

KUKAILIMOKU



154 Composite Group

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

With the entrance of 1979, an age old custom appears to have lost its significance: The New Year's Resolution. Perhaps you and I can join in its revival by taking a little time by ourselves to do a bit of soul searching to confirm our direction in life.

The going topic of the day within the military circle is the question "what integrity means to me?" I think that that question should serve as a good start toward resolution making. First and foremost is the reconfirmation by ourselves of who we are and what responsibilities we have as a member of the human race. If we don't answer this initial question, then forget about the rest of resolution making . . . it doesn't count. Rather than promising to do this or that, I'd like to delve into the question of knowing my responsibilities and hopefully you will do likewise:

- 1) For myself, physical and emotional well being cannot be delegated to anyone else. The importance that I place on taking care of myself physically and emotionally is the direct impact I have on others.
- 2) For my family, I'm responsible for providing for their livelihood and growth.
- 3) For my job, I'm responsible to know what my job entails and to fulfill each and every duty and responsibility . . . because of their impact on the mission and their effect on others.

Please note what integrity means to me: It is fulfilling the above prescribed responsibilities which have an effect on the well being of others. Integrity drives that "little voice within us," which asks why or why not haven't we done this or that. Let's get reacquainted with our "little voice" for this New Year.

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1978 ROYAL GUARD ACTIVITIES

MSgt Ronald Cozo, Secretary of the Royal Guard, reports that during 1978, the Royal Guard made twenty-nine appearances with a participation of 185 Royal Guards.

Some of the highlighted events for the year were:

Jan 21, 1978: Kauai BiCentennial Parade, Waimea, Kauai
Mar 10, 1978: DOD Administrative Building Dedication, Ft Ruger, HI
Mar 21, 1978: Dedication of Iolani Palace, Honolulu, HI
Apr 1, 1978: Merrie Monarch Parade, Hilo, HI
Jun 16, 1978: Western Governors Conference Luau, State Capitol
Sep 2, 1978: Dedication Ceremony, Lahaina, Maui
Oct 5, 1978: Maui County Fair, Wailuku, Maui
Dec 4, 1978: Governor's Inauguration, Honolulu, HI

Members who are interested in joining the Royal Guard should be in a volunteer status and limited to those of Hawaiian ancestry. If you are interested, please contact MSgt Cozo at 449-5545.

HOW DO YOU TREAT A NONREPORTABLE ACCIDENT? TREAT IT AS A WARNING!

What does the term nonreportable accident mean to you? It usually refers to a not-so-serious accident which can also be referred to as a near miss, first aid, or nondisabling accident. It is apparent that these names are determined by the severity of the damage or injury experienced.

An accident can usually be prevented, but once the accident sequence begins, the severity of injury or damage is usually determined by chance or fate alone; therefore, it is as appropriate to take corrective action when a first-aid occurs as it would be if the accident resulted in serious injury or damage.

Although a person is returned to duty following a nonreportable accident, the potential for future accidents cannot be neglected. It waits like a skeleton in your closet--ready to return to haunt you, possibly in the form of a more serious occurrence.

So the next time you or a fellow worker experiences a "near miss," treat it for what it really is...a WARNING.

If you are a supervisor, don't just feebly glance into the matter and fill out the required accident report. Fully investigate and understand both the direct and indirect accident causes. Keep records of these mishaps and use the data to identify hazardous areas and operations.

If you need help in this area, call upon the safety staff--they are the experts.

While your organization may have experienced only minor problems in the past, proper consideration of nonreportable accidents will help to prevent minor or major accidents in the future.

PINPOINT ON PEOPLE

This month's our Group's Li'l War God swings his beady eye on doings in and around the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron, which wound up 1978 with a lot of activity, and foresees nothing but a state of unrelieved "busy-ness" for the new year.

For any and all who didn't get the word, the fighter jocks (and, of course, the hard-driving maintenance and mission support crews) did a topnotch job at Combat Sage in the Philippines last November. In fact, now all those troops are stomping around with fangs down to their crotches and just itching for their impending opportunity to sweep the boards next June in what will be the first truly massive Group deployment to the Western Pacific.

That's right: the next jump will be a three-part mass movement-mixed-with-a-shuttle between good old Hawaii Nei and Clark AB, PI -- with a couple of deft sidesteps to Guam to tangle with the B-52's and water the eyes of SAC's legions. Then, in addition to cleaning their clocks at Combat Sage again, the Phantom Phlyers will finally get right down to the nitty gritty in Air Combat Maneuvering (ACM), when they lunge head-to-head with the F-5 Aggressors at Clark.

