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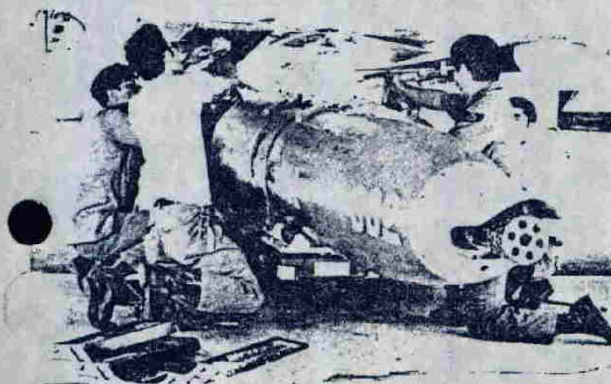
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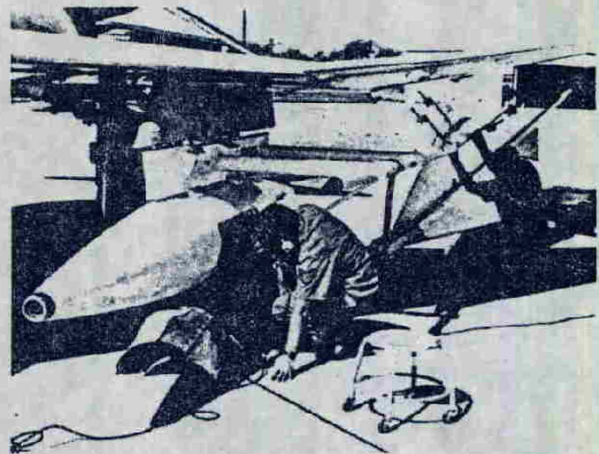
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photos by SSgt. Ron Biho

The SUU-16/23 gun pod that will be used in air-to-air target practice.

Beginning Aug. 8, our aircrews will be getting a chance to test their aerial marksmanship in live DART fire training. Eight aircraft will deploy from Hickam AFB to Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station for training sorties involving DART tow and DART fire training.



154th CAM workers attaching target drone (DART) to aircraft.

The DART, shown above, is designed for aerial target practice. It is towed behind another aircraft giving our pilots a chance to zero in on a real target. The purpose of the mission, obviously, is to provide familiarization in employment of the gun as an air-to-air weapon. The "gun" is an SUU-16/23.

The deployment will begin Aug. 8 with return to Hickam scheduled for Aug. 19.

Labor Day
Work at Holiday Safety

154TH WING
HISTORY OFFICE
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Commanders Corner

by
Col. John S.W. Lee



With the hurricane season upon us we will again be deluged with advice to sustain our survivability. What may appear to be life threatening and catastrophic to us are events normally accepted as a way of life to those living in the Gulf of Mexico area. People there who survived Camille and other devastating hurricanes are respectful of the power and consequences of a hurricane; this respect is reflected by the preparations made by homeowners and Civil defense personnel.

When it comes our turn to participate

ANG TRAVEL

All ANG Aircraft that transient Hickam AFB are not controlled by the HANG. We can not book passage on these aircraft for the mainland.

All passenger bookings are done at the military airlift passenger terminal.

The inbound and outbound aircraft traffic are controlled by MAC upon landing at Hickam AFB.

Please call MAC passenger service reservation at 449-1515 to be placed on space available passage to the mainland.

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and contribute to crisis management a few appropriate considerations are in order from past lessons learned:

- * We need to look at our assumptions when we identify a crisis.
- * Did we look at all available data?
- * How well did we communicate relevant data to others?
- * Did the leadership coordinate the efforts of his staff and what were the results?
- * Were procedures defined to react to the crisis (was the crisis managed?).
- * Was there an effort to analyze the consequences of decisions made?

The success enjoyed by the 154 Composite Group during inspections, exercises, deployments and other major ventures can be chiefly attributed to effective planning by competent functional staff personnel and deliberate and resourceful application by commanders. It is important to note that implementation action is at the lowest possible level of command. With this edict, effective communications may be the "Achilles heel" of this system. It is important then to communicate intentions along with visible instructions. For the recipient of the information flow, a "Devils advocate" approach may be invaluable with a caveat for dispatching a message with promptness.

