Reorganization... By the time you receive this issue we will be well into reorganization and many of you will be wondering why it happened. Why me, rather than another individual or another unit? Those are fair questions and I want to answer them.

First, of all, Army War Plans change from time to time based on plans and national policies. As a result, some units become excess and other types are needed. During the 1980's when civil disturbances were frequent, the Army authorized many additional MP units. Now with few civil disturbances, a number of those MP units are being removed from the Army troop list. Since Ohio had more MP units than most states, we were selected for reduction of MP units by the National Guard Bureau. Faced with such a choice, we retained the MP units with the most vehicles and radios since we have greater capability in the event patrolling or escort duty in state the mission is required. Army plans changes also dictated the loss of engineer water pumps in Cincinnati and the dump truck company in Toledo.

Another factor creating a need for reorganization was our inability to achieve required strengths in some areas, most notably in the Cleveland and northeastern Ohio areas. Faced with a choice of retaining either engineer or armored cavalry units, logic dictated retention of engineers with relocation in some instances. Engineers have the skills and equipment to participate in community action programs and natural disaster recovery operations to a greater extent than does the armored cavalry unit.

In summary, reorganization decisions resulted from changes in national plans, the need for some areas to meet the strength required by assigned National Guard units and the need to retain units which would be most beneficial to the state in the event the need arises.

As in every reorganization, some people are adversely affected. They are required to retrain, lose their assignment or potential promotion or are forced to relocate to retain their rank or civilian technician position. This is unfortunate but let me assure you that in the five reorganizations of the National Guard we have witnessed, those who continue to work, try to learn their new branch or assignment and encourage others to do likewise to generally survive and promote that is the trademark of the Guard. The ability to be flexible, answer every call and do any job.

I encourage each of you to accept the reorganization and work to make the change a success. If you are adversely affected and feel you cannot be happy and effective in your unit, talk to your commander about a transfer to another unit. He will try to work things out. If you are unsuccessful at unit level, contact the friendly Inspector General.

So you will have to make a decision and the fact we would like to keep everyone and find each of you a job where you would feel useful. Now to two other points I want to stress. These are really concerns of officers and senior NCO's. The first is, even you, the PFC or Corporal down there can help do something about the problems. These are:

1. **Taking Care of Your Own:**
   - We all have to think that we take care of "our own." But do we? During the "Go Guard" about 1,900 new or prior service personnel were brought into the Guard. It is inevitable that some of these people may have pay problems, promotion difficulties or not know how to request equivalent training. Probably the fellow or gal who needs attention most is the junior enlisted person who has just returned from basic training and is receiving individual training. He has just completed some very rigorous training and desires the respect of having "made the grade." It won't be hard to spot this guy; He'll probably always do what He's told. He won't say much or complain about his problems. Take the time to be a big brother or sister to someone who may be just too overwhelmed by the bigness of the Guard. Remember, we are not professionals. Maybe you can't solve his or her problem, but your interest will say more than you know.

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New Grants Available at Rio Grande

In line with its ever-increasing role as a "partner in education" the Ohio National Guard recently announced a new tuition grant program at Rio Grande College/Rio Grande Community College in Rio Grande, Ohio.

Ten one-year grants are now being offered at Rio Grande to Ohio residents who are current members of the National Guard, or previous members of the active or Reserve forces who have completed military basic and advanced individual training.

To be eligible for the grant a prior service person must be willing to enlist in the Guard. A current member of the Ohio Guard must extend his or her enlistment for at least two years. Those who have two years or more remaining on their six year Guard obligation are also eligible.

The grants, valued at an estimated $266 each, are now available for the Fall Quarter beginning Sept. 6, 1977. The deadline for applications is Aug. 1, 1977.

The grants are open to individuals who have at least one year residency in Ohio and who will enter Rio Grande as freshmen only.

Those interested in applying for the grant should contact their local Ohio National Guard armory; fill out the mail-in coupon accompanying this article; or call toll free 1-800-352-7318.

