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Business. I have not been sending out Retiree News for about six weeks now. When the Comm Flight modified/upgraded the software for the ANG domain switch over, my e-mail box disappeared (with all the addresses). They are still working the issue. So, I worked to rebuild the address book at home and will be sending Retiree News from my home computer. Special Thanks to the retirees who called to check up on me – several thought I was sick or had quit my job.

If you want to e-mail me, use: galen.yoshimoto@us.army.mil

Wanted List. There is good news. Over the last few weeks, I have received a lot more e-mail addresses and the number is now over 370. I will restart the wanted list with names in the next e-mail.

Retiree Update.

Update on stolen VA data base. Based on a probe and a computer forensics examination, the FBI said that no data were taken from a stolen laptop containing information on more than 26 million veterans and service members. (*Boston Globe, July 14, 2006*)
galen's comment: continue to check your accounts and the credit bureau reports.

Did you the Hawaii Air National Guard has a recruiting office in Aiea? The office is located in the Aiea Shopping Center next to McDonald's (99-115 Aiea Heights Drive Suite #250). Contact any of the recruiters there at 488-1038. If you want to contact a specific recruiter, their mobile numbers are:

MSgt Kelly Machado: 216-2828
MSgt Ben Ormita: 216-2020
MSgt Vicky (Padello) Tactay: 216-2626
MSgt Ricky Tucay: 216-2525
SMSgt Bridget Komine: 216-2515

MSgt Celia Espinosa, a long time HIANG recruiter - first on Kauai, then later on Oahu, is on terminal leave awaiting the start of her AGR retirement. Happy Retirement to Celia! Assuming the duties of the recruiting office manager is **MSgt Kelly Machado**. I know Kelly will lead her recruiters to higher goals and achievements.

Heading the HIANG's recruiting and retention program is **SMSgt Bridget Komine**. Bridget was a HIANG recruiter for several years before becoming an AF Reserve recruiter on Hickam. She returned to the HIANG to assume the position that **CMSgt Carl "CJ" Simmons** held for several years after he retired. Bridget has made significant improvements in our recruiting process.

Just announced. SMSgt Bridget Komine announced that **MSgt Charlsyee Yoshimoto** and **SSgt Christopher Fredeluces** will join the HIANG's recruiting team. Both will have to "survive" recruiting school before they come back as serve on our recruiting team. Charlie (no relation to me) originally enlisted in the HIANG, and later transferred to the AF Reserve for a fulltime opportunity. In 2005, she was the **Air Force Reserve Command's** IM of the Year. Charlsyee is married to **Lt Curtis Yoshimoto** – formerly TSgt Yoshimoto, boomer in the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron. Curtis is now an F-15 pilot with the 199th Fighter Squadron. Their father/father-in-law is retired **CMSgt Calvin "Cal" Yoshimoto**. Christopher – more often called Fred – is a member of the 154th Services Flight. He has been part of the flight's deployments and is a super individual. Both new recruiters will do a great job – with your help.

As always, our recruiting force continues to look for qualified young men and women to enlist in the HIANG. You as former members will know if a young man or women will "fit" in the HIANG before you recommend or refer them to the recruiters. Referrals by present and former members are the best leads our recruiters can get. Please call one of our recruiters if you have a referral – or better yet, accompany them to our Aiea office. Mahalo

FY07 ANG Maj-Lt Col ROPMA board results. Below are the selectees from the recent.

New Majors		Effective
AFONG, CLIFFORD K K	169 ACWS	14 JAN 07
CRUZ, FREDERICK J A	204 AS	1 MAY 07
CULLEN, TROY C	204 AS	12 JUN 07
FISHER, DANA L H	169 ACWS	26 APR 07
ISHIKI, MARK S	HQ HIANG	3 OCT 06
LUNG, CYRUS I T	154 CES	6 FEB 07
MURATA, BEN A	291 CBCS	9 SEP 07
RAWLINS, MICHAEL E JR	204 AS	6 AUG 07
SHIMATSU, CLAIRE K H	HQ 154 WG	9 SEP 07
YONAMINE, NEIL N	204 AS	1 MAY 07
New Lieutenant Colonels		Effective
CHOWHOY, ROBERT T	204 AS	1 OCT 06
PESCAIA, DAMON L	203 ARS	1 OCT 06
YANAGISAWA, KYLE T	169 ACWS	12 SEP 07

You can send your congratulations to any or all. Format: firstname.lastname@hihick.ang.af.mil

Joining our retiree ranks is **Lt Col Clyde Torigoe**, 204th Airlift Squadron. I talked to him on Friday as he processed out at the Human Relations Office (HRO). Clyde plans to upgrade is umpiring certification so he can do UH Wahine games. Do you know how to say, "The ump's blind". Clyde enlisted in the early 1970s and later received his commission and became a WSO as the fighter squadron transitioned to new F-4C Phantoms. As the F-4Cs phased out, he transitioned again to become a navigator in our C-130s.

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