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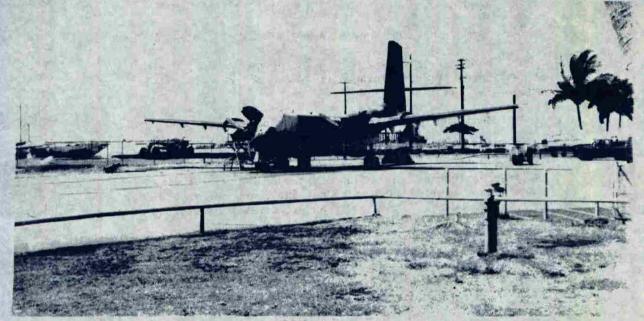


Photo by: Sgt Don Ho

A "newer" type aircraft joins the Hawaii Air Guard this month. It's a C-7A Caribou, and after renovation will be used as a replacement for the C-54. The C-7A entered the cargo transport inventory as a result of an agreement between the U.S. Air Force and Army which resulted in the Army transferring its C-7A Caribou transports to the Air Force. The twin-engine Caribou is an all-weather utility transport. Its short takeoff and landing characteristic make it suitable for airlift in forward batile areas, or on short, unimproved airstrips. The Caribou provides maximum availability of airlift for battlefield mobility and for air logistical support of ground forces. Today. its primarily used by the Air National Guard and Mir orea Peserve.

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# PRESENTATION OF AWARDS - 10 Aug 75

Under the provisions of paragraph 6, HANGR 900-10, the following named individuals are awarded Service Bars to the Hawaii National Guard Service Medal for honorable and faithful service in the Hawaii National Guard:

- 25 Year Service Bar: SSgt August-A. Bernadino, 154 CAM Sq
- 20 Year Service Bar: SMSgt Toshie Oshiro, 154 CAM Sq TSgt Antone R. Baclso, 154 CAM Sq TSgt Harold K. Kepaa, 154 Cmbt Spt Sq
- 15 Year Service Bar: TSgt James H. Davis Jr., 154 CAM Sq
- 10 Year Service Medal: SSgt Arthur Y, Takayama, 154 Cmbt Spt Sq

SGT GARY A. MOMOHARA, 154 Cmbt Spt Sq is awarded the <u>HANG AIRMAN AWARD</u> for his demonstration of outstanding performance and ability displayed during the period of 1 JAN 74 - 30 JUN 74.

The Air National Guard Leadership School is pleased to report that <u>Sgt</u> <u>Stephen M. W. Chang</u>, 154 Cmbt Spt Sq, was the recipient of the <u>Military Achievement Award</u> for Class 75-CL. This award is based upon daily personal inspections, daily quarters inspections, weekly Commandant inspections, demonstrated performance in conducting close order drill of a flight, and overall military bearing and attitude. Sgt Chang was also designated a Distinguished Graduate for academic and leadership excellence in placing among the top 10% of his Class.

SGT BRIAN H. ISHII, 154 CAM Sq, is awarded the Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Ribbon for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity while serving in an enlisted status in the Hawaii National Guard.

# JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT 75-67

Payroll Technician, GS-0544-05, to fill an excepted service (enlisted) position vacancy in a Hawaii Air National Guard technician activity at 154th Ftr Intep Gp, Hickam AFB, Hawaii. Closing date is 1200 hours, 14 August 1975.

# Reciprocal Open Mess Membership

Recently, a number of ANG personnel in TDY status registered complaints concerning the use of open mess facilities at active duty installations while they were in TDY status. These complaints have been raised because many ANG members believe that membership in a local ANG open mess facility provides reciprocity at all installations. Open mess personnel at these active duty installations have been reluctant to recognize any reciprocity of memberships in ANG facilities; however, associate membership status may be made available for the period of TDY at the option of the Base Commander.

Request that it be emphasized to ANG members, especially those going TDY to active duty bases, that membership in their own ANG club does not automatically provide for reciprocity of privileges in open mess facilities of autive duty bases.

## HNG Mountainball Tournament; September

In preparation for the 1975 Hawaii National Guard Mountainball Tournament, Coach Val Wong has asked that all potential players for the 154th Team(s) turn out at Soma Field Tuesday, 12 August. Players interested should bring their own gloves and footwear. 1600 hrs show time. If you're interested and cannot make the turnout on Tuesday, notify Val Wong personally.

