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Guard Family Members

Exchange Opens Doors

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has announced a change in guardsmen shopping privileges. Congress has recently authorized family members of reserve component personnel to shop in exchange facilities when not accompanied by the reservist. Identification is required to gain entry to the exchange, such as a driver's license or social security card, along with the sponsor's current leave and earnings statement.

A letter of authorization is required in lieu of the leave and earnings statement for those reservists performing inactive duty training for points rather than pay.

Those guardsmen who have a family member shop should remember that this will reduce their shopping entitlement by one day for each such visit. This is just one more way in which Congress has teamed with AAFES and the National Guard to make shopping at the exchange easier for the total force. These new privileges also apply at the Navy exchange. The changes have been in effect since September 1.

Molokai to Oahu

Not to be outdone by all the world-class runners in the Hawaii Air National Guard, the HANG Ohana Canoe Club has entered a men's team in the upcoming Molokai to Oahu canoe race, the 41 mile ultimate test of canoe paddlers, to be held on October 11. The team expects to hit the finish line at Ft. De Russey beach at about 2 p.m. They invite you to be there to celebrate.

HANG 35

Planning is underway for a huge 35th anniversary party for the Hawaii Air National Guard. The event is scheduled for November 7 at the Hickam Officers Club. The evening will begin at 6:30 with no-host cocktails. A dinner and awards program will follow with dancing set for shortly after nine.

Several special historical programs are being developed for showing at the banquet, including a film presentation.

The festivities are open to all current and former HANG members, their relatives and friends.

Tickets are \$16 and may be purchased from your unit coordinator. (see Commander's Corner page 2).

The Hickam Air Force Base "Make It Click" campaign is now happening in a big way. The base traffic code requires the use of seat belts, according to Col. John Parrish Jr., base Commander.

He has instructed the Security Police to rigidly enforce the rule. First offense and you answer to your commander, three and you could lose your base driving privileges for 30 days. Gate guards may make checks at any time--so be aware.

Buckle up!

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Commander's Corner

Col. John S.W. Lee
Commander, 154 COMP

Following World War II, on Sept. 10, 1946, the Hawaii Air National Guard was organized with Lt. Col. Walter Dillingham commanding the 199th Fighter Squadron. From a single B-26C, we have progressed to the current F-4 all within a 35 year period. We will celebrate our achievements, as well as those of our predecessors, on November 7. The HANG 35 Banquet will be held at the Hickam Officers Club, along with an awards ceremony.

We are making a concerted effort to involve as many of our HANG personnel as possible, as well as retirees, to share in this auspicious event. The newly constructed patio area at the club can handle our requested 600 reservations.

This is the time to bring your spouse or date to acquaint them with the HANG that we too often take for granted. There are many new players who are Guardsmen and this social event is to emphasize that friendship marks the basis of the Hawaii Air National Guard.

New AF advisor

Lt. Col. Gilbert F. Dunne (colonel selectee) has been assigned the position of Air Force Senior Advisor (AFSA) to the Hawaii Air National Guard replacing Col. Leon Johnson who recently retired. The new advisor's previous assignment was with the 326th Air Division at Wheeler Air Force Base.

Dunne has logged over 5000 flying hours, 3000 of which were in tactical fighters. His most recent assignment was at Kadena Air Base, Japan, flying the F-15 "Eagle" with the 12th Tactical Fighter Squadron which he also commanded. His flying experience also includes the F-5, CF-5 (Canadian version), F-104, CF-104 and F-4. Currently, he is wearing three hats. He is the acting deputy commander for operations at the 326th, also vice commander for that unit along with being AFSA.

TOP HANG EM

The Hawaii Air National Guard will soon have a new senior enlisted advisor. SMSgt. George K. Ah Chong, formerly of the 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, has been selected to fill that position by Brig. Gen. Arthur U. Ishimoto, HANG commander.

Ah Chong will replace CMSgt. Harry M.Y. Awana Jr. who's term expires on September 30.

Awana will be returning to the 154th Composite Group to work with Col. Allen Mizumoto in aircraft maintenance.



