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Leslie to command 123 AW; Harden selected for state HQ

Moremen assumes vice commander duties

By 2nd Lt. Dale Greer
Wing Public Affairs Officer

Col. Clifton W. "Bill" Leslie Jr. will assume command of the 123rd Airlift Wing during a ceremony to be held this morning in the base hangar.

Leslie, who has served as the wing's vice commander since October 1996 and is a 30-year veteran of the Kentucky Air National Guard, will replace Col. Michael L. Harden, who has been named executive state staff officer for headquarters, KyANG. Harden has served as wing commander since May 1995.

The changes are driven in part by a desire to expand the responsibilities to the executive state staff officer, or ESSO, said Col. Richard W. Ash, assistant adjutant general for air.

"In the past, the ESSO has always been a resource for the adjutant general and the assistant adjutant general for air, but I want to improve the working relationship between headquarters and the wing by making that position a valuable tool for wing commanders, as well," Ash said.

Ash said that is especially important because of the changing role of the Air National Guard, which is becoming more integrated with active-duty troops through the Air Expeditionary Forces concept.

Harden, who will now divide his time between Frankfort and Louisville, is a natural choice to assume the expanded ESSO responsibilities because he understands the wing commander's needs intimately, Ash said.

Ash also praised Harden's management ability, which will be crucial for remodeling the ESSO's function.

"In my experience with the Air National Guard, Col. Harden's tenure has been the best four years that any wing commander has ever had, and I have extreme confidence in his abili-

ties. He is such a self-motivated individual that I know I can give him a set of guidelines, turn him loose, and the job will get done well."

Col. Harden's move to state headquarters leaves some pretty big shoes to fill at the wing level, but Ash said Leslie has the experience to hit the ground running.

"This is a guy who's done it all," Ash said of Leslie, who, in addition to nearly three decades of duty in Kentucky, has served as Air National Guard Advisor to the Commander, United States Air Forces in Europe.

"His understanding of operations, from both a local and global viewpoint, makes for a winning combination of leadership through experience."

Leslie's tenure at USAFE has other benefits, too.

"Many of the contacts that Col. Leslie made in Europe are now back in the states in key positions in the Pentagon and around the country," Ash said. "That can really help us in areas like securing needed resources."

Leslie's previous post of vice wing commander is being filled by Col. David B. Moremen, whom Ash described as "a great manager."

"Col. Moremen has a very keen ability to look at a systemic problem, get to the root cause and come up with a very workable and practical solution," Ash said.

"That's an invaluable asset for the vice commander to have."

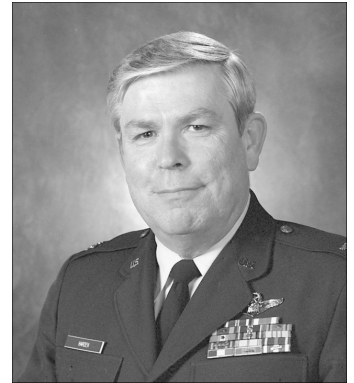
Moremen, who has served as commander of the 123rd Operations Group since November 1992, is an 18-year veteran of the Kentucky Air National Guard.

COL. BILL LESLIE

Col. Leslie was born in Boston, Mass., and grew up in Flemingsburg and Louisville, Ky. He graduated from Louisville's Fern Creek

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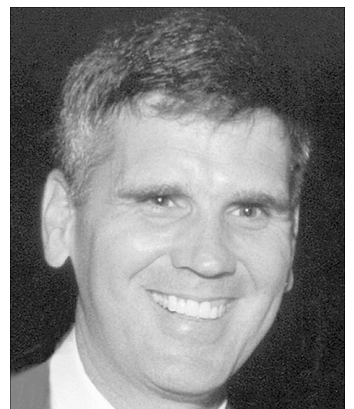
NEW POSTS



Col. Michael Harden
Executive State Staff Officer



Col. Bill Leslie
123 AW Commander



Col. David Moremen
123 AW Vice Commander

Wing's accomplishments in past four years are a tremendous source of pride

I

It has been a dynamite four and a half years that I have been the commander of the 123rd Airlift Wing.