# 154th Combat Support Sedn Family Day a Success!

MSgt W. Soma reports that the Annual Family Day of the 154CSS personnel was a tremendous success. The members and their families were treated to a barbecue lunch prepared by the Officers. Chief Cook, Col Furuno and his assistants did a wonderful job. Prizes galore were given to the lucky participants of the picnic. As a special feature, shaving cream victims were, Commander Sumida, Geo Meyer, Joanna Chang, Capt Young and Wayne Soma. Chairman Kodama and the Commander wish to thank all the persons donating their time and efforts and especially the donators of the door prizes. It was rumored that perhaps next year a luau sponsored by the Transportation Section will be held.

## Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Assn:

The Third Annual General Membership meeting of the HNGEA was held at the Sky View Terrace, Ft Shafter NCO Club, 28 Jun 75. Newly elected officers for FY 76 are: President - MSgt Wayne Soma, Vice Pres. - SGM Isayas Santa Ana (HARNG), Treasurer - ISgt Donald Leong (HARNG), Secretary - SFC Randolp L. Melemai (HARNG). Also serving on the Executive Council are MSgt Thomas Sato and AlC Fred Higa of the 154 CAM Sq. TSgt Howard H. Hironaka is the past president of the HNGEA. With all this Air Guard representation, we should not have any problems in being well informed members. President Soma has sent out a letter to the general membership, and if you haven't had a chance to read it, get with it!

### Latest Promotions in the 154 CSS

TSgt - Douglas K. Yano, SSgt's - Howard Y. Murai, James E. Potter, Ronny W. Whang, and Thomas E. Arizumi. How about a Big Beer Bust?

## HDODEA Group Life Insurance Open Enrollment Period

The Hawaii Department of Defense Employees' Association (HDODEA) will be conducting an open enrollment period for its group life insurance plan from 1 August to 30 September 1975. Although the plan was initially implemented for the benefit of full-time employees of the department, it was subsequently made available to all Hawaii Guardsmen on an associate membership basis. However, many of our Guardsmen both technicians and non-technicians, are not aware that such a program is available to them. Enrollment period is open for all personnel. This is HDODEA's continuing effort to provide an excellent group life insurance plan at reasonable rates.

#### 1975 50th State Fair

The 1975 50th State Fair will be held on Sand Island, Honolulu, Hawaii during the period 21 August - 1 September 1975. As in past years, HANG will have an ANG

recruiting booth. Volunteers are urgently needed to man the recruiting booth at the following times:

21 - 22 Aug 1975 - 1800 hours to 2400 hours

23 - 24 Aug 1975 - 1200 hours to 2400 hours

25 - 29 Aug 1975 - 1800 hours to 2400 hours

30 Aug - 1 Sep 1975 - 1200 hours to 2400 hours

Interested persons should call MSgt Richard Saunders or SSgt Ronaldo Mina at 732-2626, Hq HANG, Fort Ruger, Monday-Friday, 0845-1630 hours. Individuals may coordinate with MSgt Saunders and SSgt Mina for the periods they would like to work. Also, we are still soliciting and are interested in getting additional full time ANG recruiters on board this fiscal year. Interested persons should also call MSgt Saunders and SSgt Mina.

The 50th State Fair has been a valuable source for getting non-prior and prior service recruits into the Air Guard. We do not want to pass this opportunity to help increase our unit strengths.

# 154th Supply Squadron Happenings

AB Pamela Eiler became the first female member of the squadron. She is presently at Lackland AFB, Texas going through Basic Military Training (BMT). Upon completion, she wil return to Hawaii for home station on the job training in AFSC 64530. Welcome aboard, Pamela. (She is slated for the Item Accounting Branch.)

Several members of the squadron have been attending the Base Level Supply Customa Training classes conducted by the 15th AB Wg/LGS Training Section. Although some of the material covered is basic, they have been good refreshers.

TSgt Douglas Abe of the Material Facilities branch who is the scoutmaster for Troop 39 took his boys to Barking Sands and Kokee AFS, Kauai for a week of camping and touring. He was ably assisted by SSgt Glenn Sugawara also of the same branch.

