCDTF has deployed on numerous occasions and provided aerial and ground support to real-world operations including the Hurricane Katrina response, Operation Jump Start, numerous California wildfires, state search and rescue and damage assessment missions.

In the future, NVCDTF plans to work hand in hand with the Federal Emergency

Management Agency, the Department of Homeland Security and the National Guard to provide full-motion-video capability for all agencies during federal emergencies. ■

Grey smuggled a homeless kitten back to Nevada in his uniform pocket when he returned home from New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina relief operations. Guess what his cat-loving family named the female feline...



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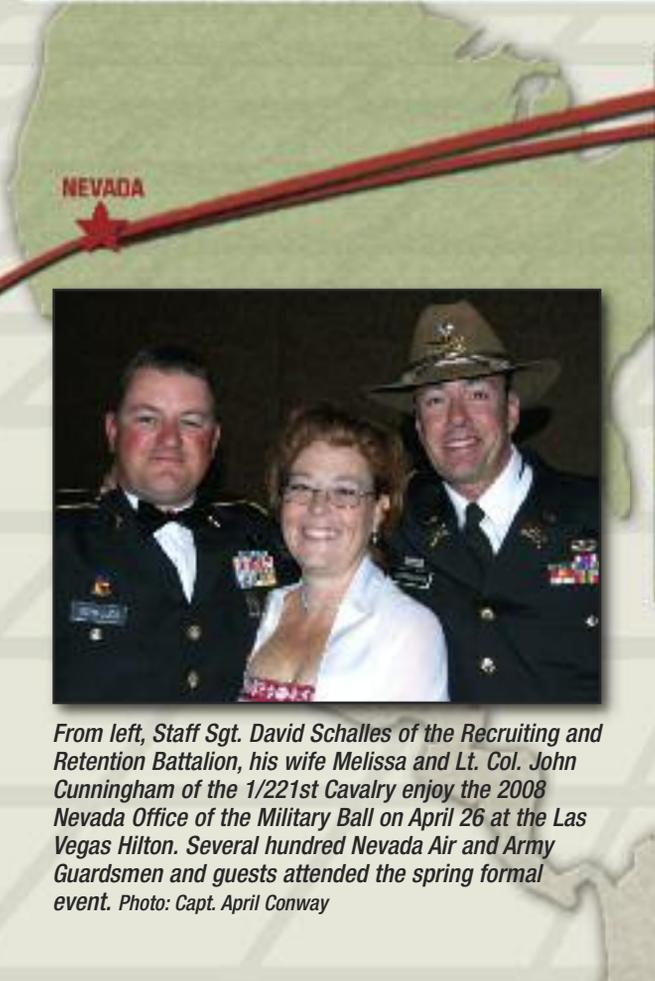


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From left, Staff Sgt. David Schalles of the Recruiting and Retention Battalion, his wife Melissa and Lt. Col. John Cunningham of the 1/221st Cavalry enjoy the 2008 Nevada Office of the Military Ball on April 26 at the Las Vegas Hilton. Several hundred Nevada Air and Army Guardsmen and guests attended the spring formal event. Photo: Capt. April Conway



Nevada Army Guard Soldiers at the Plumb Lane Armory in Reno dug deep into their closets April 30 to mark the end of the Battle Dress Uniform era. From left, Staff Sgt. Elias Perez, Sgt. Lukas Haagland, Sgt. Eric Hintermeyer, Staff Sgt. Gloria Rems, Staff Sgt. Richard Gilberti and Staff Sgt. Ivan Parsons model the outfit that served as the Army's principal duty uniform from 1981-2005. Photo: 1st Sgt. Carl Adams



Lt. Col. Les Gonzalez, the Nev. Air Guard chief of staff, prepares to plant a lemon meringue pie in the face of Col. Terry Fornof, the Nev. ANG adviser to the Air Warfare Center, as part of the Top Three Council's summer hangar party at the air base in Reno. The hangar party is a long-standing High Roller tradition. The popular pie-in-the-face fundraiser was sponsored by the Junior Enlisted Council. Photo: Tech. Sgt. Shelly Burroughs



Chief Master Sgt. Rick Depaoli of the 152nd Civil Engineer Squadron saws trees marked by the forest service at Camp Wasiu near Graegle, Calif., in June for the Girl Scouts of Sierra Nevada. The camp houses approximately 100 girls every week from June through August. Prior to the Girl Scouts' arrival, after the hard winter the camp is prepared and repaired by various volunteers. The CE squadron has helped with the camp for more than a dozen years. Photo: Tech. Sgt. Wendy Yada



Lt. Col. Jeff Mark, commander of the 140th Military Police Detachment, affixes the Multi-National Forces Iraq combat insignia patch on Master Sgt. Bud Chattin. The combat patch ceremony was held at the Sunni Mosque at Camp Victory, Iraq, in May. The 140th has been deployed since February. Photo: Courtesy of 140th MP Co.



Maj. Derek Routt of the 65th Aggressor Squadron, shown here in a 2005 F-16 photo, was recently selected to be the operations officer for the USAF Air Demonstration Squadron, the Thunderbirds. He is the first Air Guard pilot ever selected to fly with the elite team. After attending a series of military schools he is scheduled to don his blue flight suit in November. Photo: Courtesy of Tyson V. Rininger, TVR Photography



Staff Sgt. Anthony Gaspardi of the Nevada Army Guard's 72nd Military Police Company attaches a specialized Nevada license plate on one of the company's vehicles in June at Camp Bucca, Iraq. The Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles pressed about a dozen special-issue plates for the Nevada Army Guard to provide the deployed troops a familiar icon from home during their year-long deployment. Photo: Courtesy of 1st Sgt. Jacob Gonzalez

AMMONS FAMILY: *deployment veterans*

By Lt. Col. Terry Conder, Joint Force Headquarters Public Affairs

LAS VEGAS – Vary the route. Vary the time. Rely on superior firepower and training. Never get complacent. That's what you do when you're driving around Iraq.

But if an enemy is determined enough, none of that's going to stop him from taking his shot. And that's what happened June 27, 2003, when an improvised explosive device hit a Nevada Army National Guard convoy rolling through Baghdad.

Staff Sgt. Rick Ammons, a married father of three girls, was on that convoy. He survived that attack and, five years later, is now in Iraq serving on his third deployment (the second to Iraq) since the events of Sept. 11, 2001. Few other Nevada Army Guard soldiers have spent more time than Ammons in Iraq.

"I heard about the 9/11 attack on my car radio," said Karen Ammons, Rick's wife, recalling events of 2001. "I called Rick immediately. I said, 'You're leaving aren't you?'"

Karen was sure her husband was heading overseas and into combat. That didn't happen right away. But just 17 days after 9/11, the

72nd MP Co. was on its way to California to guard the Defense Language Institute and Fort Ord.

Ammons, a corrections officer with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, said the year in California was not especially memorable. After finishing more than a year of active duty there, he was activated again just two months later for his first deployment to Iraq.

"When we found out he was going overseas, it was devastating," Karen said. "I didn't understand war and what happens with soldiers or their families. I didn't know where Rick was going or what he was getting into."

What Ammons had gotten into was the heart of the insurgency at the notorious Iraqi prison, Abu Ghraib.

Abu Ghraib was empty when the 72nd arrived.



Staff Sgt. Rick Ammons stands in formation in Henderson during the 72nd MP's deployment ceremony prior to the unit's third deployment since 2001. Photo: Lt. Col. Terry Conder

"The place was dirty, rundown and filthy," Ammons said. "There were piles and piles of debris, scrap metal and trash everywhere."

Even after Army engineers finished working at the camp, conditions for the Nevada soldiers were austere.

"We had no air conditioning, no heat, no toilets, none of that stuff," Ammons said.

Eventually portable toilets arrived, but the facility didn't receive reliable power and air conditioning until just before the 72nd was getting ready to head home.

Members of the 72nd show their appreciation for the 200 pounds of ground coffee donated by the Carson City area Starbucks stores and members of the Web of Support organization. Photo: Courtesy of the 72nd MP Co.



