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154TH'S FIRST CHAPLAIN A FORMER "HOTROCK" --- IN THE GOOD OLD DEUCE, YET!

The first Group Chaplain in HANG's 33-year history came on board just before the March UTA, and the fascinating ironies highlighting his background and ministry make it appear almost as if he arrived direct from central casting via "Hawaii-Five'0."

Chaplain David K. Kennedy is a former fighter pilot who, until his last year on active duty with the Air Force, was dead set against the very idea of being a clergyman. You see, his father is retired Episcopal Bishop of Honolulu Harry Kennedy, and Dave says that while growing up, "I really rejected the idea of going into the ministry because I was rebelling against being a 'Preacher's Kid.'"

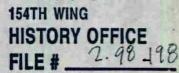
So, off he went to become another kind of sky pilot. After earning his wings at Big Spring AFB, Texas in 1955, he flew F-86D Sabrejets at Truax Field, Wisconsin; soon converting into one of the nation's first F-102 squadrons in 1957. At Truax and later at Harmon AFB, Newfoundland, Dave flew and sat ADC alert in the venerable "Deuce" so familiar to many of us in the 154th. It was while wrapping up his final tour in 102's that Dave Got the Call (or maybe it had been there all the time) and he entered seminary training in Berkeley, California immediately after mustering out in 1960. Following graduation, he was ordained an Espiscopal Minister in Honolulu in July 1963.

His first service in the ministry was as Pastor of the small St Barnabas Mission in Ewa Beach from '63 until '68. He then moved on for a five-year stint as Rector (Pastor) of St Peter's Episcopal Church in downtown Honolulu. From there to St Timothy's in Alea, where he has served as Rector of that substantial and important Leeward congregation since 1973.

Interestingly enough, Dave did not neglect his paraldel interests in both the military and in aviation during the nearly 20 years ("time almost for a whole new generation of pilots," he points out) since he finished USAF active duty.

In 1968, for example, he signed on as a Staff Chaplain in the Air Force Reserve at Hickam. (He wanted a chaplaincy in the Air Guard, but HANG had no slot available until the Fighter Group enlarged to Composite status). Dave describes his earlier Reserve job as primarily administrative: "not much contact with people, nor with a congregation as such...and that's why I'm looking forward to serving as a Group Chaplain in the Guard. I want to meet and get to know as many people here as I can."

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154TH's FIRST CHAPLAIN (Con't):

In the mid-70's he took up soaring as a hobby, and became a sailplane enthusiast, wafting about the thermals above Mokuleia, and bouncing gliders across Dillingham field.

Chaplain Kennedy presently is operating out of the office of Combat Support Commander LtCol Richard Settsu, adjacent to 154th HQ -- but he's looking for a spot of his own. So, if anyone can locate a nice office that's private but not too far off the beaten track within our sprawling group complex, please let Dave know; you're one of the <u>First</u> members of his new "HANG Congregation" he wants to meet and get to know well.

In the meantime, he can be reached during drills at 449-2861. His offbase numbers are: 488-5747 (St Timothy's Rectory) and 488-8843 at home in Alea. Granted, this particular weekend is a pretty busy time, but if you should happen to see Dave, a hearty HANG Aloha is in order; and maybe a request for continued prayers for the ORI (he's already been asked to Put In a Good Word).

Chaplain David Kennedy, another first for the 154th Composite Group -- and, unarguably, an Inspired Choice of the job.

Editor's Note: (The following is a special letter of greeting and explanation from the new Group Chaplain. For more details see this edition's lead story beginning on page 1.)

THE ROLE OF THE GUARD CHAPLAIN - by Maj David Kennedy

Since February 20, 1979, I've been assigned as Chaplain to the 154th Composit Group. As this is a "first" for our unit it is appropriate that we discuss the role of a chaplain in the Air Guard.

There are some fundamental difference between the functions of a Guard Chaple and an active duty Air Force Chaplain. Most obvious is that the Air Guard does not have a chapel facility wherein it regularly offers a variety of forms of worship and educational opportunities. Nor does it have personnel and their familites resident "on base" who look to the chapel and chaplain for their spiritual leadership.

