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### F-15 CONVERSION PROCEEDS ON SCHEDULE

By Capt. Wayne P. Wakeman

With the official announcement in February that the HANG was to receive F-15's, everyone in the 154COMPG have been busy as bees. A Site Survey Team made up of experts who have handled F-15 conversions for the active Air Force and two other Air Guard units, completed their study with their recommendations on how the Composite Group should handle its conversion with as little change as possible so that the daily operations can continue without too much disruption. This was the first milestone for the HANG toward the conversion.

During the weeks of April 7-11 another milestone was completed as the Site Activation Task Force (SATAF) wrapped up a week of conferences identifying possible problems that the Composite Group may face if other alternatives to these problems are not considered. A SATAF team usually makes three to four visits to a converting unit. The first visit identifies items that may become problems as mentioned above while the second visit is for any following up that is needed from the first SATAF visit as well as to identify anymore new items that may have evolved from previous areas of concern. The third visit is to identify the training equipment that will be needed for the unit, to resolve any last minute problems and to finalize any schedules. Usually the fourth visit is not needed, however it's used to "clean up" any last minute items or problems.

Topics during our first SATAF ranged anywhere from getting the actual aircraft tail numbers and where they'll be coming

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FLASH: The Colorado A-7's, 140 TFW, arrive today at 2:30p.m.

### THE HANG REDEPLOYS TO "RED FLAG"!!!

By Maj Jamie Bury

On Friday morning, May 30th, the Hawaii Air National Guard will deploy eight (8) F-4C aircraft to the RED FLAG Exercise at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nevada. This deployment is very special in that it will be the "East, Great, Hoorah" deployment planned for the HANG's Weapon Systems Operators (WHIZO's) and the HANG's durable, but aging, F-4C Phantom Jet Fighters!

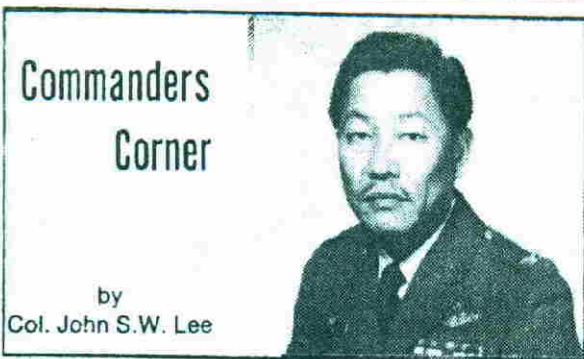
For the second time, the HANG will demonstrate to the mainland Tactical Air Forces the many varied (and famous) skills acquired in the air-to-air environment during its ten-year-plus operation of the F-4 Phantom.

Approximately 115 HANG members will deploy (including 33 aircrews, over 20 crew chiefs, and other maintenance and support personnel). The Detachment Commanding Officer will be Colonel Ritchie Kunichika, with the deployment details being planned by Project Officer Major Pete Pawling.

RED FLAG is the Air Force's premier tactical combat exercise providing realistic and demanding readiness training in a simulated combat environment. Each two-week RED FLAG period is a stand-alone exercise designed for increasing levels of intensity with a "building block" approach for aircrews.

The HANG aircrews have been "gearing-up" in Hawaii during the past few months, flying and practicing their air-superiority tactics in a low altitude, high threat, comm-out environment. While at RED FLAG, the HANG F-4C Phantom jets and their crews will be conducting their simulated, combat sorties at very high speeds, over a dangerous, mountainous and desert terrain located at the military range complex in Nevada.

