

**20090805 Retiree News**  
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**1. The Promise.** **Retiree News** will contain information about benefits, National Guard events, and news about current, former, or retired members. There will be no chain e-mail, cute pictures, or sales pitches. Publication of **Retiree News** is on a random schedule – as topics come up and time permits. If you change your mind about receiving issues of **Retiree News**, send an e-mail at [retireenews@hawaiiintel.net](mailto:retireenews@hawaiiintel.net) and you will be off the **Retiree News** mailing list.

**2. Business.**

- The New 154<sup>th</sup> Wing Commander. As this issue of **Retiree News** is sent out, the command has not named the new 154<sup>th</sup> Wing commander. **Col Joseph Kim** continues doing an outstanding job leading the wing until the commander announcement is made. I will get announcement news out to you as soon as it is made by the command.

- Obama: Health Care Reform Won't Impact VA, Tricare. The American Forces Press Service, written by Donna Miles, released the following article.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4, 2009 - In ongoing discussions about health-care reform, President Barack Obama offered assurance today to those receiving medical care through Tricare or the Department of Veterans Affairs: Your benefits are safe. Eligibility for health care under VA or Tricare "will not be affected by our efforts at broader health-care reform," Obama told military reporters at the White House today. Obama said he also made that point clear after today's meeting with the American Legion's national commander, Dave Rehbein, and executive director, Peter Gaytan. "I want to make sure that message gets out to our veterans," the president said. "I think it's very important to get the message out: If you are in the VA system and are happy with your care, great. We have no intention of changing your eligibility."

While a new, national program won't force anyone to change health-care systems, Obama said it could offer benefits or geographic convenience that might make some veterans elect to join it. A national program "will actually give them more choices, more flexibility," he said. Obama cited problems in U.S. health-care delivery systems, which he said cost more than other countries' programs and too often deliver less. The VA "has probably made more progress than most systems out there in increasing quality" during the past 25 years, and could help shed light on better ways of delivering health care, he said.

But the cost of delivering that care is high even at VA, and Tricare consumes a big piece of the Defense Department's budget, he said. With the fiscal 2010 budget reflecting the largest VA funding increase in 30 years, Obama told American Legion leaders he is committed to ensuring that VA provides America's veterans the highest-quality health care possible.

Meanwhile, he told reporters VA will increase its outreach to more veterans to make sure they're aware of their medical benefits and other entitlements.

"Although there are hundreds of thousands of veterans who are using our services, we know there are hundreds of thousands more who may not know that benefits are available," he said. "And we are working really hard to make sure that every single veteran - not just our active force, but also National Guard and reservists, are aware of the benefits that are available to them.

"Guiding them through that process, we think, is extraordinarily important."

- TRICARE Managed Care Support Services Contract Award for the TRICARE West Region. TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corp, Phoenix, Arizona, has been selected to provide Managed Care Support (MCS) to the Department of Defense (DoD) TRICARE program in the West Region. The MCS contractor will assist the Military Health System in operating an integrated health care delivery system combining the resources of the contractor and the military's direct medical care system to provide health, medical and administrative support services to eligible beneficiaries in the West Region.

The West Region includes the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa (except the Rock Island Arsenal area), Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri (except the St. Louis area), Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas (areas of Western Texas only), Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Eligible beneficiaries include all active and retired members of the Uniformed Services, their spouses and children and their surviving family members, and former members of the Armed Forces who are Medal of Honor recipients and their immediate dependents.

Contract # H94002-09-C-0010 will be a cost-plus-fixed-fee type contract with a 10-month base period (transition-in) and five (5) one-year option periods for health care delivery, plus a transition-out period. The total potential contract value, including all option periods is estimated at \$16,956,510,153. The instant award, which comprises the base period (transition-in) and option period 1, is valued at \$2,853,810,863.

This contract was competitively procured via the TRICARE Management Activity e-solicitation Web site with two (2) offers received. The TRICARE Management Activity, Aurora, Colorado, is the contracting activity.

The contact information for TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation's Hawaii service centers, go to: <http://www.tricare.mil/westtsc/Hawaii.cfm#Hawaii>. If the link does not work, copy it to your internet browser.

- More Local Military Discounts.

- Shopping for flowers? Several **Retiree News** readers e-mailed that Watanabe Florist in Kalihi offers a 10% military discount.

- Automotive Accessories? **Lt Col Blaine Tsugawa** e-mailed that Ron's Performance Center on Nimitz Highway offers military members and retirees 10-15% discounts on purchases.

- Need footwear? The Walking Company at Ala Moana Center offers a military discount on non-sale items.