*"I love Rick.
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and I'm going to
stand behind my husband
and support him
in any way he needs."*

—Karen Ammons

"Our mission was to guard civilian prisoners," Ammons said. "The infantry was bringing in lots of criminals, prostitutes and suspected terrorists."

While Rick was up to his eyeballs in work, Karen scrambled for any tidbit of information she could find about how her husband was doing.

"When Rick arrived in Iraq there were no phones and almost no communication with home," Karen said. "It was very stressful. Not being able to talk to him was hard on me and our girls."

As a team leader, Ammons was responsible for making sure his soldiers were properly equipped and doing their jobs correctly. The company's missions included escorting convoys on supply runs, providing security for morale calls, and transporting prisoners to courts in central Baghdad.

Ammons said the trips only lasted about 30 minutes, but they were tense and harrowing. Asked what stuck out in his mind about his tour in Iraq, he answered tersely: "IEDs and mortar attacks."

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Nevada Gov. Jim Gibbons congratulates Spc. Adam Thompson on May 21 in Iraq, after the 72nd Military Police Company soldier extended his enlistment in the Nevada Army Guard. Thompson was one of 10 72nd MP soldiers who extended their contracts on May 21, the same day the Nevada National Guard's commander in chief visited Nevada troops in the combat theater. Photo: Courtesy of 1st Sgt. Jacob Gonzales

72nd Military Police serving at world's largest detainee facility

By 1st Lt. Lee Gaston and 2nd Lt. Luis Muruato, 72nd Military Police Company

More than six months into its deployment abroad, the 72nd Military Police Company continues to be deployed at a forward operating base in southeast Iraq. The camp is currently the largest theater internment facility in the world with a detainee population of more than 19,000.

The camp is an Army operated FOB and shares duties with the Air Force and the Navy. The 72nd MP Co. has about 120 soldiers in its four platoons including its headquarters section. The company commander is Capt. David Evans and the first sergeant is 1st. Sgt. Jacob Gonzales. The unit presently falls under the command of the 530th Military Battalion and the 42nd Military Brigade.

The 72nd conducts detainee operations including security and detainee air transport operations, affectionately nicknamed "CONAIR."

The mission of the unit is the care, custody and reconciliation of civilian internees, convicted internees, local Iraqi detainees and third-country national detainees.

Officials say all detainees potentially pose a threat to local citizens and the multinational forces that operate within Iraq. The missions performed by the 72nd are rotated among the three platoons in order to give each soldier in the company experience and exposure in the different working environments.

The camp conducts operations 24 hours a day and that schedule often requires soldiers to work more than 14-hour days in a very harsh environment. Days are long and temperatures often soar past 115 degrees. Soldiers interact with detainees on a daily basis with plenty of protection including body armor, eye protection, non-lethal weapons and, most importantly, the common sense to implement force policies when needed.

The unit wants to thank a few people who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to support this company, especially P.J. Degross in Carson City. Degross is one of many local Nevadans who has unselfishly supported the unit during our time away from our families through her www.webofsupport.com organization.

Many of the Girl Scout troops in Nevada also joined together to send us more Girl Scout cookies than we knew what to do with! We would also like to thank our families, friends and the unit's Family Readiness Group. Our mission here would not be a success without your support from home and we thank you.

The 72nd MPs continue to operate as one of the Nevada Army National Guard's most dependable and most deployed units. Our mission in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom is set to be concluded by late 2008 and we are all looking forward to being home with our families just in time for the holidays! ■

Security forces set for Kyrgyzstan deployment

A few dozen Nevada Air Guard security forces airmen will be among the 500 airmen deployed to Southwest Asia in the coming weeks to support the Global War on Terrorism, according to Chief Master Sgt. David Obetz, the Air National Guard's security forces career field manager.

Obetz said airmen from units in more than 20 states and territories will be affected. The Nevada airmen are set to deploy to Manas Air Base, Kyrgyzstan, during the month of August.

At Manas, the airmen will perform the same day-to-day security details they would likely perform at any U.S. base, including patrolling the perimeter and the flight line.

Other security forces will protect personnel and equipment at Baghdad International Airport, Iraq; Eskan Village near Riyadh Air Base, Saudi Arabia; Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan; and Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq.

Security forces are typically mobilized for nine months and that time includes pre-deployment training and the 179-day deployment overseas. The 152nd Security Forces Squadron has deployed several times to numerous locations in Southwest Asia.

Patrol cap now official Army Guard summer headgear

The official headgear for Nevada Guard Army soldiers during the period of time April 1-Oct. 31 within the state is now the patrol cap. Brig. Gen. Frank Gonzales made the decision to change the headgear from berets due to the impracticality of the beret in the hot, desert environment of Nevada during the summer months. The beret will still be worn with Class A and Class B uniforms. When a soldier leaves the state the official headgear will be the beret. Commanders at all levels have the authority to require the wear of the beret at any time based on mission requirements.

Las Vegas Freedom Team salutes Army birthday

The Army celebrated its 233rd birthday in Las Vegas at the Clark County Armory on June 14 with a Freedom Team Salute hosted by ambassadors Yvette Weigold and Frank McCabe that honored more than 300 people with commendation packages.

The event included more than 100 military retirees and their spouses, parents and employers as well as numerous veterans.

Many individuals and organizations were recognized for Army support above and beyond the call of duty. For information on Freedom Team Salute, go to www.freedomteamsalute.com.

Helicopter crews complete water-landing exercises

CH-47 Chinook helicopter crews from the Nevada Army National Guard conducted successful water-landing exercises at Lahontan Reservoir near Fallon on June 4 as part of their annual training. The Chinook helicopters were from B Co., 1/189th General Support Aviation Battalion headquartered at the Army Aviation Support Facility at Stead.

The crews also conducted water-bucket training to improve their firefighting capabilities. About 40 soldiers participated in the training.

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A CH-47 Chinook helicopter from the 189th General Support Aviation Battalion headquartered in Reno practices water landings at Lahontan Reservoir near Fallon on June 5. During the course of the unit's annual training, the helicopter crews performed more than 20 water landings and take-offs.

Photo: Ben Hammack



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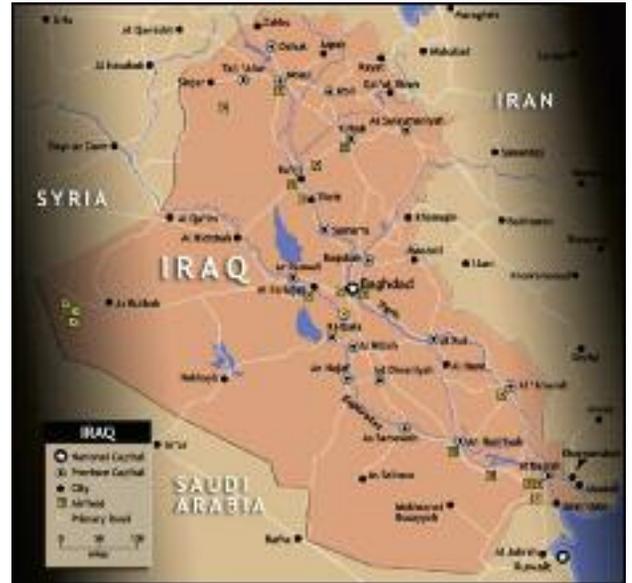
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Ammons family deployment veterans

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It was on one of those trips to Baghdad that an IED hit a convoy of Nevada Guard soldiers. A mangled steel truck wheel remains on display in the Henderson armory as a testament to the force of the explosion.

While Rick has little to say about the IED attack, Karen has vivid memories of that day.

"Rick called me when he arrived in Baghdad and said, 'We're here,'" Karen recalled. "The next day he called and said he'd call again as soon as he got back to Abu. I never got that call."

Karen said she was in panic for two days. She started dreaming up reasons and excuses why Rick didn't call back. After three days of not hearing anything, a friend contacted her and asked if she'd seen the news.

"They were reporting that we had several soldiers killed and injured," Karen said. "I immediately thought that may be Rick and I assumed the worst. At the end of the day I told the girls that I hadn't heard from Daddy. They cried, I cried, we said our prayers and went to bed."