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With the passing of April, we can look back to a schedule intensive month which involved considerable manu wahi time from so many of our personnel. Hosting the New Mexico Guardsmen entailed considerable direct help from the aircrews of the 199 TFS and our CAMRON personnel. Lt Colonel Tai Hong played a key role in the success of the New Mexico deployment. Lt Colonel Asai directed four hosting events within a six day period. Resources under Lt Colonel Iwamura hosted the Family Day event while meeting the transportation needs of the SATAF conferees. Henry Hasuiki moved tables, benches and plants for each hosted event. The Motor Pool gang prepared lau laus and smoked turkey for our New Mexico friends. The fuels branch assisted in set-up and clean-up for several events. The girls from Supply, Linda, Rosie and Pamela and AFSA's Nancy did prodigious work making leis, serving food and drinks and decorating to convey the aloha spirit. The civil engineers did their usual top notch work in setting up our hangar for Family Day; in addition our State employees prepared our recreational center for two large social events. During our SATAF conference, Kenny Young and Mel Takai worked long hours to make the final report for the conference available to the conferees. On the evening of 9 April our HANG OHANA entertainers, three members of the Royal Guard and a host of volunteer workers hosted the PACAF commanders' conference luau; the service and "aloha" provided by our volunteer workers made the catered luau the "real thing". Dickie DeVees concocted his unbeatable mai tais while our HANG girls served the food and drinks during the evening. Besides our girls from Supply Iris K., Anne and Larnette represented CBPD, Blossom Lee augmented HQ HANG, Josephine Morita came from CAMRON and Donna Padello represented the 169 ACW Squadron. I cannot fathom the

amount of gratitude I feel for each of you who have contributed to make others feel welcome, happy and loved.  
Mahalo Nui Loa.

## **DRUG ABUSE TEST**

(The following is a letter from Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson to all HANG members regarding the new drug testing program. Read and heed. - Ed.)

As most of you are aware, the Air National Guard has instituted a drug testing program to identify individuals who are involved with drug use. I will say up front that I totally concur with the intent of the program to discourage and deter drug use among ANG members. Use of drugs is incompatible with the function and purpose of a military organization.

The mission of the HANG and the effectiveness of the organization cannot be compromised by individuals involved with drug use. Our mission is demanding and complicated enough without having the additional concern of whether or not people who perform critical tasks are drug impaired.

I understand the reluctance people may have in providing a urine specimen for testing. Everyone must realize, however, how absolutely essential it is to deter and identify those individuals who may be involved with drugs. The critical nature of our mission and the special trust which the nation and the state have placed in us for their defense demand that everyone involved with the organization be completely reliable. Those individuals who choose not to live within the high standards expected of every member of the Hawaii Air National Guard must be prepared to accept the consequences of their actions.

Again, I ask for your full support on this matter.



## Pastor's Patter



by Chaplain  
(1Lt) Robert Nagamine

With the current waves of terrorist attacks, our world is no longer a safe place to travel or live. It is difficult to comprehend that we have become enemies to terrorists, whom we have not even met before. Ordinary citizens become targets. We are terrorized so that a few bizarre leaders may achieve global attention to their demands.

In the midst of all this and other current events, the value of true friends and allies is elevated. You get to know your true friends and allies when you need a helping hand. Lately, I have been noticing who some of my true friends and allies are. And I place great value on them! They make this world the kind of place I want to live in. The saying is worthy of our attention: "Either we hang together or we hang separately."

There is a need for a few close friends. I once heard someone say that in our lifetime we will probably have only a few close friends. But what a treasure they are! Life would be 50% better if we all had a close friend(s) to confide in. There is that need to have someone you can trust and share your struggles, hopes and victories with. There is that need to have someone who will give you unfaltering, loyal support when you need it. We all need at least one close friend around. Many times the way to get one is to be one to someone. Be willing to give much to cultivate the relationship and be willing to open yourself up to someone.

One of your closest friends may be your spouse. My wife is. Your spouse may be your best friend. Let not that potential closeness go untapped. It would greatly help if we would have a giving attitude towards them and open ourselves up to them. They can be our lifetime closest

friends.

Our strongest ally and friend is God. If we call upon Him, He will be with us through thick and thin. He carries us through the storms of life. He equips us with the ability and strength to walk victoriously in our ever changing and uncertain world. A needed and true friend is He. May we truly recognize and value our true friends. May God, our true friend, surround us with His ever supporting presence, as we walk with Him in the days ahead.



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# CAM sq. news & views



by TSgt Fred M. Higa, Jr.

...Well, here we are again, another drill weekend successfully completed. Not much has happened since the last issue but we're sure it will pick up when everyone comes back from Nellis AFB and Las Vegas next month. Would like to start by welcoming Technical Advisor MSgt William Goggins, newest member of the 326AD/CA's AF Senior Advisor's office. MSgt Goggins comes with extensive experience working on the F-4 and F-15 aircraft. He helped in the conversion from F-4 to F-15 aircraft at Eglin AFB in 1979 and he most recently worked on F-15's while on duty assignment at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska. MSgt Goggins will certainly be an asset to the HANG and comes at a time when we can use his expertise during our upcoming conversion. Both he and daughter Helena have enjoyed their transfer to Hawaii so far, and have already adopted Hawaii as their home, next to Cleveland, Tennessee..