Unfortunately circumstances dictate that my tenure as commander must shortly come to an end.

I must be honest and say that it is a situation that I am not entirely happy about, but as the old saying goes, "all good things must come to an end."

What I can be happy about is what we have accomplished together during these past four years, and I say "together" because I truly believe that the key to leadership is the ability to get people on your side to accomplish mutual goals.

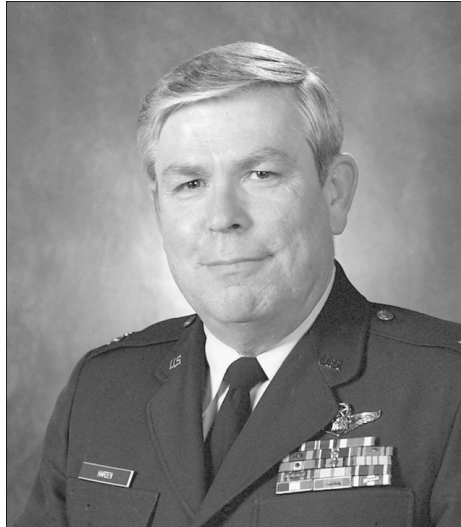
You folks quickly got on my side, and the rest was easy. You had faith and trust in me to set the right course, and I had faith and trust in you to let you go about accomplishing the tasks necessary to get us there. I think I did my job, and I know you did yours!

I could fill this column and even this entire issue with accounts of the awards we have won in the last four years; but you already know about those, and I hope that you are as proud of them as I am.

If you are not, then maybe I haven't done my job because you are the reason that things get done around here and you deserve to feel the pride that goes along with being a part of a first-class operation.

And make no mistake: The 123rd is a first-class operation. We have first-class facilities, we have state-of-the-art aircraft, but most of all, we have first-class people who constantly do what it takes accomplish the mission.

From day one, I preached combat readiness



Col. Michael L. Harden
123rd Airlift Wing Commander

and mission accomplishment — and from day one, you responded.

You responded in such a way that made the 123rd nationally recognized as a unit that not only talks a good game but plays it as well.

You responded not because it was demanded of you, but because we allowed you to. We didn't force you to do all of the wonderful things that you have done. You did them because they were the right things to do for the unit and our country.

We tried to make policy for the best of you, and not the worst. We concentrated on the 99 percent of you who wanted to do the right thing, and not the 1 percent who didn't.

You responded!

We tried to make decisions in the light of

day with input from anyone who was affected by the decision. We didn't shirk from the hard decisions but avoided decisions based upon arbitrary or hard-headed reasons, and we tried never to make a decision in a vacuum.

The times that we screwed up by not getting all of the needed input, we set about trying to fix it.

You responded!

We honored the voluntary nature of the Guard and did not commit the unit to missions and taskings until we knew that you could do it.

You responded!

We gave you the resources to do your job and only asked that it be done according to applicable policy and regulation. We tried not to over-manage or make demands or decisions that we weren't qualified to make.

Again, you responded superbly. You have done everything I have asked you to do — and more.

I have said many times that there is no place that I would rather be, or no other job I would rather have, than in Kentucky as the Commander of the 123rd Airlift Wing.

I said that when I became the commander, and your response during my tenure has done nothing but reinforce that thought.

It is an honor to be your commander, and I can truly say that the 123rd Airlift Wing is "A powerful, harmonious military organization, comprised of proud citizens, dedicated to the profession of arms, prepared to successfully wage war, and provide world-class service to community, state and nation."

Thanks loads!

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Campaign aims to raise \$30,500 for charities

Annual event benefits nearly 1,300 agencies at home and abroad

By 2nd Lt. Dale Greer
Wing Public Affairs Officer

Basewide fund-raising efforts for the 1999-00 Combined Federal Campaign kicked off Oct. 7, and the unit is already well on its way to reaching this year's goal of \$30,500.