At 3 a.m. the next day, Rick finally got a call through and reassured Karen he was OK.

Ammons is one of just a handful of Nevada Army National Guard soldiers who have deployed three times since 9/11. But neither Rick nor Karen feels they are carrying an unfair burden.

"We have a lot of new people in the unit," Rick said. "We're going to get everyone home safe."

Karen said she and her girls, Amber 16, Samantha 14, and Kylie 12, were ready for this latest deployment.

"I love Rick. I understand the military. I know he has a job to do, and I'm going to stand behind my husband and support him in any way he needs," Karen said. "The girls and I are totally committed to Rick. We are going to make this as smooth as possible, be positive and wait for Dad to come home."

When asked what advice she'd give to a family facing its first deployment, Karen answered confidently and quickly.

"Take a breath. Talk to wives who've been through it. Stay busy and don't watch the news. There are people out there who understand and support you. You are not alone," she said. ■

Nevada Air National Guard teams with North Valleys JROTC

By Lyndsey Sullivan, Joint Force Headquarters Public Affairs



Members of the North Valleys High School JROTC march in formation during their annual formal inspection parade April 11.

Photo: Courtesy of Tech. Sgt. Jon Baker

CARSON CITY – Air Force blue and North Valleys High purple is becoming an increasing familiar color combination in Nevada due to the close ties between the Nevada Air National Guard and the Panther Air Wing of North Valleys High School.

The Nevada Air Guard supports the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps by providing escorts for base visits and judges at drill competitions and annual formal inspections. The Air Guard also supplies the

aspiring cadets with uniforms and annually invites cadets to take an orientation flight in an Air Guard C-130.

“It’s so much fun to see these young men and women enjoy themselves either at their annual drill meet or the excitement on their faces as they board one of our C-130s,” said Tech. Sgt. Jonathan Baker, a Nevada Air Guard recruiter. “That means more to me than any recruiting number. I was once a cadet at Hug and Reed high schools and I think that’s where my passion for JROTC comes from.”

The Panther Air Wing was activated in March 2001 and is currently the only JROTC Air Force unit in northern Nevada. Its mission is to strengthen personal character and prepare students for their professional future.

Lt. Col. George Fleck, Senior Military Science Instructor for North Valleys High School, said the Junior ROTC programs are quite popular across the Silver State. “There are eight Air Force Junior ROTC schools in Nevada, though North Valleys is



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the only one outside the Vegas area, 13 Army programs and eight or nine Navy JROTC programs statewide.”

The close affiliation between the Panther Air Wing and the High Rollers has evolved into a close, unique relationship rarely found between a public high school and a military entity. ■

Lyndsey Sullivan is a UNR student spending her summer vacation as an intern for the Joint Force Headquarters public affairs staff. She says a close personal friendship with the copy machine will take her far in her impending career, but isn’t nearly as much fun as her previous summer plan to work on her tan.

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'Ready, Set, Go!'

Training prepares educators for deployment-related challenges

By Master Sgt. Suzanne Connell, 152nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

RENO – “Ready, Set, Go!” is the title of the training program that assists elementary school counselors, nurses and administrators in understanding the unique challenges that face children of deployed military parents.

The program is just one of several aspects of the Operation: Military Kids program. The Military Kids program operates nationwide and began in Nevada in April 2005.

Nevada program coordinators received their training in December 2005 and then implemented the statewide program in the fall of 2006. RSG reaches out to educate elementary school counselors, nurses and administrators on the needs and challenges of military youth. Participants receive interactive, hands-on training on topics including military culture; impact of grief, loss and trauma; and understanding media influence.

Nevada's RSG managers include Warren Andersen, a retired Nevada Air Guard officer and now the 4-H military and technical assistant for the University of Nevada, Reno, Cooperative Extension, and Garry Wyatt, a career education consultant for the state's Department of Education.

The collaborative effort between Andersen and Wyatt involves partnerships nationally and locally between Army youth services, the Nevada 4-H program and local 4-H clubs, military installation family program groups, the Boys and Girls Club, the American Legion and the Military Children's Education Coalition.

While the focus is on National Guard and reserve families, RSG reaches out to active duty families as well. Andersen said Wyatt's role is to offer school counselors, nurses and administrators sensitivity and awareness training.

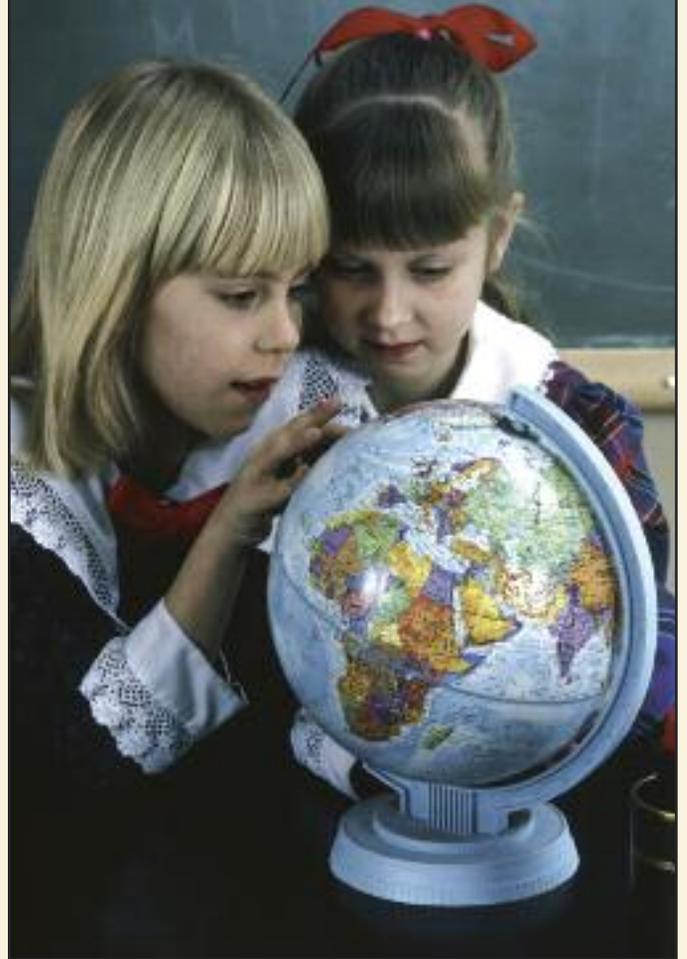
“There may be a child in the school who has a deployed parent,” Andersen said, “and what that does to a child and how it affects that child is significant.”

Andersen said the fact that many children of military members may just be living with one parent or even other relatives during deployments affects them socially and mentally.

Wyatt stressed that family is the most important stabilizing factor in a youth's life and school is the second-most source of stability. He said school officials are sometimes unaware of military deployments and their effects.

“Especially with the younger children in kindergarten through eighth grades, a lot of administrators may not know that Mom or Dad is deployed and all of a sudden the child is acting differently,” Wyatt said. “A child may go to a coach to confide in someone, but usually it's the school counselor.

“There may be a child in the school who has a deployed parent and what that does to a child and how it affects that child is significant.”



“The little guys, they'll complain of some ailment they have and go to the school nurse with, ‘I have a headache’, or ‘I have a tummy ache’ or ‘I don't feel good.’ That is where the RSG training the professionals receive kicks in to gear and they are prepared to help children in a non-judgmental, non-discriminating setting.”

Another challenge for military kids is dealing with the media. Some families choose to be very private and avoid media interviews to protect their privacy. Andersen said some families avoid media attention due to perceived negative coverage of the military. Some children are curious why more good news isn't reported, such as the news of a successful deployment concerning their father or mother.