...From our Avionics Branch, welcome back to A1C Duane Brede who returns from tech school at Lowrey AFB a lot earlier than expected, ~~109~~ 109 days, you saw right, 109 days early. Wonder if that's some kind of record. Gotta go check it out. Off to BMT/tech school is A1C Whitney Tengbergen. Wonder if he'll continue the new tradition set by Duane at Lowrey AFB. Good luck...

...From the Flight Line, congrats to SSgt Harold Hewett and wife Ann who gave birth to a 7-lb 9-oz baby girl. Good luck to SMSgt Lewis Kono who is retiring at the end of May after 39 years of service to the HANG. Should be going on more trips now since he will have more time. Congrats should also go to MSgt Harold DeMello, who has succeeded SMSgt Kono on the Line as Flight Chief. Remember names like Hogan's Heroes, Dirty Dozen etc? Now we've got "RIVA'S RATS" of our C-130 crew. Couldn't agree with you more, Riva, you're "low-key".....

...Quality Controllers on the move... MSgt Wally Takasane back from Quality School and Las Vegas. No word yet if he made out..... MSgt George Mishina off to the Corrosion Control School for QC Inspectors at Sheppard AFB, TX for 5 days. Should be getting warmer about now...From the Weapons Branch, SMSgt Randy Lum is smiling???again as his daughter (1 of 8), gave birth to grandchild number 5. Christmas at the Lum's must be fun. Congrats to groom-to-be Sgt Jason Sato who who'll be at the alter 24 May. Good Luck. Off to Germany and Creek Klaxon for 6 weeks are TSgt Richard Ching and TSgt Jor Iwashita. Should be back 20 June, in time for the June UTA. Jet-setting is Capt Keith Kunichika who just left to attend a Creek Klaxon confab in Wash. D.C., then will fly on to Dobbins AFB and to New Orleans to see how those units are coming along on their F-15 conversion. News from Creek Klaxon's on scene reporter TSgt Steve Morita, SrA Jason Cairns made it to Ramstein, Germany, altho a couple days late. He missed the bus from Frankfurt to Rhein Main which caused him to miss the bus from Rhein-Main to Ramstein. He spent the nite in Rhein-Main and arrived at Ramstein on Sunday. He couldn't get a hold of anyone to get on base so went back to Rhein-Main for another night there. Finally reported for duty that Monday, raring to go to work. They've given a few phone numbers to CMS Ken Iinuma for those who will be going to Creek Klaxon in the future, so if you want to avoid travel problems, check with Chief Iinuma...SMSgt Ken Camara quieted his critics recently when he RAN the 1½ mile run in 12 min 23 sec. Not bad except it was at noon, in his fatigues and BAREFEET. Walking around everyday sure paid off right Ken???? TSgt Ron Mirafior, of the Fuels Shop, reports that a makeshift team made up of CAM Sq members recently defeated a strong, game but outmanned team from Liberty House by taking 3 games to 1. The challenge is still open to anyone who dares to take on CAM's veterans INCLUDING THE PILOTS..... That's all the news for now folks, at least til next iss. Food for thought, "It's not so much where we are that's important, but in what direction we're moving"... (Joe Moore)

...Nuff said.....fhiga

**F-15 CONVERSION cont'd from p.1**

from to the supply ordering process for F-15's that we'll be getting is coming all the way from Tyndall AFB, Florida. Our first maintenance "hands on" training F-15's will be arriving in March and April of 1987, while our first operational F-15's will arrive sometime in July and every month after that until the end of the 1987 year when we'll have our full compliment of Eagle jets. So the Eagles will be here before we know it!

As with any new equipment there is a need for training in that equipment. Schools have been identified and the process of acquiring school dates and money for this training were addressed during the SATAF meetings. Some school courses are as long as eight months and this definitely will cause some hardships. However everyone seems to be taking things in stride and with a positive attitude.