Several wing organizations, including the KyANG First Sergeants' Council, Thoroughbred Club and Officer's Fund, have made sizable donations to the charity, giving nearly \$3,000 in the drive's first week.

Individual contributors have also made their marks through "leadership giving," with wing commander Col. Michael Harden, Col. Bill Leslie, Lt. Col. Rich Frymire and Senior Master Sgt. Russ Slinger donating almost \$4,000 combined.

Of course, campaign organizers don't expect everybody to donate such generous sums.

"Every little bit counts," said Lt. Col. Rich Frymire, who is helping coordinate the KyANG effort. "By giving even \$1 a month, you can help make a difference in someone's life."

The wing's drive is part of the Combined Federal Campaign of Louisville, Southern Indiana and Fort Knox, which acts as a kind of charity fund manager, distributing the donations of federal employees to public-service agencies like the United Way, Special Olympics of Kentucky, Kosair Children's Hospital and the Center for Women and Families.

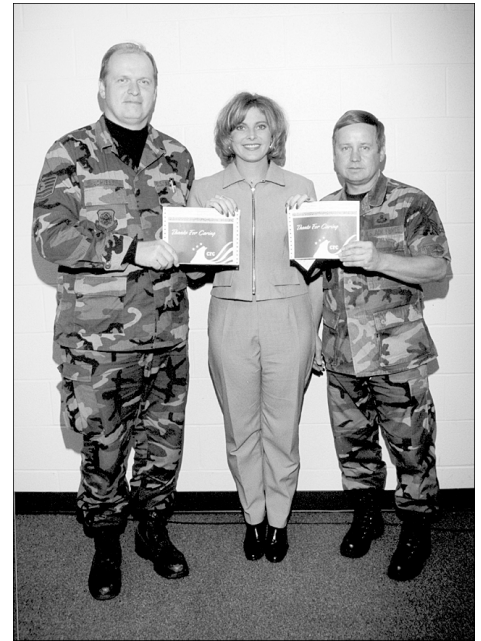
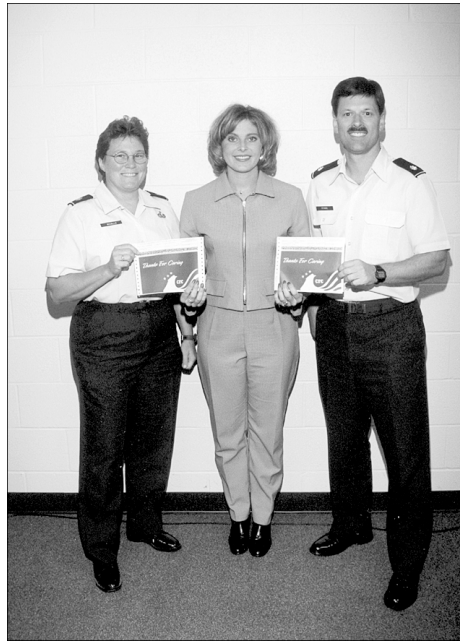
Contributors can earmark their donations for any one of the nearly 1,300 local, national and international charities listed in the CFC Catalog.

"This is an opportunity for federal employees to improve the quality of life in our community and help those who are less fortunate," Frymire said.

"Every gift has a tremendous impact on those around us."

And those gifts quickly add up, Frymire said.

For just \$750, local relief agencies can provide daytime meals and shelter to 100 home-



Tech. Sgt. Mark Rines/KyANG

LEFT: Maj. Mary McCallie, treasurer of the KyANG Officer's Fund, and Lt. Col. Rich Frymire present Pam Ottersback, CFC Manager for the Louisville area, with pledge cards during the basewide fund-raising kickoff Oct. 7.