MSgt Howard Okita, NCOIC, Supplies Management Branch, as manager of the Kailua American tournament all-star team, lead them to win the State Little League title this past weekend. The team will represent Hawaii in the Western Region Finals to be held at San Bernardino, California. We are hopeful that they will make it to the finals at Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

### New Base Entry Control Procedures

On 18 August 1975, new base entry control procedures will become effective.

Between the hours of 2400 and 0500, daily, all personnel desiring access to

Hickam AFB will be required to present proper military, dependent or civilian

identification. Failure to present proper identification will result in a denial
of base entry rights.

This procedure is being initiated to discourage undesirable personnel from entering the base and instigating disturbances. The program has been evaluated by MAC at various bases and has been put into effect throughout their command. Correspondence from Air Force indicated favorable reaction to the MAC system and potential revision of Air Force wide entry control procedures. Acceptance and initiation now will enable us to be operational and familiar with the idiosyncrasies of the system prior to Air Force directed implementation.

#### BICENTENNIAL SPECIAL PROJECT

THE NATIONAL GUARD HERITAGE GALLERY will be a bicentennial feature highlight and our gift to America on her 200th birthday.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NGAUS) - - Highlight feature of the National Guard observance of the Nation's bicentennial will be the opening of the "National Guard Heritage Gallery" in 1976. The Gallery to be located on the main floor of the National Guard Memorial at One Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, is expected to attract its share of the estimated 40 million visitors to the Nation's capitol.

The Heritage Gallery will establish the relationship between today's National Guard and the militia in the original colonies prior to and during the US War for Independence. The origin of the National Guard historically dates back to 1636 when the trained bands were formed to defend the New England communities.

Artifacts, weapons, uniforms, contemporary art work and dioramas will be displayed to illustrate this story, to include light and sound shows and audiovisual presentations. In future years, after the bicentennial period ends, The Gallery will feature the artifacts and memorabilia of other significant periods in the evolution of the Army and Air National Guard.

In support of this undertaking, the Executive Council of the National Guard Association of the United States recently approved the raising of funds for the \$500,000 project. Endorsement was also obtained from the Adjutants General Association of the US, which agreed to assist in the fundraising effort.

The Gallery is situated one block from the new National Capitol Visitor's Center in the old Union Station. Target date for open door ceremony is June 1976.

General Siefermann, TAG Hawaii, supports this worthy project and asks assistance to publicize it throughout HANG for voluntary contribution from the ranks. He further stated that "I want to be sure that this is purely a voluntary effort, free of any coercion".

The Group Project Officer appointed by Colonel Ashford is LtCol Jim Lota. The period of the voluntary fund-raising drive is NOW thru 31 Dec 75.

The overall FIG voluntary contribution Goal is \$695, based on multiplying the authorized strength as of 1 Apr 75 by \$1. Contributions must be by check and made payable to: THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE MILITTA AND NATIONAL GUARD.

Volunteer project OIC or NCOIC for the units are:

Hq 154 Ftr Intcp Gp - Maj Richard Lee
199 Ftr Intcp Sq - 1Lt Robert Darrow
154 CAM Sq - SMSgt Arthur Lee
154 CEF1t - SSgt Rodney Kuroiwa
154 USAF Clinic - MSgt Toshiyuki Watabayashi

154 Cmbt Spt Sq - MSgt Dennis Kagihara 154 Sup Sq - Capt Alan Fujita

The first donor in the Group is MSgt Kenneth Camara, 154 CAM Sq. Mahalo, Ken.

TO ALL GROUP PERSONNEL - Your understanding, assistance and kokua are appreciated:

### DRESS AND APPEARANCE AWARENESS PROGRAM

Commander HANG has initiated the program to improve dress and appearance in the HANG. The name of this program is Dress and Appearance Awareness Program. Authority for the program is HIANG/CS letter, dated 14 Jul 75, subject as above.

The objectives of the program are to insure that dress standards are clearly understood and followed. Key points are Education and Enforcement. All Group members must work toward accomplishing the objectives on a regular and continuing basis and to take prompt and corrective measures without delay. If everyone did his part, our dress, and appearance should improve immeasurably.