What then, is the role of the 154 COMPG chaplain? We might say that it is primarily a Ministry of Presence. I think my primary task is to come to know the HANG personnel and be known by them in order that I may be of service whenever yc have needs that are appropriate to my areas of concern and expertise.

I see two major "thrusts" within this function. One will be as a counselor and advocate for those airmen and officers with certain job-related or morale problems, and to work with them in resolving these problems. Some individuals may be referred to me by their supervisors. Others, hopefully, in time will feel comfortable enough with me as chaplain to approach me for assistance before the problem requires supervisory knowledge or intervention.

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ROLE OF GUARD CHAPLAIN (Con't)

The second thrust will be in the area of personal problems that are unrelated to work. (although personal problems frequently affect job performance) The chaplain's door will always be open to persons seeking guidance, counseling, or referral in the areas of marital or other family problems, minor emotional upsets or depression (major emotional problems will be referred, with consultation from the Guard doctors, to the appropriate professional), other personal problems, or in the area of spiritual guidance or dialogue.

In both of these thrusts, job related or personal, the Group Commander has affirmed the requirement that the chaplain be allowed, and indeed, <u>ordered</u> to maintain absolute confidentiality between himself and those with whom he counsels.

Finally, as chaplain, I will be available to any Guard personnel desiring my services for marriage ceremonies, funerals, or other special functions.

Presently, unitl permanent office space is available, , I am located in the orderly room of the 154th Combat Support Squadron. Feel free to stop by or give me a call.

NEW FROM THE 154TH CSS

Welcome onboard to the following individuals: Comptroller Shop - SSGT JOE KURTZ, SSGT BILL SIMONSON, and SGT RALPH REED; CBPO - SSGT MARCELLA HOPPE, SGT WAYNE HOOKANO. Security Police - 1LT CLIFFORD FUKUDA, Commander.

Tired of telling your supervisor the same story about why you missed drill? Well, now you can tell it to the Chaplain!!!!! Right, the 154 Composite Group has its own Chaplain -- Major David Kennedy. Maj Kennedy joined us last UTA (March). Welcome Chaplain...When's your office hours?????????

There's a few smiling faces in the area in the past few months...Sporting new stripes are: TSGT DONALD HO, SSGT JOSEPH KIM, SSGT DENNIS OKAMURA, SSGT ERICK OKUHATA, SRA MICHAEL QUEEN, SRA GERALD YUKITOMO, SRA MATTHEW MORIKI, and Alc CONNIE LYNCH. Congratulations!!!!!When's the beer bust!!

Now a word from Dining Services

ANGR 146-01 reads that meals are provided to those individuals who attend UTA's for eight (8) straight hours or more. In other words, if you are staying only four (4) hours, you are not entitled to a meal. ANGR 146-01 also reads that individuals using the ANG dining facilities during UTA's are required to show DD Form 2AF (RES) Armed Forces Identification Card. So those of you who keep on forgetting your wallets, ID card, etc; one day may be refused entry to the dining hall....other words....BRING YOUR ID CARD!!!!!!

Have you noticed the upgrading of the dining hall???New chairs have been brought in, menu board posted, soup added as well as coffee, soda, and other goodies..... Keep up the good work gang!!!!!!

TSgt JOHN T RAMOS left for the Academy of Military Science on April 1. He is scheduled to graduate May 10 as a Captain and will return to Hawaii as the 154COMPG new Ground Safety Officer. Congratulations on a huge promotion JOHN!

MSGT WALLACE ASATO with a little help from MRS KATHY ASATO (169ACW Sq), became the FATHER of a baby BOY on APRIL 5. CONGRATULATION TO THE ASATO's!

