

INFANTRY NEWS



THE 1990 INFANTRY Conference will be held at Fort Benning 9-13 April 1990.

All correspondence concerning the conference should be addressed to the Office of Infantry Proponency, U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, GA 31905; AUTOVON 835-5023, commercial (404) 545-5023.

THREE NEW VIDEO TAPES produced by the Fort Benning Training Support Center (TSC) are now available:

- Ranger Challenge, video tape number TVT-7-19, length 16 minutes.
- Organic Nuclear, Biological and Chemical Equipment, video tape number 931-071-3226-B, 14 minutes.
- Expert Infantry Badge, video tape number 920-071-3181-B, 51 minutes.

The tapes are available in one-half-inch or three-fourths-inch formats.

To obtain one or more of them, complete DA Form 3903 and submit it to your servicing TSC or mail it to Commander, U.S. Army Infantry Center, Directorate of Plans, Training, and Mobilization, ATTN: TSC (Building 108, Services Branch), Fort Benning, GA 31905-5273.

Local TSCs will provide the blank tapes, but requests to Fort Benning must include the appropriate number of tapes.

THE INFANTRY ISSUES and Lessons Learned Analysis System has been updated and is ready for distribution. This computer software package is a collection of infantry-related observations and issues that give a user the benefit of the experiences of other infantrymen.

There are now more than 1,800 observations in the database that have come from various sources: the National Training Center, the Joint Readiness

Training Center, the Center for Army Lessons Learned (CALL), commander's comments, Infantry Liaison Team reports, exercise reports, Reserve Component evaluations, Combined Arms Training Activity newsletters, and the Army Safety Management Information System.

The software package can be run on IBM-PC-compatible computers with hard-disk capability.

Requests for copies should be sent, along with six 3½-inch or ten 5¼-inch diskettes to Commandant, U.S. Army Infantry School, ATTN: ATSH-ES, Fort Benning, GA 31905-5420.

THE NEW MONTGOMERY GI Bill (MGIB) will take the place of the Vietnam-era GI Bill, which dies 31 December 1989. The new bill will continue to offer educational benefits to eligible soldiers.

Although the new bill is primarily intended for soldiers who first entered active duty after 30 June 1985, Vietnam-era and later soldiers may also be eligible for MGIB programs.

More information on eligibility and application procedures is available from post education centers or offices of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

A NEW LEGAL GUIDE is now available to U.S. Army Reserve members. The *Commander's Legal Guide*, produced by the office of the Command Judge Advocate at the Army Reserve Personnel Center in St. Louis, answers the questions Reservists most often raise about the Uniform Code of Military Justice and other laws.

The guide is available to commanders from the Office of the Command Judge Advocate, ATTN: DARPA-ZJA (Project North Star), 9700 Page Blvd., St.

Louis, MO 63132-5200; AUTOVON 693-7908/7909, or commercial (314) 263-7828.

THE U.S. ARMY OFFICER Candidate Alumni Association met in Columbus, Georgia, recently to renew old acquaintances and share experiences. The participants ranged from graduates of Class 1, which graduated on 27 September 1941, to graduates of Class 5 of 1984.

Among other activities, the group toured the OCS Hall of Fame and the National Infantry Museum and participated in a business meeting.

During the business meeting, a new constitution and by-laws was adopted, and the Association's name was changed to The Infantry Officer Candidate School Alumni Association.

The members also resolved to establish the Jess W. Walls Distinguished Officer Candidate Award to be presented by the Association to one graduate of each future OCS class. Colonel Jess W. Walls, a member of the first OCS class, distinguished himself in numerous assignments before becoming the first OCS graduate to command The School Brigade at Fort Benning. He also has been instrumental in organizing and operating the Association.

Regular membership is open to graduates of the OCS at Fort Benning and Fort Riley, Kansas. Associate membership is open to graduates of other OCS programs and to other persons who have made and will continue to make significant contributions to the OCS program. Annual dues are \$10.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Association may contact the Secretary, The Infantry OCS Association, P.O. Box 2192, Fort Benning, GA 31905.