RIGHT: Representing the Thoroughbred Club and KyANG First Sergeant's Council are Tech. Sgt. Ted Schiess and Chief Master Sgt. David Orange, who donated \$500 and \$2,000, respectively.

less people. A dozen at-risk youngsters can receive vital leadership and self-improvement counseling for only \$1,000, and twice that figure will put food on the tables of 80 struggling families.

To help the wing reach this year's goal, which represents a 7 percent increase over the 1998-99 total of \$28,422, organizers are offering incentives to full-time Guard members.

These include water bottles for donations of one hour's pay per month; and crystal eagle paperweights for donations of at least four hours' pay per month.

Traditional Guard members aren't left out, however. Even though part-timers can't contribute through biweekly payroll deductions, they can make one-time donations that qualify them for prizes like restaurant gift certificates, hotel accommodations and movie passes, said Staff Sgt. Latonia Trowell, wing headquarters CFC representative.

The prizes will be awarded through

raffles held during the October and November drills. Each \$2 donation qualifies for one chance at the raffle, while a \$5 gift nets three opportunities to win.

Every contributor, whether a traditional citizen-soldier or a full-time Guard member, will be entered in a grand-prize drawing for a pair of round-trip tickets to any Delta Airlines destination in the continental United States.

While such prizes do offer an incentive to give, the most rewarding reason to donate may be the personal satisfaction that comes from helping others.

"This is the right thing to do," said Harden, who is CFC chairman for the Louisville area.

"We're pretty fortunate around here, and I'm just pleased to share some of that good fortune with people who need it."

Tables will be set up in the Thoroughbred Express Dining Facility during the October and November drills so that everyone has a chance to contribute to the campaign, Trowell said.

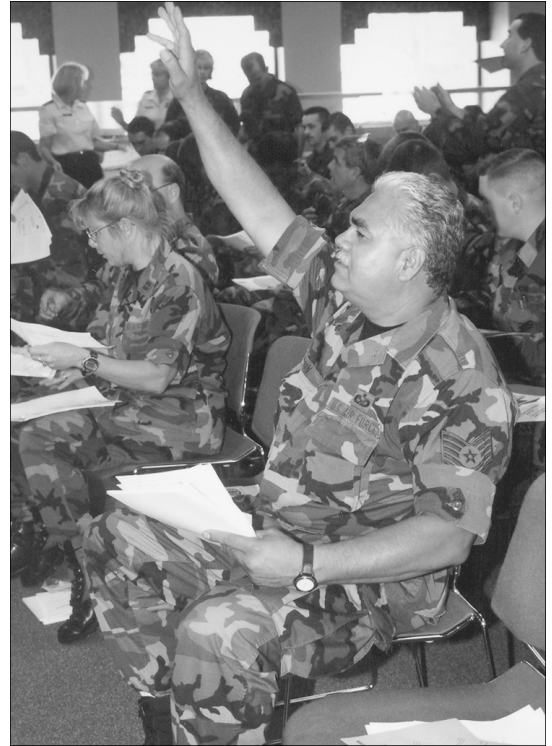
Desert DEPLOYMENT

RIGHT: Tech. Sgt. Pete Rendon asks a question during September's deployment processing for Oman.



KyANG photos by Senior Airman Aleica Dennison

ABOVE: Master Sgt. Diana Nelson and Maj. Greg Nelson conduct pre-departure briefings for the group, which will support Operation Southern Watch through December as part of Air Expeditionary Force 1.



First shirt position open in 165th AS

The 165th Airlift Squadron has an opening for a first sergeant and will be conducting interviews during either the March or April unit training assembly.

For more information, contact Lt. Col. Paul Rhodes, squadron commander, at ext. 4468; Master Sgt. Barbara Hagans at ext. 4626; or the Base Retention Office at ext. 4604.

Martin completes Air Force Marathon

Tech. Sgt. John R. Martin completed the third-annual Air Force Marathon at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base on Sept. 18, covering the 26.2-mile course in 5:48:14.

"I felt a great sense of accomplishment when I crossed that finish line," Martin said.