UNIFORM BLUES

NOTICE: Are your ribbons current? For the Sunday UTA in November, all enlisted personnel will be required to wear the light blue shirt/blouse with short sleeves and their ribbons. If you are unaware of what ribbons should be worn, you should check with the CBPO to insure currency.

PAY NOTES

August Drill Paychecks - We expect to input the August 6-7 UTA submission on 17 Aug 83 to meet the Aug 23 Computer run. The checks should be received on dated for 31 Aug.

Chapel News

HICKAM CHAPEL SERVICES

Protestant

8:30 a.m. Hickam Harbor
8:30 a.m. Chapel One
10:10 a.m. Chapel Center
(Sunday School)
11:15 a.m. Chapel Center
6:00 p.m. Chapel One

Catholic

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) Chapel One
7:30 a.m. Chapel Center
8:30 a.m. Chapel Center
9:30 a.m. Chapel Center
11:30 a.m. Chapel Center
(Sundays and weekdays)

Jewish

Contact Jewish Chapel,
Pearl Harbor, 471-0050,
for information.

PADRE'S PATTER



My Life is a Gift

Recently I offered the funeral mass of a person who had died suddenly in an automobile accident. Perhaps many of us do not reflect very often on the importance of each day we are on this earth. We may feel that life is routine and that death is far off.

Early in my active duty years I was a chaplain at Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland AFB. There I ministered to many persons who knew they were dying. They taught me a lot about valuing each day of life as a gift of God.

MY LIFE IS A GIFT

My life is a gift of God given, not in years, but a day at a time. Today is the day the Lord has made for me, and He planned it to be the most important day of my life.

Yesterday is gone, never to return. I must not worry about it, but leave it in the hands of God. Tomorrow and all that it holds is God's secret and its coming is not assured.

Only today is mine. Each day, arranged by God with infinite wisdom and goodness is His gift, His act of love for me. In thanksgiving I will offer Him every day the gift of myself—my prayers, works, joys and sufferings.

DEAR LORD, RECEIVE IT GRACIOUSLY!

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Don't be the weak link in the COMSEC chain — Practice Communications Security.

CAM sq. news & views

We would like to deviate from the regular news from the squadron this UTA to bring you up to date on the good fun time that happened several weeks ago at Makaha. Besides, the closeness of the last UTA and this one provided little or no news from the shops...

We are going to title this fun day "A QUIET DAY OF GOLFING AT MAKAHA EAST"...

In what was supposed to be a quiet day of golfing at the Makaha East Course with the sun shining brightly at the beautiful course sitting right in the breathtaking valley of Makaha almost turned into disaster... And like anything else, such as fishing trips, campouts, tee house parties, shop parties, etc. Whenever a bunch of HANGMEN goes out on an excursion there will always be some kind of unusual happenings. Anyway, approximately 31 golfers, or should I say "duffers", went to Makaha to play golf and when it was all over you could just hear the amusing stories that go with it. Rain soaked, mud splashes, cart sliding downhill, sideways, backwards, golfers going out of bounds two and three times in a row, golf course marshalls hurrying up slow poke golfers on the course, more rain coming down, balls splashing in all the lakes on the course, balls striking trees. The clicks and klocks could be heard around the course, players moaning and groaning out loud on how fast the greens were and golfers stacking up on certain tees due to golfers in front of them looking for lost balls... the 3rd hole, a par five dog leg right, with OB on the right, lakes in front, OB on the left, certainly took its toll on the HANG golfers. Each four-some had at least one golfer that had problems on that particular hole.

Mel Ige had the woss on that

hole. He had an OB(out of bounds) and two lake shots and I think ended up with an eleven or twelve. Benny Goo was seen feeding the tilapias with golf balls. And Richard Kudo drove to his ball only to find out he was OB and had to drive back to the tee to hit another... Continuing on the course, Roy Kuwana reported his brother, Bob, was having a little problem on a short par 3. Bob already was lying ten in the sand trap and was still trying to get on the green until he finally gave up and walked to the next tee... Art Lee, in another foursome, thought he had the monthly "Ace" in the bag until he came to the 9th and hit three straight OB to the right. He was lying 6, still on the tee, and ended up with an 11. There went his ace for the day.