154 CAM Squadron News

... Thanks to the good deeds of CMSgt HIROSHI GO who assisted a motorist stranded on the freeway with his little girl and a flat tire, the man was able to continue on his way. Chief GO assisted driving him to and from the service station. This good deed may have saved Chief GO's life when he checked his Toyota and found his left front tire would have fallen out completely had he not taken the time to check it out--the wheel bearing was all shot to pieces. Even though this incident happended prior to his good deed, this could've led up to assisting the man and his daughter...Aloha Ke Akua Hiro San.

....The AGE Section had an outstanding rating during the last ORI and the personnel within the shop are preparing for the coming ORI. Shop personnel are coming in on their day off to repair equipment, move furniture, move equipment and painting, just trying to get everything ready. The appearance of the shop is beginning to look real good, the tool crib is just exceptional, you got to see it to believe it. The morale of the shop is high, personnel retention is up and they are just confident of another good showing. They are doing a tremendous job preparing....No Ka Oi fellas, keep up the good work.

....The 154 Golf Club had their annual golf bash at the Hickam Officers Club last month, thanks to MSgt RUDY and BETTY LUAT who made all the arrangements. Prime Beef and Crab Legs all you can eat. The golf members and their wives didn't eat till they got full--they ate till they got tired, they ATE and Ate and ate and... ART LEE kept the guests on the edge of their seats with his fantastic magic like making the volcano eruption, smcke coming out of a napkin, coin disappearing, trickling water coming out of a five dollar bill and a lighted cigarette disappearing in thin air. Lots of fun, lots of food, and lots of prizes. ..Heard the HANG Bowling League had their banquet at the Tripler Officers Club, lots of booze, lots of prizes and lots of food?????How come all the Sgts get to go to the Officers Club without an Officer????

....After that #\$%@+"¢/ bird "Bombed" ZIGGIE on his forehead while he was looking up instead of down in the Hangar, the Periodic Dock personnel decided to declare war on the birds...They would like to know if anyone know how to get rid of the birds and stop the bird droppings...I wonder if this is the reason why the dock personnel are wearing their hardhats all the time and looking downwards instead of up..

....Future Guardsmen. IONY CALVAN son of TSgt LIONEL CALVAN is the new State wrestling champ in the 105 pound class. He is also the western Division Champ and the OIA State Champ..MIKE GOO, son of MSgt BENNY GOO is the wrestling champ of Kaiser Hi School, 2nd place finisher western division and 4th place OIA State...

....Good to see JOHN "MULLET" ALO back to the Survival Equipment Shop after a few months of rest following knee surgery. The losing weight contest is still going on in this shop among the three heavyweights. The loser gets to be Santa this coming Christmas...The Simulator Shop has a similar weight reducing program going on. GARY F, GEORGE P and GERRY F eat nothing but hard boiled eggs, spinach and some canned fruits for lunch...After three weeks of this meager eating habit, the or person loosing weight was GEORGE PADILLA, the other two guys look pretty round to me...Not counting out the Egress Shop people who are on the Cracker and Vege- (table diet...Seems like the CAM Squadron men and women are getting with the "FAT BOY Program" and doing something about it...Right on man, you too gals.

CAM NEWS Con't

More on People....Welcome to new enlistees, AB BEN CRABBE and AlC SCOTT WALKER to the Aircraft Maintenance Section; SSGT GEORGE FRAIN, former air police returned to the guard and now assigned to the Administrative Section; SSgt DEAN TASAKA, Instrument Shop, Airman ANDREW DAVIS, C-7 flight and AB MARK STASZKOW and SrA LYNN FRANKS to the engine shop...

....Hard to believe that SrA GLENN POLLER of the AGE Shop flies in from Maui to attend every UTA, the pay he receives from this guard duties is just enough to cover his plane fare...That's real heavy man, real heavy.

....And how about that TSgt BEN LARA catching that 22 pound black Ulua off the Waianae Coast, the other guy with him JOE DOMINGO caught da kine fish "NO-THING"... and MSgt HERB OKAMOTO flying to Kona to catch Papio???

.... Congratulations to SMSgt KENNY CAMARA in winning the quarterly safety award... Right on Bra.

