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154th TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

FAMILY, FRIENDS, EMPLOYERS DAY OPEN HOUSE

On the 15 August Sunday drill beginning at 10 a.m. the 154th will host family, friends, employers at the 4th Annual Open House. We urge you to also invite those friends who may be interested in joining the HANG. It will be an interesting and fun day for oldsters and youngsters alike.

PROGRAM

- 1000 Open House begins with formation and awards ceremony using Royal Guard as Color Guards
- 1015 Intercept demonstration by our aircraft
- 1040 Flyby of jet aircraft
- 1110 Missile Upload (no time limit) on the F-4 and refreshments
- 1130 Free Lunch during which time the 111th Army National Guard Band will entertain.
- 1230 Professor Fun will entertain the youngsters
- 1330 Model Aircraft Club flying demonstration
- 1430 End of Open House

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In between the events there will be free shaved ice for the kiddies and tours of shops. Aircraft from the various services will be on display, as well as two helicopters from the Army National Guard. Also on display will be a jet engine, weapons, model aircraft, F-102 and F-4, recruiting van, etc.

See you on the 15th.

"Fourth Annual Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association Meeting"...

A general meeting of the HNGEA members was held on 26 Jun 1976 in the Diamond Head Crater. Committee reports and election of officers were the highlights of the meeting.

A fantastic luau catered by the Akau Hui was a gourmet's delight. Guest Speaker, MG Valentine Siefertmann, reemphasized the need of a united enlisted corps and more member interest within the Hawaii National Guard. Representative Sparky Matsunaga kept the members and their guests in stitches with his old time humor. Outgoing President Wayne Soma thanked all the members for their support and introduced the incoming officers. For the Air Guard personnel, your Councilmen for FY 77 are SMSgt Kozen Kaneshiro of Hqtrs Hiang and TSgt Theodoro Ganade of 154th Supply Sq. A membership drive has been started for FY 77 with TSGT Ganade as chairman of this very important committee.

OCTOBER PAY RAISE OUTLOOK STILL AT FIVE PER CENT

A three to five per cent pay raise is probable in October for Air Force personnel and civil service employees, according to Air Force officials. Current law calls for distribution among the three elements of regular military compensation--basic allowance for quarters, basic allowance for subsistence, and basic pay. An administration amendment in Congress would allow up to a quarter of the raise money now for basic pay--a taxable item--be added to the basic allowance for quarters element which is nontaxable.

ADDED PROTECTION FOR GUARDSMEN (PUPUKAHI, VOL XXII, 3May 76)

Governor George R. Ariyoshi signed into law a measure which requires the Attorney General's office to provide legal defense for members of the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard for events which occurred within the line of duty.

The new law (Act 21) was authored by Rep. Ken Kiyabu, D-11th Dist. (Kaimuki-Kapahulu), who is also a member of the Air Guard.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO ALL DRILL STATUS GUARDSMEN

Effective March 24, 1976 all drill status guardsmen on Oahu were added to the Hawaii National Guard Federal Credit Union's field of membership and are now eligible to participate in all of its programs.

*Correction made from Hickam Air Force Base to Hawaii National Guard Federal Credit Union.

HANG OUT CLUB OPEN FOR BUSINESS AGAIN

The HANG-OUT Club will reopen this Sunday after drill in the cafeteria. Although we don't have pupus yet, beer will be sold at the usual low prices. Come and join the gang.

As you may be aware, sometime late next year, we plan to open a permanent Hang-Out club near the water, adjacent to our parking lot, using those two wooden buildings, presently situated on the Ewa side of the hangar. After the buildings are in place, we will install water, electricity, and sewer lines.

HAS ANYONE SEEN NORM AULT LATELY?

We have been looking for Norm Ault for the past two days. Anyone knowing his whereabouts, please congratulate him. You see, Major Norman Ault is now Lt Col Norm Ault. Congratulations, Norm, wherever you may be!

The Army and Air Force Exchange Sys (AAFES) took over the operation of the Military Clothing Sales Store in Bldg T-1043. Store hours are Monday-Friday 1000 to 1800 and on Saturday 0930 to 1700.