Educators receive RSG training by attending a one-day seminar and the training can be tailored toward specific audiences. For information, call Andersen at (775) 784-6608. ■



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Top: Participants from the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, the Incline Village Community Emergency Response Team, the Nevada Army Guard's 485th Military Police Company and the Nevada Air National Guard's 152nd Medical Group display their skill in victim recovery, triage and building-damage assessment in Incline Village, Nev., on June 13 during the Vigilant Guard 2008 exercise. Photos: Tech. Sgt. Wendy Yada

Bottom left: Soldiers from the 132nd Multi-Role Bridge Company from Redding, Calif., rescue a simulated victim from the site at the mock collapsed University of Nevada, Reno, building located at the Washoe County Regional Training Complex in Reno, Nev., on June 14. During the Vigilant Guard exercise, emergency responders faced real-world challenges including the management of an unpredictable, shifting victim load and heat-related injuries. Photo: Master Sgt. Suzanne Connell



Nevada Guard emerges from the rubble trained, proven

By Staff Sgt. Frank L. Marquez, 106th Public Affairs Detachment

CARSON CITY – More than 2,000 National Guard soldiers and airmen worked alongside state, local and federal emergency responders during the Vigilant Guard exercise throughout northern Nevada on June 12-19 and successfully tested the organizations' abilities to react to a disaster and assist the state of Nevada in the aftermath of a catastrophe.

The exercise began when Gov. Jim Gibbons spoke at a news conference June 12 and announced that a simulated 7.1-magnitude earthquake had struck the Reno area and triggered widespread damage extending into California. The announcement launched the full-scale, preparedness-training exercise.

"The joint exercise has been in the planning stages for two years, and the earthquake scenario has turned out to be very timely given the recent seismic activity around Reno," Gibbons said. "Nevada must be fully prepared to respond swiftly and effectively to any emergency or disaster that may occur, including flood, wildfire or biochemical incident."

The Nevada Division of Emergency Management and the Nevada National Guard directed the exercise. National Guard soldiers and airmen from Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Washington and Utah honed their respective skills in response to the mock flooding, wildfire, biochemical incidents and evacuations that comprised the training scenarios in the aftermath of the major quake.

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City emerges overnight at Stead Training site

With mayor and population of 400, training center becomes Nevada's 23rd largest town

By Lt. Col. Terry Conder, Joint Force Headquarters Public Affairs

STEAD – The notional 7.1-magnitude earthquake that rocked northern Nevada recently to set the Vigilant Guard 2008 emergency-preparedness exercise into motion also caused a flood – a flood of first-responders, federal emergency response teams and National Guardsmen reporting for duty.

But where were all these people going to stay? Who was going to feed them? Who was going to make sure their basic needs were met so they could focus on their missions? Figuring out the logistics as first responders flood into an area is analogous to drinking from a high-pressure fire hose.

In the case of Vigilant Guard 2008, the person responsible for answering logistical questions was Lt. Col. Kevin Korcheck.

Korcheck, a 19-year veteran of the Nevada Army National Guard, was the installation commander of the Stead Training Center during the exercise. In less than 24 hours, his Stead facility changed from a quiet, out-of-the way ghost town to a tent city with more than 400 people, 60 shelters, food service capable of serving hundreds of meals per day, shower trailers, a medical team, a maintenance section, generators and even its own mayor. If ranked among Nevada's cities in population, the Stead Training Center would have ranked No. 23 during the exercise, right behind Pioche and Dyer.

Among those 400 people living at Stead were civilian first responders, FEMA representatives and National Guardsmen from seven states. There were even a group of cadaver dogs in residence.

Creating a town with such a diverse population in such a short time sounds like a daunting task, but Korcheck was perfect for the job. His calm demeanor put those around him at ease and about the only time he became excited was when he spoke about the shower trailer.

Korcheck said he heard one complaint about the tent city that he couldn't do anything about.

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Nevada Guard emerges from the rubble trained, proven

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“Most importantly in this exercise, we learned about each others’ capabilities or lack of capabilities. In a few cases, we made assumptions, but that allowed us to identify the gaps in our capabilities,” said Nevada National Guard adjutant general Maj. Gen. Cynthia Kirkland. “In the future, we’ll make sure we fill those gaps. We were fortunate to establish relationships that may not have existed before. Now we know who we are working with in other states and their capabilities.”

Brig. Gen. Robert Fitch, the incident commander and commander of the Nevada Air Guard, agreed with Kirkland’s assessment.

“Everyone wants to hit that grand slam every time, but this Vigilant Guard exercise is about identifying strengths and weaknesses,” Fitch said. “Nevada simply doesn’t have enough soldiers and airmen in the state to do what we needed to do.”

Fitch added that California stepped up to provide the extra manpower and praised the rank-and-file Guardsmen who participated in the exercise.

“We may have struggled at the senior level at times, but where things were happening, our soldiers and airmen were getting it done,” Fitch said.

Emergency response teams also trained in recovery, triage, mobile field hospital setup, evacuation by ground and helicopter resources, search and rescue, mass shelter, emergency goods distribution, hazardous chemical spill response and structural and infrastructure damage assessment.

“All of our military personnel and civilian partners, firefighters, search and rescue teams, medical teams, law enforcement, you name it – all of them said it was a great exercise because they learned about shortcomings,” Kirkland said. “This was a great learning process for all of them. As a National Guard force, we will

never respond to a disaster except in support of local or state agencies. This was a great experience to have had the opportunity to work with our civilian partners.”

Many of the agencies working in conjunction for Vigilant Guard 2008 greeted each other for the first time. Col. Michael Carlson, the Nevada Army Guard chief of staff, said the state’s citizen soldiers and airmen made a favorable impression on the other government organizations.

“Civilian first responders told me they were extremely impressed by the professionalism and level of competency of our people,” Carlson said. “They were flabbergasted. They said the expertise and experience they found in the National Guard gave them a comfort level for working with us.”

Lt. Col. Les Gonzalez, chief of staff for the Air National Guard, said everyone involved approached the exercise with a real sense of urgency.

“There was no sense of ‘this was only an exercise,’” Gonzalez said. “Our soldiers and airmen treated this as if people were really suffering. The military police, the medical detachment and the air medical section were creative and innovative at getting people out of the buildings and treating them.”

The epicenter of the mock earthquake was the area near the intersection of Mount Rose Highway and U.S. Highway 395. Training scenarios played out at sites in Washoe, Carson City, Douglas, Storey, Lyon and Churchill counties.

The federal government requires each state to conduct Vigilant Guard-type preparedness exercises and provides funding for the exercise through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Vigilant Guard 2008, the 11th such training exercise, received \$1.5 million in funding for the National Guard and the Nevada Division of Emergency Management to conduct the training. ■

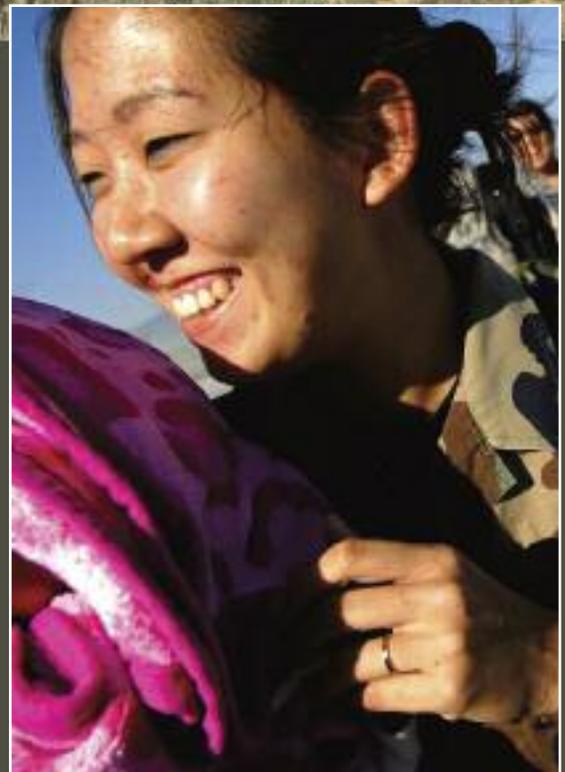


A Nevada Army National Guard Chinook picks up a mock victim from the simulated earthquake disaster in Virginia City, Nev., on June 14. Members of the Army National Guard and Storey County Fire Department worked together to transport the simulated victim as part of the Vigilant Guard 2008 training exercise. Photo: Tech. Sgt. Michelle Burroughs

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Nevada Air Guard Tech. Sgt. Don Evans (left), along with Senior Airman Jennifer Kim (center), and Tech. Sgt. Edward Oga (right), both of the Hawaii Air Guard, triage incoming simulated earthquake victim, Zen Alldredge, near the Washoe County Regional Training Center in Reno during the Vigilant Guard exercise. Photo: Master Sgt. Suzanne Connell



An airman in the Hawaii Air National Guard deplanes from a C-17 at the 152nd Airlift Wing's tarmac in Reno on June 13. The Nevada Air National Guard base in Reno handled more than 60 incoming and outgoing flights over the course of 11 days during the Vigilant Guard 2008 exercise. Photo: Master Sgt. Suzanne Connell



Senior Master Sgt. James Kenealy (far left) from the Nevada Air National Guard 152nd Airlift Wing public affairs office briefs local media on the National Guard's support and response to a simulated 7.1-magnitude earthquake at the staging area near the Washoe County Regional Training Center in Reno, Nev., on June 12.