Earlier this year the Ohio National Guard announced tuition grant programs at both Hocking Technical School and Ohio University.

Mail to: 2Lt Victor Dubina, AGOH-RR, 2825 W. Granville Rd., Worthington, Ohio 43085

Yes, I'd like more information on your tuition program at: (check one)

Ohio U
- Hocking Tech
- Rio Grande

Name
Address
Phone No.

Ohio University grants are still available. According to BG James Abraham, Adjutant General for Army, the estimated value of tuition grants donated to the Ohio National Guard now exceeds $100,000.

The general added, 75 grants have been offered by Ohio University, 30 from Hocking Technical School, and 10 grants from Rio Grande College/Community College.

Notes from the Assistant AG

The time is rather late to consider any further applications for the Ohio U tuition grant program. However, if you have applications that you feel strongly about and believe you have someone we want in the program, a good potential future officer for the Ohio National Guard, then by all means expedite those applications to us. They will receive serious consideration and we'll make every effort to place them.

The problem at this point is getting these people off BCT and back again. This takes about nine weeks including processing even though the requirement for BCT is only seven weeks. One of the important considerations is that we're able to get them off for this training and back in time before school starts.

Leadership...

Now I would like to talk about something else—a subject that is probably more important to us today than ever before and that is LEADERSHIP. Many talk about it but few really understand what it's all about. Every day I'm amazed at the number of people whose concepts of leadership are purely mechanical or stereotyped and never really understand the heart and soul that goes into it.

Leadership is getting others to do things that they normally might not want to do. When they do them, it's because for some unknown reason they want to. That unknown quantity is most often leadership. Many are prone to stand back and talk about it in an abstract sense but the real leader is the guy or gal who is there with the troops, who focuses on the troops, who is part of the troops, and provides the motivation to get them to do things they never did before. It is in this achievement that one finds what I call the "joy of leadership"—the thrill of motivating people to do the things they ordinarily wouldn't do.

For example, the squad leader is part of the squad. He's part of the troops in that squad and how well that squad performs is directly dependent and related to the leadership he exhibits. He doesn't stand aside and put the squad through its paces; he is part of the squad. His job includes insuring that they are well trained, that they perform well, that they are watched over for their basic needs. As that squad begins to perform like true professionals, that's when the "joy of leadership" starts to become evident.

The leader sits back and enjoys those qualities that were brought out because of the motivation that was provided. We talk about the need for an effective chain of command, for the need to restore the authority of the noncommissioned officer and all this is true. However, it's not very often that you hear about the responsibility that goes with these concepts. Authority becomes total abuse when it's not coupled with a full understanding of the responsibility that goes with it.

Are you on the team?

Our responsibility is troops, to motivate them, to make them realize their importance and why they're in the National Guard. We're responsible for the quality of people that we bring into the Guard. All this isn't done by some nebulous entity. It's us—we who are members of the National Guard. So, it boils down to one of two things. Are you a member of the team or are you one of the Monday night quarterbacks who can only see what is being done wrong without realizing that we're responsible for at least part of the things that we ourselves criticize?

JAMES M. ABRAHAM
Brigadier General
Asst Adj Gen for Army

A LETTER TO THE WIVES OF OHIO NATIONAL GUARDSMEN:

We know how it is... Your husband is away at drill with the Ohio National Guard, or on field training, or maybe mobilized to meet emergencies at home, or halfway around the world...

... And meantime you have field problems of your own... maybe the water heater blows up, or the car won't start, or if the children get sick or they become too much to handle alone... and, unfortunately, you are alone.

We'd like to express our sincere thanks for your understanding of your husband's desire to serve our country, state and community through his participation in the Ohio National Guard.

We know that without your cooperation, he would find it difficult to be away for his monthly training assemblies and his two weeks of annual training each year.

We're aware that you miss him during this time; but we know that you share, with him, a sense of pride in his contribution to the national defense and the State of Ohio.

