

20090131 Retiree News

1. **The Promise.** **Retiree News** will contain information about benefits, National Guard events, and news about current, retired, or former members. There will be no chain e-mail, cute pictures, or sales pitches. I publish **Retiree News** on a random schedule – as topics come up and time permits. If you change your mind about receiving issues of **Retiree News**, send me an e-mail at retireenews@hawaiiintel.net and I will remove you from the **Retiree News** mailing list.

2. **Business.**

- **A Great Volunteer Opportunity.** **MSgt Bridget Komine**, the HIANG's Recruiting & Retention Superintendent, asked me to forward her e-mail to our retirees. If you are interested in volunteering for this project, contact **MSgt Kelly Machado** at kelly.machado@hihick.ang.af.mil or call her at 216-2828 to sign up for this great event.

-----Original Message-----

From: Komine Bridget SMSgt HQ HIANG/A1R
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 10:17 AM
To: ALL HIANG
Subject: SKILLS USA - Champions at Work!

Aloha HIANG Members,

Have you been looking for a way to participate in the community and give back? Something that touches young adults and the HIANG at the same time? This project is tailor-made for you!

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives; working together to ensure America has a skilled work force. It helps each student excel. SkillsUSA is a national nonprofit organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations, including health occupations. It was formerly known as VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America). You can find out more about them at: <http://www.skillsusa.org/>

SkillsUSA and the Air National Guard have an on-going partnership nationally and we're taking advantage of it locally as well.

SkillsUSA is currently preparing for their local competition and is in need of assistance. The winners will compete at the National level. The contests include these areas:

Advertising Design,	Architectural Drafting
Automotive Technology	Cabinetmaking
Carpentry	Internetworking
Job Interview	Job Interview
Job Skill Demonstration	Prepared Speech
Promotional Bulletin Board	Related Technical Math
Technology Challenge A&B	Video Production

Please consider this opportunity:

WHAT: SkillsUSA Hawaii State Competition

WHERE: Sheraton Waikiki Hotel

WHEN: March 11-13, 2009 (Wednesday through Friday)

WHO: Anyone who would like to volunteer. We are specifically looking for:

--- Chairpersons: People who organize an event. Time involved will be less than a day. May bring in your own judges or SkillsUSA can provide them.

--- Judges: Preferred some experience in the event judging, but not necessary.

--- Receptionists: Assists students' signing-in for competitions, setting up the room for the competition, assisting the advisers.

--- Security: Make sure none of the competition materials disappear, the kids stay safe.

--- Manpower: Help out wherever needed

--- Workshop: If you want to give a 40 minute workshop/demonstration on your career field, we can get you time on the 13th.

Benefits: Lunches included, awards ceremony as well (if you wish to stay for it), and free parking/validation. But the best part is you are helping high school students who are interested in furthering their technical skills by assisting in making their event a success, as well as highlighting the relationship with the HIANG and what we have to offer!

The local SkillsUSA students are so dedicated to this project that they have created a joint award - The Hawaii Air National Guard Skills USA Spirit Award. They believe the HIANG's focus on leadership, community and morals are exactly what they want their students to embrace and are highlighting the "spirit" of the HIANG through this award, which will be presented at the celebration lunch banquet on the Friday, March 13, 2009.

We are very excited about the partnership with SkillsUSA as the students who are focusing on and competing in these technical fields are exactly the types of young people we need to be interested in and joining the HIANG.

Thank you in advance for your participation ~ to sign up please contact **MSgt Kelly Machado** at kelly.machado@hihick.af.mil or call her at 216-2828 to sign up for this great event.

Mahalo,

Bridget K. Komine, SMSgt, HQ HIANG
Recruiting & Retention Superintendent

• Voluntary Rated Officer Limited Period Recall Program (LPRP). **Col Elizabeth Josephson**, a former **203rd Air Refueling Squadron** pilot, who retired after serving several long tours at Transportation Command, sent me the following e-mail about the Air Force's limited recall of retired or separated pilots.

-----Original Message-----

From: Liz Josephson

Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 1:49 PM

To: retireenews@hawaiiantel.net

Subject: FW: AL 8106--VOLUNTARY RATED OFFICER LIMITED PERIOD RECALL PROGRAM (LPRP)

Galen,

The bottom e-mail is voluntary rated officer limited period recall program for O-5s and below. In today's difficult economic times, there may be some separated or retired members who would be interested in this opportunity. Please consider posting it in next newsletter, if you think it is appropriate.