Well the team has come and gone and the process continues to wait for no one. I would like to mention our Civil Engineering Squadron! You guys are the greatest and your pride speaks for itself... Your efforts to support this conversion has not gone unnoticed. The Composite Group appreciates your efforts and especially to SMSgt Rodney Correa who found a way to get the boys to come out during the week to erect those temporary buildings next to the supply building. I'd like to mention all your names but I can't... you know who you are so thanks. I think I can speak not only for myself but for Col. John Lee and Lt. Col. Jerry Aoki, the Conversion Chairman, that you, the support people that make our job to fly jets is a direct result of your dedication to the unit.

**RED FLAG cont'd from p.1**

For the first time, the HANG will deploy its F-4's using the newly-acquired high performance, centerline fuel tanks.

This new feature will enable our fighters and aircrews to possess a positive five (5) "G" capability immediately after take-off (along with other improved flying and handling characteristics).

All HANG fighter aircraft and their supporting personnel and equipment are

scheduled to return to Honolulu on Saturday afternoon, June 14th.

**BREAK RIGHT**

By Capt Gaylord Dowson

This coming week eight A-7s will arrive from Buckley ANGB, Colorado, to fly with us during the 4th through the 17th of May. They will provide the same type of dissimilar air combat training as we experienced with the New Mexico ANG A-7s last month. Our aircrews can be expecting challenging multi-bogie environments with chaff, flares, and perplexing formations. The unit, the 140th Tactical Fighter Wing, will be led by Col Don Neary, Vice Wing Commander. He will be accompanied by approximately ninety-one guardsmen, which include 13 officers and aircrews. Their deployment here is a welcomed relief from their primary mission of air-to-ground. The deployment provides them an opportunity to fight air-to-air with not only the HANG, but with the 15ABW T-33s, Navy A-4s, and Marine F-4s. The A-7s are expected to be parking on our ramp and using Lt. Higgins' office for their briefings. A party is planned for Saturday the 10th with an exchanging of plaques on the 15th. See you there!

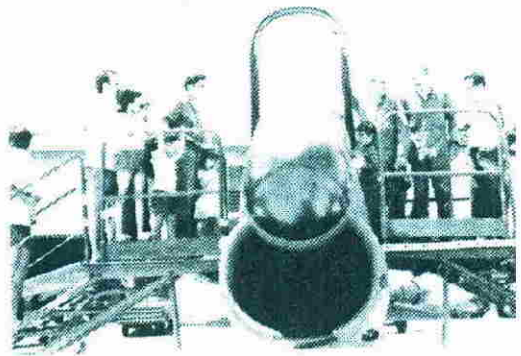
On Friday, the 16th, the HANG will also be involved in the Navy exercise Valley Forge. Our aircrews can also expect very exciting and challenging missions, but this time it will involve Navy F-14s from a task force that will be located west of Kauai. The HANG will be tasked to attack the ships after they fight their way through the defending Tomcats. No sweat!

In support of Armed Forces Day, the HANG was asked to provide F-4 static displays on the 10th at Barking Sands, and on the 17th at Hilo and Hickam. Well the latest news is the Barking Sands "overnighter" has been cancelled but the other two are still on. We're also providing a flyover for the Hickam display and on the 28th at Punchbowl for Memorial Day ceremonies.

By now everyone must have noticed those large fuel tanks under the fuselage of our F-4s. No, these are not bombs for you non-airplane types, but rather our new high-performance centerline tanks. They carry about 600 gallons of fuel which is slightly less than the two external wing tanks previously used. This disadvantage, however, is compensated by the less drag produced and the more G's available with

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**FAMILY DAY - BEAUTIFUL WEATHER, GOOD TURNOUT,  
GOOD SHOW, & GOOD FUN!!!**



## CEF DEPLOYMENT

Members of the 154th Civil Engineering Squadron are Clark Air Force Base-bound this weekend. Actually, the deployment began Friday with 54 enlisted personnel and two officers making up the contingent. Two enlisted people from the Resources Management Squadron are also among the crew.

As part of the deployment, the 154 CES will be involved in four construction projects for the 3rd Civil Engineering Squadron, headquartered at Clark. And in addition, our troops will be working with the Clark AFB Security Police performing construction on the Consolidated Base Armory. The host will be Col. Donovan, Commander of the 3rd Civil Engineering Squadron at Clark.

SMSGt. Rodney Correa, of the 154 CES, says the deployment will provide "war skills".

Sergeant Correa says this deployment will be a little different in that the contingent will be flying commercial. "We're flying Continental on our way down with a stopover in Guam. And then we'll fly Northwest home with a quick layover in Japan," he said.