We want you to know that we're always ready to hear from you on any questions you might have concerning the Ohio National Guard and your husband's activities in it.

Once again, thank you very much for your cooperation and your support of the Ohio National Guard.
It Makes "Cents"

Perry Boasts Great Accomodations

Looking for a vacation close to home that won't wind up costing you an arm and a leg? Few Guard members and their families know about the great accommodations awaiting them at historic Camp Perry, located along Lake Erie five miles west of Port Clinton, Ohio.

Camp Perry is Ohio's only state-owned military reservation. During both world wars Camp Perry was turned over to the federal government and was used as a reception and training center and a prisoner of war impoundment. The many small huts were originally used to house prisoners.

The camp has some of the finest rifle ranges in the world, including a 1,000 yard range. Many national-level matches have been held at Perry since 1907. Camp Perry is used throughout the year by units of the Ohio National Guard for training, maintenance, range firing and annual training.

During the warmer months of June through September, the camp becomes a beehive of military and civilian activities.

By Spaces Available

The Clubhouse at Camp Perry is a year-round operation. Accommodations in the Clubhouse area range from single motel rooms to cottages and recreational vehicle parking.

Specialist Fifth Class Daniel Starr and his wife Gerry are responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Clubhouse complex.

According to Dan, the Clubhouse area features 27 newly remodeled cottages. Each cottage has room for up to four and is fully equipped with bedding, pots, pans, dishes and towels. "All you need to move in are your clothes and food," he said. In addition, each cottage is fully heated and air conditioned. No pets are allowed.

Dan credits the 612th Engineer Bn., 112th Engineer Bn. and 372nd Engineer Bn. with performing most of the renovation work at Perry. "I personally think they've done a fantastic job," said Dan.

The newly remodeled cottages aren't the only attraction at Camp Perry either—the nearly 300 foot beach frontage facing the Clubhouse complex is "one of the cleanest in the entire west end of Lake Erie."

During the summer months two full-time life Guards are on duty from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week.

Twenty-eight recreational vehicle parking spaces are available complete with hook-ups for water, sewer and electric. Guard members pay only $5.25 per day for these slots. Pop-top campers (with no hook-up) pay only $2.25 per day.

RECREATION GALORE!

In addition to safe swimming and great perch fishing, recreational opportunities abound in the Clubhouse area. Shuffleboard, volleyball and horseshoe equipment are available and baseball enthusiasts can check out balls, bats and gloves.

The Camp Perry accommodations are even more inviting to Guard members and their families because of the close proximity to the giant Cedar Point Amusement Park. Perry is just 18 miles from this midwestern fun spot.

RESERVATIONS A MUST

Advance reservations are a must for those desiring to use the facilities here. Reservation forms are available through your AST. Additional information can be obtained by calling Dan or Gerry Starr at (419) 635-2519.

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Great Accomodations...

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and annual training.

FAMILY FUN is available at the nearby Cedar Point Amusement Park. The park is open every day through Labor Day from 9 a.m. to at least 10 p.m. There are also two bonus weekends after Labor Day. A number of new rides are featured at the park including the Loop the Loop (above).

Story and photos by Bob DeVoe

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The fact that the Ohio Army National Guard has a band was probably one of the best kept secrets in the state.

Now, however, the talented members of the 122nd Army Band have spread word of themselves through their music.

When Specialist Four Michael Geschke joined the Guard nearly five years ago, he didn't know the 122nd Army Band existed. In fact, he didn't find out about the band until he had spent nearly three years with an engineer company in Cleveland. Even though Geschke knew he would be traveling from Cleveland to Worthington one weekend a month, he requested a transfer.

But the distance Spec. 4 Geschke travels to play in the band doesn't seem that unusual to him. "A lot of guys and girls in the band do a lot of traveling to play," he said. "In fact, he added, "I have a guy living in Pittsburgh right now, and he's in the band."