The disaster hole was the 18th - a par 5 dog leg right and very billy- and together with the constant rain coming down and the mud spots, each foursome had some problems.

Art Lee's cart started to slide sideways downhill. His co-rider, Dick Kudo, decided to save his neck and abandoned the cart leaving Art going downhill sideway and backwards until Art figured this was the time to bail out, which he did. The cart did stop and both men were able to get it back on dry land.

Not so with Mel Wong in the back foursome. He started to slide sideways and backwards, too, but Mel wanted to save the cart, I guess. He rode it out, heading straight for the river, backwards. Lucky for him there was a railing that stopped the cart in time. Auwe and almost auwee...

Sam Pacarro, in another 4-some, also reported that the haole guy that joined them had some problems on that same hole. He was coming downhill in the middle of the fairway towards his ball and when he stepped on his brakes to slow the cart down, he made a 360 turn... Sam also reported that while his 4-some was on the 16th green putting out, all the earthworms started to protrude through the grass to see what was going on outside... seems like they were disturbed by all the commotion...

news & views (continued)

Scores were very high in both cups, the low handicappers and the high ones...scores like 112, 113, 106, etc., and the low handicappers were shooting in the 90's...and just to give you an idea of how sharp the Air Guardsmen are, they knew that a place like Makaha would be very expensive, so good old Roy Kuwana collected and bought 31 bentos for lunch. Some of the guys brought their own booze and soft drinks but we were told to eat in the parking lot away from the you-know-where so as not to cause a scene, and eating in the rain could be real soggy also...

Finally, everyone agreed we had good fun though. The course was real nice except for the rain, mud and incidents and the green and cart fees were very reasonable...MAHALO to all the planners for this wonderful "Quiet Day of Golf"....

Some announcements before we sign off: Chapter 18 will need 20 volunteers Aug. 13 to assist Dick Deveas in the "Tug of Love" at the Ala Moana Beach Park, check with him. Lt. Childress MAF will be transferred to the mainland and Captain Roger Henshaw will be the new MAF Officer...And Congratulations to : TSgt. Tim Young and SSgt. Pete Espiau for being awarded the AF Achievement Medal...To TSgt. and Mrs. Stewart Lee on the birth of their son. SSgt. and Mrs. Bill Cruz also have a baby boy. Good Work, Dad. You too, Mom...Sgt. Mark Taketa recently tied to Rolanda, happy time. Capt. Chang is at Maxwell AFB and SSgt. Jimmy Puu is at good old Chanute (Ugh) and welcome back Amn. Bob Johnson from the AWCS course...

Aloha

New Ops Chief

Lt. Col. Michael H. Tice has been selected as the new Chief of Fighter Operations Branch, 154th Composite Group. Colonel Tice will succeed Col. Kurt Johnson (who was promoted to that rank July 22). Colonel Johnson retired as an Air Technician last month and has since been appointed Director of Operations, HANG.

Colonel Tice joined the Hawaii Air National Guard in 1965 and currently serves as the 199th TFS Operations Officer.

Our congratulations to Colonel Tice who says he believes the new position will be "exciting and challenging."



Lt. Col. Michael Tice.



HAWAII NAT'L GUARD ENLISTED ASSOCIATION...

by: SSgt Jan DeRego

Word from the President

I want to welcome all new members and thank our supporting regular members. Our organization represents all Enlisted Nat'l Guard members of our state.

Our purpose is to promote and maintain adequate national security, welfare & professionalism of the Enlisted members of the Nat'l Guard. Some of our objectives are better pay, more modern equipment, improve benefits for retired members & improve medical/death benefits. These objectives cannot be translated into legislation without a united voice on the part of all Nat'l Guard members. I would like to encourage everyone to support our HNGEA. Join today.....

Mahalo.....MSgt Doug Abe

We'll we're on our way of reaching our goal in 84, of nine hundred members of the Air Nat'l Guard personnel. This time in 83, we have reached over six hundred members, a big mahalo to those individuals who helped bring'um in. Our dues remain at \$3.00, which \$2.00 is sent to the National (EANGUS). Please send in your dues to me at anytime. I'll see that you receive your new membership card and our update discount buying list and other discount cards we have to offer.

