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154th PARTICIPATES IN ARMED FORCES DAY ACTIVITIES

NEW OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS ANNOUNCED

At yesterday's closing formation, Group Commander, Colonel James R. Ashford announced new officer assignments proposed for 1 June 1963.

Executive Officer: Major Kenneth L. Fisher (to be reassigned as Plans Officer, 1 July)

Director of Materiel: Major Allen D. Pearson

Commander, 199th FIS: Major Jarrett F. Carr

Chief of Maintenance: Captain Harold Mattos

GROUP READIES FOR ANNUAL FIELD TRAINING

It's that time of year again. All Group units are set for annual field training from 14 June through 23 June. 154th MATRON and 154th ABRON will have a head start on the other units as these two squadrons will begin 10 June. (Air Police will start 9 June.)

Current plans call for intensive training for all HANG components, to include the annual Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI) to be conducted by PACAF.

Drill dates for June have been moved up to 1 and 2 June to avoid conflict with field training dates. Personnel who need a written request to their employers to attend field training should immediately contact Group Headquarters. (434 - 48271)

More than 50,000 Honoluluans crowded Ala Moana Park yesterday to witness the annual Armed Forces Day activities. Besides a colorful parade of military and ROTC units, the public was treated to demonstrations of mock beach assaults by Marines, Army helicopter maneuvers, and precision drills by Farrington High School's ROTC drill team. F-102s climaxed the morning's parade with a fly-over. Representing reserve personnel on the parade reviewing stand was Master Sergeant David Rodrigues, Outstanding HANG Airman of 1961.

Static displays manned by personnel of the Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marines, and civilian components were joined by displays of the Hawaii Air National Guard and the Army National Guard.

A major attraction was the F-102 aircraft displayed by the 199th FIS. The "Deuce" afforded thousands of youngsters and adults of all ages an opportunity to climb into the cockpit. Opening and closing of the missile doors fascinated the visitors. On hand to answer scores of questions were Captains Edward Richardson, Gerald Sada, Lieutenant Franklin Fukui, Senior Master Sergeant Steve Vayda, Tech Sergeant Douglas Lee, and Staff Sergeant Abraham Hiapa.

Airmen manning the display of personal gear and equipment were Tech Sergeant Howard Hironaka, A3C Robert Bissen, and A1C Richard Saunders. Headquarters personnel under Major James Lota manned an information booth to pass the word on the "TRY ONE" Program and on HANG enlistments.

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PILOT TRAINEE ASSIGNED ALABAMA BASE

2d Lt. Daniel Q. K. Stone will leave in June for Pilot Training at Craig AFB Alabama. Lt. Stone was commissioned last December under the ANG Pilot Training Program.

Upon completion of the 55-week undergraduate pilot training course, he will next train in F-102 aircraft and return to fly with the 199th FIS.

Lt. Stone, 21, is a St. Louis High School graduate and attended Cal State Polytechnic College. He is an employee of Hawaiian Electric Company.

Other pilot trainees now undergoing training on the mainland are 2d Lts. James Haruguchi, Harold Lai, and John Morley. Awaiting class assignment is 2d Lt. Roger A. C. Moore. All are assigned to the 199th FIS.

"TRY ONE" PROGRAM GOAL WITHIN REACH

As the "TRY ONE" Program heads into the homestretch, the 154th is still short of its quota - 104 prior service enlistments by 30 June. The goal can be reached -- but it can be reached on only one condition: that everyone will do his best in getting prior service personnel interested in the 154th.

Under the "TRY ONE" Program, prior service personnel may join the HANG for a one-year enlistment.

Last month Staff Sergeant Soprayano Salvador topped all recruiters by bringing in two enlistments and will receive a \$10.00 cash award for his efforts.

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In charge of transporting the displays from Hickam to Ala Moana was SMSGT Vayda and his hard-working Motor Pool crew.

Duces were also flown to Maui and Hilo and displayed by 199 FIS personnel.

RECENT PROMOTIONS.....

We congratulate the following on their promotions.

To Captain:

EDWARD RICHARDSON FIS
STANLEY LUM GP HQS

To Master Sergeant:

HOWARD WARD CAMRON

To Staff Sergeant:

HAROLD DE MELLO, JR. CAMRON
WILLIAM ENOKA, JR. CAMRON
RICHARD KUDO CAMRON
KENNETH MENDES CAMRON
JOHN TAKAFUJI WEATHER

To Airman First Class:

MELVIN CHANG CAMRON
GERALD CHUN CAMRON
CHARLES FERNANDEZ MATRON
MATHEW SOUZA CAMRON

To Airman Second Class:

DELBERT BERNARD CAMRON
ALBERT CHINEN MATRON
HOWARD DEMELLO CAMRON
DANIEL HARADA CAMRON
EDWARD KEASBEY III CAMRON
GAIY YAMAMOTO GP HQS

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION.....

At today's closing formation MSGT HIROSHI GO will be awarded a certificate of appreciation for his suggestion for management improvement in aircraft maintenance procedures.

A3C THAYER S. NAKAMOTO, honor graduate of the Weapons Mechanic Course at Lowry AFB, will also be recognized.

ECI graduates will also be honored.