Photo: Master Sgt. Suzanne Connell



Maj. Gen. Cindy Kirkland speaks with Reno Channel 2 KTVN reporter Linda Hosmer about the real-world implications of the joint Nevada National Guard and state of Nevada Vigilant Guard 2008 exercise at the initial news conference that kicked off the event on June 12.

Photo: Lt. Col. Tim Marsano, Idaho National Guard

City emerges overnight at Stead Training site

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"The folks from Las Vegas and Hawaii weren't used to northern Nevada nights," Korcheck said. "Temperatures were in the 40s at night here."

The only other problem that arose at the camp was actually a scenario within the exercise.

"FEMA shipped an emergency aid package to Fallon Naval Air Station and the (Army Guard's) 593rd trucked it here," Korcheck said.

That night, a group of civilian role players showed up, broke into the FEMA package, and drove off with supplies that were intended for organized distribution.

"I had military policemen, but, you

know, National Guardsmen are pretty trusting people. We have a sense of right and wrong and sometimes we think other people are just like us," Korcheck said. "When the civilian role-players showed up and acted as if they were officials involved with the exercise, no one questioned them as they loaded up their vehicles and drove off.

"The bottom line is that when people don't have food or clean water, they'll do whatever they have to to take care of their families. You have to expect that."

Other than the experience with the FEMA package, Korcheck said the most valuable lesson he learned during Vigilant

Guard was the sheer magnitude of dealing with a massive influx of people and gear.

"One of the things we found out is that you need a lot of space," Korcheck said. "The search and rescue types come in with a lot of equipment and it's not easy to secure that much real estate." ■

One day after finishing the school year, Conder, an English teacher in Las Vegas, immediately hopped a plane to Reno where he became the officer in charge of the Nevada Guard's joint public affairs office during the exercise.

Raven, Predator cameras a commander's eyes during domestic emergency

By Lt. Col. Steven Ranson and Staff Sgt. Frank L. Marquez, Joint Force Headquarters and 106th Public Affairs Detachment

FALLON – The smallest aircraft in the Nevada National Guard's aviation fleet, the RQ-11 Raven, and the most widely used combat unmanned aerial vehicle, the MQ-1 Predator, both displayed huge potential throughout northern Nevada during the 2008 Vigilant Guard emergency preparedness exercise as domestic-damage assessment and reconnaissance tools.

Ravens take flight over Nevada

As a part of the Vigilant Guard 2008 training scenario, 11 trained Raven operators, including both National Guard soldiers and airmen led by Chief Warrant Officer Bob Bagnato, convoyed to Naval Air Station Fallon's Range B-16 on June 13 to test the unmanned aerial system during a simulated domestic emergency response mission.

The Raven system features a remote-controlled, propeller airplane with the length (43 inches) and wingspan (51 inches) no bigger than a child. It is equipped with an infra-red camera and a daytime color camera and weighs only 4.2 pounds. Nevada received two "Raven A" systems in late September 2007.

The focus of the test was to transmit video from the ground control station at the Bravo 16 training area in Fallon to the Joint Operations Center in Carson City by wireless radio and video uplinks.

Military officials demonstrated the Raven's abilities with the hope that, in the future, Federal Aviation Administration flight restrictions placed on unmanned aerial vehicles might be relaxed during domestic contingencies.

"We would like to show that the Raven can be used in domestic-emergency situations such as searches for lost people, post-incident damage assessment to critical infrastructure, and up-to-the-minute video of impending flood waters or levee breaches," Bagnato said. "However, we are currently allowed to only operate in restricted airspace based on limits set by the FAA, which is why we train at Fallon NAS in their restricted airspace."

Nevada operates two Raven systems. The cost of a single Raven system, which includes three aircraft and a ground control station, is about \$270,000. Other states that fly the Raven include Alaska and New Mexico. National numbers for the entire Raven inventory are not available due to operational security.

The Nevada National Guard soldiers and airmen who operate the system can set up or break down the system within 10 to 15 minutes. If necessary, the system can be carried by two Guardsmen with backpacks. Also, the Raven aircraft can be transferred – while in flight – to a neighboring operational Raven unit.

While its use in the national air space is restricted, the Raven system is used every day in Iraq and Afghanistan. The aircraft's wartime applications include intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance.

Predator's orientation flight becomes real-world mission

What was set to be an orientation flight to show off the abilities of the Nevada National Guard's Predator unmanned aerial vehicle turned into a real-world mission for the aircraft's staff on June 13.

As part of Vigilant Guard 2008, the Nevada National Guard planned a Predator flyover to allow emergency preparedness officials to see the damage done from a simulated earthquake and its aftershocks two days earlier.



Nevada Army National Guardsman Sgt. Eric Hintermeyer prepares a Raven UAV for flight. The National Guard used the Raven to survey notional damage caused by a 7.1 earthquake in northern Nevada.

Photo: Sgt. Torin Gallo

The mission shifted to an actual event when the Predator assisted the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District and Naval Air Station Fallon with real-world missions.

Just two days before the Predator's flyover in Churchill County, the V-Line Canal breached, spilling thousands of gallons of water into pasture land eight miles west of Fallon. The canal is the lifeline for half the valley's farmers who depend on the V Line for crop irrigation.

During the flight, Dave Overvold, project manager for TCID, sat next to Nevada Air Guard Tech. Sgt. Brian Guettler in the Churchill County Mobile Command Post and requested the Predator send images of the canal breach to the command post. The canal's path falls within FAA-approved flight areas for unmanned aerial systems. Guettler then sent the visual feed to a satellite truck, which, in turn, transmitted pictures to the Emergency Operations Center in Carson City and to the Churchill County commission chambers.

Overvold looked at the images intently as the Predator slowly glided over the canals and the video showed some seepage along one of the canals. The images gave Overvold and FEMA Region 9 representatives a much better idea of the extent of the canal breach.

