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"BROTHERS" HOSTED BY A FLIGHT PILOTS"

A grand and satisfying time observing the MISSION OF HANG was enjoyed by sixteen Big and Little Brothers on Saturday, January 29. The group observed the pilots of the 0700 mission go through their aircraft preflight, scramble, and take-off. While the pilots were airborne, Sgt Gilbert Cera of the Personal Equipment Shop gave them a thorough briefing on survival equipment. Following that, they were treated to a static display of an F-102A loaded with dummy missiles. Sgt Ben Costa answered hundreds of questions about the aircraft and gave the Brothers quite a thrill when he demonstrated the raising and lowering of the missiles. After watching the recovery of the fighters from their mission, Sgt Benny Goo of the Simulator Shop briefed them on the use of the flight simulator and gave each youngster a little "stick time". They were awed by this massive electronic nightmare and the boys will never forget that it was like to "fly" a supersonic jet fighter! Climaxing the eventful tour was a barbecue luncheon prepared by the "A Flight" pilots. The famished Brothers made short work of the food and will vouch that the "Moncrief Marinated" teriyaki meat is the best in the world. Unfortunately, however, the recipe could not be disclosed since it was an "A Flight" secret. Judging by the enthusiasm of the Brothers, HANG must surely be a Big Big Brother now. Hundreds of questions went unanswered due to the lack of time, but we feel sure some of the youngsters will be back for the answers maybe as HANGMEN! The successful tour had many supporters too numerous to name. However, the members of "A Flight" would like to give special thanks to all who lent their Kokua, especially the following HANGMEN: Major Norman Ault, Sgt Benny Goo, Sgt G. K. Meyer, Sgt Gilbert Cera, Sgt Ben Costa, and Sgt Bill Stern. MAHALO!

MEET THE PILOTS

Looking around us we see a lot of new faces. In an effort to get acquainted we thought it a good idea to "MEET THE PILOTS". The 199th FIS has some 30 plus pilots including those attached from headquarters and the regular Air Force. We'll introduce them by flights.

"A" Flight Commander, Major Lawrence Cabrinha, was born and raised in Honolulu. He graduated from Saint Louis in 1953. Joining the Air Force in '54 he received his wings and commission in '56. Completing his hitch in SAC he returned home in '59 and joined the Guard in '62. Cabby is employed by Aloha Airlines and lives with his wife and four children in Kailua.

Assistant Flight Commander, Captain James Haruguchi, was born and raised in ahaina, Maui. "Gooch" attended Lahainaluna High School and graduated from the U of H with a degree in Education. Jimmy got his wings and F-102 check out in '64 and joined Aloha Airlines in 1966. His prime interest is his wife, Sharyl, and baby daughter, Deidre. Pastime? Fishing.

154TH WING
HISTORY OFFICE

Captain Robert Yee hails from Oahu. Graduating from Kaimuki High School in '58 he attended U of H and graduated with a degree in Engineering. Pilot training and F-102 checkout completed in 1965, he returned home and is employed by Hawaiian Telephone Co. Being a bachelor, Bob enjoys the good life of hunting and golfing.

Captain James Lockridge comes from Alabama. A graduate of Auburn University he received his wings in 1966. After a tour with the Air Force flying F-101Bs and F-102s in North Dakota and Iceland, Jim came to Hawaii to thaw out. He is presently working for Hawaiian Airlines. Jim's wife Peggy is from Vermont, has a son Jimmy and daughter Micaela.

1/Lt James Moncrief is a Punahou grad, class of '60. Received a B.S. in Humanities from Oregon State in 1964. "Kimo" earned his wings in 1966 and completed his F-102 checkout in '67. A full-time alert pilot for two years, he joined Aloha Airlines in '69. Jim is a bachelor.

1/Lt Gelder Lewis is a Missouri lad. A graduate of the U of H, he holds a degree in marketing. Completing his checkout in 1967 "Bill" returned home and has been with TWA's marketing department for the past four years. Presently a full-time alert pilot and real estate salesman, Bill resides with his wife, Louise, and their daughter Kelsey on the windward side.

2/Lt Mike Chow was reared in Honolulu. A Saint Louis grad, he received a degree in Sociology from the U of H. Mike completed flying school and the deuce checkout in 1970. He is a teacher and varsity basketball coach for McKinley High School. Mike and his wife Iris, have a young daughter Stacy who keeps them busy. Sports are Mike's favorite thing, and when he can't play.....coaching.

These are the members of "A" flight. If you see them around stop and say hello. They'll be glad to meet you.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL
TO TWO HANGMEN TODAY

CMSgt Robert D.W. Choi and MSgt Frederick H. Rittmeister will be presented with the Meritorious Service Medal today at closing formation. The citations read as follows:

"...distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service to the United States while assigned to the Hawaii Air National Guard from 4 November 1946 to 3 November 1971. During this period, the outstanding professional skill, leadership, and ceaseless efforts of Sergeant ---- resulted in major contributions to the effectiveness and success of the Hawaii Air National Guard and the United States Air Force during these twenty-five years. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant ---- reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

Congratulations to a couple of real old pros!

MORE TAX INFO

HWDAG Comment: re \$500 State of Hawaii exemption on military pay--

CAUTION: \$500 amount applies, if taxable income is \$500 or more earnings from Air National Guard duty. Airmen who joined us during the year and earned less than \$500 obviously can claim only that amount which they earned. As an example, ALC Henry Jones joined 154 CSS on 11 June 71 and earned \$342.21--his exemption for State Tax purposes is \$342.21--not \$500.