"People come from all over the state to join the band," Geschke said. "I think everyone understands that if you want to be in the band, you have to make the sacrifice."

Spec. 4 Geschke was first interested in music at the age of 12. "I realized then that this was something I might want to pursue," he said.

His interest in music has taken him to a career in teaching music to elementary and junior high school students in the Strongsville School System.

Geschke, like many other band members, plays two instruments, the trumpet and baritone horn.

The musician explained in his own words why he would like to see all members of the band be able to play at least two instruments: "We have a concert band and a stage or dance band," he said, "and at the strength we're at now, a lot of people can play in both of the bands."

It's not as hard to become a band member as some people think, Geschke said. "I would have at least a few years behind you in playing an instrument, and be a pretty good musician."

Lack of leadership is one reason band members cite for discontent. But recently the information officer for the state, Lt. Don Vickers, was appointed band manager.

"I think there was a dead period in which we didn't have any leadership, and I think that's a bad morale factor," Geschke said. "Now, however, Geschke feels that because of the new emphasis on management, the band morale has improved.

Spec. 4 Geschke also feels that the band members travel far and work hard for one reason: "Let's face it," he said, "musicians are hams. If they have something to work for, something to play for, that group pays out 100 per cent." The group's need to perform will probably be more than satisfied in the future. Band requests have increased sharply during the past few months. As a matter of fact, bookings have already been confirmed for 1978.

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A Tribute to the Officers and Men of the 148th Infantry Bde.

(Up on your transfer to the 73rd Infantry Bde.)

"You've been a nice job well and you swell up with pride. And what is there greater than when your young lad Points with his finger and yells "That's my dad!"

All got together through seventeen years Makes leaving you guys cause a few tears. Thanks for your help, your guidance, your care You made me a man, because I've been there.

You worked like hell and made us the best The rest fell behind when put to the test. You made us down, who have gone before, Look to the future and keep giving some more.

A few of us know what our country's about Most guys just talk, others just pout. But a guy in the sky watches over you You bastard that work in the Infantry Blue.

The Hours and days of honor and The perfect slot for To a life that is different, to a life that is hard. Your family, your job and your friendships, you see Cannot conflict in priority.

Still there are times that you know deep inside That you've done your job well and you swell up with pride. But the distance Spec. 4 Geschke thinks that's a bad morale factor."

According to John P. Lucas, Assistant Veterans Employment Representative for Ohio, extensive outreach and public information programs are conducted in an effort to reach all veterans in need of employment. In addition, employees are assisted in finding veterans who are qualified and trained for jobs they have to fill.

Each state has one or more veterans employment representative employed by the federal government. These representatives are trained and informed about placement opportunities available to veterans, and they work closely with employers in the development and location of jobs for veterans.

To apply for ES assistance, contact the local office of the State Employment Service (see state government listings in the phone book). Veterans should ask for the local veterans employment representative. New applicants fill out application forms, are interviewed and then referred to the office where services can be provided. (AMVETS)

NGAUS Sponsors Photo Contest

This year, the National Guard Bureau and National Guard Association of the United States are again sponsoring a nationwide photo contest open to all Guard members. Entries must be received on or before August 1, 1977.

There will be four $150 cash prizes and four $75 cash prizes. Only photographs taken between July 1, 1976, and August 1, 1977, are eligible for this contest.

Entry forms for the contest are available from MSG Bob DeVoog, ACGON, PA-10, 3225 W. Granville Rd., Worthington, OH, 43085.
Customized vans adorned the 37th Engineer Battalion's Armory in Middletown recently as Company A held its First Annual Armory Van Show. Over 35 customized vans were on display to the public and area high school seniors were admitted for free. On the outside, the unit set up a G.P. medium tent filling it with recruiting displays and miscellaneous equipment. Captain Gerald R. Schoettmer, unit commander, indicated the van show will become an annual event at the armory. The one-day show drew nearly 300 visitors to the armory.