"WILLIAM TELL '76" TO BEGIN IN OCTOBER

WASHINGTON (AFNS) - "William Tell '76", the Becentennial worldwide weapons competition, is schedules for Oct 31 through Nov 21 at Tyndall AFB, Fla. The competition is sponsored by the Aerospace Defense Command. It will feature teams from units stationed in five countries and eight states. The Canadian forces and all U.S. Air Force major commands with an air defense mission will also compete. The primary feature will be the demonstartion of the capabilities of fighter-interceptor weapon system and evaluation of air-to-air weapons. The three frontline fighter-interceptor aircraft of the U.S. and Canada will be flown in the competition. They are the F-106 Delta Dart, the F-4 Phantom, the F-101 Voodoo, and its Canadian counterpart, the CF-101.

Air Force Commands represented this year will be the Aerospace Defense Command, Tactical Air Command, Pacific Air Forces, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, and the Alaskan Air Command. The Air National Guard, Air Forces Iceland, and the Canadian Fordes' Air Defense Groups will also send teams. The meet will commemorate the U. S. Bicentennial and foster public understanding of the role of worldwide air defense forces.

Mess Hall Overcrowded

We have received a few complaints from members of the 154th about not having space tosit at lunch time. We suggest that when you have finished with your lunch, that you continue your conversations elsewhere. Also, airmen finding no place to sit, may sit in the officers section, providing there is room. Officers who have finished their lunch are also requested to leave the messhall, making room for others

MILITARY EXCHANGE PRIVILEGES

Effective 1 Jul 76, exchange visits will be based upon presentation of AF Form 1965 (Earning Statement Air Reserve Forces). Only UTAs (two for every one exchange visit) performed after 1 Jul 76 will be honored.

AIR FORCE TIGHTENS WEIGHT PROGRAM

WASHINGTON (AFNS) - Air Force is tightening the belt on overweight officers. A recent policy change says that failure to meet set standards of dress, personal appearance, or military deportment may constitute substandard duty performance and warrant involuntary separation.

The result of this change is that when an officer fails to comply with established standards--involving dress, appearance, weight, decorum, etc., discharge action may be appropriate.

For some time, commanders have expressed a need for a more direct separation authority to discharge officers who fail to attain or maintain the required weight standards. Separation action is normally invoked only after other administrative sanctions such as supervised diet, mandatory physical conditioning and weigh-ins, control roster and performance report remarks have been unsuccessful in getting an individual within weight limits.

MAC TO BECOME SPECIFIED COMMAND

The Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) have been directed to convert the Military Airlift Command (MAC) to a specified command by Deputy Secretary of Defense William P. Clements Jr. Under the arrangement, the JCS would include MAC in planning for JCS exercises and for war. They would also direct the allocation of airlift resources, and prioritize competing movement requirements. The Air Force would retain responsibility for administrative and logistic support. The conversion plans are to be submitted to Secretary Clements for approval Sept. 1.

CONVERSION/ORI

According to AF Regulations, a unit undergoing conversion from one weapon system (F-102) to another (F-4) system must be evaluated for Operational Readiness (ORI) within 90 days after it is certified combat ready.

Based on this requirement, the HANG should be prepared for an ORI within 90 days after it is certified as combat ready.

In real time, then, the HANG's liability period should fall sometime in the last quarter of this calendar year.

Section heads should prepare their personnel for a stiff inspection possibly lasting more than one day.

Past ORI reports should be carefully reviewed to insure that past discrepancies are not repeated.

Since the ORI is a measure of the unit's effectiveness, it should be given the highest priority in the days ahead.

"ARE YOU PART OF THE 10%"

There is an old saying, "There are always 10% who never get the word." And it's true.

Did you know that we are no longer called the 154th Fighter Interceptor Group? Yup, we are now known as the 154th Tactical Fighter Group.

There is no strength change for the Combat Support Squadron, Supply Squadron Civil Engineer Flight and the Clinic. However, Headquarters strength jumps from 20 persons to 27; the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron jumps from 47 to 79 persons and the Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron jumps from 196 to 386 bodies.

YOU ARE PROTECTED: Reemployment Rights of National Guard Members

Federal law requires that a member of the Guard or Reserve shall, upon request, be granted a leave of absence by the individual's employer to satisfy a requirement

for military training, including inactive duty training, whether such training is voluntary or involuntary.