Corvette Museum providing discounts to military members

Cargo Courier Staff Report

The National Corvette Museum has designated November as "Military Appreciation Month" and will offer a reduced admission price of \$1 to veterans and current service members.

The museum, which is located in Bowling Green, Ky., provides the discount each year in conjunction with Veteran's Day to honor the troops who protect our freedom, said Wendell K. Strode, the facility's executive director.

Strode, himself a veteran, said the distinctively American Corvette symbolizes the freedom we enjoy — and for which our service members have fought.

"This special automobile is an icon of freedom and American pride, and we want to take time to show our respect and gratitude to the military personnel who make this possible," he said.

Those who take advantage of the November promotion will see several special ex-

hibits, including the newly introduced 2000 Millennium Yellow Convertible.

Also on display are a Callaway ZR1 Super Natural Streetcar, the first 1993 Anniversary ZR1 used by General Motors in testing; and a 1968 Bandag Corvette, noted as the only car to race on street retreads and win.

A Goodwrench GTP Corvette, which raced from 1986 to 1988, and was driven by the likes of John & Mike Andretti and Bobby Dallenbach, also is on display.

The National Corvette Museum is a non-profit foundation dedicated to educating the public through the preservation of the Corvette's heritage.

Open daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. CST, the museum is located on I-65 at exit 28 in Bowling Green.

For additional information regarding the National Corvette Museum, visit their website at www.corvettemuseum.com or call (800)-53-VETTE. 📞

Louisville executive named new ESGR state chairman

By Maj. Steve Bullard
KyESGR Executive Director

A Louisville business executive was appointed state chairman of the Kentucky Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve during a ceremony held Sept. 14 at the Pentagon.

Raymond Zavada, president of Innovative Productivity Inc. and the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Center in Louisville, was sworn in by Charles L. Cragin, principal deputy assistant secretary of defense for reserve affairs.

The national and state committees for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve are all-volunteer organizations of military, business and community leaders dedicated to helping members of the National Guard and Reserve serve their nation by minimizing conflicts between part-time military duties and civilian career responsibilities.



Zavada

"It is with great pleasure that I accept the chairmanship of the Kentucky ESGR," said Zavada, who takes office October 1. "During the post-cold war period, we are faced with a variety of new threats to our nation. At the same time, the number of men and women in uniform are decreasing.

"We are becoming more and more dependent on our National Guard and Reserve units for the defense of our country.

"It is because of this that I believe ESGR will play a vital role in ensuring that we recruit and keep the right people in the National Guard and Reserve."

Zavada served as a captain in the U.S. Air Force, flying KC-135 Stratotankers as a pilot from 1970-1976. He served in Phu Cat and Da Nang, Vietnam, from 1971-1972; Thailand in 1973; and Pease Air Force Base, New Hampshire, from 1972-1976.

His decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Zavada is also very active in the civilian community. He serves as a sponsor for the Louisville Heritage Council/Boy Scouts of America.

He is on the board of directors of Associated Industries of Kentucky and is a member of the Louisville Armed Forces Committee, Greater Louisville Inc. and the Kentucky Network of Information Technology Enterprises.

Zavada won the 1999 Kentucky Network of Information Technology Enterprise Award.

While in Washington, D.C., Zavada and eight other state chairman appointees participated in an intense orientation program to prepare them for their ESGR responsibilities.

"The state chairpersons are vital because they provide the leadership to the 4,200 ESGR volunteers nationwide who are working to garner support from the civilian employers of Reserve and National Guard personnel," Cragin said.

"Our Reservists and Guardsmen are being used in more cases and more places throughout the world than ever before. They must have the cooperation of their civilian bosses so that they can continue to meet their military commitments.

"Today, half of the nation's military strength resides in the National Guard and Reserve.

"It is important, particularly as the role of the Reserve forces grows, that we not take the support of employers for granted.

"The state ESGR committees are a vital means to ensure that we don't," Cragin added.