....MSgt A CABRIDO, SSgt C CROWELL and SSgt L C GANT all received monetary awards for their suggestion to improve maintenance practice. One of the awards was quite substantial for over \$1000.00...Aloha No fellas.

....Someone asked TSgt RANDY LUM in an overheard conversation how come he has so many children and another one on its way...Sgt LUM replied that during that period of time his TV was broken and he was always tired and went to bed early...His youngest child is 8 years old and since RANDY has gotten married again and his wife is about to give birth in June (7th child for RANDY) lets hope his TV does not go on the blink again...So LOUISA betabuy him da kine "HiTachi TV" so that he can watch movie 25 hours....

....SSgt STEVE SHIDLER of the Weapons Shop is so disgusted with the anticipated increase in the price of gasoline he decided to do something about it so he bought himself a lOCCL Honda Bike...The thing about bike riding is to know all about riding a bike and the unusual thing about this is, STEVE does not even know how to ride the bike yet and is learning to ride now....?Auwe No H'oe brudda, take care.

....TSgt GEORGE GANEKO built his wall extra strong because of numerous accidents occuring in Pacific Palisades. He heavily reinforced his tile wall to protect his home from being damaged by oncoming cars...So what happens? A Toyota side-swiped his truck, rams into his Volvo (totalling it) pushing the Volvo into his parked Chevy without even touching the extra strong wall he built...Box score: 3 damaged cars, a \$4100 bill and the wall still standing..Auwe, Auwe the Kawila.

....Finally, we welcome another WAF into the CAM Squadron and at last a gal on the flightline. SrA HEATHER BUTLER is our new gal assigned to the flightline as a jet mechanic. A former mechanic with the regular Army, SrA BUTLER also served with the Army Guard at Ft Ruger prior to coming to the Air Guard. She was assigned as a Supply Specialist at the Army Guard and transferred to the CAMRON because her interest was to be a jet mechanic. The determination of this gal is something else. She works for Thompson Service and Supply as a service mechanic and apprenticing for her journeyman certificate in automobile repair. She wants to be the best and is determined to become a top notch aircraft mechanic working full time for the guard. Look out guys, you got competition. HEATHER hails originally from the state of Washington and now resides in Hawaii Kai. Her hobbies? Fixing cars naturally. She loves modern dancing, ballet, swims a lot and of course does some of the woman type work such as sewing and cooking. Welcome to the Squadron HEATHER. And Aloha Wau Ia Oe.

169TH ACW SQ NEWS ROUNDUP

An Air Force Reserve civil engineering "Red Horse" team from Louisiana was here at the 169th for nearly two weeks in March pounding, welding, sawing, painting, etc., to finish work on our vertical plotting boards in radar operations. The Red Horse team members corrected many safety deficiencies on the boards. One of the more notable fruits of their labor is a stairway to the upper rung of our plotting boards. Prior to this, all that our plotters had were two very steep fixed steel ladders that led to the top half of the boards. This new stairway brought relief to a lot of old tired muscles.

Besides shooting footage for a documentary film on the 199th TFS and 161st AREFG performing air-to-air refueling, Aerospace Audiovisual Service personnel from Norton AFB, CA also came up to the 169th the week of March 5, 1979 and filmed the ground control environment portion of the mission. Personnel were interviewed and photographed, too.

Our initial spouse/dependent CPR training session was a success. On March 10, 1979, 11 unit members' spouse/dependents were given a class on CPR by unit instructors TSgts ROY CHANG and ROY SUNAOKA at Moanalua Elementary School. The participants were very pleased with the program and the instructions received. There will be another class conducted soon for other unit members' spouses and dependents.

On March 29, 1979, the 326AD Stan/Eval hit us with an Alert Force Capability Test. Members of "C" Flight were given written examinations and intercept evaluations. All passed exceedingly well. So, forward to the ORI; the 169th forges on!

THE WORLD OF SUPPLY ...