Conformance to the standards is directly related to good order, discipline and the accomplishment of our mission.

Listed below are some common violations of the Dress and Appearance Standards (References to AFR 35-10):

1. Name Tags. Must be ultramarine blue plastic material, white, block style letters (Figure 6-34).

Men - Centered immediately above right breast pocket (Rule 3, Table 6-5).

Women - Aligned so that the bottom of the name tag is even with the bottoms of the ribbons (Rule 3, Table 6-5).

REMARKS: Metal name tags such as those sold in BX concessions in Thailand are not authorized.

2. Jacket, Lightweight, Blue.

Men - When worn will be zipped at least halfway. (Line 36, Table 3-1).

Women - May be worn zipped or unzipped (para, 4-6L).

REMARKS: The most common violation is for men to wear the jacket unzipped.

3. Items worn or carried on uniform.

Men - Articles such as wallets, pencils, pens, watch chains, fobs, pins, jewelry, handkerchiefs, combs, cigars, cigarettes, pipes, and sunglass cases will not be worn, exposed, or carried exposed on the uniform (para 1-12b(1)) except as authorized for the work utility uniform.

Women - Pencils, pens, handkerchiefs, and jewelry will not be worn or carried exposed on the uniform (para. 1-13b(1)).

#### 4. Trousers.

When standing, bottom of trousers will barely rest on front of shoe without break in the creases (Lines 3,4,5,6, Table 3-1).

REMARKS: "High Water" trousers are a common violation usually caused by weight gain since they were initially fitted.

#### 5. Skirts.

Skirts will normally be worn between the top of the knee and the bottom of the knee or not more than 2 inches above the knee. They will hang freely and not be excessively tight (para. 1-13b(1)).

REMARKS: Skirts which do not conform to these standards detract from the desired military image,

#### 6. Hair.

Men - Must be clean, present a tapered appearance and be arranged in an orderly manner (para 1-12b(2), Table 1-1, Attachment 1).

Women - Must be clean, neatly arranged and styled to present an attractive appearance (para. 1-13b(2)).

REMARKS: Each member has the right within established parameters, to express individuality through appearance. However, the image of a disciplined serviceman/servicewoman, who can be relied upon to do their job when called, requires sufficient standardization and uniformity to exclude the extreme, the unusual and the fad.

#### 7. Footwear.

Unusual footwear such as cowboy boots, sandals, moccasins, and fancy shoes with extra thick soles or decorated welts are prohibited. Dress boots must be ankle fitting, may have zipper or elastic inserts, may not have straps or buckles; low-quarter shoes are not to exceed ankle hieght, must be laced, with plain or capped toe (Line 28, Table 3-3).

REMARKS: The commonly accepted version of the "Wellington Boot" is not ankle fitting, and is therefore not acceptable. The ankle fitting requirement is to prevent trousers from hanging up on the boot tops.

#### 8. Belt, Belt Buckle.

The end of the belt will not extend beyond the 1/2" metal tip from the buckle (Line 13, Table 3-1). Belt buckles must be maintained in proper luster and condition (Para, 1-12b(1)).

REMARKS: The most common discrepancies are to leave the belt too long and not replace belt buckles when they become scratched or lose original luster.

### 9. Headgear.

Men - Headgear will be worn outdoors at all times except when in work areas which have been designated as no hat areas.

Women - Headcovering must be worn outdoors with all service uniform combinations except outdoor social functions (Note 2, Table 4-2 and para, 4-7a). Headcoverings are optional when wearing the flight/field and exercise uniforms (para, 4-8). Hats are mandatory when wearing the male fatigue uniform (CINCPACAF/DPSP message AIG 7294 200215Z Nov 74, Subject: Utility (fatigue) Clothing for Women. This message quoted CSAF/DPW ALMAJCOM message 202074, same subject.

# 10. Mixing of Uniform Items.

Installation Commanders prescribe wear of certain utility uniform items such as the US Navy Watch Caps and baseball caps. Items such as these are not authorized for wear with service uniform combinations (para. 3-1 and 3-8).

REMARKS: Table 3-1 pertains to service uniform combinations contained in Figure 3-1, and Table 3-7 pertains to the utility uniform.