Your Membership Chairman....
TSgt Alfred J. DeRego

We like you to support the association's T-Shirt fund raiser, which will be coming out soon. T-Shirts are in the process right now, printed with the association's new modified logo. See sample at your far left of this article.

Be sure to read this quarter's HNGEA newsletter the "PUALI KOA". Getting your information, happenings & benefits out to you in what the association achieved.

“HNGEA”

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Payable to: HNGEA MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$3.00
Forward to: TSgt Alfred J. DeRego, 154 CAM SQ, HANG/HAFB.
or MSgt Wayne Y. Soma, 154 CSS, HANG/HAFB.

1983 HANG AWARDS BANQUET

The 201 CMBTCG will be hosting the 1983 HANG Awards Banquet. The banquet will be held on November 12, 1983 at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel. This annual event provides recognition for outstanding individuals in the airman, NCO, Senior NCO, and officer categories. Transportation for our outside island units is being arranged, and hopefully there will be a good showing from the GSUs. Please block off this date on your calanders - it will be a good time to renew friendships and recognize our outstanding personnel.



Col. Allen M. Mizumoto recently received the Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding service as Deputy Commander for Maintenance, 154 COMPG, HANG.



Maj. Kenneth P. Wicks has also been awarded the MSM for his professional skill as Chief of Safety, 154 COMPG, HANG.



National Safety Council

EMPLOYER SUPPORT



Hassles With Your Boss
Over Time Off
For Military Training?
YOU'RE NOT ALONE!

Here are some quick tips which might help:

- 1 Don't quit surprises at the last minute. Let the boss know in advance when you'll be gone.
- 2 Let the boss know how important your military duty is to you and to the nation.
- 3 Use your military skill training on your civilian job. And demonstrate the leadership and responsibility you gain from unit participation.
- 4 Thank your boss for cooperating. A little bit of courtesy goes a long way.
- 5 If you have problems, try to work them out with your boss personally.

But if you need help, contact your unit commander.

Also standing by to help are your State and National Committees for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

See page 12 for more info on this subject.

POV PARKING

The existing makai coral parking area (across from the Group's main hangar (Building 3400) and Base Supply Warehouse (Building 3415) is used on a daily basis and very congested during UTAs/training periods. The lack of designated driveways and parking stalls make the area for a disorderly parking arrangement.

To insure members and visitors can park or remove their vehicles during an emergency vehicle could get to the beachfront, the guidelines noted below will be followed by all members and their guests when parking in this area:

POV's will be parked perpendicular to the utility poles on the ground. NO PARKING BEYOND THE ENDS OF THE POLES.

Definitely no parking in the entry or exit to the parking lot.

No vehicles will be parked next to vertical utility poles or the guide wires at the entrances/exits to the parking lot. (Reasons: Potential hazard areas; i.e., inadequate space that could cause automobile accidents and driver could inadvertently run into the guide wires causing property damage.)

Let's all cooperate to avoid possible vehicle accident in the parking lot and to avoid delay for personnel with emergency to get out of the lot.



MAO POPO IA 'OE
by CAM Sq 1st Sgt.

AFR 35-10

Table 1-1

Line 17 Sideburns (m)

"If worn, must be neatly trimmed and tapered in the same manner as the haircut. Must not extend below the lowest part of the exterior

"THE STRENGTH OF RMS"

Na I' Kaika O RMS

by: SSgt Jan DeRego



The big story for supply is, we've been fortunate in having sixteen supply personnel from the 146th Resource Manage Squadron, Van Nuys, California cross train with us in their annual training visit of July - August 83. The cross-feed and fellowship were outstanding. There has been a whole lot of learning on both sides official as well as unofficial. After talking with our Van Nuys counter parts, it looks like the possibility for us going over there to cross train is getting better and better.

Like to congratulate SSgt Michael Soares and Sgt Danny Abella on their recent marriages, (no they didn't marry each other) and to SSgt Alfred Valeros and wife Carmel for their first addition to their family, a bouncing healthy baby.

Hats off to Gary Soronaka who has resigned from Data Automation drill status. Gary's full time job as Systems Analyst with Hawaiian Telephone, occupies 100 + % of his time. He will be missed for his expert Computer Programming knowledge.