Congratulations went out recently to our new Chief of Supply, MAJ JAMES IWAMURA. He was chosen to fill the slot vacated by LTCOL RICHARD FURUNO who became the Deputy Commander for Resources... Also moving up was SrA JAN NAUMU who happily sewed c her SGT stripes and stepped into the NCO ranks ... SSGT;s CRAIG IWASE and SAM WONG hav once again completed their CPR trainer's recertification. They will soon begin conducting classes to bring the Resources people up to date on the new CPR technique Supply's bowling team tried, but didn't quite make it up the rope, during the last HANG Bowling League. The team consisting of BOB "HAPPY" VALDEZ, DENNIS "ANCHOR" FUKUMOTO, CRAIG "COKE FRAME" IWASE AND SAM "BROKE LEG" WONG, ended up just a bit she in the final standings, to bring home any trophies. They were strongly supported by super-subs GEORGE "GG" GINOZA and JASON "WHERE'S THE BEER" CHUN. Maybe next time gau SSgt NORTON MALINA, bowling for the comptroller's team, managed to take home a 4th place trophy and Sgt PAM EILER, bowling for the AGE team walked away with the month high two series competition award. Congrats folks... A bit of "Well Done" goes out TSGT NEVIN HARADA who, as general chairman of the 1979 Cherry Blossom Festival, managed to put on a fantastic festival displaying and preserving the Japanese cultu TSgt HARRY IGA treated the Supply folks to a promotional film that he received from friend at Hill AFB, Utah, about the F-16 Multipurpose Fighter. If you talk about performance and agility, you talk about the F-16.. Everyone in supply has been busil gearing up for the ORI and hopes that our contribution will help the 154COMPG come through with flying colors ... Happy Easter to all from all at Supply!

HANG to GET NEW F-4's

Did you hear that the Air Force is planning an action here for the purpose of Air National Guard modernization and readiness enhancement?

HANG will be authorized 24 F-4C's as opposed to the current authorization of 18. Action is scheduled to begin in early 1980 and will result in an increase of approximately 10 full time and 135 parttime manpower authorizations.

The proposed action is one of twelve adjustments planned to upgrade the ANG and AFRES force structure.

CBPO - SPORTS SPOT

During the UTA out at Soma Field, we found two rivals slugging it out. The Hawaii Islanders farm camp, CBPO, and the "Bad New Bears of HANG", Comptroller, battled to a 7-7 tie after six innings of play. There were some outstanding plays by both teams with contributions of "Double-Play" Wayne Hookano, and Nelson "Willie Mays" Miyashiro. There were also some controversial plays, as it was noted that there were a lot of people being tagged out, especially when the girls were running the bases. Also, the erratic calls by our umpire "Ray Charles" Koge, led to some unearned runs. There may be hopes for a women's Professional softball team in Hawaii with the likes of such talented players as Jacki "Ace" Jakahi, Marcie "yogi" Hoppe, Joyce "Dodge" Tengan, Margie "Pinch-Hit" Simonson, and Larnette "Dukie" Phillips, who scored most of the runs for CBPO. Perhaps if Comptroller girls had played more they would have won the game. Where were you girls of Comptroller? It appears that CBPO will never be able to do any better than tie with Comptroller. If they beat them, they would never see their drill checks.

POINTERS FROM PERSONNEL

The people at CBPO remind us all of the importance of records reviews. The primary review is given within three months of enlistment or upon return from Basic Military or Technical training. Thereafter, records are reviewed once every two years from that date. You will be reminded through an IBM card from your orderly room but you may request a review at any time by making an appointment with the records section.

Another reminder to keep those emergency data cards up to date. Change of address, change in marital status or new dependents should be straightened away.

People in the news at CBPO are new members SSgt MARCELLA HOPPE and Sgt WAYNE HOOKANO. MARCIE assumed Administration Specialist technician duties formerly held by Ms GAIL MATSUOKA. She spent four years in the regular Air Force as a legal specialist and one year with the Washington ANG. WAYNE hails from Kaneohe and is a graduate of Castle High School. He also spent four years in the regular Air Force as a personnel specialist. Welcome to both of you.