"One interesting aspect of this trip," Correa says, "is that some of our people of Filipino ancestry will have a chance to explore their roots, especially in light of the recent changes that have been going on in the Philippines lately."

"I just got back from a pre-deployment inspection," he told us Thursday, "and everything is set. I'll be giving you a full report on all our happenings when we get back."

The deployment is scheduled to last two weeks and our people should be back home by May 16.

## TOSHI RETIRES

The saddest part is leaving. Sad for those you must leave and sad for those left behind to miss you.

And so it is with the departure of MSgt. Toshiyuki Watabayashi, NCOIC of the Aeromedical Section of the 154 Tactical Hospital. Some knew him as "Tosh", some as "Doc", but it was hard to think of the 154 medical corps without his face first coming to mind.

Tosh's retirement marks more than 30 years of service to the military and the HANG. During that time he developed and planned and implemented many Medical Support Research Projects and more importantly took the rest of us under his wing to see us through it all in good health.

MSgt. Richard K. Kudo of the Simulator Shop, an old friend, says, "He provided service with a capital 'S'. He was very people-oriented, always willing to help and

taking care of Guard people was his business."

MSgt. Watabayashi's last day was April 30, 1986. And so we all toast to your restful retirement and to your good health... as you have worked so hard for so long to maintain ours. Aloha and Mahalo. You've left a mark that won't be forgotten.

## PROMOTIONS

Hats off to the following individuals who were promoted to the following ranks, effective on the dates listed below:

### 150th ACW SQ.

SRA. Paul Gunderson Apr. 30, 1986

### 154th CAM SQ.

SMSGt. Reginald K.Q. Chun	Apr. 16, 1986
MSgt. Gary Cera	Apr. 16, 1986
SSgt. Rodrigo C. Academia, Jr.	Apr. 16, 1986
SSgt. Joseph S. Rayray	Apr. 16, 1986
SSgt. Harold M. Hewitt, III	Apr. 16, 1986
Sgt. Richard K. Wells	Apr. 15, 1986
Sgt. Theodore D. Salmon Jr.	Apr. 15, 1986
Sgt. Craig K. Katsuda	Apr. 15, 1986
Sgt. Kalani J. W. Pruet	Apr. 4, 1986
Sgt. Rene'e U. Tavare	Apr. 5, 1986
SRA. Richard K. Shoda	Apr. 15, 1986
SRA. James P. Sullivan	May 2, 1986
SRA. Roberta U. Canez	Apr. 24, 1986
SRA. Derek K. Leong	Apr. 4, 1986
SRA. Steven W.S. Wong	May 2, 1986
A1C. Jon P. Amorin	Apr. 4, 1986
A1C. Edwin H. Sproat	Apr. 4, 1986

### 154th SPF SQ.

A1C. Darren H. Eko Apr. 15, 1986

### 154th TAC Hospital

A1C. Wyatt L. Copp Apr. 15, 1986

### 169th ACW

SRA. Jo Ann T. Rapoza	Mar. 13, 1986
A1C. Melvin T. Murakami	Apr. 23, 1986
Amn. Douglas T. Yamashiro	Apr. 28, 1986

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## JUNE 21 & 22

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the new tank. The aircrews love this little beauty since they can essentially "turn and burn" (dogfight) immediately after takeoff and not have to worry about overstressing the tanks. Now that's what you call combat ready!

Squadron notes: Nick Sporik is a daddy again to another baby girl, congratulations. Nick also got hired by Aloha Airlines as a pilot (didn't pass the flight attendant physical).....Jim Drake also joined the ranks of Aloha as a pilot.....Stan Osserman and Dave Talbert left this past Friday for Ramstein AB, Germany. They're the replacements for Ace Ellingwood and Chuck Manley who are participating in the Creek Klaxon program. Ace and Chuck are expected back sometime in June.....Oh yeah, Stan made Captain before he left.....Mike Tice moved up to HANG HQ for a 1-2 year tour. Dick Hastings took over the Ops Officer position and Tai Hong got the Technician Supervisor position that Mike vacated.....Jerry Aoki is the new 'D' Flight Commander. He replaced Hal Schatz who moved into a 154th Group position.....Saigon is walking or more like hobbling around the squadron again. It appears his ankle is in the recovery mode. I'm sure this injury will affect his 'ruder' performance which makes all the Lieutenants anxious to be Mytai 12 on his first return BFM flight.....One last note before I forget, LTC Jack Salter flew his last flight on the 26th of April. He is the first WSO to retire from the HANG and from a flying position. The squadron threw a party with champagne following his flight. With much Aloha we say goodbye to a great guardsman and HANG warrior....the end.

