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GUARDSMAN SERVES

Everyone knows of the recent USS Enterprise disaster, with its many stories of suffering and heroism. One HANG member knows it better than most.

A1C Fred T. Miura, of the 154th USAF Dispensary, participated in the evacuation of patients to Tripler Hospital, driving an ambulance and assisting in other ways.

A word of commendation is in order for a job well done.

LEAVES GUARD

The HANG says aloha to Major Frank White, who is transferring to the active Air Force Reserve.

Pressures of business are necessitating the move, and the able former 154th Combat Support Squadron commander will be missed.

But one man's loss is another's gain, and HANG wishes Maj. White the best of luck with the stocks.

TODAY'S AWARDS

Three airmen are receiving awards at today's closing formation and congrats are in order:

Amn Russ T. Ishimaru and Amn Edwin H. Oshiro, of 154th CAMRON, honor graduates of Acft Maint Sp, Jet Acft 1&2, and of Acft Pneudraulic Repmn, respectively.

SSgt Jason Y.L. Chun, 154 Supply, ECI certificate for Management for Air Force Supervisors & offered by the Air University.

TOUR GUIDE

Here's a pat on the back to TSgt Guy Matsuguma, NCOIC of the Simulator Section, who hosted and coordinated a tour of the facility Dec. 27 for a group of children from the Nuuanu YMCA.

Three groups totalling some 40 boys and girls in the YMCA Christmas Fun program spent the morning seeing HANG at work.

The word is Sgt. Matsuguma did a crackerjack job, and won a few more friends for the HANG. Keep it up, Sarge!

CHECK IT OFF ON YOUR CALENDARS!!!
NEXT DRILL DATE IS FEBRUARY 15-16 followed by March(15-16, too).

PAYCHECKS LATE

You've probably been wondering just what has happened to your December paycheck about this time so now be informed that it's officially late.

Cast your blame at the U.S. Mails, however, and not on the boys from HANG who handle that detail. They sent the IBM cards containing the pay information to Denver, but they were lost somewhere between here and there.

A new IBM run was made and the cards sent and received. So you should be getting that delinquent check by the end of the month, or certainly the first part of next.

199TH FIS NEWS

Congratulations to a quartet of newly-promoted officers—LtCol Kurt Johnson, LtCol Harold Nagai, Capt. Daniel Stone and Capt. John King.

Major Ed Richardson, 199th FIS Ops Officer, and Capt Marlin Little, passed Maj Ritchie Kunichika and Capt. Rex Hitchcock at Clark AFB, Philippines, where Ed and Marlin were spending several days at the PACAF Jungle Survival School so that they could relieve Kuni and Hitch for three months as Palace Alert pilots in South-East Asia.

Expect a cigar from John "Sky" King (and wife Yvonne), who became parents January 10 of a 7-lb boy, Paul Benjamin, their first. Congratulations, John, your promotion came just in time.

The Massachusetts Air Guard's 180th Tac Ftr Sqd has six F-84F "Superhogs" here; they'll be participating in Commando Elite exercises at Pohakuloa, this year's version of Tropic Lightning, and will be here till mid-March.

Word is out that you have to be on Medicare to be flying in "Tora! Tora! Tora!", as only two of the 20-or-so applicants (Col Ashford and Maj. Costa) got jobs.

AIRMAN COUNCIL

A select sextet of Master Sergeants have been appointed members of the HANG Airman Council.

The six report to the commander the first Saturday drill assembly of each calendar quarter.

Those named: Henry Q.H. Chun, Lino Fernandez Jr., Paul T. Miyasaki, Samuel M. Saffery III, Wayne Y. Soma and George R. Sust-erich.

OKTOBERFEST IN JANUARY

Maj. Dan Au, president of the Hawaii National Guard Association announces an "Aloha" beer-bust to be held Jan. 24 from 1700-1800 at the Wheeler Officers Club for former HNG officers of the 29th Infantry Brigade.

Maj. Au says the three-fold purpose of the bash is "to give us an opportunity to see our buddies once again; to see if there is any service that the association can provide for our brothers-in-arms; and to display a vote of confidence that we still feel the 29th is still the best fighting outfit in this man's army".

All HNGA members are invited, and a special bar at happy hour prices will be set up. Draft beer is manuahi, says Maj. Au.

PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to the following named airmen who have been promoted to the grades indicated:

I54 CAM Sq

SSgt Walter T. Agena
SSgt Ted A. Kanemori
Sgt Leslie M. Makizuru
Sgt Harris H. Nakamura
A1C Alan E. Higuchi
A1C Roland K.K. Pang
Sgt Ronald H. Fukuda
Sgt Dennis Y. Sugimoto
Sgt Edward K. Tomomitsu
A1C Elbert K. Tsuchimoto

I54 USAF Disp

SSgt Richard K.Y. Lau

I54 Cmbt Set Sq

SSgt Tenney K. Yogi
Sgt Mervyn S. Yoshimoto
A1C Gerald P. Akai
A1C Monte M. Mitchell
A1C Leigh M. Nakamoto
A1C Ronald T. Yamaguchi

I54 Supply Sq

Sgt Albert Rapoza, Jr.

ADDITIONAL DUTIES

A number of HANG Officers have been assigned additional duties, which are as follows:

Maj. Kenji Sumida--OIC Barking Sands PMAF; Sq Exec; Sq Plans Off.

Capt. Carl Armani--Asst. OIC Barking Sands PMAF; Comm Off; Security Police Off.

Capt. George Hipps--Asst. OIC, Dillingham AFB; Tng Off.

Capt. Gordon Reimel--OIC Dillingham AFB; Comm Off.

1Lt Hiram Pang--Disaster Control Off.

CWO W-3 Donald Beman--Food Ser Off.

NAME TAGS

How about a nice embroidered name tag for your fatigues? Is that what you've been needing?

Maj. Au of Supply says these tags are now available at Hickam Clothing Store for just 55¢ apiece.

And get this: sewing it onto your fatigues will be done at no extra cost! So rush right down there and get yours.

UNIFORM CHANGE

The "tucked-in" tie with the Air Force blue wool-flannel shirt and trouser uniform is out, effective Jan. 1.

An all-command message reports a regulation change which will direct the necktie to be worn on the outside of the shirt, secured with the official tie clasp or tie tac bearing the Air Force coat of arms.

FOG SYSTEM TESTED

For the first time in Europe, an airborne fog-dispersal system is being tested, using crushed dry ice to dissipate fog.

The airborne system, nicknamed Cold Crystal, will be tested 90 days at Hahn, Bitburg, and Spangdahlem Air Bases, all in Germany, using WC-130 aircraft staging out of Ramstein AB.

Similar tests last winter at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, proved successful in clearing the runway and making possible 91 landings that would otherwise have been diverted.

NG IN SENTINEL ROLE

The National Guard may be used to man at least some of the Sentinel ABM sites.

"This possibility is now under consideration," LGen G.V. Underwood, Jr., CG Army Defense Command, disclosed in a speech to the National Guard Association of the United States meeting in Hot Springs, Ark.

General Underwood cited the "outstanding record" of the Guard in operating Nike, Ajax and Nike Hercules sites, and said it "suggests the possibility of Guard participation in the Sentinel program after the Sentinel system has been fielded and operating and maintenance procedures have been fully developed."

He told the association members that recently disclosed plans to inactivate 25 Nike Hercules batteries were based "solely" on cost factors. "It does not represent a military judgment," he said, "that our terminal bomber defenses are no longer important."