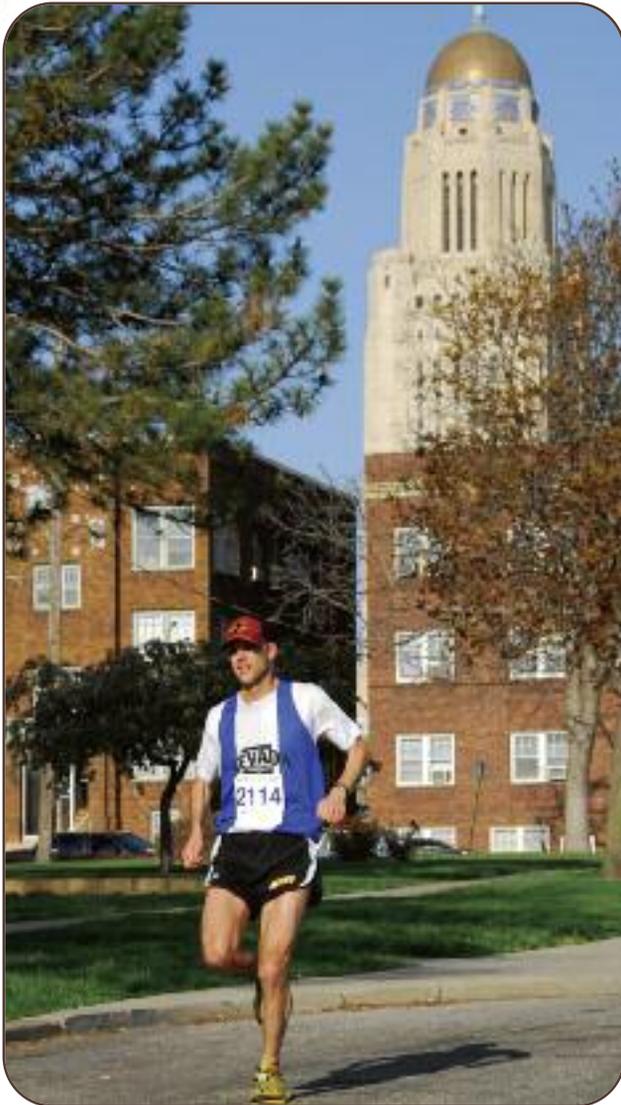
Steve Endacott, the city's emergency management director, said the Predator also checked out county and city water systems, bridges, railroad line and power plants.

Once the Predator aerial damage assessment mission of the canals began to wind down, the county EOC requested to send the Predator east of Fallon where two Navy jets had recently collided midair.

The Predator is currently produced by the U.S. Air Force and is operated by the 11th and 15th Reconnaissance Squadrons. The 11th and the Nevada Air Guard's 232nd Operation Squadron provided the Predator for the Vigilant Guard exercise. ■

SPORTS BRIEFS

Compiled by Sgt. 1st Class Erick Studenicka



With the Nebraska Capitol in the background, Spc. William Raitter of the Nevada Army Guard's Medical Detachment races to 12th place in the Lincoln/National Guard Marathon held May 4 in Lincoln, Neb. The Nevada team finished 18th among the National Guard states entered in the annual race.

Photo: Master Sgt. Alan Brown, Nebraska National Guard

Raitter named to All-Guard marathon team

Led by Spc. William Raitter's 12th place finish, the Nevada National Guard's marathon team placed 18th at the Lincoln/National Guard Marathon on May 4 in Lincoln, Neb. Raitter, 38, a dental specialist with the Medical Detachment, ran the 26.2-mile course in 2 hours, 54 minutes, 46 seconds.

Raitter's performance placed him on the All-Guard team for the 2007-2008 season, and he will compete for the National Guard throughout the remainder of the year at various races including the Air Force Marathon in Ohio and the Rock 'N' Roll Marathon in Virginia.

The other members of the team who participated in the championships were Staff Sgt. Frank Marquez (106th Public Affairs Detachment, 4:28:28), Sgt. 1st Class Erick Studenicka (JFHQ, 4:28:33) and Staff Sgt. Del Dennis (100th Quartermaster, 4:42:51).

The team results were determined by combining the overall running times of the top three members of the team.

The Oregon National Guard won the team race by a narrow margin over Utah. All three Oregon runners cracked three hours. Sgt. Troy Harrison of Pennsylvania was the top National Guard runner in 2:27. The top female marathoner was 1st Lt. Varinka Barbini of Kentucky in 3:01:45. That time was among the top ever recorded by a National Guard female runner.

The National Guard's All-Guard Marathon Team is made up of the top 40 National Guard men runners, 15 top Guard female runners and three "Super Masters" runners at the annual Lincoln/National Guard Marathon.

Call Studenicka at (775) 887-7250 for information.

Softball, football teams find wins tough to secure

The Nevada National Guard softball team competing in Carson City and the flag football team participating in the Las Vegas league have found wins tough to come by this summer.

In Carson City, the Nevada National Guard co-ed softball team has dropped its first three games. The scores were: 17-11, 25-10 and 15-7. 1st Sgt. Thomas Sauls and Sgt. 1st Class Ron Creon have been the team's top hitters.

Call Heather Bryan at (775) 887-7320 for information on joining the team.

In Las Vegas, the Nevada National Guard's 8-on-8 flag football team is 0-2 this season. The team is looking for its first score after two 26-0 losses, but the team did register its first-ever blocked field goal.

For information on joining the team, call 1st Lt. Richard Jordan at (702) 643-4220.

To report a National Guard-related sports score, call Studenicka at (775) 887-7250.

Nevadan set to compete in Turkey

Following his performance at the National Guard marathon, Spc. William Raitter was named to the 13-man squad set to compete in the Confederation Inter-alliee des Officiers de Reserve military pentathlon in Istanbul, Turkey in July.

The military CIOR pentathlon consists of five events: rifle and pistol marksmanship, land and water obstacle courses, land navigation, combat first aid and law of armed conflict.

The military pentathlon is the newest sport to be sponsored by the National Guard sports office. The other sports include biathlon, marathon running, marksmanship and leapfest parachuting.

Nevada Guard online access, training set to improve

By Capt. Jeff Johnson, 106th Public Affairs Detachment



Sgt. 1st Class Nathan Makowski of the special projects section of the training directorate in Carson City cuts some wood as he constructs one of the 30 three-computer kiosks set to be delivered to Nevada Army Guard facilities within the next few months. Photo: Lyndsey Sullivan

CARSON CITY – Many soldiers attempting to stay informed have discovered access to the Nevada National Guard network services is often frustrating and sometimes impossible when not at an armory using a Common Access Card-enabled computer.

The request for improved access has been answered with a simple addition to every soldier's basic items issue. Each soldier will soon be issued a CAC reader for his home computer. The CAC readers are a simple solution to an often complicated security issue.

"We recognize the need for network access for our traditional soldiers to use all available resources," said Lt. Col. Vernon Scarborough, chief of the Nevada National Guard's communications section.

The CAC readers will be issued by unit supply sergeants and will require each soldier to download CAC software from the Nevada Army National Guard Web site at www.nv.ngb.army.mil/army/index.cfm.

"Soldiers also need to be aware that the Nevada National Guard takes no responsibility and will provide no support for the CAC readers or software that individuals download to their personal computers," Scarborough said.

There was an initial purchase of 2,000 CAC readers for Nevada soldiers, so not all soldiers will receive a CAC reader now. The plan is to purchase and distribute the remaining CAC readers in the near future.

Armories set to add kiosks

Another measure to provide soldiers an opportunity to gain online access is the addition of 90 computer kiosk terminals set to be added in Nevada National Guard armories throughout the state.

The number of kiosks at a site will depend on the armory size; larger armories will have more kiosks. The addition of the kiosks is a response to growing demand for online Army training requirements.

"We recognize the need for network access for our traditional soldiers to use all available resources."

The list of required online courses has grown over the last few years and now includes the Army Accident Avoidance Course and Defense Integrated Military Human Resources System training.

DIMHRS is the Army's first attempt to merge the reserve and active Army pay system and is the result of a Department of Defense mandate to streamline all of the service's recordkeeping capabilities to include personnel and payroll information.

The kiosk terminals will not provide access to Nevada National Guard specific services but will allow access to Army required training through the use of Army Knowledge Online logins and passwords.

"The kiosks will be fielded and working no later than the end of the calendar year," Scarborough said.

For additional information on DIMHRS or Army online training, please go to www.armydimhrs.army.mil. ■

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Chief Warrant Officer Brett Johnston, left, and Staff Sgt. Eduardo Conde display the hardware awarded to the Nevada National Guard's Property Book Office following the Army's Supply Excellence Award ceremony June 3 in Washington. Photo: Col. Terry Sullivan

Nevada property book office adds two major awards to inventory

By Lyndsey Sullivan, Joint Force Headquarters Public Affairs

CARSON CITY, Nev. – The Nevada National Guard's Director of Logistics Property Book Office added two major supply awards to its inventory June 3 when Chief Warrant Officers Brett Johnston and Paul Pishnak were recognized for their supply excellence by the Army chief of staff in a ceremony in Washington.