- TRICARE Obtains Lower Prices on Retail Prescription Drugs. The following article is off the TRICARE website.

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Defense Department is projected to reduce spending by \$1.67 billion on prescription medications sold in retail pharmacies in fiscal year 2010, following the full

implementation of Section 703 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for fiscal year 2008.

"These are significant savings to the Department of Defense and are crucial to our effort to slow the rapid growth of pharmacy costs," said Rear Adm. Thomas McGinnis, chief of TRICARE pharmaceutical operations.

For the past several years the Department of Defense (DoD) has paid commercial rates for prescription drugs purchased in the TRICARE retail pharmacy network. However, DoD is included in the 1992 Veteran's Healthcare Act as one of the "big four" government agencies entitled to federal prices when it purchases pharmaceuticals for its beneficiaries.

DoD currently receives federal ceiling prices, the maximum price that can be charged for brand name drugs, in military treatment facilities and the TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy. Through authority provided in Section 703 of the 2008 NDAA and the "final rule" implementing the regulation, DoD will now get these same discounts in the TRICARE retail pharmacy network. The final rule was effective May 26, 2009.

Controlling the growth in pharmacy benefit costs for both the beneficiaries and the government is an ongoing process for TRICARE. Beneficiaries can sign up to get e-alerts for updates to their pharmacy benefit through the "email Updates" link on the front page of <http://www.tricare.mil>.

- Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) Scholarship Program. The DeCA 2010 scholarship season begins November 1, 2009. For more information about the program, log on to <http://www.militaryscholar.org>. If the link does not work, copy it to your internet browser.

The 2009 Scholarships for Military Children Program awarded 625 scholarships worth \$1,500 each to children across the United States and overseas. Over the past nine years, the Scholarships for Military Children Program has provided an important financial benefit of more than \$7.3 million to nearly 4,800 well-deserving students to make their journey toward higher education a little more affordable. The scholarships program is administered by Fisher House Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides assistance to service members and their families. Funding for the scholarships comes from commissary vendors, manufacturers, brokers, suppliers and the general public. Every dollar donated to the program goes directly to funding the scholarships.

- Hawaii Air Guard gives Pacific Angel a lift. The following article was written by TSgt Cohen A. Young of the Defense Media Activity-Hawaii.

July 20, 2009 – Kupang, Indonesia --More than 80 U.S. Air Force active duty, Air National Guard and reserve medical and engineering personnel are providing humanitarian assistance with local authorities in Indonesia and Timor Leste, all thanks to a "lift" by the Hawaii Air National Guard. A C-17 Globemaster III aircrew from the HIANG's 24<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, dropped off the Operation Pacific Angel 2009 team here July 15, 2009.

Pacific Angel is a Pacific Air Forces humanitarian assistance operation in the Asia-Pacific region led by 13<sup>th</sup> Air Force at Hickam AFB. Two Pacific Angel teams are operating through July 24 - one here and another in Timor Leste. "I like this mission because we have a humanitarian [operation], and we are carrying doctors and nurses," said 14-year Guardsman and lead loadmaster MSgt Joseph Salvador, a native of Oahu, Hawaii.

The C-17 crew dropped off two groups to support Pacific Angel. One group remained in Kupang while the other group moved on to Dili, Timor Leste. The second group was transported to Dili by way of a C-130 Hercules aircrew from the 176<sup>th</sup> Wing at Kulis Air National Guard Base, Alaska.

"It's cool that we get to help support this group that is going to provide humanitarian relief," said six-year loadmaster TSgt Kimberly Kido of Oahu, Hawaii.

- Air Force to hire civilians to manage unit programs. Remember all those additional duties to cover the various support programs. Well the Air Force has come up with their solution. The Air Force News Service article does not mention if the program extends to the Guard and Reserve.

July 21, 2009 - RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas -- Squadrons with more than 50 military and civilian members could start seeing relief in managing their additional duties as early as this fall, with a 1,200 newly created civilian unit program coordinator positions.

Feedback from the 2008 Airman's Time Assessment revealed Airmen were being pulled away from their primary duty stations to work full time on unit programs such as the Government Travel Card program, safety program, automated data processing equipment accounts and security programs. "We found that when the commander's support staffs drew down, commanders were left with two options. They could either manage these tactical administrative programs themselves or pull Airmen from the frontlines to do it," said Maj. Christopher Busque of Force Support Officer Career Field Management in the Pentagon. "We were concerned that the resulting effect was causing a loss of mission capability." By hiring 1,200 civilian UPCs, Air Force officials will effectively put Airmen back into their primary duties, preserving Airmen's time and maximizing administrative efficiency across the Air Force, Major Busque said.

