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## GROUP AIRMEN TABBED OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

A3C Steven S. Sumida, who joined the 154th Combat Support Squadron last June, was cited for "Outstanding performance of academic duties while attending the Plumbing Specialist Course at the Shepard Technical Training Center."

A student from August through October Sumida received a final course grade of 91 and was the outstanding student in his class. His accomplishment was noted by the Air Training Command's technical school and resulted in a special certificate award and a letter of commendation.

Similarly cited for outstanding work while at service school are A3C Melvin Nishimoto, Honor Graduate of the Organizational Supply Specialist Course at Amarillo Air Force Base, and A3C Ronald Izutsu, Honor Graduate of the Inventory Management Specialist Course at the same base.

Nishimoto joined HANG in January and completed school in April. Izutsu enlisted in February, and graduated in July. Both are assigned to supply work with 154th Materiel Squadron.

The outstanding records of the above airmen reflect well on their attitude as well as their "can-do" spirit. The 154th joins their families in taking pride in their achievements.

We understand that there are others and will report them next month.

## 154TH FIGHTER GROUP FIRE PROGRAM-HONORED

In recognition of continuing efforts in fire prevention, the 154th Fighter Group was singled out from among Hickam units and honored for the second year as recipient of the PACAF Base Commander's Fire Prevention Awards.

Brig. Gen. John A. Rouse, PACAF Base Commander, presented the permanent and perpetual trophies last month during Fire Prevention Week observance. Accepting the awards were Col. James Ashford Group Commander, and MSgt Simanu Afoa, Group Chief Fire Warden.

Brig. Gen. Valentine A. Siefertmann, HANG Commander, participated in the award ceremonies held in the HANG area. Also present were the hand-picked Fire Wardens and Assistant Fire Wardens of the Group whose work throughout the year accounted for the outstanding achievement. They are:

### Fire Wardens

|                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| MSgt Wesley Lazarus  | TSgt Wallace Asato  |
| MSgt George Ah Chong | TSgt G. Makishima   |
| MSgt Jose Rivera     | SSgt T. Watabayashi |
| MSgt George Wela     | SSgt Kenneth Mendes |
| TSgt Samuel Pacarro  | SSgt Raymond Loo    |
| A1C Raymond Ching    |                     |

### Assistant Fire Wardens

|                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| SMSgt Toshio Oshiro  | TSgt Ray Takahashi  |
| MSgt Wilmer Baptiste | TSgt E. L. Rawlins  |
| MSgt Kenneth Camara  | TSgt H. Hironaka    |
| MSgt George Moss     | SSgt Melvin Wong    |
| TSgt George Meyer    | SSgt Don Castaneda  |
| TSgt Lloyd Seki      | SSgt Harry Nakasone |

NOTES FROM 154th MATERIEL SQUADRON (AD) - GROUP PERSONNEL ADD NEW STRIPES

(Mahalo to Reporter SMSGt A. Mizumoto)

Maintenance Shooting For 95% SKT Goal:  
Since March 1964, 33 out of 36 persons taking the SKT have passed -- a better than 90% passing rate. Since July 1964 22 persons have been tested and 19 are known to have passed. The goal of 95% SKT passing rate is in sight!

The following sections have achieved a 100% passing rate over the last twelve months: Standardization/Training Shop, Quality Control 1, Engine Shop, Instrument Shop, Sheetmetal Shop, and Weapons Shop.

People to People Program

SSgt Theodore T. S. Geo of the Engine Shop left the Group recently to participate in the International Farm Youth Exchange Program in India, as a USA delegate. Sponsored by Four-H, the six to eight months tour is a people to people program for better world understanding. We look forward to having Ted back again.

All Work and No Play, etc....

The first quarterly party of the Field Maintenance Section was so successful that another one is being planned for this month. The last affair was at the Matsuncya Tea House (stag-type); the next will include the wahines -- nine course dinner at Hilton Hawaiian Village.

A warm aloha to Mr. Lucas Lineberry, Senior Engineer from Hughes Aircraft. Assigned to Fire Control Section, Mr. Lineberry arrived in July from Goose Bay Labrador, his last duty assignment, and was married in August. As the kamaainas say: "He no waste time."

A1C ReginaId Chun (Missile Section), A1C Herbert Okamoto (Fire Control), and A2C Raymond Choy (Radio), all tied the knot recently. We don't know which is best to have on a honeymoon -- Missile or Fire Control? With Radio you can call for help.

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NEXT DRILL DATES: J 13 DECEMBER

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Congratulations to those earning new chevrons last month! The list includes:

To Technical Sergeant (154 Mat Sq)

Jose P. Aquino      Richard Mau  
Frank Montizor    Hisao Yasunaka  
Norman Tkachenko

To Staff Sergeant

Joseph Engbino (154 Mat Sq)  
Charles Pokipala, Jr (154 Mat Sq)  
Winston Healy, Jr. (154 Cmbt Spt)

To Airman First Class (154 Mat Sq)

Valentine P. K. Kaloa  
James T. Takemoto

To Airman Second Class

Leslie K. Y. L. Ing (154 Mat Sq)

ECI DIPLOMA LIST CONTINUES TO GROW

The list of Group personnel completing ECI courses gets bigger and bigger and reflects the keen desire of our personnel to keep current with AF skills and developments. Latest list includes:

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|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1Lt Roland Hamilton     | 199 Wea Flt     |
| 2Lt James Markey        | 154 Mat Sq      |
| MSgt Jose Rivera        | 154 Mat Sq      |
| TSgt Leonard Camacho    | 154 Mat Sq      |
| TSgt Harold Kepae       | 154 Cmbt Spt Sq |
| TSgt Paulino Yonting    | 154 Mat Sq      |
| SSgt Raymond W. M. Chun | 154 Cmbt Spt Sq |
| SSgt Adriano Mendoza    | 154 Mat Sq      |
| SSgt Samuel Saffery III | 154 Mat Sq      |
| SSgt Frank Yamamoto     | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A1C Daniel K. L. Wong   | 154 Cmbt Spt Sq |
| A2C Rodney Chang        | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Howard DeCosta      | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Robert Kahalewai    | Hq 154 Ftr Gp   |
| A2C William Kealoha     | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Urban Caires        | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Franklin Lau        | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Glendon Nunes       | 154 Cmbt Spt Sq |
| A2C David Paahana       | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C George Shibata      | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Edgar Takamoto      | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A2C Edwin Timihama      | 154 Mat Sq      |
| A3C Noel Mura           | 154 Mat Sq      |