Johnston won the 2008 Army Chief of Staff Supply Excellence Award for the Modified Table or Organization and Equipment Property Book Section and Pishnak placed second in the Table of Distribution and Allowances Property Book Section. Pishnak won the award in 2007.

This year marked the first time Nevada garnered two awards in the Supply Excellence Award competition.

"We've actually had a few states calling us after the inspection and requesting for us to go out and help them replicate the program we have here," Johnston said.

Though Pishnak and Johnston were the soldiers officially receiving the awards, both recognize the efforts of their supply team. They said the property book office would not have won its awards without the help of Staff Sgts. Mike Nelson, Alan Cranford and Eduardo Conde and Warrant Officer Candidate John Baldari.

"We set a high standard within the office," Pishnak said. "We are always ready to be inspected but realize there is always room for improvement."

In the future, Johnston and Pishnak hope to have other Nevada units compete in other supply competitions.

Recipients of the Supply Excellence Awards received their awards from Gen. George Casey. Conde accepted the award on behalf of Pishnak as he was unable to attend. ■

Lt. Col. Zola Ferguson recently returned from a voluntary deployment to Afghanistan in a medical-support role and provides the following recount of her experience.

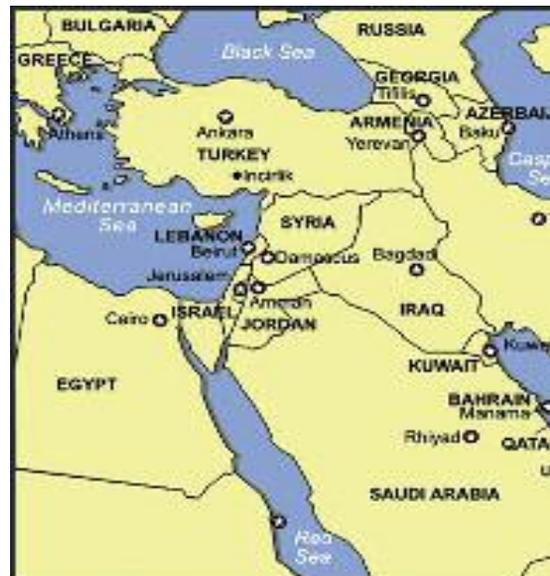
By Lt. Col. Zola Ferguson, 152nd Medical Group

My deployment journey began at Fort Riley, Kan., where I was placed on a team that provides base-support personnel to deployed locations in Afghanistan for the Army. Initially we were put through two months of pre-deployment infantry training. It was challenging and difficult, but required for all personnel deploying to Iraq and Afghanistan.

We landed in Manas Air Base, Kyrgyzstan, on Jan 2. I can't really describe the bleak cold in that part of the world in the dead of winter. There were two inches of ice on everything and we were happy to be leaving. Most of my 15-person team was sent to Kandahar to support the outlying forward operating bases from there.

I was assigned to FOB Lindsey, one kilometer east of the Kandahar Airfield. I worked at the troop medical clinic and provided care to the 250 residents of Camp Lindsey.

I also worked in the Canadian Role No. 3 Hospital, the main receiving hospital



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in southern Afghanistan for all coalition casualties. The patients arrive primarily on Apache or Black Hawk helicopters at a landing site next to the hospital.

During a typical work day, we deal with five to 20 patients with medical problems, attend a briefing or two, try to learn a new Army acronym, assist with orders for medication and supplies, advise the commander on health trends and medical issues, write evaluation letters for the troops, and try to work-out home transportation issues.

Due to the dangerous nature of the southern Afghanistan area, I have only been on one humanitarian village medical operation. It was a small village outside of the base. When the temperature gets warmer, the number of bombings increases as do the injuries. Many injuries I have treated were lower extremity injuries from blasts coming up through the floor of the vehicles. FOB Lindsey provides the medics and medical logistics to the outlying FOBs. I can inform you that placing personnel and supplies in some of the outlying areas can

be dangerous, arduous and sometimes impossible. The Army has some forward operating bases where there are only 10 guys in a far-flung outpost with no passable roads and many dangerous ambush sites along the way.

I usually spend my evenings reading, writing, answering e-mails, watching movies and participating in the occasional "bunker party." The main base is frequently mortared and that sets off the alarm for everyone to head to the bunkers, even though the mortars are aimed at the airport.

I am in the last month of my deployment

and have enjoyed the experience. I am proud to assist the brave and committed people here. It has been a rare opportunity to work with people from all branches of the service, from numerous NATO countries and take care of local nationals. I encourage everyone to take the opportunity to serve in a combat zone. ■

When not on an Air National Guard deployment, Ferguson works as a physician assistant at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Reno.



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1SG Henry StClair HHD, 991st Troop Cmd
LTC Marcy Gower JFHQ NVARNG
MAJ Cory Schulz JFHQ NVARNG
COL Terence Sullivan JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Joseph Ola C Co, 422nd Sig Bn
CW3 Christopher Wolfe HHC 442nd Sig Bn
SFC Luis Gutierrez 150th Maint Co
SFC Joseph Lavarna 150th Maint Co
1SG Dana Boucher HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SFC Scott Frey HHT, 1/221st Cavalry

Air Force Commendation Medal



MAJ David Sellen 92nd CST
SSG Baha Ishtawi 92nd CST
2LT Steven Golladay 92nd CST
TSgt Jordan Clark 92nd CST
SFC Christopher Keese 92nd CST
MAJ Dennis Fivecoat 92nd CST
CPT John Lyle III 92nd CST
SFC David Pectol 92nd CST
SSG Matthew Shilk 92nd CST
MSG Michael Spaulding NVARNG
1SG Robert Boldry NVARNG
TSgt Theresa Beggs 152nd Intel Sqdn
SSgt Walter Spargo 152nd Security Forces Sqdn
SMSgt David Tilley 152nd Civil Engineer Sqdn
SMSgt Robert Montgomery 152nd Civil Engineer Sqdn

Army Commendation Medal



SPC Helman Roman HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
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Maj Mark Hall 152nd Security Forces Sqdn
LTC Debeeann Boyd JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Bruce Combs JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Rosana Knebl Guzman JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Ronald Pitts JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Shauna Reese JFHQ NVARNG
SFC Thomas Sauls JFHQ NVARNG
SSG Sonya Stevens JFHQ NVARNG
SSgt Christopher Apis 92nd CST
TSgt Jordan Clark 92nd CST
SFC Ulises Pierluissi 92nd CST

SSG Rosemarie Fred NVARNG Rec/Ret
SFC Michael Hale NVARNG Rec/Ret
SFC Wade Mendenhall NVARNG Rec/Ret
SSG Elias Perez NVARNG Rec/Ret
SPC Kayla Watford NVARNG Med Det
SGT Joseph Young NVARNG Med Det
SGT Michelle Tucay NVARNG Med Det
SSG Damon Gray HHC 442nd Sig Bn
SGT Autumn Janoss HHC 442nd Sig Bn
SGT Curtis Terry 240th Engineer Co
SGT Kyle Geller 72nd MP Co
SGT Michael Badger 150th Maint Co
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SSG Damon Gray K Trp, 1/221st Cavalry
SFC Darren Green K Trp, 1/221st Cavalry
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1LT Barron Vanmeurs K Trp, 1/221st Cavalry
SPC Mark Bright HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SPC Julian Brix HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SPC Jason Crockett HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SPC Saintil Doree HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SGT Salvador Orozco HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
SGT Gil Reeder HHT, 1/221st Cavalry

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SSG John Fansler 92nd CST
SGT Joseph Giglio 92nd CST
SSG Joe Sherych 92nd CST
SSG Matthew Shilk 92nd CST
SGT Tommy Rodriguez NVARNG
SSG Phillip Daniel NVARNG

Army Achievement Medal



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SPC Stacy Warner NV Counterdrug Task Force
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SPC Jeffrey Dooley NVARNG Med Det
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SPC Abigail Green NVARNG Med Det
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SSG Phillip Daniel 992nd Troop Cmd