Liz Josephson

-----Original Message-----

Subject: FW: AL 8106--VOLUNTARY RATED OFFICER LIMITED PERIOD RECALL PROGRAM (LPRP)

Commanders/Directors,

AF has implemented the Voluntary Rated Officer Limited Recall Program to help offset some of the shortfalls being experienced in our rated force. I request your assistance in disseminating the below message to all rated officers currently scheduled to retire, separate this year. Additionally, if you have prior service civilian employees with rated experience, reservists, or IMAs, they may also be interested in this program.

If selected, the recalled officer will serve a minimum of 24 months, with the ability to request two 12-month extensions, for a total of 48 months. There are specific details in the message for all interested.

There is no tasking associated with this message other than trying to get the word out. AFPC will make efforts to contact retirees who may be eligible for this program.

Thank you for your assistance

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FROM: HQ AFPC RANDOLPH AFB TX//DPS//

TO: AL ALPERSCOM

INFO: HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC//REP//

SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY RATED OFFICER LIMITED PERIOD RECALL PROGRAM (LPRP)

REFERENCES:

A. SAF/OS MEMO DATED 06 JAN 2009, SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY RECALL PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTATION.

B. TITLE 10, U.S.C. 12301(D).

1. THIS MESSAGE AUTHORIZES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A LIMITED PERIOD RECALL PROGRAM (LPRP) FOR AIR RESERVE COMPONENT (ARC) RATED OFFICERS. THE LPRP PROGRAM ALLOWS AN ARC LAF OFFICER THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR RECALL TO EXTENDED ACTIVE DUTY (EAD) TO FILL A VALID ACTIVE FORCE POSITION FOR A SPECIFIC PERIOD OF TIME.

2. THE RAPID EXPANSION OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS) AND OTHER EMERGING MISSION/RATED REQUIREMENT SETS WHICH DIRECTLY SUPPORT GWOT HAS CREATED A DEMAND FOR EXPERIENCED, RATED OFFICERS THAT IS GREATLY

EXCEEDING CURRENT INVENTORIES. THIS PROGRAM IS PART OF THE OVERALL STRATEGY INITIATED TO MINIMIZE THESE CRITICAL SHORTAGES.

3. FOR ANG, ARPC, AND AFRC: PLEASE PROVIDE MAXIMUM PUBLICITY FOR THIS PROGRAM THROUGH ALL GUARD AND RESERVE CHANNELS.

4. ARC OFFICERS SELECTED FOR VOLUNTARY RECALL WILL BE ORDERED TO EAD AS OUTLINED IN AFI 36-2008 USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

A. APPLICANT MUST BE AN ARC OFFICER.

B. APPLICANT MUST BE A PILOT, NAVIGATOR, OR AIR BATTLE MANAGER IN THE GRADE OF LT COL AND BELOW.

C. THE PROVISIONS OF AFI 36-2008, PARA 8.1, WHICH PROHIBIT THE APPLICATION OF AN OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN SEPARATED FROM ACTIVE DUTY FOR STRENGTH REDUCTION WITH OR WITHOUT VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE (VSI) OR SPECIAL SEPARATIONS BENEFIT (SSB) ARE WAIVED.

D. THE PROVISIONS OF AFI 36-2008, PARA 8.1, WHICH PROHIBIT THE APPLICATION OF AN OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN SEPARATED FROM ACTIVE DUTY FOR NON-SELECTION FOR PROMOTION ARE WAIVED.

E. APPLICANTS MUST HAVE A FAVORABLE NATIONAL AGENCY CHECK, LOCAL AGENCY CHECKS AND CREDIT CHECK (NACLC) TO APPLY; HOWEVER A HIGHER LEVEL SECURITY CLEARANCE MAY BE REQUIRED DEPENDING UPON THE ASSIGNMENT.

F. APPLICANTS MUST BE CERTIFIED MEDICALLY QUALIFIED FOR EAD BY AETC/SGPS (FLYING CLASS II FOR PILOTS/NAVS; FLYING CLASS III FOR AIR BATTLE MANAGERS).

5. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE CRITERIA, THE FOLLOWING APPLIES TO THIS LPRP:

A. APPLICATION PERIOD IS OPEN IMMEDIATELY AND RUNS THROUGH 31 DECEMBER 2009.

B. OFFICERS RECALLED ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AVIATOR CONTINUATION PAY (ACP).

C. APPLICANTS VOLUNTEERING FOR RECALL AND ORDERED TO EAD BECOME ELIGIBLE TO DEPLOY.

D. OFFICERS MAY BE RECALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING VARYING PERIODS: OFFICERS WHO NEED TO ATTEND ANY ASSOCIATED FLYING TRAINING AND/OR FILLING A FLYING BILLET WILL SERVE A MINIMUM PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS UPON COMPLETION OF TRAINING, WITH A 48 MONTH MAXIMUM TOUR. OFFICERS FILLING RATED STAFF VACANCIES WILL SERVE A MINIMUM PERIOD OF 24 MONTH WITH 12 MONTH EXTENSIONS ALLOWABLE UP TO A 48 MONTH MAXIMUM TOUR.

