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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: Bravo Company 228 BSB,

Unit Address: 900 Adams Road, Scranton, PA 18510

Unit POC: SFC Young, Readiness NCO

Unit POC Phone Number: (570)963-3859

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)*

On May 24, 1946 the unit was constituted and allotted to the PAANG as Headquarters and Headquarters detachment, 167th Transportation Truck Battalion. the unit eventually got organized and Federally recognized at Pine Grove, Pennsylvania for the Korean War on December 9, 1948. After the Korean War the unit returned to the 167th Transportation Truck Battalion. More recently, the unit served in the capacity of a maintenance company for the Iraqi Freedom Operation 2005-2006. Upon its return from the Iraqi Freedom deployment Bravo Company got transformed from having a detachment located in Taylor Pennsylvania and the main company in Bethlehem Pennsylvania to one location in Scranton Pennsylvania.

II. Organization and Administration

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

Support

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

To support the the 228 BSB and to back support the FSB and the 55th HBCT.

Conduct Deployment Activities
Sustain the Force Through Support
Conduct Support the Battalion
Conduct Tactical Movement
Conduct Recovery

C. Personnel

1. Commander and Staff *(Brief biographical sketches)*

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Commander: CPT Brian P. Sturm, CPT Sturm was born in Saigon Vietnam during the Vietnam War. He graduated from Hidden Valley High School, Murphey, Ore., and from Rutgers University with a BA double major of Biology and a minor in Chemistry, May 13, 1996. Currently he is finishing up his Masters degree at the University of Pennsylvania. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Armor Advance Course, and Logistics Transistional Course. CPT Sturm's awards are Good Conduct Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Global War on Terror and National Defense Service Medal.

First Sergeant: 1SG Doug Congdon, 1SG Congdon was born in December 17, 1953. He graduated from Carbondale area High School, PA. His military education includes Wheel and Track vehicle Maintenance, Infantry School, BNCOC, ANCOC, SNCOC, Tank Turret Mechanic, M1 Abrams Maintenance, and BFV (M2) Maintenance. 1SG Congdon's awards are Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal, Army Achievement Medal (5), Army Commendation Medal (4), Iraqi Campaigne Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Global War on Terror, National Defense Service Medal (2).

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")*

1SG Congdon Bronze Star

III. Major Accomplishments during the Year

A. Operations

Unit participated in the capacity of an External Support Group otherwise known as the "White Cell" for the 56th SBCT for their deployment to Iraq for 2009. B/CO supported the 56th SBCT at Camp Shelby in Mississippi and at Fort Polk, Lousiana.

B. Training and Exercises

A slice of B/CO trained with the 328th BSB, 56th SBCT for the OIF deployment. Training focused on field-level maintenance to maintain combat strength of the maneuver battalions. Field-level maintenance on Stryker vehicle to include all of the variances of the Stryker vehicle family. A critical skill that was crucial to maintain combat readiness was to learn the digital component of the Stryker vehicle.

C. Special Events

1. Unit Day Ceremonies

An element of the unit participated in the inauguration for the Presidential ceremony January 2009.

2. Civil Actions *(State active duty)*

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None at the present time.

3. Permanent Changes of Station

None.

4. Recruiting Initiatives

Promotional speeches at local high schools and churches.

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

Unit picnic took place on July drill 2008 at the FMS2 in Taylor, PA.

IV. Special Equipment Fielding

None.

V. Appendices

A. Lineage and Honors Certificate

Traditional Designation: Where Others Leave Off

Historical Outline:

24 May 1946 Constituted and allotted to the PAANG as Headquarters and Headquarters detachment, 167th Transportation Truck Battalion.

9 December 1948 Organized and Federally recognized at Pine Grove, Pennsylvania, for Korean War.

1 April 1954 Redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 167th Transportation Battalion (Truck).

19 August 1950 Ordered into active Federal service at Pine Grove, Pennsylvania, for Korean War

8 April 1954 Redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 167th Transportation Battalion (Truck)

23 June 1955 Released from active Federal service in Korea and reverted to state control.

31 October 1955 Federal Recognition withdrawn.

31 January 1956 Reconstituted, reorganized and Federally recognized at Fort Indian Town Gap, Pennsylvania.

1 January 1959 Reorganized and redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 167th Transportation Battalion.

1 April 1963 Reorganized and redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 228th Supply and Transportation Battalion, with Headquarters at Fort

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Indian Town Gap, and assigned to the 28th Infantry Division, organic elements organized from existing Federally recognized units.

1 March 1992 Expanded, redesignated as 228th Support Battalion (Forward), 28th Infantry Division (MECH).

19 January 2005 Deployment for Iraqi Freedom in the Anbar Province as the Maintenance Company.

1 September 2006 Reorganized and redesignated as Bravo Company 228th Brigade Support Battalion (BSB) based out of Scranton.

B. Unit Citations

Campaign Participation Credit:

Korean War
Operation Iraqi Freedom IV

Decorations: None

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

None at the present time.

D. Other.

Soldiers detached to 56th SBCT for OIF deployment and soldiers returning from Egypt and Afghanistan deployment.

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

AT - Annual Training
IOF - Iraqi Operation Freedom
SBCT - Stryker Brigade Combat Team
HBCT - Heavy Brigade Combat Team
BSB - Battalion Support Battalion