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Features

22 New Wings

The Army Guard operates 42 of the 20-year-old Irish-built Sherpas, light cargo aircraft that can takeoff and land sometimes right in the heart of combat. But the Army is pushing ahead with plans to spend more than \$1 billion to put 33 new "future cargo aircraft" to work by 2011 and retire the Sherpas. Although assigned to the Army Guard, the Guard chief views the aircraft as a new joint opportunity.

26 'Unimaginable'

News reports in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina hit some big issues, gave three-minute sound bites to some of the people on the ground then moved on. National Guard was in New Orleans during the cleanup and interviewed one Guardsman who offered his stories and perspectives on the cleanup and Guard reaction to the disaster.

30 A Conversation with Francis J. Harvey

Dr. Francis J. Harvey became secretary of the Army last year with the Army in the middle of transformation and thousands of troops fighting the war on terror. After one year, Doctor Harvey says it's been an education, particularly with the Army Guard—and their seamless cooperation at home and abroad with the active component.

34 Never Too Late

This month, the National Guard Association will recognize six Medal of Honor winners in the Medal of Honor Gallery at The National Guard Memorial. From a late-19th century Rough Rider to veterans who served from Manila to the Ardennes and Vietnam, their stories reveal the lengths true heroes go when fighting for their country.

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