New Hall of Fame Member

ONGA Honors General Kreber

By Bob DeVoe

The Ohio National Guard Association (ONGA) held its Annual State Conference in Toledo April 22 and 23. Highlight of the affair was the posthumous installation of the late Major General Leo M. Kreber into the ONGA Hall of Fame. The award was presented to Mrs. Kreber, who was the guest of honor during a formal dinner on April 23.

After receiving the honor on behalf of her late husband Mrs. Kreber emphasized, "No one is more thrilled or appreciative than I." She added, "He (Gen. Kreber) was always a gentleman, a true military man, and a real friend to everyone who served with him."

General Kreber was a former Ohio Adjutant General with a military career that spanned 43 years. During World War II he served as commander of 37th Div. artillery.

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New Exchange Policy

Earning Statements are Needed Now

The Department of Defense has announced a change in the policy on the use of exchange facilities by Guard and Reserve personnel. Currently, unlimited exchange privileges are authorized for all Reservists and Guard members who perform inactive duty training, in either a pay or non-pay status, on the basis of one day of exchange privileges for two inactive training drills.

Reservists and Guard members may choose any day to use the exchange, within the validity period. Spouses will not be allowed to enter the exchange alone, and all register transactions must be completed by the service member. LA or ES?

Due to the change in policy, service members will now be asked to present either a letter of authorization (LA) or an earning statement (ES). These documents will be stamped to indicate that a day of exchange privileges has been used. For the rest of that day, the LA or ES will be accepted as an admittance pass into all exchange concessions.

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The LE should include the validity period (12 months from the date of issue), the number of days of exchange authorized, the name and social security number of the service member and spouse and the signature of the unit commander. Also on the LE will be two blocks with the numbers 1 through 10. These blocks will be stamped when the soldier has used an exchange day.

The ES is to be used by Reservists and Guard members who perform inactive duty training in a pay status. This form should include the name of the service member, the date of issue, and the number of drills performed.

To estimate how many exchange days the member has, divide two into the number of drills. (This sum should be added into the appropriate space on the ES.) A date will be stamped on the ES when the member has used a day of exchange service.

The service member's spouse will not be listed on the ES. Instead, the spouse will be required to present some type of identification in order to enter the exchange service. (Plain Talk)
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Major General La Vern E. Weber, Chief, National Guard Bureau, received his Bronze Minuteman from the Ohio National Guard Association. The presentation was made by LTC Robert Zimmerman, Secretary of the Association. Mr. Weber was cited for his outstanding support of the association.

SGT Dave Schroeder and Master Sergeant Klaus Siebert, recruiters for the 100th Tactical Fighter Group, Toledo, received the Ohio National Guard's Outstanding Unit Recruiting and Retention Trophy recently. Cori will receive the scholarship to Ohio State, renewable for four years valued at $1500 per year. She is planning to major in microbiology with an ultimate goal of attending medical school. LTC Williams is 53 for the 73rd Bde.

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What! No Hash Marks?

The design is the same for all Federal Career Service Awards, but for 10 and 15 years, a bronze emblem is awarded, and for 20 and 25 years, a silver emblem. The Civil Service Commission says that employees completing 30 through 50 years of service will be may be awarded a gold emblem with an added feature: a ruby, sapphire or diamond inset. However, the jewel inset is included at the discretion of the department. DoD awards a gold emblem with ruby stone for 40 years of service, and a gold emblem with a diamond stone for 50 years.

This newly designed emblem is one of several DoD military and civilian awards which, in accordance with Defense policy, is presented in recognition of employees' achievements and goals. For civilian employees with previous military service, the Federal Career Service Award also includes the amount of time spent on active duty.

VA Announces Dividends

The Veterans Administration has announced it will pay a record $403.4 million in GI insurance dividends during 1977.