WYOMING GIRLS "PIN" HANG CAPTAIN

The 154th Supply Squadron has done it again! Recently promoted Captain James K. Iwamura was "pinned" on February 12 by three lovely lasses from the Wyoming Air Guard's 187th Area Med A/C Sq. The girls, Captains Virginia Siegel, Shirley Rodewald and Virginia Healy, were here in Hawaii on a weekend training mission.

The girls were "contacted" by the Supply Squadron and volunteered to do the honors. Captain Iwamura's promotion was effective February 6. Congratulations!

UH AFROTC ANGEL FLIGHT VISITS TODAY

Today is a bright day for the 154th Fighter Group with the presence of a group of beautiful young ladies from the University of Hawaii's Air Force ROTC Angel Flight. The group first visited HANG facilities two years ago and this year's lovelies will again be given an orientation tour which will include the alert pad area as well as the support functions. There are sure to be many smiling faces among HANGmen as well as the girls will join us for lunch in our own dining hall. The visit is part of the program for exposure of the Hawaii Air National Guard to outside groups as well as for purposes of retention and morale.

VACANCIES IN DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

The following UMD positions in Disaster Preparedness career field are VACANT.

Hq 154 Ftr Gp:	24270	TSgt	One slot	(COCKET)
	24250	SSgt	Two slots	
	24230	Sgt	One slot	
154 Cmbt Spt Sq:	24250	SSgt	Two slots	
	24230	Sgt	Two slots	

The disaster preparedness functional area includes training of personnel to accomplish the primary mission under the handicaps imposed by enemy attack and by acts of man and nature; training in the detection, measurement, and decontamination of Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical (NBC) contaminants and the provision and use of proper protective equipment. Additionally, day-to-day operations require establishment, training, and equipping of a Disaster Response Force to handle all types of peacetime accidents and requests for assistance from the civilian communities. (AFM 39-1)

Input from any 5-level AFSC...completion of a basic disaster preparedness course is mandatory.

Any interested 5-level qualified person should talk to MSgt George Sato, 199 FIS Operations, for specifics on duties and responsibilities.

RESERVES PAY HIKE

WASHINGTON--More than 87,000 Air National Guardsmen on the drill pay rolls, like active-duty service members, are receiving bigger paychecks because of the 7.21 per cent basic pay hike of January 1. All Air Guardsmen receive credit for 48 drill days a year, although actual training takes place one weekend a month. This means, for example, that an E-7 with more than 12 years' service who participates in the program now receives \$83.40 for each of the 12 weekends he participates during the year. An O-3 with six years, to cite another example, now draws \$129.52 for each of his 12 participating weekends. Any flying pay is extra, of course. Quarters and subsistence allowances are not paid. However, when the Guardsmen take their annual two-week summer encampments BAQ and BAS are paid. Participants in the 48 annual drill programs receive the amounts shown in the chart which has recently been distributed through HANG. If you have not seen a chart, see your section supervisor.

VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED ON DRILLS

All of us have seen the fiberglas mockup of a WWII P-40 near the hangar. This was used during the filming of the movie "TORA TORA TORA" at Pearl Harbor some time ago. HANG's 154th CAMRON has undertaken a restoration project on the P-40 and is in need of volunteer help during drill days. Persons with experience in fiberglas work are especially needed.

GROUP RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD

HANG's 154th Fighter Group has received the National Guard Bureau Award for Flying Safety. In a letter dated 17th of January 1972, Major General I. G. Brown, Director, Air National Guard, stated as follows:

"It is with great pride and pleasure that the attached National Guard Bureau Award for Flying Safety is forwarded to your State. This award not only represents an accident-free operation for Calendar Year 1971, but is also evidence of your support in conscientiously maintaining a high state of readiness.

"We join with General Greenlief in extending congratulations to the Guardsmen in the 154th Fighter Group who contributed to the achievement of this honor.

SPACE AVAILABLE FLIGHT

Many Hawaii Air Guardsmen may not realize that they have extensive space available flight privileges much as regular military members do. Members of the Air National Guard or reserve components of the Air Force may fly on MAC aircraft anywhere within the continental United States. We may not, however, fly MAC outside the CINUS, which does not include Hawaii. To fly outside CONUS, we can only fly other than MAC flights--such as SAC, TAC, ADG or other such commands. Then we are limited to the CONUS, Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico. Few difficulties are involved in such travel and connections can usually be made with a minimum of waiting. As an example, the editor recently completed a trip to the east coast and return, traveling almost exclusively on military aircraft. A KC-135 was caught to McClellan in Calif., thence to Tinker in Okla. City, a C-118 to Wright-Patterson in Ohio, and a C-131 to White Plains just outside New York. Returning, a C-118 to Andrews, another to Kelly in San Antonio, C-121 to Norton, and KC-135 to Hickam did the job. There was also a trip from New York to Florida via Dobbins in Georgia on a 135. If you wish to leave Hickam, don't go to the MAC terminal but check with other commands directly or go to base ops. Returning from California may be done only from March AFB at Riverside, a SAC base, with regular Tues, Thurs, Sat and Sunday flights to Hickam.