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SPC Kenneth McCarthy 106th Public Affairs Det

Order of Nevada



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CW4 Larry Ceragioli 991st Troop Cmd

Nevada Distinguished Service Medal



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Nevada Medal of Merit



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SSG Damon Gray C Co, 422nd Sig Bn
SSG Suzette Schrupp C Co, 422nd Sig Bn
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SPC Timothy Miller 1/168th MEDEVAC
SPC Kenneth McCarthy 106th Public Affairs Det
SGT Lukas Haaglund L Trp, 1/221st Cavalry
PFC Jacob Lopey L Trp, 1/221st Cavalry
PFC Anthony Ralph Jr. HHT, 1/221st Cavalry
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SFC Alan Hennig Jr. 992nd Troop Cmd
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SPC James Wiseman II C Co, 422nd Sig Bn
PV1 Donald Reynolds III HHT, 1/221st Cavalry

Nevada Humanitarian Service Ribbon



SPC Dennis Kemp 485th MP Co

Nevada Overseas Deployment Ribbon



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 MSgt Robert Butchko 232nd Operations Sqdn
 TSgt Gilberto Carrera. 232nd Operations Sqdn
 TSgt Christopher Couture 232nd Operations Sqdn
 SSgt Timothy Mader 232nd Operations Sqdn
 SSgt Gerardo Navarro. 232nd Operations Sqdn
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 SSgt Tracy Woodfolk 152nd Civil Engineer Sqdn
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CW2

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W01

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 Gina Kohl 152nd Log. Readiness Sqdn
 Robert Boody 152nd Maint Sqdn
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CHANGE OF COMMAND



Incoming commander Lt. Col. Ted Wertzberger accepts the colors of the 232nd Operations Squadron from Maj. Gen. Cindy Kirkland, The Adjutant General, at the unit's change of command ceremony in late May at Creech Air Force Base. Wertzberger was previously the director of operations for the 232nd. He took the reins of the squadron from Lt. Col. Steve Sikes, who retired. Photo: Courtesy of 232nd Operations Squadron

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EVENTS SCHEDULE

 Drills

 Other Functions

 AT

 Holidays

SEPTEMBER 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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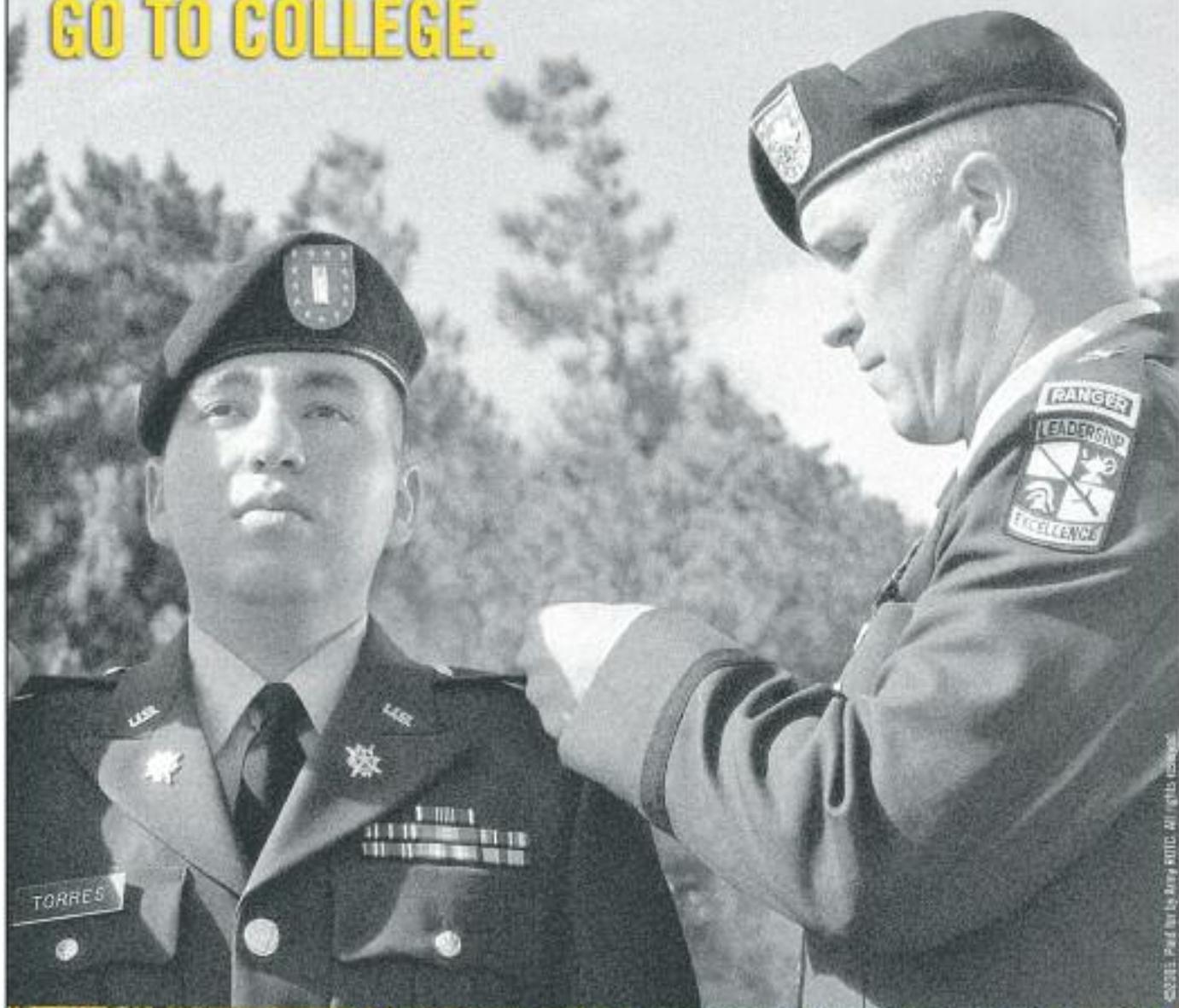
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5 HHC, C-Co, 1/168 AVN, 1/221 CAV Main Element, 3-140 S&S, NVRANG JFHQ, Med Det North, Med Det South, HHD 991 TC, 106 PAD, 150 MC, 1/189 AVN, 100 QM, 1/221 CAV Supporting Element, 152 AW, 152 IS	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 593 POL Co, 421 RTI	18 593 POL Co, 421 RTI, HHD 992 TC, 1864 TC Co, Det 1 72 MP Co, 137 MP Co, 485 MP Co, HHD 421 RTI
19 593 POL Co, 421 RTI, HHD 992 TC, 1864 TC Co, Det 1 72 MP Co, 137 MP Co, 485 MP Co, HHD 421 RTI	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 NEVADA DAY, HALLOWEEN	

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 3/140 S&S, NVRANG JFHQ, HHD 991 TC, 152 AW, 152 IS, 106 PAD, 150 MC, 1/189 AVN, 100 QM
2 3/140 S&S, NVRANG JFHQ, HHD 991 TC, 152 AW, 152 IS, 106 PAD, 150 MC, 1/189 AVN, 100 QM Daylight Savings Time Ends	3	4 Election Day	5	6	7 1/168 AVN, 1/221 CAV Main Element	8 1/168 AVN, 1/221 CAV Main Element, Med Det North, Med Det South, 1/221 CAV Supporting Element
9 1/168 AVN, 1/221 CAV Main Element, Med Det North, Med Det South, 1/221 CAV Supporting Element	10	11 VETERANS DAY	12	13	14 HHD 421 RTI, 240th ENG, 777 ENG 1864 TC, Det 1 72 MP Co	15 HHD 421 RTI, 240th ENG, 777 ENG 1864 TC, Det 1 72 MP Co, HHD 992 TC, 593 POL Co, 137 MP Co, 485 MP Co, 421 RTI
16 240th ENG, 777 ENG 1864 TC, Det 1 72 MP Co, HHD 992 TC, 593 POL Co, 137 MP Co, 485 MP Co, 421 RTI	17	18	19	20	21	22
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