E. OFFICERS WHO WOULD ENTER ACTIVE DUTY RETIREMENT SANCTUARY AT SOME POINT DURING THEIR TOUR ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

F. OFFICERS RECALLED CANNOT REMAIN ON ACTIVE DUTY LONGER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING THE MONTH IN WHICH THEY BECOME 62 YEARS OF AGE; HOWEVER, RECALL TOUR LENGTHS WILL NOT EXCEED A STATUTORY MANDATORY SEPARATION DATE THAT IS PRIOR TO AGE 62.

G. OFFICERS RECALLED REMAIN ON THE RESERVE ACTIVE STATUS LIST (RASL).

H. OFFICERS WHO TOOK VOLUNTARY SEPARATION PAY (VSP) WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPAY A PRO-RATED AMOUNT OF THEIR VSP DISTRIBUTION WHILE SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY. REPAYMENT WILL BE DEDUCTED IN INSTALLMENTS FROM MONTHLY ACTIVE DUTY BASIC PAY.

6. APPLICATIONS FROM APPLICANTS MEETING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA WILL MEET A RECALL BOARD. OFFICERS FAVORABLY CONSIDERED BY THE RECALL BOARD WILL RECEIVE AN ASSIGNMENT OFFER AND BE ASKED TO SIGN AND RETURN A STATEMENT OF INTENT ACCEPTING OR DECLINING THE OFFER. UPON RECEIPT OF THE STATEMENT OF INTENT AFPC/DPSIPR WILL FINALIZE EAD PROCESSING.

7. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES CAN BE FOUND ON THE AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER'S "ASK" WEBSITE ([HTTP://ASK.AFPC.RANDOLPH.AF.MIL](http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil)) BY ENTERING "LIMITED PERIOD RECALL PROGRAM" IN THE SEARCH TOOL ON THE WEBSITE. APPLICANTS HAVING ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AFTER REVIEWING THE INFORMATION ON THE WEB SHOULD CONTACT THE AIR FORCE CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER AT 1-800-616-3775 (AFTER 22 FEB 09, PLEASE USE 1-800-525-0102), COMMERCIAL 210-565-5000, OR DSN 665-5000. APPLICANTS CONTACTING THE CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER SHOULD CHOOSE THE "ACTIVE DUTY" MENU OPTIONS. APPLICANTS MAY ALSO E-MAIL AFPC.RECALL.OPS@RANDOLPH.AF.MIL.

WILLIAM D. FOOTE, COLONEL, USAF
DIRECTOR, PERSONNEL SERVICES

- Road Closure on Hickam AFB. Portions of Vickers Ave, between Atterbury Circle & 12th St will be closed to facilitate water main installation work. Construction will start on Monday, February 2, 2009 to June 2009 during normal working hours. Please expect delays as traffic will be detoured in that area. Please be cautious and heed to all construction signs. POC David Arakawa 448-2879. (Taken from the HICKAM AFB Base Bulletin)

- Rules of Engagement (ROE). Periodically, someone e-mails me requesting the e-mail address of another retiree. I forward the e-mail with the address request to the retiree for their action. This preserves the privacy of the retiree and their e-mail address.

3. The Wanted List. Help! I am still looking for these Hawaii National Guard members e-mail addresses or their addresses I have for them no longer works. E-mail me their addresses if you can share them.

Herman Lau
Chris Wilson
George Egloria
Tom Gresch
Edward Uyeda
Ron Biho

Haruo Shigezawa
Randy Solomon
Russell Woodward
Byron Kim
Steve Ware
James "Mike" Doolin

Wayne Z. Higa
Eugene Imai

Katherine Asato
Jeffrey Okazaki

Following are the new or updated e-mail addresses sent in by the individuals or **Retiree News** readers – Mahalo for adding or updating your e-mail address.

Louis Miranda
James Itamura (update)
James Agee (**Missouri National Guard Association**)

William “Pirate” Benton (update)
James Furumoto

AND – I am still looking for more Hawaii National Guard members. Since I started my State job working at Ft Ruger, the **Retiree News** distribution list has increased dynamically. The address total just passed **850+** members. A majority of the increase is from the Hawaii Army National Guard members who added their e-mail address to the list. Be sure to ask your fellow retirees that you meet if they receive **Retiree News**. If not, send their e-mail address to me. Mahalo!

4. Condolences. These Hawaii National Guard retirees passed away recently. They all served honorably and added something to our unique culture here in the Guard. Aloha Pumehana to all....

