

Annual Unit History

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For Calendar Year: 2008

Unit: Troop C 1st Squadron 104th Cavalry

Unit Address: BLDG. 19-119 Ft. Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA 17003-5002

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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)*

II. Organization and Administration

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

Cavalry Troop

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

The reconnaissance troop provides the actionable combat information the squadron commander needs to conduct better-informed planning, to direct operations, and to visualize the AO. The troop accomplishes the complex task of progressively building SA in confusing environments that are characterized by nontraditional adversaries and an asymmetric application of niche capabilities and technologies.

CONDUCT AREA SECURITY

CONDUCT ROUTE RECONNAISSANCE

EXECUTE ACTIONS ON CONTACT

C. Personnel

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

Commander: CPT Timothy C Sampson. CPT Sampson was born in Wabash, IN. He graduated from Logansport High School, and from Indiana State University with a B.S. in Aviation Administration. CPT Sampson's career as began April 3, 1991 when he enlisted in the U.S Army as Intelligence Analyst. His military education includes the All-Source Intelligence Analyst Course, Primary Leadership Development Course, Officer Candidate School, Basic Armor Officer Course, Armor Advanced Course and Combined Arms Services Staff School. CPT Sampson's awards include the Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal; Joint Service Achievement Medal National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terror; Overseas Service Ribbon; NATO Service Ribbon; MFO Medal.

1SG Ahner was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania in 1968 and graduated from William Allen High School in June, 1985. He entered the United States Army in July, 1985 and completed basic training, Armor AIT School at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Upon completion of Armor School he joined the Pennsylvania Army Reserve Head of Headquarters Company, 6th Battalion, 68th Armor Division, where he served as Armor Crewmen. In March 1991 1SG Ahner joined the Pennsylvania Army National Guard and was assigned to Company B, 2nd Battalion, 109th Infantry where he served as a Rifleman. In 1991, the 2nd Battalion, 109th Infantry was reorganized to the 2nd Battalion, 103rd Armor. 1SG Ahner served as a Tank Commander in Company B. On 19 October 2001, 1SG Ahner was transferred to Company C, 2nd Battalion, 103rd Armor, serving as Tank Commander and Platoon Sergeant. While serving with Company C, 1SG Ahner deployed to Iraq in March 2004. In 1998 1SG Ahner entered into Active Duty Special Work with the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program. 1SG Ahner served as a Mobile Reconnaissance Surveillance Team Leader, Intelligence Analyst, Ion Scan Operator, Operations Manager, and currently serves as the Budget Manager. On 18 June, 2007, 1SG Ahner was transferred to Charlie Troop, 1st Squadron, 104th Cavalry, serving as Troop First Sergeant. In November 2007 1SG Ahner deployed to Egypt with the 1st Squadron 104th Cavalry in support of Multinational Forces Observers. 1SG Ahner continues to serve as Charlie Troop First Sergeant. 1SG Ahner is a graduate of Columbia Southern University in Orange Beach, AL, where he earned an Associates of Applied Science degree, in Business. He has also completed PLDC, BNCOC, ANCOG. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal w/4 oak leaf clusters, Iraq Campaign Medal with two Battle Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal w/ 4 oak leaf clusters, National Defense Service Medal w/Bronze Service star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Overseas Service ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/bronze hourglass and M device, NCO Professional Development Ribbon w/numeral 3, Army Service ribbon, Overseas Training ribbon, Multinational Forces Observers ribbon. 1SG Ahner resides in Lehighton, PA with his wife Jessica, two daughters, Clair-Ann (age 16) and Alexandria (age 12) and son, Braden (age 6).

2. Medal of Honor Winners - None

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

III. Major Accomplishments during the Year

- A. **Operations** – Deployed as part of the 1-104th Cavalry Squadron to Mult-national Force & Observers - 51 Sinai, Egypt.
- B. **Training and Exercises** – Conducted a Troop level Scout Exercise and SPUR ride in Egypt
- C. **Special Events -NA**

1. Unit Day Ceremonies

2. Civil Actions (*State active duty*)

3. Permanent Changes of Station

4. Recruiting Initiatives

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

IV. Special Equipment Fielding

The Troop continued modularity to its new MTOE by receiving seven M3 CFV's and two M1151 Up-armored HMMWV. The unit also fielded M4 carbines and M240B's just before its deployment to MFO-51.

V. Appendices

A. Lineage and Honors Certificate

C TRP traces its origin back to 1898 with the establishment of the "Governor's Troop" of Pennsylvania Cavalry that was drawn from the MT Greta area. The "Governor's Troop" served in the Second Army Corps attached to the corps headquarters. The unit served in Puerto Rico in August of 1898. The modern C TRP was established in 1995 stationed at FT Indiantown Gap.

B. Unit Citations

C TRP was awarded the "Governor's Unit Citation" for its service in Bosnia in 2002.

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

D. Other.

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