Carson City, Nevada, that's where TSgt Alvin Naumu's son Kaleialii, will be participating in the Babe Ruth All Star Team. He was one of the best selected baseball players from his district to participate in the tournament. Good luck to you Kaleialii.

Baldwin Yamashiro's youth group are getting ready for their summer outer island trip to Kona, planned for August 15 - 20. As you know, the cost travel is very expensive and to relieve that burden he has been collecting cycle cans. Yama's fund raising project has reached its goal. Many thanks to all his friends who let him take home soda and juice cans.

Well summer is just about over and lot of your keiki's are still having their summer fun. As a safety tip, watch out for those little keiki's especially in your neighborhood, their active all day long, let them see their first day of school.

See you next month....ALPHA NO!....

Spotlight on the Top

Col. Barrett V. Johnson was born in Delta, Utah, on April 19, 1933. He received a bachelor of science degree in architectural engineering/mathematics from Montana State College in 1955 and was commissioned a second lieutenant through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

Colonel Johnson entered active duty as a student pilot in May 1956 and received primary training at Spence Air Base, Georgia, and basic training at Bryan Air Force Base, Texas, where he received his pilot wings in August 1957.

Through the course of his career, Colonel Johnson flew the F-100, the T-33, the L-20 and in 1971, after being assigned to Ubon Air Base, Thailand, he was responsible for the training and employment of the "Night Owls," the F-4 aircrews responsible for employing the majority of the night tactical irpower in both Laos and North Vietnam.

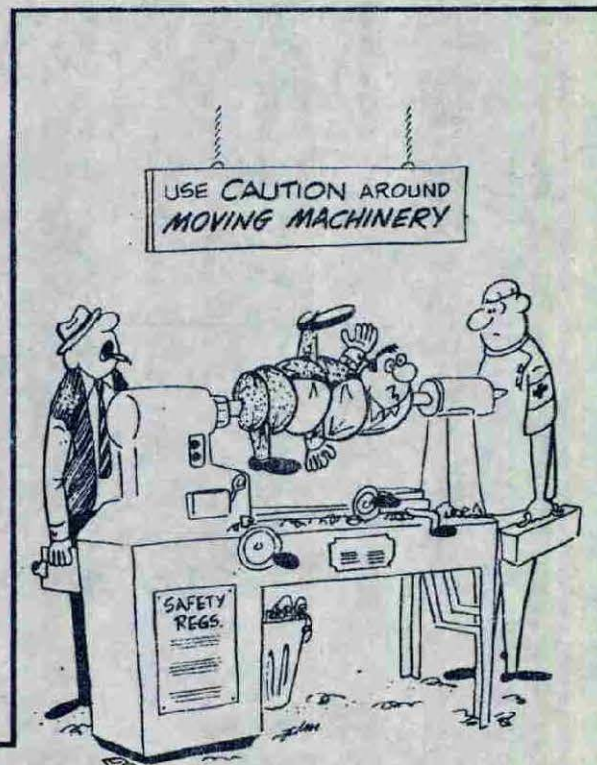
Colonel Johnson ended his Vietnam tours with 380 missions and 786 hours of combat time in the F-100 and F-4. He has since served at the Pentagon, Holloman AFB, New Mexico (where he flew the F-4D and the new F-15) and Hickam AFB.

He was assigned as commander of the 326th Air Division July 11, 1983. He has some 5,000 hours of flying time. And the Distinguished Flying Cross, with 4 oak leaf clusters, is among his many awards.

Colonel Johnson and his wife, Sharon, have four children: Kimberly, Laura, Donald and Allen.



Col. Barrett V. Johnson, Commander, 326th Air Division.



"I warned him about those loose shirt tails."

"SAFETY DAY"

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You should be interested in protecting classified information as the Third Man is in obtaining it.



SPORTS



volleyball

Related V-Ball News
H.A.N.G. SPORTS UPDATE!!!

Volleyball Wrap-Up

"Garnering championship honors at the recently concluded HAWAII AIR NATIONAL GUARD Volleyball Playoffs was the 201st Combat Communications Group - a rugged, disciplined group of Comm. Men comprised from all the Oahu-based units. Displaying the experience and unison gained from playing against club teams in the community, Chuck Victorino's stalwarts emerged undefeated and indefatigable in the 1983 State Tourney. Receiving the Lt. Col. Ernest T. Shima Perpetual Trophy from Brig. Gen. Richardson was the entire team after the tourney's end at Ft. Ruger Gym on Saturday, June 18, 1983.