TSgt James (Jimbo) Davis passed on January 17, 2009. His daughter, Michelle Uyehara, sent me an e-mail which in part said:

He passed away on Saturday, January 17th. He was fighting liver cancer for the past year and went peacefully at home. We will have two services, one on Oahu and one in Hilo which is where he and my mom are living (actually Volcano) where they have been living for the past 7 years where my dad was the Manager for the Hilo International Airport. Going through his paperwork it shows him as a TSgt (E-6) initial entry into the service 25 Jan 56 and retiring from the reserves in 1985.

Oahu Services:
Outrigger Canoe Club
Monday, February 9, 2009
Services from 0900-1000
Scattering of ashes and gathering to follow after the services.

Hilo Services:
Dodo Mortuary Chapel
Sunday, February 15, 2009
Viewing from 0900-1100
Services from 1100-1200
Gathering at Hilo Yacht Club in Keaukaha after the services

5. Retiree Update.

- **MG Robert G. F. Lee**, The Adjutant General, awarded **COL Louis Miranda** with the Hawaii National Guard Distinguished Service Order. The presentation was in the DOD Conference Room with family members and friends present.

The colonel is still battling his medical challenges. As he said during the presentation – his doctor gave him two months to live - 18 months ago. The colonel looks great and was appreciative of his award. Great seeing the Colonel!

- **SMSgt Rolf Oudraad**, 154th Maintenance Squadron, send me this YouTube link that someone had forwarded to him. It is vintage 199th Fighter Squadron – a news report of the “new” F-102A Delta Daggers arriving in Hawaii. My best guess is it’s from the early sixties time frame. I shared it earlier with **Lt Col Melvin Souza**, who flew F-86s Sabres and F-102As. If you look closely, I think he is even in the video.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88csTJ9Qf58>

- While attending the Home Building & Remodeling Show at the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall, I ran into **Lt Col Jiro Arakaki**, 201st Combat Communications Group. Jiro retired from his University of Hawaii position the other year and now is really retired. After retiring from the Hawaii Air National Guard, he worked for State Civil Defense for several years before moving to the University of Hawaii. Jiro looked great and was probably looking for some ice cream. It was good catching up with him!

- In her e-mail mentioned earlier in this issue, **Col Elizabeth Josephson** added a personal update. She wrote that, “She and Bill (**Lt Col William Josephson**) are doing well and still living in Illinois. All is well here.” Bill was another 203rd Air Refueling Squadron pilot and later served as the 154th Wing’s Chief of Safety. It was good to hear from the Liz and Bill.

- **BG Joseph Chaves**, Commander of the **Hawaii Army National Guard**, is attending the National Defense University CAPSTONE 2009-2. Located on historic Fort McNair in Washington, D.C., CAPSTONE is an intensive six-week course consisting of seminars, case studies, informal discussions, visits to key US military commands within the continental United States, and overseas trips to Europe, the Pacific, and the Western Hemisphere. Overseas field studies involve interactions with Combatant Commanders of US unified commands, American Ambassadors, embassy staffs, senior political and military leaders of foreign governments. The general’s course runs through early March 2009.

- I got an e-mail from **CMSgt Diane M. Bauer-Golden**, who has worked at the NGB/A3 Liaison to Air Force Personnel Center at Air Combat Command (Langley AFB, Virginia) for many years. She received her reassignment orders and is now at the Air Force Personnel Center at Randolph AFB, Texas. It has been a long time since she left for her first NGB tour from the 292nd Combat Communications Squadron on Maui. The chief mentioned that has only 30 months before her projected retirement. Super hearing from the Chief!

6. Upcoming Events. Listed by event date, the events remain posted until they occur.

- Save the Dates! **LTC Jeffrey Protacio**, the Hawaii National Guard Association President, sent me the following e-mail for distribution. Retirees are always welcome to attend the annual meeting and the golfing event. More information to come!

-----Original Message-----

From: Protacio, Jeffrey J LTC NGH jeffrey.protacio@us.army.mil

Sent: Friday, January 09, 2009 9:44 AM

Subject: HNGA Annual Meeting (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Sir's and Ma'am

1. HNGA will be conducting our annual meeting on 28 February 2009 at the Hickam Officers Club. Brunch will be provided; registration will begin at 0730-0830. First session will start at 0830 and we should be adjourning at 1230. Uniform is duty uniform.

2. We are not planning a banquet this year. We are planning a golf outing on Friday the 27. More details are to follow.

Please mark your calendars and let us know if you plan on attending.

- DOD Retirement and Awards Luncheon Update. **CM Sgt Deb Brownhill** sent me an e-mail saying the next luncheon is set for 1100 hrs, April 17, 2009, at Banyan Tree Showroom, Hale Koa Hotel. More details to follow.