**SEC. ROURKE RESIGNS ALDRIDGE NOMINATED**

Mr. Aldridge has held top positions with private industry and the Federal Government. As the Under Secretary of the Air Force, he provided overall direction, guidance and supervision for Air Force Space Programs, including launch and on-orbit operations, and planning for future space capabilities. The 47-year-old Texan is also a strategic arms expert who has been an adviser to the strategic arms limitations talks. He has served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for strategic programs and as a principal adviser to the Secretary of Defense in

the planning and evaluation of U.S. Forces and Support Structure. He has been the Under Secretary since August 1981. Mr. Aldridge will serve as the acting Secretary of the Air Force until he is confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Rourke cited "personal and private circumstances" for resigning. The former Secretary said, "It is with deep regret that extraordinary personal and private circumstances prompt me to leave the best professional job I have ever held and part company with the men and women of the greatest Air Force this country has ever had."

Mr. Weinberger called Mr. Rourke's departure a tremendous loss not only for the Air Force but for the entire Defense Department.

Speaking of Mr. Rourke, the Defense Secretary said, "His extraordinary contributions...have made a significant and lasting impact on our National Defense."

Mr. Rourke had served as Secretary of the Air Force since Dec. 6, 1985.

Air Force Under Secretary Edward C. "Pete" Aldridge Jr. has been nominated by President Reagan as the new Secretary of the Air Force. Mr. Aldridge is to replace Russell Rourke, who resigned effective April 8. In accepting the nomination, Mr. Aldridge said, "I am honored that the President has chosen me to serve as the 17th Secretary of the Air Force. I pledge to do my best to continue the momentum the President has built over the last five years in providing for a more secure America. It is unfortunate that Russ Rourke has found it necessary to step down as the Senior Civilian Leader of the U.S. Air Force. I know I speak for all Air Force people in wishing him the best in his future endeavors."

Mr. Aldridge said he plans to maintain the "high priority we in the Air Force place on the 'quality of our people' and the 'quality of our forces.' Our people are our most important resource. I will make every effort to maintain the 'quality of life' programs that enable us to recruit and retain highly qualified and highly motivated people."

"In the past five years," he added, "we have made major strides in the readiness and modernization of our strategic and tactical forces and space systems. I will work to ensure that our combat capabilities of the current and future Air Force will meet any challenge. With the support of the President, the Secretary of Defense,

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**ALDRIDGE NOMINATED cont'd from p.8 SAFETY NOTES**

the Congress, and the American people, I know we will achieve these objectives. I look forward to working with the men and women of the greatest Air Force in the world."

Born in Houston, Mr. Aldridge grew up in Shreveport, LA. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Texas A&M University and a Master's Degree in the same field at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

**HNGEA - Reminders**

HNGEA Reminders-Community Project-  
Hawaii Special Olympic Games  
STATE FINALS- Kaiser High School Track  
Dates: May 23&24 - Fri/Sat.  
Contact Wayne Soma 449-6986-B  
442-6773-H

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP  
Annual Meeting- May 9-10, 1986  
Hukilau Hotel- Maui  
C-130 available  
Contact Jan DeRego- 449-9610

**ROYAL GUARD**

All Officers, NCO's and Ka Moi Board members of the Royal Guard's Executive Board are asked to report to the 154th CAM Sq classroom on Sunday, May 4, at 2:00 for a very important Board meeting. Please contact MSgt Ron Cozo at 449-5545 or TSgt Alvin Naumu, at 449-1921, for information.



Wearing of portable headphones, earphones or other listening devices is prohibited while operating a motor vehicle, jogging, bicycling, or skating on the roads and streets of DoD installations.

