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Annual Unit History

*Due NLT 01 February each year for the previous calendar year.
Refer to 28ID Military History Program SOP, dtd. 15 August 2008, for specific guidance.*

For Calendar Year: 2008

Unit: 28th Military Police Company

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Unit POC: SSG Gindlesperger, Training NCO NCO

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I. Introduction or Forward *(A brief account on the unit's origin and its accomplishments over the years and a statement about the current period covered)*

The 28th Military Police Company was organized in July 1917 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as Headquarters Detachment, Pennsylvania Supply Train. The Unit was called for service in World War I on 15 July 1917. After this period of service, the unit was demobilized on 20 May 1919, at Camp Dix, New Jersey.

The Unit underwent a series of reorganizations and redesignations throughout the 1920's and 1930's. Finally in 1941, the 28th Division was reorganized and the 28th Military Police Company was formed. In February 1941, the 28th Military Police Company along with the 28th Division was inducted into Federal Service at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania. The Unit accompanied the Division to training assignments in Livingston-Beauregard, Louisiana, Amphibious Training Center, Carrabelle, Florida; Camp Pickett, Virginia and finally the Boston Port of Embarkation with arrival in England in October 1943.

The Unit deployed with the 28th Division to Europe during World War II and performed with distinction in France, Belgium, Luxemburg and Germany. In August 1945, it redeployed to the United States and reassembled at Camp Shelby Mississippi. Inactivation occurred in October 1945. The 28th Military Police Company was redesignated the 28th Military Police Platoon and allocated to the National Guard May 1946.

The Unit was activated again as part of the 28th Division in September 1950 for service during the Korean conflict. The Company was released from Federal Service in June 1954 and Federal Recognition was withdrawn.

The Unit was reorganized and granted Federal recognition 24 March 1964 in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard at Johnstown, Pennsylvania as the 4th Military Police and Security platoon, an element of the 28th Infantry Division.

On 1 November 1965, the Company was again reorganized and redesignated as the 28th Military Police Company. During the Vietnam Conflict the Unit was designated as a Selective Reserve Force (SRF) for the period October 1966 to September 1968.

The Unit has undergone several reorganizations as a Divisional Military Police Company. Through the late 1990's and 2000's the Company has conducted Annual

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Trainings in Panama, Italy, Germany, and support Operation Jump Start and Bright Star.

The Unit deployed a Platoon to Bosnia-Herzegovina in June 2002 to provide force protection at Eagle Base near the town of Tuzla in support of Operation Joint Forge (SFOR). Another Platoon was attached to the 152nd Military Police Company, Delaware and deployed to Saudi Arabia in July 2002. They provided force protection at Eskan Village in support of Operation Desert Spring(ODS) and Operation Iraqi Freedom(OIF). The remaining members of the Unit deployed to Kosovo(KFOR) in March 2003. The Unit performed detainee operations at Camp Bondsteel in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The Unit attached a Platoon to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, Pennsylvania and deployed to Iraq in January 2005. They provided Combat Support Operations for the Brigade at AR Ramadi in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The Unit was reorganized from a Division Military Police Company to a Corp Support Company. The current configuration consists of a Headquarters Platoon, an Operations Section, and three Military Police Platoons. The Unit deployed to Iraq in June 2007 to provide Detainee Operations at Camp Cropper, Baghdad and refugee Operations at Forward Operating Base Grizzly near the town of Ashraf in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

On 08 March 2008 all of the members of the 28th MP CO travelled to Camp Virginia, Kuwait. On 12 March 2008 the Company left Kuwait in route to Fort Dix, New Jersey and demobilized during the five day cycle at Fort Dix, New Jersey from 14 March 2008 to 18 March 2008. During the demobilization cycle the soldiers that were assigned to the company from the Inactive Ready Reserve and volunteers from other various units departed to their home of record. The organic members of the 28th Military Police Company returned to a welcome home ceremony made up of friends and family on 18 March 2008. The Rear Detachment attended Annual Training at Fort Picket, Virginia May 2008. The Unit deployed one Squad+ to Camp Shelby, Mississippi in September 2008 to provide security in support of the 56th Brigade Combat Team's mobilization while at Camp Shelby.