The Kentucky Committee for ESGR offers several programs, including Bosslift, in which employers and civic leaders are invited to observe military training firsthand; ombudsman services for both National Guard and Reserve personnel and their employers; awards for employers who are supportive of their military employees; and breakfast and lunch meetings for employers and the military commanders who share their employees.

For more information on ESGR programs, visit the Kentucky ESGR website at www.kyesgr.org or the NCESGR website at www.esgr.org.

Bosslift flying employers to USAF Museum

The Kentucky Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve and the Kentucky Air National Guard will be sponsoring an ESGR Bosslift from the Kentucky Air Guard Base to the Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, on Nov. 10.

Eligible participants include Kentucky and Southern Indiana employers, supervisors and civic leaders who can benefit from observing military training and facilities. The cost is \$5 per person.

Participants will arrive at the Kentucky Air Guard base by 8:30 a.m. for a briefing on the mission of the unit and the role of the C-130 aircraft in today's Air Force.

Participants will then fly aboard a Kentucky Air Guard C-130H to Wright-Patterson, where they will have the opportunity to visit the world's finest military aviation museum to learn more about Air Force history.

Landing back at Louisville is scheduled for 5:45 p.m.

Participation is limited to 70 passengers. Members of the Guard or Reserve may participate if space permits.

All participants are subject to approval by the chairman of the KyESGR under Department of Defense guidelines.

For more information or to obtain a registration form, please contact Maj. Steve Bullard, KyESGR executive director, via e-mail at sbullard@mis.net; or call (800) 745-3144 or (502) 491-4737.

During duty hours today and tomorrow, Bullard can be reached on base at 4460, ext. 0. 📞

Promotions, retirements, separations & honors



The following individuals have been promoted to the rank indicated as members of the Kentucky Air Guard and reservists of the U.S. Air Force:

SENIOR AIRMAN 1st CLASS (E-3)

- Daniel Spradling II,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.

SENIOR AIRMAN (E-4)

- Virgil Cook,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- Shaun Hopkinson,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- Michael Templeman,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.

STAFF SERGEANT (E-5)

- Jonathan Wilson,
123rd Aircraft Generation Sq.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT (E-6)

- Charles Kelton,
123rd Security Forces Sq.
- Brian Miller,
165th Airlift Sq.
- Mark Moore,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- William Peak,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- Rhett Perdue,
123rd Security Forces Sq.
- Kathleen Romito,
123rd Services Flt.
- Jason Schroeder,
123rd Security Forces Sq.
- Stephen Young,
123rd Aircraft Generation Sq.

MASTER SGT. (E-7)

- Joseph Atwell Jr.,
123rd Airlift Control Flt.
- Sharon Fultz,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- Alan Shirley,
123rd Aircraft Generation Sq.
- Gregory Thompson,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.

SENIOR MASTER SGT. (E-8)

- Rose Farquhar,
Headquarters, KyANG
- Walter Tinsley,
123rd Communications Flt.

CHIEF MASTER SGT. (E-9)

- Sheila Atwell,
123rd Operations Support Flt.
- Kenneth Bernardi Jr.,
123rd Medical Sq.
- Thomas Downs Jr.,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.

CAPTAIN (O-3)

- John McCALLIE,
123rd Civil Engineer Sq.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL (O-5)

- Stephen Allison,
123rd Airlift Wing
- Joseph Charbonneau,
165th Airlift Sq.
- Ralph Matacale,
123rd Medical Sq.
- Mitchell Perry,
205th Combat Communications Sq.
- William A. Raines III,
165th Airlift Sq.

The following individuals have retired as members of the Kentucky Air Guard and reservists of the U.S. Air Force:

- Tech. Sgt. Lanny Cobberly Sr.,
123rd Civil Engineer Sq.
- Master Sgt. Ronald Ernst,
123rd Airlift Control Flight
- Master Sgt. Kenneth Goldring,
123rd Civil Engineer Sq.
- Master Sgt. James Guyton,
123rd Civil Engineer Sq.
- Master Sgt. David Hill,
165th Airlift Sq.
- Master Sgt. Johnny Phillips,
123rd Mission Support Flt.
- Senior Master Sgt. James Ray,
123rd Security Forces Sq.