Placing a close second in the bitterly

fought championship match was the 154th CAM Sq, a weary but deservedly so bunch of fighters (after supplying the bulk of the players who captured the 1983 HNG Volleyball Championship held the same week!).

Coach Kaipo Sing and his 154 CSS-dominated 154 COMPG Team captured a surprising third place finish, eliminating two other teams in the process. Beating the 154 CEF (its back to the drawing board, boys) who at times appeared unbeatable, was merely a prelude to their impressive win over the 154th RMS in two sets. Cutting off the 154 RMS "supply" of strength from the 199 TFS, the services squadron DNIF'd the fly-boys and served warning that they should never hook up with the same squadron in next year's competition!

Harvey Maeda's Western District Champion 202nd ATCF enjoyed a good flight over but nothing else as they absorbed too many defeats to stay in contention. Game but outmanned, they vowed a stronger showing next time around! Thanks to all who supported this annual event and especially to those providing the food and refreshments for all of our tired and hungry athletes."



TENNIS

HANG State Tennis Tournament

Are you getting flabby around the waistline? Do you need some exercise, fresh air and sunshine? Then get that dusty tennis racket out of the closet and sign-up for the HANG State Tennis Tournament. This one-day tennis tournament will be held on Sept. 24 at the SUBASE Tennis Courts, Pearl Harbor, starting at 3:00 a.m.

The format will be team doubles (8-player teams, team round robin. This means that each team will have designated 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th doubles pairings. Your team's 1st doubles pairing will play against the other team's 1st doubles pairing, your 2nd doubles pairing and the 3rd and 4th doubles pairings will do the same. After completion of the four matches, the team whose doubles pairings have won the most matches will record a team win. Your team will be playing other teams as the scheduling permits.

At stake is the General Edward V. Richardson Perpetual Trophy for the championship team, individual trophies for the champions, and of course, bragging rights!

DON'T BE SHAME IF YOU'RE NOT GOOD! This tournament is open to the experienced, as well as the inexperienced tennis player. So pick-up a registration form from your admin. sect and forward the completed form to MSgt. How H. Hironaka, 199 TFS by Aug. 26, 1983. Bri your family for moral support!

ON TARGET WITH HANG

The third annual HANG Precision Air Rifle Pistol Tournament will be held during the month of November. The tournament will be conducted as follows:

Authorized entries: Current members of HANG and personnel in the Air Force Senior Advisors office.

Team composition: Unit team will consist of a minimum of four (4) firing members. When more than four members are on the team, all may fire, but only the four highest scores will be used.

Pellet air rifles (single shot) of .177 or .22 caliber that operate by single pump, multiple pump, or CO₂ may be used. The Walther, Feinwerkbau and other air rifles used in international competition are not allowed.

Course of fire (targets, pellets and CO₂'s will be furnished):

- 1) Distance will be 10 meters (33 feet)
- 2) 20 shots prone position
- 3) 20 shots standing position
- 4) Time limit of 40 minutes is allowed for each position

Tournament will consist of highest unit team score (1st place and runner up).

Entry date: All entry forms will be in NLT 30 September 1983. Entry forms may be locally reproduced.

Tournament period: To be completed by 30 November and all targets returned NLT 8 December.

Any questions and/or request for assistance should be referred to the Marksmanship Chairman, TSgt Ronald Muronaga, 449-5595, 154 CAM/MAA (EC), Hickam AFB, HI 96853.

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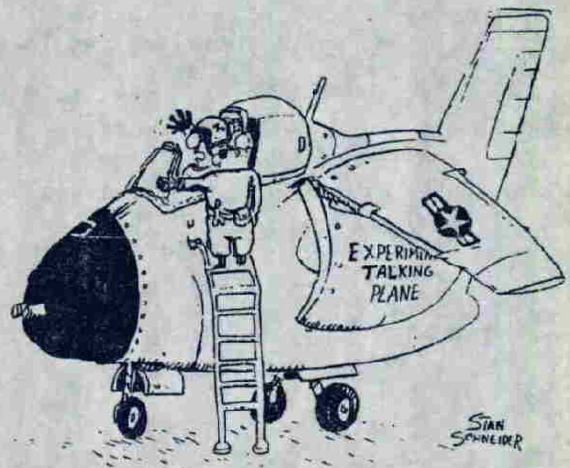
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Will You?