II. Organization and Administration

A. Organization *(Select the type of organization from the pull-down menu)*

Military Police

B. Mission *(A brief mission statement and the Mission Essential Task List)*

A Corp Military Police Company that provides Combat Support Operations across the full spectrum of Army Operations by providing the five functions:

- Maneuver and Mobility Support
- Area Security
- Internment and Resettlement
- Law and Order
- Police Intelligence Operations

A mission essential task list is often defined by a new commander and circulated throughout the command. This is a valuable document because it

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illustrates how the commander sees the mission in terms of priorities. For example:

- Conduct Military Police Company Combat Support Operations
- Conduct Convoy Security
- Provide Security for Designated Persons
- Conduct Populace and Resource Control Support Operations

C. Personnel

1. Commander and Staff (Brief biographical sketches)

Commander: CPT Brad W. Pierson. CPT Pierson was born in Lock Haven, Pa. He graduated from Bald Eagle Area High School, Wingate, Pa., and from The Pennsylvania State University with a B.A. in Political Science. CPT Pierson's career began June 26, 1989 when he enlisted in the United State Army Military Police Corp. He served with the Fort Shafter Military Police Company, Hawaii for four years and then joined the 28th Military Police Company in the PA Army National Guard. His military education includes the Basic Non Commissioned Officer Course, Military Police Officer Advanced Course and the Captain Career Course. CPT Pierson's awards include the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal; Army Good Conduct Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal; Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon; Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon; Armed Forces Reserve Medal W/ M Device; Nato Medal; MG Thomas R. White Ribbon; and the General T.J. Stewart Medal. He lives in State College Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant: 1SG Scott N. Haymaker. 1SG Haymaker was born in DuBois Pennsylvania and entered into active military service with the U.S. Army in August 1988. He attended basic combat training and advanced individual training at Fort McClellan, Alabama as a military police Soldier. He completed his initial enlistment in the active Army in September of 1993 and after a brief break in service joined the Pennsylvania Army National Guard's 28th Military Police Company in June 1996 as a Sergeant and Team Leader. 1SG Haymaker's military education includes Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course, First Sergeants Course, Military Police Investigators Course, Non-Lethal Weapons Instructors Course, and Air Assault Course. He also holds a Bachelors of Science Degree in Criminology from Colorado Technical University. 1SG Haymaker has served in every NCO position in the 28th Military Police Company including Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, and Operations Sergeant and is currently the First Sergeant. He has participated in deployments to the Gulf War for Desert Shield and Desert Storm, Bosnia for peace keeping operations, and to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom. His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (4th Award), Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Army Component Achievement Medal (2nd Award), National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserves Medal (2nd Award), NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (2nd Award) and numerous ribbons.

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2. Medal of Honor Winners (Brief biographical sketches, if available, and a brief account of the action or a copy of the citation) (If none, enter "NONE")

None.

3. Others (Winners of Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Bronze Star, and other) (If none, enter "NONE")

CPT Brad W. Pierson - Bronze Star
1LT Nicole M. Molinaro - Bronze Star
1LT Todd D. Hamski - Bronze Star
SFC Anthony J Bruno - Bronze Star

III. Major Accomplishments during the Year

A. Operations

OIF 07-08

B. Training and Exercises

ASV Operator Training March 2008 at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA
Annual Training May 2008 at Fort Pickett, VA

C. Special Events

1. Unit Day Ceremonies

Operation Freedom Salute held at Johnstown on 18 November 2008

2. Civil Actions (State active duty)

None

3. Permanent Changes of Station

None.

4. Recruiting Initiatives

None

5. Other (Include community activities, morale support activities, Christmas party, etc.)

250th Ligonier Days Festival 11-12 October 2008
Boalsburg Crowd Control
Camp Shelby 56 Equipment Security Detail

IV. Special Equipment Fielding

ASV Fielding

V. Appendices

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A. Lineage and Honors Certificate

Traditional Designation: None

Historical Outline:

July 1917 Organized as the Pennsylvania Supply Train

February 1941 reorganized as the 28th Military Police Company and inducted into Federal Service at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania.

May 1946 redesignated the 28th Military Police Platoon and allocated to the National Guard.

24 March 1964 Reorganized as the 4th Military Police and Security Platoon Pennsylvania Army National Guard at Johnstown, Pennsylvania

1 November 1965 Reorganized as the 28th Military Police Company

September 2006 Reorganized from a Division Military Police Company to a Corps Military Police Company

B. Unit Citations

Campaign Participation Credit:

OIF

Decorations:

Governors Unit Citation

C. Selected Orders (Include alert orders, mobilization orders, etc)

PERMANENT ORDERS: 355-17 21 December 2003

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D. Other.

VI. Glossary (A list of words not commonly used, acronyms and their explanations)

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