- Master Sgt. John Seay,
123rd Security Forces Sq.

The following individuals have separated from the Kentucky Air National Guard:

- Senior Airman David Faulkner,
205th Combat Communications Sq.
- Staff Sgt. Robin Lewis,
123rd Logistics Sq.
- Airman 1st Class Chris Osborne,
123rd Communications Flt.
- Staff Sgt. Michele Sanderson,
123rd Operations Support Flt.
- Staff Sgt. James White,
123rd Maintenance Sq.
- Senior Airman Brian Williams,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.
- Tech. Sgt. Philip Womack,
123rd Mission Support Flt.
- Airman 1st Class Roy Yount II,
123rd Maintenance Sq.

The following individual separated from the Kentucky Air National Guard to accept appointment as an ANG officer:

- Staff Sgt. Kevin Thornberry,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.

The following members of the Kentucky Air National Guard have distinguished themselves through exceptional performance:

- Tech Sgt. Mark Rines,
123rd Communications Flt.;
Distinguished Honor Graduate,
Defense Information School
Fort George G. Meade, Md.
- 2nd Lt. Kevin Thornberry,
123rd Aerial Port Sq.;
Distinguished Graduate,
Air National Guard
Academy of Military Science,
McGhee-Tyson
Air National Guard Base, Tenn.

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Unmanned aerial vehicle a sign of things to come

By Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — No matter where Serb forces moved in Kosovo, they were under the eye of NATO forces.

Pilots sitting in control vans hundreds of miles away kept cameras and other sensing devices trained on Serb forces through use of the Predator unmanned aerial vehicle.

NATO and Air Force officials call the UAV one of the stars of Operation Allied Force.

Predators have collected intelligence, searched for targets and kept cameras aimed at Kosovar-Albanian refugees.

The aircraft also helped planners assess battle damage and sort out the chaos of the battlefield by flying over areas deemed too hot for manned aircraft.

The almost constant surveillance provided by Predators forced Serb forces into hiding. And when Serbs moved from their positions, they were spotted and reported.

If regular acquisition processes had been followed, this battlefield wonder would have been nowhere near Kosovo, officials say.

But thanks to the Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration Program, it did fly over Yugoslavia.

This was not the first time the Predator — also known as the Medium Altitude Endurance Unmanned Aerial Vehicle — has been deployed.

The aircraft aided U.S. forces entering Bosnia even before it had finished the demonstration phase.

The Predator has a wingspan of 48 feet, a length of 26 feet and a weight of about 1,500 pounds when fully fueled. It flies around 90 miles per hour, and each unit costs about \$3.2 million.

The Predator can stay in the air for 40 hours, loitering over dangerous areas while it transmits video images of what it observes.

Air Force officials are working on ways to uplink the Predator's information to manned attack aircraft.

Pilots fly the aircraft from vans at their base using controls found in a normal cockpit.

The air vehicle operators are all rated pilots who flew C-141 Starlifters, KC-135 tankers, B-52 bombers, U-2s or AWACS aircraft.

DOD officials will use the information they have gained from the Predator to build the next generation of UAVs.

The possibility for fighter and bomber roles is also being explored.

"We need to continue to take and hold the high ground," said Air Force Lt. Col. Marty Meyer, a military assistant with DOD's Advanced Technology office.

Next up is the \$10 million jet-powered Global Hawk. Made by Teledyne Ryan, Global

Hawk will be bigger and fly higher and faster than the Predator. Global Hawk will have a 3,000-mile range and 65,000-foot ceiling.

In a July 6 memo, Defense Secretary William S. Cohen said the DOD must aggressively push the requirements and acquisition process for Global Hawk.

"We are at a critical juncture in airborne reconnaissance," Cohen wrote in the memo.