Approximately 3.5 million World War II veterans who maintained their GI insurance policies will receive $368.1 million, at the average payment of these veterans of $104, an increase from the 1976 average payment of $95. Some 114,800 World War I policy-holding veterans will receive $23.1 million in dividends, an average of $202 up from $183, and nearly 95,000 Korean Conflict veterans who kept their GI policies in force will receive $12.2 million in dividends, at the average payment of $22, up from $18.

These dividends represent a return to policyholders of funds not used to pay the cost of the insurance. In recent years, dividends on most VA insurance policies have increased because of lower interest rates.

The Veterans Administration says dividend payments will be made automatically on the anniversary date of the individual policies. First checks were mailed in early January 1977.
Off to Belgium

OFFICERS WIVES CLUB members Jo-Allen Griffith (left), and Frances Johnson (center) present a "Bon Voyage" cake to Joan McDermott, while labeling the last issue of BUCKEYE GUARD. Her husband, LTC Barry McDermott, served as an advisor to the OWC and is being transferred to Belgium with the active Army. Also pictured is a plaque presented by State PIO to the wives for their volunteer efforts in labeling 23,000 BUCKEYE GUARD magazines every other month. (Photo by Don Vaquera.)

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Buckeye Bits

The 140th Transportation Company in Covington recently received a Superior Unit Award acknowledging the unit's outstanding performance.

The award, issued by National Guard Bureau in Washington, was accepted by Captain Thomas Kinninger, commander, and First Sergeant John Beeman.

The "Go Guard!" incentive drawing was held recently, with nine people winning prizes valued at $100 or more.

First place winners were presented with a 21 inch color television. Second and third place winners received a $200 and $100 savings bond respectively.

In the enlisted category the winners were:

Private Frederick Campbell of Btry A, 2d Bn., 154th ADA; Specialist Four Neil Ketcham of Co. C, 207th Eng Bn; and Staff Sergeant Louis Hendrickson of the same company.

In the recruiter category winners were:

Sergeant First Class Guy Gennett of HHT, 2707th AC; Specialist Four Jack Taylor of Btry A, 2d Bn., 174th ADA; and Sergeant First Class Wilbur Shanklin of the 37th Eng Bn.

The winning officers were:

Major Harold Lyon of HHD, 112th Med Bde; Captain James Carter of 564th Engr Det; and Second Lieutenant Thomas Petta of Det 1, Btry C, 2d Bn., 174th ADA.

Nearly 130 Ohio Air National Guard members from the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing at Richland AFB took part in a transatlantic deployment to Ingolstadt, West Germany, in May.

The deployment was designed to demonstrate the close working relationship that exists among the NATO allied air forces and the capability of the Air National Guard to rapidly deploy forces to Europe when required," said Brigadier General Harry L. Cochran, Wing Commander.

Army Aviation Support Facility Number One, Greensburg, received a letter recently from the Commandant of the Ninth Coast Guard District in Cleveland thanking him for providing helicopter standby for the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Arundel while they were being bestowed by ice in Lake Erie. Rear Admiral J. S. Graczy sent the letter to the OWC unit.

About 10 members of the 181st Weapons Systems Security Flight spent a recent LTA working at a camp for the mentally retarded.

The Security Policemen put up a mush dance at Camp Liberty Hill near Chillicothe. An inspection team checked the work in two days.

A spring jamboree round and square dance, featuring the music of "The Skyh Ones" was held at the Bighalter Armory last month.

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donated to the Armory's 11th Annual Retired Children's Christmas Party.

Cadets from the Parma Cadet Squadron 1103, Civil Air Patrol, recently toured Company D, 1st Bn., 167th Armored Cavalry.

The tour was conducted to show cadets and junior members the opportunities available to them in the Ohio National Guard.

Captain Bryan Stefler, Squadron Commander, is also a sergeant with the 2d Bn.

Parma Cadet Squadron 1103 is rated the number one squadron in the state, according to Captain Patricia Stefler, Squadron Executive Officer.

The officers and enlisted men of the 2d Bn., Ohio Army National Guard, at their Air Reserve, Brook Park, were saluted by the Ohio National Guard during a military dinner and ball on May 6.