Oh, by the way, the men and women of the 199th also are bracing themselves for another ORI, which should hit prior to the big Pacific deployment -- but for that one the fangs seem to be curled more back around their tongues.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS: Congratulations to new members FRANCINE CAMINOS, who just joined Life Support and left for Basic Military Training right after New Years; and PEARL SILVA in the 199th CAC, leaving for BMT today. Another CAC troop, SrA SONNY CROWELL (now JONES) married a Navy Submariner from Pearl Harbor last June. And congratulations of a different sort to SrA MIKE KAUHANE, hired last November as a full-time technician in the squadron's life support section.

BABY WATCH: Administrative Clerk BING TAGALAN gave birth to a baby girl last month. The child's name (also "created"): AMIBREAH. A number of flyboys also have found themselves cradling new offspring:

(Pinpoint Con't)

Capt BOB and RENE DARROW had a new son, BOB JR, in July. CAPT BIF and KAREN STROM also came up with a son, TIMOTHY, in June. Capt BOB and PATTY BROWN were blessed with a daughter, AMBER, last March. And, not to be outdone, TSgt MILFORD CHANG's wife MITZI is expecting next May, as is SrA DORREN TOLENTINO (Also in May).

HAIL & FAREWELL: New fighter jock arrivals were Captains BRAD STONESIFER, JEFF NISHIMURA, PETE HEETER AND ROY CORNELLA; and LIEUTENANTS HERMAN LAU and GREG GARDNER, who both returned from CCTS.

Leaving the "Best in the West" are Captains JIM LOCKRIDGE (to more actively pursue his career as Hawaiian Air captain); MIKE HILLIARD (to enter into Aikido training near Osaka, Japan; and DAVE MORAIS (moving back to Florida to take command of his own island -- no kidding! and fly F-4C's with an Air Reserve unit at Homestead AFB.)

Obviously, a very busy turn-of-the-calendar at the 199th Fighting Air Machine Squad.

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A PLEA FOR SUPPORT AND INPUT: The KUKAILIMOKU needs a whole volume of articles such as the one above to keep our people aware of what's happening in and around the group. So, come on, all you unit IO's and additional duty PR people: bat out a piece for next month's issue. We want to -- we NEED to -- hear from everyone. Copy deadline is the MONDAY before UTA (deadline for the next one is Monday, 29 January, because the February UTA comes early -- the 3rd and 4th).

The Group Commander expects support -- even a few sentences will do -- from ALL units: 154CAM Sq, 154 Supply Sq, 154CSS, 154CEF, 199TFS, 154 Clinic, 199 Wea Flt!

UNIFORM CHANGES APPROVED

Fifteen changes in wear of the uniform have been approved, effective immediately and will be included in the next change to Air Force Regulation 35-10. Changes include:

- *Qualified personnel may temporarily wear the U.S. Army air assault wings while performing duty with Army air assault units.

- *Members may wear an additional unit emblem above the name tape on the utility uniform.

- *Women may wear healing posts after ears are pierced, but normally not for more than 30 days or until ears have healed sufficiently to allow off-duty wear of earrings only.

- *Qualified personnel may wear the miniature combat infantry badge on service uniforms.

- *A washable 100 per cent texturized polyester optional trousers (blue shade 1158) will be developed for men.

- *Women may carry the handbag over the left shoulder with full-length strap.

- *The color shade of the lightweight jacket will change to 3356 (the current shade of the all-weather coat).

- *The fabric of the white mess dress coat will change to a 100 per cent white polyester tropical fabric.

- *Women working on the flightline may wear a commercial-style hairnet with drawstring.

- *Women may wear the men's winter cap.

- *Women may wear the women's Army fatigue hat with the men's green utility uniform.

- *A newly designed, tapered, optional men's long-sleeve shirt with epaulets made of the new short-sleeve shirt fabric will be tested.

- *A longer-length sweater for optional wear by hospital women will be developed.

- *Women may wear black socks (anklets) with pantsuit combinations when boots or oxfords are worn, but not with pumps.

- *An optional all-weather coat with 100 per cent polyester serge fabric as an outer shell will be developed.

Bob Stevens'

"There I Was ..."

COMMUNICATIONS IS NEVER HOW TO SAY... "HUH?" COMMUNICATION THE LACK THEREOF - IS ALSO THE BASIS FOR MOST AVIATION HUMOR TODAY... AND YESTER FOR THAT MATTER.