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and The Advertising Council

In last month's edition of the Kukailimoku we printed an article about the 154th COMPG "A" Team capturing the 1983 HNG Volleyball Championship. The author of that entry stated that it was the "first-ever" title for the 154th Composite Group in HNG competition. Well, that was WRONG, WRONG, WRONG! Some of our old-timers remind us that the 154th COMPG remained undefeated from the beginning of the tournaments until 1975 when the title was relinquished. So this recent victory puts the 154th back where it belongs. On Top!

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

There have been some questions regarding benefits to Guard members who want to have a last will and testament drawn up. If you have questions, call the Staff Judge Advocate's office at 732-2341.



"It was horrible! The plane kept telling rotten jokes!"

My Boss is a PRO

The National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve conducts an awards program designed to honor employers who support a Strong Guard and Reserve Force. The top award in the program is the prestigious PRO PATRIA, named for the latin expression meaning "for the nation".

No more than 60 employers will be given the honor annually. Individual supervisors, as well as firms and agencies, are eligible for recognition.

Here's how the program works:

All members of the National Guard are eligible to nominate their employers for the PRO PATRIA award.

Employers qualify for recognition when they practice personnel policies that support employee participation in the Guard.

ITEM: Federal law requires them to grant excused absences to Guard and Reserve members for military training, so simple com-

pliance with the law does not qualify an employer for an award. The employer must demonstrate additional, voluntary measures to make it easier for employees to stay in the Guard and Reserve.

Nomination will be by letter, which must explain why the employer deserves consideration for the PRO PATRIA award. Members of the Guard and Reserve may nominate their bosses directly to:

My Boss is a PRO
NCESGR Awards Officer
1735 N. Lynn St.
Arlington, VA 22209

Members MUST include in their letter their identification, address and name of the commander of their Guard or Reserve unit.

There are no losers in the competition. Though not every employer nominated can win PRO PATRIA award, each will receive the Employer Support Certificate of Appreciation and each will be considered for the award.

Nominations may be submitted at anytime. There is no cut-off date, and the program is a continuing effort.

RETIRING?

Civil Service Retirement Credit Deposits for Post-1956 Military Service

At request of the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center, the Comptroller's office at base level has been tasked by NGB to assist technicians in the calculation of deposits required for post-1956 military service. To summarize, the Omnibus Act of 1982 requires civilian employees of the Federal Government to contribute 7% of post-1956 military basic pay for all periods of active military service which are creditable for retirement computation to the Civil Service Retirement (CSR) fund if they wish to avoid a reduction in annuities. This reduction would occur at age 62, and is generally referred to as 'Catch 62'. (See HIDOD Personnel Bulletins 1983-11 and 1983-26 or 154 COMPG/DPM letter dated 18 May 1983 if further explanation is required.)

Requesting an estimate for the amount you must contribute to avoid this reduction of annuity does not obligate you to make a contribution. The following are the local procedures that apply:

Submit the form (Estimated Earnings During Military Service) to the Support Personnel Management Office (SPMO). Ample

copies of this form was provided to your unit administration. You must attach a copy of your DD Form 214, Report of Separation from Active Duty or equivalent and documentation reflecting your promotion dates. SPMO will verify your creditable years and forward this information to the Comptroller's office.

At this time the Comptroller's office will calculate the estimate and send a package to the member with a Application to Make Deposit. If the member decides to contribute to the CSR System, he will sign the Application to Make Deposit and forward the package back to SPMO.

SPMO will send the Comptroller's office the necessary records for the individual concerned. Finally, the Comptroller's office will send a letter back to the individual requesting method of payment desired.

Please do not contact the Comptroller's office prematurely for your calculations. All correspondence should be with SPMO until the final step where method of payment is elected. POC at SPMO is MSgt James Oshiro 737-8865 and Maj. Allen Shinsato 449-6983 at the Comptroller's office.