ORI COMMENT

An ORI is a situation in which you stop doing what you were doing in order to simulate doing what you were doing so that you can show someone else that you can simulate doing what you were doing as well as you were doing it when you were just doing it.

FOOD STAMPS OK AT EXCHANGE FACILITIES

Hawaii Area Exchange wants to help you S*T*R*E*T*C*H your dollar, said officials recently. One way to do that is to buy foodstuffs from the exchange facilities instead of from off base grocery stores. Most shoppettes stock a large selection of foodstuffs and customers are reminded that they can use food stamps for all food purchases.

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CLINIC COMMANDER DOUBLY HONORED

Dr. Walter W. Y. Chang, Commander, 154 USAF Clinic, recently achieved a significant honor from the Honolulu County Medical Society (HCMS) and an esteemed position at St. Francis Hospital.

At the annual meeting of the HCMS, held late last year, Dr. Chang was installed as president of the society.

In January, he became chief of staff at St. Francis Hospital. In addition, Dr. Chang, an internist specializing in allergies, is affiliated with the Chock-Pang Clinic.

He has been a member of the HCMS since 1969. The society has over 750 physicians members and is an affiliate of the Hawaii Medical Association.

1978 EXCELLENT YEAR FOR F-4

The F-4 aircraft had an excellent year, according to Interceptor magazine. It reports ADCOM F-4s flew 4,562 hours and the ANG flew 4,635 hours. There were no class A mishaps and three class B mishaps, all engine FOD. Of the nine class C mishaps reported, six were engine related.

One mishap bears mentioning because it almost resulted in a destroyed aircraft. During takeoff, the RSU observed the aircraft wings folding. He transmitted this to the aircrew but they did not hear. The aircraft nose came up sluggishly and it broke the ground abruptly. Pitch continued to increase as the gear and flaps were raised and the wings continued to fold. Pitch finally reached about plus 50 degrees, with airspeed 150-160KIAS at 500 feet. After a control ability check and a few minutes to regain their composure, the aircrew accomplished a successful approach end barrier engagement. Results: Steps have been taken to ensure wings are locked down prior to takeoff. Safety Comment: Several people dropped the ball on this one. The crew chief, the aircrew, and the EOR crew all failed to detect the wings were unlocked. Each of them could have broken the chain of events leading to the disaster, yet none did. Flying wings, lives and an aircraft were put on the line based on the assumption that the other guy did his job. Only through the superb job of airmanship did the aircrew make up for the numerous errors.

SERVICE STATIONS CUT HOURS

All military service stations in Hawaii will be closed Sundays until further notice, according to Hawaii Area Exchange Service (HAAX) officials.

Stations at Hickam area 61 and at Wheeler are closed all weekend under the new plan. Hours of weekday operation have also been affected.

HAAX General Manager Arthur Walker said recently, "Limiting the hours of operation at the service station is an initial attempt to establish hours which we feel will benefit our customers and will hopefully be tailored to the daily gasoline allocation at each of the service stations." He added, "If daily gasoline allocation at the service station is exhausted prior to the posted closing time, the gasoline pump islands will close regardless of the posted hours. We are attempting to ensure that there will be sufficient supplies of gasoline at each facility throughout the month. Retail and automotive operations will, however, adhere to the posted hours of operation."

New hours at Air Force stations are:

Hickam Main Service Station, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday.

Hickam Area 61 Service Station, noon to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Wheeler Service Station, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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NEW OER REGULATION APPLIES TO NON EAD AIR NATIONAL GUARDSMEN

A regulation change, extending the new OER rules to Non-EAD Air National Guardsmen and Reservists was announced recently by Headquarters Air Force.

Reservists and Guardsmen will no longer receive their OERs on cycle dates. Instead, like active duty members, they will receive OERs one year after the last report. Guardsmen also will be required to have 120 days of supervision.

The change to AFR 36-10 also included some minor changes to the OER system as a whole. These include a new definition of last duty day and changes to requirements for Air Force Form 707A and 706.