Announcements of the GS-06, GS-07 and YB-1 job vacancies are projected to hit USAJobs and the Air Force's secure employment site this month, with new hires reporting to work as early as October.

Ideal candidates for the positions should:

- Possess strong administrative or personnel background
- Ability to manage and organize multiple tasks
- Be customer oriented
- Understand personnel tracking.

"These incoming civilian Airmen are going to be great assets to the squadrons because not only will they help keep our talented, healthy, motivated and well-equipped Airmen working on the primary mission, the unit program coordinators will have the most current knowledge on evolving programs and will provide continuity in a very fluid environment," said Paula Blackwell from the Directorate for Civilian Force Integration at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

Ms. Blackwell cautioned that UPCs should not be confused with administrative assistants. The primary purpose of the UPC is to manage unit programs and serve as unit liaisons to the military and civilian personnel offices.

Commanders looking to hire for these positions should contact their force support squadron/mission support squadron commander. Individuals interested in applying should

search USAJobs or the Air Force's secure employment site for "Unit Program Coordinator, GS-0303, YB-0303" for specific locations.

- The July issue of the 154<sup>th</sup> Wing's newspaper, the **Kuka'ilimoku**, is on the Hawaii State Department of Defense's website. Go to <http://hawaii.gov/dod/hiang/kukailimoku/2009-kukailimoku-issues/July%202009%20Kukailimoku.pdf/view> to view the newspaper. If the link does not work, copy it to your internet browser.

- July-August Issue of Airman Magazine is Online. To view the July-August 2009 issue, just log on to: <http://www.airmanonline.af.mil/>. If the link does not work, copy it to your internet browser. You can view back issues (electronic issues only) by clicking on "back issues" on the scroll bar when you get to the website referenced.

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3. **The Wanted List**. Help! **Retiree News** is looking for these Hawai'i National Guard members e-mail addresses or their addresses on file for them no longer works. E-mail their addresses to [retireenews@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:retireenews@hawaiiantel.net) if you can share them.

Norman Chang  
Chris Wilson  
Randy Solomon  
Haruo Shigezawa  
Tom Gresch  
Wayne Z. Higa

Russell Woodward  
Byron Kim  
Steve Ware  
Katherine Asato  
Edward Uyeda

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.

Jason Sato  
Chester Saito  
Kent Billings (update)

Gregory Lee (update)  
Sandra Dubrett (update)  
Albert Jenson

The address total just passed **1100+** members. Be sure to ask your fellow retirees that you meet if they receive **Retiree News**. If not, send their e-mail address to [retireenews@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:retireenews@hawaiiantel.net). Mahalo for your support!

4. **Condolences**. These Hawai'i 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....

**John Afalla**, 85, of Honokaa, Hawaii, a Halekulani Hotel night manager and Hawai'i Army National Guard retiree, died at home on July 25, 2009. He was born in Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya, Philippines. He is survived by sons Jon, Jonathan "Monty" and Jonathan J.; daughters Roberta Ah Loo, Jan Markus and Mona Ancheta; hanai son Joseph "Jim" Silva; brother Terry "Junior"; sisters Grayce Smietan, Lydia McCarter and Joyce Afalla; 15 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

**Lorenzo A. "Larry" Buyuan**, 82, of Pahala, Hawaii, a Kau Sugar Co. power plant operator, died at home on July 26, 2009. He also was an Army veteran, a retired Hawai'i Army National

Guard master sergeant and member of the Army Reserve and American Legion. He was born in Pahala, Hawaii. He is survived by son Cullen, daughter Fern "Ona," brother Perfecto, sisters Gloria Panglao and Dolores Natividad, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## 5. Retiree Update.

- Recommended for Colonel. The Department of the Army Board 2009 promotion board recommended the following Hawai'i Army National Guard officers for promotion to colonel. These officers need to be reassigned to an O6 position for their promotion.

**Benedict Fuata**, Aviation Branch, is currently the commander of the Army Aviation Support Facility #2 in Hilo, Hawaii. Send congratulatory e-mail: [benedict.fuata@us.army.mil](mailto:benedict.fuata@us.army.mil)

**Douglas Kurt Jackson**, Infantry Branch, currently commands the HIARNG Recruiting and Retention Division. Send congratulatory e-mail: [douglas.kurt.jackson@us.army.mil](mailto:douglas.kurt.jackson@us.army.mil)

**Thomas "Trey" Johnson**, Artillery Branch, just completed a successful tour as the commander of the 93d Civil Support Team. Send congratulatory e-mail: [trey.johnson@us.army.mil](mailto:trey.johnson@us.army.mil)

**Gary Littlefield**, Quartermaster Branch, is the Logistics Management Officer at the United States Property & Fiscal Office for Hawaii. Send congratulatory e-mail: [gary.littlefield@us.army.mil](mailto:gary.littlefield@us.army.mil)

**Marjean Stubbett**, Engineer Branch, serves as the Facilities Management Officer. Send congratulatory e-mail: [marjean.stubbett@us.army.mil](mailto:marjean.stubbett@us.army.mil)

- Attention to Orders. During the June UTA weekend, the following Hawai'i Air National Guard members received their promotions to master sergeant (E7). Send your congratulatory e-mail to those promoted that you know! Congratulations to all!