"Forty years ago, we were at a similar crossroads and committed to the development of our nation's successful high-altitude manned aircraft.

"The opportunity is here to develop, acquire and integrate unmanned airborne reconnaissance capabilities into the force structure at a rapid, but prudent, rate."

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—William S. Cohen,
Secretary of Defense

Search for MIAs to resume in Korea

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The Department of Defense announced Oct. 8 that tentative agreements have been reached between DOD officials and the North Korean government to resume the search for and transfer of remains of Americans missing in action from the Korean War.

Delegations from both countries will meet in mid-October to work out details.

Operations to recover American remains from North Korea began in 1996, but were halted in June of this year in a dispute over the method of repatriating the remains.

Robert L. Jones, deputy assistant secretary of defense for prisoners of war and missing personnel, will lead a delegation to Pyongyang, Korea, in late October to accept the remains of what is believed to be four American soldiers.

Since recovery operations began in July 1996, the Army's Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii has recovered 39 sets of remains, of which three have been positively identified.

Recruiting misses goal for first time since 1979

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFP) — The Air Force Recruiting Service achieved 95 percent of its active duty goal for fiscal 1999, marking the first time since 1979 that the agency had failed to meet or exceed its enlisted target.

The Air Force sent 32,068 new airmen to basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The nurse program only recruited 70 percent of its goal of 285.

Leslie

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High School in 1964, and he earned his bachelors of science degree in commerce from the University of Louisville in 1969.

He completed the Air Command and Staff College in 1978 and the Air War College in 1983.

Leslie was commissioned in March 1969 and attended Undergraduate Pilot Training at Vance Air Force Base, Okla., before completing advanced training at Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.

He returned to the Kentucky Air National Guard in December 1970 and served as a traditional guardsman until 1978, when he was hired as a full-time flying training instructor.

He was selected as assistant flight leader in May 1980 and flight leader for the 165th Tactical Airlift Squadron in January 1981.

Leslie served as commander of the 165th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron from September 1983 to July 1985 before being named wing chief of standardization evaluation.

In September 1989, he was appointed director of operations at state headquar-

ters in Frankfort. He returned to the 123rd Tactical Airlift Wing as deputy commander of operations in July 1991.

In September 1992, he was assigned as Air National Guard Advisor to the Commander, USAFE, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

In this capacity, Leslie helped plan Air National Guard activities during operations Promise and Joint Endeavor.

Colonel Leslie is a command pilot with more than 6,000 flying hours in the T-37, T-38, RF-101, RF-4C, C-12F, C-131 and C-130B/E/H models.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with two devices, Air Medal and Air Force Commendation Medal.

COL. DAVID MOREMEN

Col. Moremen was born in Owensboro, Ky., and is a distinguished graduate of the ROTC program at the University of Kentucky, where he received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering in 1974.

He graduated from the Air Command and Staff College in 1990 and the Air War College in 1994.

In November 1974, Moremen began Undergraduate Pilot Training at Reese Air Force Base, Texas. In December 1975, he earned his wings

and received both the Citizenship and Leadership Awards from his class.

His first assignment was as an instructor pilot in the T-38 aircraft. After attending pilot instructor training at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, he returned to Reese Air Force Base and was assigned to the 54th Flying Training Squadron.

In May 1981, Moremen separated from the Air Force and returned home to Kentucky. Less than four months later, he joined the Kentucky Air National Guard, and in September 1981 became a member of the 165th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron.

By June 1986, Moremen had been selected for a full-time position as chief of flying safety, and his innovative work in the field earned him the 1988 Chief of Staff Individual Safety Award for the National Guard.

In September 1989, Moremen was appointed chief of standardization and evaluation for the 123rd Tactical Airlift Wing.

Colonel Moremen is a command pilot with more than 4000 flying hours in the T-37, T-38, RF-4C, C-130 B/E/H, and C-12F aircraft.

His decorations include the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with device, Air Force Commendation Medal and Air Force Achievement Medal.

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