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CAM sq. news & views

by SMSgt. Art Lee

...Our fondest aloha and congratulations to First Sgt. George K. Ah Chong who will be leaving the squadron to accept the senior enlisted advisor position at HANG Headquarters effective Oct. 1. Ah Chong, who practically spent all of his 26 years in the Guard with the Cam squadron, first as an air technician working as the supervisor in the engine shop, then later, after leaving the air technician detachment, became the First Sgt. and served 11 years in that position. George will be working closely with Brig. Gen. Arthur Ishimoto, commander HANG for the next couple of years and we know George will be an even greater asset to the Hawaii Air National Guard in that capacity. Good luck George and thank you for the good memories you gave to the squadron... Replacing Ah Chong as the unit First Sgt. will be TSgt. Jack Uhrig, formerly of the AGE section and who was recently appointed to the squadron as the unit career education NCO. Uhrig will be entering a new career as the First Shirt and we expect everyone to assist him in anyway. Uhrig has been getting used to his new position by coming in the entire week prior to this UTA...

...We just got word that effective immediately dependents may enter the BX without their spouse tagging along. All they need is the Earning Statement card AF Form 1965 and proper I.D... Incidentally if you want to apply for the Air Reserve Forces Dependent ID card AF Form 466 you may do so at CBPO, children 16 years old can also get this card. A drivers license should be sufficient together with the earning statement card to get into the BX...Right on, now the spouses will spend more money... Hawaii Chapter 18 NCO Academy Graduates, their wives and other volunteers did a tremendous job hosting the Waimano home carnival last month. Thanks to the planning by MSgt. Benny Goo, SMSgt. David Pontes and MSgt. Mel Ige and other organizers of Chapter 18, everything ran smoothly. Thanks for all your efforts and keep up the good work. I'm sure somebody up there is looking favorably on all who participated... Cont.



HICKAM CHAPEL SERVICES

- Protestant - 8:00am. Hickam Harbor
8:45am. Chapel One
11:15am. Chapel Center
- Catholic - 7:45am. Chapel Center
10:00am. Chapel Center
11:30am. Chapel One
- Jewish - Contact Jewish Chapel,
Pearl Harbor...471-0050
for information.

There will not be a 154th service or talk session today as the chaplain is enroute to a chaplains' conference at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

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Jumping Jova

by Capt. Harry G. Ellis
Chief Disaster Preparedness

Tropical storm Jova (formerly hurricane Jova with 75 knot winds) turned towards Oahu Friday. The storm should only have 25 knot winds when it passes over us, but it is expected to carry heavy rainfall over the island. There is a possibility of flooding here at Hickam because of the rains. Other Air Force installations, especially Bellows AFS, can also expect to be affected by the storm. To insure everyone is prepared for the storm the Hickam Command Post sent out a weather advisory over the "TACNET" which is used to alert all host and tenant units of significant events. The advisory directed all units to review Annex D, Natural Disaster, to Hickam AFB OPLAN 355-1 as well as unit checklists in support of the plan.

Of all the locations manned by people assigned to the 154 COMPG the Hickam units are most vulnerable to flooding. Kokee AFS, Mt Kaala and Wheeler AFB all have the advantage of their elevation to enhance run-off. At Hickam that natural protection doesn't exist. In fact, the 154 COMPG area is as near to the water as one can get without being in a boat! Two drainage canals run through the area. One is Diamond Head of the F-4 packing camp and the other immediately Ewa of Base Supply. With enough rain, especially near high tide, we could have a good bit of water in the area.

Now is a good time to look at your responsibilities during tropical storms or hurricanes. You have tasks to help protect Air Force resources and reduce possible damage or mission degradation. You also have the responsibility to insure your dependents are aware of the hazards involved with these storms and know what actions to take. Remember, even in our island paradise we are subject to disastrous storms. It is not a matter of "if" its just a matter of "when". Fortunately tropical storm Jova is not the "when" but its still a good time to brush up on natural disaster procedures.



"I DON'T CARE IF THE SONG DOES SAY, 'LIVE IN FAME OR GO DOWN IN FLAME', I'M NOT TAKING OFF 'TIL YOU FIX THAT EJECTION SEAT!"

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MSgt. Choo is looking trim and fit after all that jogging... Don't forget to get your tickets early for the 35th anniversary of HANG. The get together will be held at the officers club at Hickam under the new patio, a large crowd is expected... Continuation of the Sunday afternoon Bible Class at the CAM training classroom at 3 p.m. really a wonderful quiet time of sharing with one another-- come and join us. And finally, our sincere mahalo to the 154 Civil Engineering section for all their efforts assisting everyone and everywhere. Their expertise, know how and qualified people covers a great deal of area, not only here at the 154th COMPG, but all over.. Just want to let you guys know the CAM squadron really appreciates the fine work done for us in the past... And all you people out there, take it easy, take care of yourselves and don't drive fast.....