EXEC - BOIL THIS INFO DOWN and DISTRIBUTE TO SQUADRON LEVEL.

Tomorrow evening at approximately 2000 hours, Halley's Comet will appear in this area, an event which occurs only once every 75 years. Have the men fall out in the flight line area in fatigues, and I will explain this rare phenomenon to them. In case of rain, we will not be able to see anything, so assemble the men in the theater and I will show them a film of it.



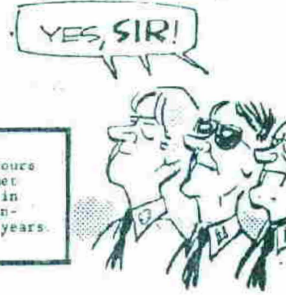
THE BOSS WANTS THIS. GET TO ALL THE TROOP SIR. REMEMBER HIS POL TO KEEP IT BRIEF.

By order of the Colonel, tomorrow at 2000 hours, Halley's Comet will appear above the flight line area. If it rains, fall the men out in fatigues, then march to the theater where this rare phenomenon will take place, something which occurs only once every 75 years.

AWRIGHT, YOU SQUADRON COMMANDER, GET THE WORD OUT - IN A NUTSHELL!



By order of the Colonel in fatigues at 2000 hours tomorrow evening, the phenomenal Halley's Comet will appear in the theater. In case of rain in the flight line area, the Colonel will give another order, something which occurs every 75 years.

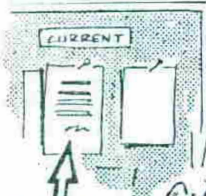


YES, SIR!

SARGE, GET THIS ON THE BULLETIN BD - KEEP IT SHORT!



Tomorrow at 2000 hours, the Colonel will appear in the theater with Halley's Comet, something which happens every 75 years. If it rains, the Colonel will order the comet into the flight line area.



When it rains tomorrow at 2000 hours, the phenomenal 75-year-old General Halley, accompanied by the Colonel, will drive his Comet through the flight line area in fatigues.



COURTESY "THE TALON" AF ACADEMY, COLO.

Bob Stevens

ANOTHER FEATHER IN OUR CAP

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Nov.30,1978

Dear Capt. Minato,

The children and teachers want to express our sincere thanks to you for letting us tour Hickam Air National Guard. It was a unique experience for all of us and we gained much from this field trip. Our Three enthusiastic guides, Sgts. FUKUJI, ABE, & MURONAGA, were excellent in explaining to the children the many different sights and equipment there. The children felt "at ease" with them. The men in the shops were so friendly, pleasant, and helpful that we really felt privileged to have had this opportunity to visit the base. Please express our appreciation to all.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Team 1 Teachers:

Patsy Humea
Molly Hamanaka
Jean Matsusaka

Date of Visit: Wed, Nov 29, 1978
Number of Individuals: 52 Second and Third Graders with
3 teachers

safe worker

Tom Dodds

Starting over

"If I had it to do over again..."

Maybe deep down you wish you'd married someone else.

Maybe you think you'd have been better off in another line of work.

Is it that you wish you'd gone on to college instead of plunging into the real world after high school?

Realistically, there's not much you can do about it. All kinds of complications and entanglements block you. And in many cases it's just simply too late to start over.

Like it or not, you're stuck.

But not with everything.

You can turn a bad safety record around just like that.

No "might have beens" or "if I had it to do overs." You just start working with safe habits and attitudes right now!

No problem. You can handle it.

Use common sense. Add caution. Know the safety rules and follow them. Think. Plan each step and operation carefully. Keep on doing it day after day after day.

That can make it a very happy new year.



MAKE THIS A
NO-ACCIDENT YEAR

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INFORMATIONAL NOTE: By the way, are y'all aware that we have officially become the 154th COMPOSITE GROUP? Why? Because the old 154th TFG has absorbed the 150th and 169th ACSW units, and now has HANG's entire Maintenance and Resources capability -- along with Fighter and Air Defense operations -- realigned under a TRI-DEPUTY system of organization. . . thus following USAF organizational structure. We hope to have a more fully-explained look at the new system, along with what's what and who's where, in our next issue.

AND DID YOU ALSO KNOW? The Hawaii Air National Guard was given a spectacular six-page full color spread in last month's AIRMAN magazine, which enjoys worldwide Air Force distribution. Really impressive; so if you haven't seen a copy or read the excellent historical piece on HANG, get your hands on it and check pages 20-25.