**Speak up!**

Do you ever take time and think about just who and how many depend on you doing your job efficiently and safely? That includes not only those who work with you, but also your family. Do you ever stop and think how important preventing accidents is? Do you ever think about the safety rules of your job? If you happen to have an idea that will improve the safety of your operation or make for a healthier atmosphere, pass the idea along to your supervisor, or someone who can help you do something about it. If you can help out a newcomer by passing along some helpful safety or health tips, do so in a friendly way. If some kind word of warning will help your co-worker avoid an accident, don't hesitate. Speak up!

**HANG 40 BANQUET****22 NOV 86**

IN THE EVENING A BANQUET WILL BE HELD AT THE SHERATON WAIKIKI TO CELEBRATE THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HAWAII AIR NATIONAL GUARD. IT WILL BE A NIGHT TO REMEMBER FOR YOU AND YOUR SPOUSE. PLAN FOR COCKTAILS AT 1700; DINNER AND PROGRAM FROM 1800 TO 2130.

HAWAIIAN FOOD  
ENTERTAINMENT  
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ALOHA ATTIRE

## ANG SOFTBALL

The Hawaii Air National Guard was again invited to participate in the Annual ANG Softball Tournament. This year's tournament will be held in Syracuse, New York, during August 6-10, 1986.

Before a firm commitment can be made by the HANG, a survey must be conducted on the number of individuals interested in participating in subject tournament. Several administrative deadlines such as submitting a certified team roster, entrance fee, hotel, and U-Drive requirements need to be submitted/coordinated as soon as possible.

Each unit should have blank survey forms available. Check with your unit coordinator for more information.

## HANG ANNUAL SOFTBALL

The annual softball tournament will have its Central division playoffs on June 28-29, 1986 and the State tournament on July 19-20. The Tournament will be conducted as follows:

- \* Slow-pitch: Only Air Guard members and assigned Advisors are eligible. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams in the State Tournament.
- \* The double elimination tournament will be played at Hickam Area 61 baseball field.
- \* Preliminary games will be seven(7) innings or a one-hour fifteen minute time limit. If an inning starts prior to expiration of the time limit, the inning will be played until completion. The fifteen run rule will be waived for this tournament. The championship game will be seven (7) innings with no time limit.
- \* American Softball Association rules will be used.
- \* Team uniforms are highly encouraged for identification and team morale purposes.

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- 154 CAMRON "A".....SSgt Antone Gabriel
- 154 CAMRON "B".....TSgt Clayton Chang
- 154 RMS.....TSgt Randall Hiyane
- 154 CEF.....SSgt James Taniguchi
- 154 SPF.....SMSgt Harrison Ho
- 154 CSS/HQ/Clinic.....MSgt Wayne Some
- 199 TFS/WF.....MAJ Fredrick Fogel
- 169 ACW.....TSgt Mike Nishimura
- 201 ATCF.....MSgt David Langsi
- 202 CISF.....MSgt Galen Nakahara

See your unit coordinator or contact the softball chairman, TSgt Ronald K. Muronga, 449-5595, 154 CAM/MAA (EC), Hickam AFB, HI 96853.

## HANG STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPS - 154 RMS



by SSgt. James Williams

(Our apologies to James for the brevity of this article. Despite the tremendous time and effort he put in to writing a very detailed and descriptive account of the tournament, space restrictions forced us to edit it down considerably. But for those details not included, we're sure he'll be glad to fill in the play by play. - Ed.)

Using team play and a raw desire to win the 154 RMS team became the HANG State Basketball Champions...but it wasn't easy.

The RMS, the 154 CAM "C" and 199 TFS were the three teams from the Composite Group to qualify for the state tournament. Teams from Kauai and Maui (Hilo could not make the trip) overcame transportation problems and their presence contributed to the quality of play as well as the fellowship between the participant

It was a tough battle with no easy wins. The final game itself, between the 154 RMS and the 154 CAM "C" teams was a squeaker, taken by RMS 42-40.

Most Valuable Player was James Kawano of the RMS team. The tournament all-star team includes Eddie Gorospe, Maui Gorospe, and Wallie Ching of 154 CAM "C", James Kawano 154 RMS, John Higgins 199 TFS, and Larry Rego of 150 ACW.

Thanks to all who participated and cheered. Thanks to the standing committee- Jimmy, Pam and Rosie, you guys always go beyond the call of duty. Thanks to our committee helpers Iris Kabazawa, Karen Imada, John Botello, Mike Arakawa and Louise Lum - you guys really came through. And thanks to HQ HANG for all their support.

See ya all next year!