Col. James C. Good, Ohio Army National Guard, presented a Guard appreciation plaque and letter of appreciation from Assistant State Adjutant General James Abraham to Colonel Peter Carlinga, hospital commander.

Prison inmates from the Granton Honor Farm are receiving training at the Ohio National Guard state training site at Camp Perry, Ohio.

Colonel Ted Mason, Camp Superintendent, said house prisoners are receiving training in plumbing, carpentry, painting and electrical work to help them in finding the on-coming month's crop of parolees and employment upon their parole from correctional institutions.

The Supreme Court of the United States has upheld the constitutionality of Title 10 section 8331 c.

This decision reaffirms that members of the Reserve Components prior to Aug. 16, 1945, while serving on active duty during World War II or the Korean War, are not entitled to non-regular (Reserve Component) retirement pay.

The decision does not affect those individuals with reserve component service after August 16, 1945. (AGOH)

Two Ohio Army National Guard helicopters were on display at the Ayrsville High School athletic field in Defiance. One of the helicopters was kicked off its Annual Radio Controlled Air Show.

Nearly 200 radio aircraft, valued at over $250,200 participated in the show.

Guard Shooters Bag 7 Trophies, 31 Medals

Ohio National Guard rifle and pistol teams continue to chalk up honors around the country.

A six man ONG rifle and pistol squad recently won honors at the Forces Command Military Shooters' Competition at Kansas City, Kansas.

They competed against 30 other states and active Army, Reserve and National Guard shooters.

Buckeye Guard marksman Staff Sergeant Ernest Tracy took first place in the M-14 rifle matches.

Sergeant Joseph Pancarella took second place in the .22 caliber pistol competition.

Overall the Ohio shooters won seven trophies and 31 medals to give them the number two rating against first place Louisiana.

Second in State

The Buckeye pistol team also participated in the State Pistol Matches at Canton, Ohio.

Sergeant Pancarella captured the State pistol championship for the third year in a row with .380 Cal. Semmerhorn carrying in a close second.

In the team matches, the Ohio squad won the .22 caliber team match; but were nudged out of first place in the .45 caliber event by a single point.

World Game Bound

Sgt. John Bedwell, sergeant of the 324th MP Company, recently attended the National Guard's Allied Target pistol matches at Black Horse Canyon, Ariz.

He won the NRA Regional Pistol Matches during the event and as a result was selected to participate in the National Guard International Pistol Squad, and is eligible to attend the World Games to be held in Korea in the fall of this year.

Checklist Offered by Tech Personnel

The State Technician Personnel Office now offers a checklist for use when applying for technician positions in the Ohio Army and National Guard.

For additional information call the Technician Personnel Office at (614) 466-5457 or write Adjutant General's Dept., ATTN: TN, 2825 W. Granville Rd., Worthington, OH 43085.

Wives Club News

The Other Half

By JO-ELLEN GRIFFITH

The Officers' Wives Club greeted Spring 1977 with a flurry of activities, including a fund fair to raise money for a new swimming pool and beef for a beef stew.

Pancarella, the member of the Buckeye Club, was selected to represent the Ohio National Guard during the National Guard State competition in Ft. Riley, Kansas.

The Ohio Army National Guard at the U.S. Army Academy in Fort Benning, Georgia, won the World Class Championship in the M-14 rifle match.

Two Ohio Army National Guard helicopters were on display at the Ayrsville High School athletic field in Defiance. One of the helicopters was kicked off its Annual Radio Controlled Air Show.

About 10 members of the 181st Weapons Systems Security Flight spent a recent LTA working at a camp for the mentally retarded.

The Security Policemen put up a mush dance at Camp Liberty Hill near Chillicothe. An inspection team checked the work in two days.

A spring jamboree round and square dance, featuring the music of "The Skyh Ones" was held at the Bighalter Armory last month.

Proceeds from the dance were (Continued on Page 15)
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