**George K. Kaopuiki**, 293<sup>d</sup> Combat Communications Squadron

Send congratulatory e-mail: [george.kaopuiki@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:george.kaopuiki@hihick.ang.af.mil)

**Charles H. Kobayashi**, 154<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron

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**Gary M. Oshiro**, 154<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron

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**Javier Santiago**, 154<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron

Send congratulatory e-mail: [javier.santiago@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:javier.santiago@hihick.ang.af.mil)

- One day the other week, I ran into **SMSgt Clifford Kobashigawa** while at Hickam AFB. Cliff retired from the 201<sup>st</sup> Combat Communications Group several years ago. In civilian life, he continues working for the Kamehameha Schools at their Kapalama campus. Great catching up with Cliff!

- New 154<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron officers. **Lt Col David Molinaro**, commander of the 154<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron sent the following e-mail out announcing the new fulltime officers in his squadron. Congratulations to Robert and Richard!

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

From: Molinaro David Lt Col 154 LRS/CC

Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 1:51 PM

To: ALL HIANG  
Subject: Welcome to new LRS Officers

Aloha,

It's with great pleasure to welcome **Maj Robert Dongon** and **1Lt Richard Cline** into the LRS Ohana as our newly selected fulltime Logistics Readiness Officers. Both bring a wealth of talent, knowledge, and energy into the squadron. Major Dongon will be assigned as the Distribution and Deployment Flight OIC, Lt Cline as the Logistics Plans Officer/IDO.

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• **New 297<sup>th</sup> Air Traffic Control Squadron First Sergeant Appointed.** **Command Chief Master Sergeant Denise Jelinski-Hall** sent the following e-mail announcement of new First Sergeant at the 297 ATCS. Congratulations to Kristen!

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

From: Jelinskihall Denise CMSgt HQ HIANG/CCC  
Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 11:18 AM  
To: ALL HIANG  
Subject: 297 ATCS First Sergeant - announcement

Airmen,

On behalf of the 297 ATCS Commander, we are pleased to announce that **MSgt Kristen (née Higgins) Stanley** has been selected as the squadron's new first sergeant. Please join us in congratulating MSgt Stanley on her selection. We are very excited to have MSgt Stanley as part of the first sergeant leadership team. Congratulations ~ well done!

DENISE M. JELINSKI-HALL, CMSgt, HIANG  
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Send congratulatory e-mail: [kristen.stanley@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:kristen.stanley@hihick.ang.af.mil)

• **New Hawai'i Air National Guard recruiter.** **MSgt Bridget Komine** sent the following e-mail announcing the newest HINAG recruiter. Congratulations Todd!

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



From: Komine Bridget SMSgt HQ HIANG/A1R  
Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 1:04 PM  
To: ALL HIANG  
Subject: New Recruiter - SSgt Todd Shak

Aloha All,

Please extend a hearty congratulations to **SSgt Todd Shak** when you see him walking around the organization with a bright, shiny, Recruiting badge!

SSgt Shak just completed Air National Guard Recruiting school yesterday and we look forward to his arrival and contribution as a new member of the Hawaii Air National Guard Recruiting & Retention team!

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

- DoD Retirement and Awards Luncheon Update. Friday, August 28, 2009 is the date for the next DoD Retirement and Awards Luncheon. In addition to honoring the department's retirees, there will be the presentation of the Adjutant General's Award and the State Employee of the Year Award. **SFC Michael Nii** and **Lt Col Dalwin Wong** are retirees/honorees who sent in RSVPs and will attend.