Under the law, a Guard or Reserve member is entitled, upon completion of active duty for training or inactive duty for training, to return to his or her civilian position with such seniority, status, pay, and vacation as that individual would have had if he or she had not been absent for such purposes. Other provisions protect the employee should his or her return to work be delayed because of hospitalization, accident or other incident over which the employee has no control.

The law, however, does not require an employer to pay the employee during the period of military training nor is the employer required to make up any difference between civilian and military pay. Such actions, while practiced by many employers, are the prerogative of the employer.

In addition, an employer may not discharge an employee because of Guard or Reserve membership and activity.

The laws assuring reemployment rights to all members of the Guard and Reserve are now contained in Chapter 43, Part III, Title 38, United States Code.

In the event of employer problems which cannot be resolved, Guard or Reserve members who are employed by the federal government or the United States Postal Service and Postal Rate Commission can appeal to the Civil Service Commission for assistance. All other employees, including those in private industry, can receive assistance from the Office of Veterans' Reemployment Rights, U.S. Department of Labor.

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News of Note from the National Guard

Who Needs You?

Everyone recognizes the need for them, yet not everyone wants to be a full-time soldier.

So America also needs another kind of military person to help safeguard our land and our freedoms. The full-time citizen and part-time soldier of the National Guard.

As a Guardsman, you share a volunteer tradition which dates all the way back to 1636. And today, because of our Federal and State responsibility, it's the most important part-time job in America.

But without men and women like you, there would be no National Guard.

There are lots of good reasons for you to stay in the Guard, too. And you may not be willing to give them up so easily when you really give them some thought. For instance:

You could be throwing away from 5% to 20% of your annual income.

With 6 or more years longevity, you already have a good start on the promotion ladder.

The close friendships you've made in the Guard are with people who have the same interests as you.

You're almost a third of the way to qualifying for a government pension and other retirement benefits..



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154th Supply Squadron Happenings

"Promotions"

CONGRATULATIONS go to TSgt Theodore Ganade, Item Accounting Branch, and SSgt Jason Uota, Unit Administration, on their recent promotions. Our hats to them!

"New Enlistees"

Welcome aboard to AB Michael Soares who is our newest addition to the Fuels Management Branch. He is presently in BMT and will head for technical training immediately thereafter. Sgt Robert Valdez recently joined our Material Facilities Branch as a warehouseman. He is a prior service Air Force type.

"Farewell"

The 154th Supply Squadron will miss it's Deputy Commander for Logistics, Lt Col Daniel K. C. Au, for shortly after the July UTA, he will leave the HANG and go on active duty as the USP&FO for Hawaii. Our best wishes and thanks to him for his outstanding support and leadership.

"Refuelers"

Our squadron is still in need of fuels management specialists (AFSC 631X0). Should you know of anyone interested in pursuing this challenging area, please contact Capt Shinsato, Fuels Management Officer at 449-5105.

"Field Day"

The squadron had an excellent field day at the Navy Public Works Center on 13 June (Sun UTA) with calisthenics, softball, and volleyball. The day was highlighted with a visit by Sgt Virgie Candie and AMN Tami Lauralde, women from the 152 Tac Recon Gp, Reno, Nevada.

HOT LINE

CRUNCH! A recent experience in a Lockheed Racer brought home a point to remember. If you have ever been in the habit of taking off your jacket between hops in the T-33 and storing it above the rear seat (bad practice but done), take heed! When the venerable bird is modified with the single-motion seats, there ain't no room up thar! Even one lightweight flying jacket will cause the canopy to jam and not close completely. Can be dangerous as well as embarrassing.

HANG 30



LUAU

The Hawaii Air National Guard celebrates it's 30th anniversary
November 6th 1976, at the Neal S. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall!

Be there at 1800hrs. and see the whole show!!!

Entertainment includes...

Chuck Machado's Hula Show

Lung Kong Troup

Japanese Kabuki Dance

American Indian Hoop and
Fire Dance

Philippine Tini Kling

Korean Drum Dance

Portuguese Chamalita

and various cultural dances

on amazing stages.

Get your ticket for dancing!!!