RMS roundup

by TSgt. Sam Wong

Congratulations and best wishes to our new Deputy Commander for Resources, Lt. Col. James K. Iwamura. Iwamura, our former chief of supply, was selected to fill the position after the retirement, last month, of Lt. Col. Richard Furuno... Maj. Melvin Asai attended a week-long logistics class at Travis Air Force Base, California, then came home for drill and will turn right around and head for Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, as part of the HANG pre-planning team for next year's Red Flag... and recently back from the Ogden ALC, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, is TSgt. Sam Wong. He attended a world wide F4 WRSK/BLSS review. This is an annual meeting of all the major commands to discuss and set up requirements for the war readiness spares kits... MSgt. Baldwin Yamashiro, our perennial traveler, is once again enjoying the sights as he tours the mysterious and intriguing continent of Africa. Baldwin had better stick close to the tour and not wander off into the bushes unless he wants to become "Yamashiro Stew" for something or somebody... TSgt. William Simonson from the data automation office, is attending the RJETS (Computer) Management course being held at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi... and SSgt. Geri Heatherly is part of a contingent of HANG folks that departed on September 19 for the ANG Enlisted Association Conference that is being held in South Dakota... Welcome to the squadron time... Ann. Gary Masuda recently returned from the packaging specialist tech school held at Aberdeen, Maryland, after completing basic training. Gary, being in a critical AFSC, will be awarded \$750 since he has attained his 3 skill level at school.. He will be receiving \$750 more as part of a \$1500 deal in the near future. Anybody want to become a Packaging Specialist? See you at the HANG Awards Banquet.

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CEF Deploys

What has 106 legs and saves the government money?

- a) An ambitious centepede.
- b) A herd of politically active buffalo(s).
- c) 53 Hawaii Air National Guardsmen

If you chose the third answer you would win, if there was anything to win. Recently 53 members of the 154th Composite Group deployed to Van Nuys, California for annual training. They supported the 164th Tactical Airlift Wing. The deployment team was made up of members of the 154th Civil Engineering Flight, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, 154th Combat Supply Squadron and Resource Management Squadron.

Projects completed by the team included renovation of the survival shop, avionics shop, materiel control office, and several other projects both scheduled and not scheduled. The team estimates that had the projects been contracted out the price would have reached more than \$68,000.

The group reports that the training situations were an invaluable learning experience that could not have been duplicated at home. A spokesperson says that the members of the team contributed to the overall success of the deployment that was achieved because of the expertise and dedication of all the personnel.

by SrA. Lisa A. Rodrigues
154th Civil Engineering Flight



News briefs

Low priced gas

"Gasoline will be two cents cheaper per gallon, but only cash or checks will be accepted," is the latest announcement by Headquarters Army and Air Force Exchange Service officials in Honolulu, concerning prices at the exchange operated service stations on military installations.

Sources stated that HQ AAFES opted to renegotiate contracts for unbranded gasoline, in order to bring the sell price down at the pump.

The last day for use of Shell credit cards in Hawaii Area Exchange service stations will be 29 September 1981. Officials added that only 21 percent of gasoling sales have been made with credit cards in the past.

GI Bill benefits expire

Time is running out for some 900,00 veterans to use educational benefits of the GI Bill, now in its 37th year.

About one-fifth of 4.3 million eligible veterans will lose their eligibility for benefits this year, according to the Veterans Administration. The law permits a veteran to use the education benefits within 10 years following discharge from service, or by Dec. 31, 1989, whichever is earlier.

From June 22, 1944, when the first measure was signed by President Franklin Roosevelt, through June 30, 1981, 18 million veterans had received assistance under the GI Bill. About 35 percent of all trainees have been Vietnam Era veterans. This year the GI Bill will assist the education of more than 800,000 Vietnam Era veterans.

More than 7.8 million World War II veterans were trained under the original measure, about one-half of all those eligible. Another 2.4 million, or 43.4 percent of those eligible, studied under the Korean plan, and nearly 7.8 million Vietnam Era and post-Korea veterans have used the current program. Some 65 percent of eligible Vietnam Era veterans have received training.

A new program, which requires financial participation by service personnel, is available for those who entered the military after Dec. 31, 1976.

Veterans who need information on GI Bill eligibility should contact the nearest VA regional office.

The Air Force Band of the Golden Gate will give a free concert at Sky Gate Wednesday noon. The band is from Travis Air Force Base in California.



" Hello, Pentagon--one question before I alert the Air Guard. Do we or do we not believe in the existence of UFOs ? "



"--then all of a sudden my mind went blank. I couldn't remember how to say 'Halt', 'To the rear march', 'Column right' or anything."