

154th Ftr Gp (AD) HANG

Hickam AFB, Hawaii

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"TRY ONE" PROGRAM SETS GOAL OF 104 NEW MEMBERS BY 30

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FROM THE COMMANDER "TRY ONE"

Air National Guard units throughout the nation are on a total recruiting campaign. The best recruiters in any campaign. outfit are its present members..this means you and I, all of us.

Our national goal is to maintain or better the 72,000 strength level by 30 June 1963. To accomplish this goal, the 154th has been assigned a quota of 104 prior service airmen by June.

NGB has provided an assist in the use of the "TRY ONE" program, directed at prior servicemen and former guardsmen. For them, a ONE YEAR enlistment is allowed, in which they can observe and know our mission.

WE NEED YOUR KOKUA... SPREAD the word to your relatives and friends who were in the service. Tell them about the 154th) Ask them to call Hickam 434-Ext. 48-271 or 49108 for details...or to drop in at Headquarters. Urge them to "TRY ONE" on the 154th.

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JAMES R. ASHFORD Colonel, HANG Commander

The 154th is joining nation-wide efforts to boost Air National Guard strength by participating in the "TRY ONE" PROGRAM.

All personnel are being urged to publicize and promote the program of inviting prior service (Regular or Reserve) personnel to "TRY ONE" on the 154th. Our goal is 104 new members in the Group by 30 June.

"TRY ONE" derives its name by its objective of having those with prior military service sign up for a one-year hitch as Air National Guardsmen.

As an added incentive, the Hawaii Air National Guard will make monthly awards to the person responsible for bringing in the most new members each month. At the conclusion of the recruitment . program on 30 June 1963, a grand prize of a mainland trip will be awarded to the person bringing in the greatest number of new Air National Guardsmen.

Pass the word along and have your friends "TRY ONE".

GENERATE STATE ADJUTANT VISITS GROUP

Saturday's roll call formation was high-lighted by Major General Robert L. Stevenson's visit to the 154th. The new State Adjutant General briefly addressed the Group and presented fifteen-year HNG service awards to Lt. Col. Duncan; Majors Carr, Duvauchelle, and Lota; and Captain Carlos, Accompanying General Stevenson in his inspection of Group activities were Brig. General Valentine A. Siefermann, Commander HANG, and Colonel James R. Ashford, Group Commander.

FEDERAL ANG PAY NOT TAXED BY THE STATE OF HAWAII

ELIGIBILTY FOR ADDITIONAL FLYING TRAIN-ING WITH PAY CLARIFIED

Federal Air National Guard pay is not taxable income for State tax purposes and no deductions are withheld. This Federal pay should not be included in your State tax return and Copy D of the W-2 form should be destroyed. The State pay which airmen receive for field training, however, is taxable income for both State and Federal tax purposes.

ANG pay must be declared and filed with Copy B of your W-2 form when filing your Federal tax return. Quarters and subsistance allowances paid during periods of active duty are not taxable and are excluded from your W-2 form.

REMINDER TO PERSONNEL PERFORMING YEAR-ROUND FIELD TRAINING

Be sure that you complete the form "Statement of Physical Condition for the Purpose of Performing Year-Round Field Training" on the day that you report for field training. Copies of this form are available at the sign-in table located in Group Headquarters. This form must be completed on the first day of each ACDU-TRA (Active Duty for Training) tour.

HEXT MONTH'S DRILL DATES

9. 10 March

Attention Personnel on Flying Status; All absences from scheduled drills which are not made up by performing appropriate duty makes you ineligible to perform additional flying training with pay for the remainder of that pay quarter.

Appropriate duty must be performed within 15 days prior to or following the drill missed in the same month as the scheduled drill, and must be authorized on orders.

Example. Officer was absent from the first drill in January and has not performed appropriate duty to make up the drill missed. He becomes ineligible for additional flying training with pay for the remainder of the January to March pay quarter, but is credited with additional flying training with pay performed prior to the first January drill. He becomes eligible to perform addition al flying training with pay on 1 April the first day of the next pay quarter.

Example. Officer was excused from the second drill in February but has not been able to make it up by performing appropriate duty. He is not eligible to perform additional flying training with pay as of the date of the second drill in February until 31 March. He is credited with additional flying training with pay performed up to the second drill in February and becomes eligible again on 1 April.

Another reminder: Additional flying training with pay cannot be authorized during any type of active duty.

ECI Certificate Awards will be presented to the following Group personnel this afternoon, A/2C Gerald T.K. Wong and A/2C Rodney N. Correa, Inventory Management Specialist; S/SGT Donald T.S. Kim and T/SGT Baldwin I. Yamashiro, Management Air Force Supervisors; S/SGT Alfred M. Young, Law Enforcement-Corrections; and M/SGT Wilmer C. Baptist, Leadership and Management.

The 15-year HNG Service Bar will be presented to SMSGT George H. Oshiro; MSGT Frederick H. Rittmeister; TSGTs Frank R. Farley, George K. Meyer III, Robert R. Omaye, Baldwin I. Yamashiro; SSGTs Arthur T.Y. Lee, Lawrence F. Luna, Richard C.L. Wong; and AlC Charles Kuehu.