- When: 28 August 2009, starting at 1100, lunch served at 1130
- Where: Hale Koa, Banyan Tree Showroom
- Time: 1100- 1300
- Cost: \$26 per person (includes gratuity)
- Checks made out to: **DoD Retirement & Service Award Fund**
- Menu: Grilled, Marinated Chicken Breast and Scallops on Spaghettini, Chunky Banana Frozen Yogurt Pie with Chocolate Sauce, Hale Koa Salad w/House Dressing, Rolls, Butter, Coffee and Tea.
- POC's:
  - HIARNG: **Ms Emmy Maikui-Grambusch**, 672-1257
  - USPFO: **Ms. Jeanette Sturges**, 672-6310
  - 201 CCG: **MSgt Jackie Jakahi**, 448-7608
  - 154 WG: **MSgt Larnette Doi**, 448-7441
  - State DoD: **Ms. Jeanne Hamamura**, 672-1206
  - HRO: **CMSgt Deb Brownhill**, 672-1233

- Hawai'i National Guard Handicap Bowling Tournament. There will be a Hawai'i National Guard handicap bowling tournament over the Labor Day weekend. The goal is to bring camaraderie and the Hawai'i National Guard Ohana together as ONE. For more information



and an entry form, contact **SSgt Arthur Hamabata**, 448-7692 or [arthur.hamabata@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:arthur.hamabata@hihick.ang.af.mil)

- When/Where:

Saturday, September 5, 2009 at the Hickam AFB lanes (team event)

Monday, September 7, 2009 at the Schofield Barracks lanes (individual and doubles)

- Time: 0900-1200, 1300-1600 each day

- Who: open to all Army and Air Guard members and retirees only

• Retirement Luncheon for CMSgt Pamela Goya. **CMSgt Pamela Goya**, 154<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron, is retiring and there will be a party in her honor in September. She leaves with over 34 years of service in the Hawai'i Air National Guard. View the electronic invitation at: <https://einvitations.afit.edu/Goya377/anim.cfm>. If the link does not work, copy it to your internet browser. The party specifics follow:

- When: Sunday, September 6, 2009

Cocktails and pupus starting at 1200

Luncheon starting at 1330, program to follow

- Where: Sunset Lanai, Camp H.M Smith

- Menu:

Tossed green salad, potato/mac salad, vegetables with dip, fresh fruits

Kalbi or Bulgogi, sautéed mahimahi, fried chicken

Steamed white rice, vegetable du jour, rolls and butter

Assorted cakes and pies

Coffee, punch

- Costs: \$30.00 (\$10.00 gift only)

- Checks made out to: **Jody Goya**

- Suspense: Saturday, August 15, 2009

- POCs:

--- **CMSgt Leilani Moniz**, 448-7400, [leilani.moniz@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:leilani.moniz@hihick.ang.af.mil)

--- **SMSgt Jody Goya**, 292-3128, [jody.goya@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:jody.goya@hihick.ang.af.mil)

--- **SMSgt Edward Tang**, 448-7744, [edward.tang@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:edward.tang@hihick.ang.af.mil)

--- **MSgt Rose Vendiola**, 448-7225, [rose.vendiola@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:rose.vendiola@hihick.ang.af.mil)

--- **MSgt Robyn Montero**, 448-7379, [robyn.montera@hihick.ang.af.mil](mailto:robyn.montera@hihick.ang.af.mil)

• PACAF Air Force Birthday Ball. The 2009 PACAF Birthday Ball will be held on Friday, September 18, 2009 at the Hawai'i Ballroom, Sheraton Waikiki Resort. There will be a special guest appearance by the Air Force Thunderbirds during the social hour. **SMSgt Robbie Shigeta** is the HIANG OPR – his e-mail with more information follows.

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

From: HIANG NEWS

Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2009 6:59 AM

To: ALL HIANG

Subject: AF BALL

ALCON,

I am the AF Ball POC for the HIANG. Ticket sales will begin on 3-27 Aug 2009. We only have a limited amount of tickets, so it will be sold first come first served. Below are the ROE's.

Dress:

- Officers- Mess Dress
- Enlisted- Mess Dress / Simi formal
- Guest/civilian – Formal

Payment:

- E1-E4=\$20
- GS1-GS9 / NSPS Pay Band 1 / E5-E6=\$35
- E7-E8=\$40
- Retirees=\$45
- E9=\$55
- GS10-12 / NSPS Pay Band 2 / O1-O3=\$50
- GS13-14 / O4-O5=\$60
- GS15> / NSPS Pay Band 3 / O6>=\$65

Technicians, AGR's and Traditional - Pay by your Rank

Duel military pay by your rank.

If you are buying a ticket for your spouse or someone else you pay at your cost.

Individuals sponsoring an E1-E4 must pay \$45 per ticket.

Meal Choices are:

- Kiawe grilled NY steak
- Pan roasted chicken breast

Need names and meal choice selection at the time of payment.

Make all checks payable to "[Air Force Birthday Ball Committee](#)"

Robby A. Shigeta, SMSgt

HQ PACAF/A4

Hickam AFB HI 96853

808-449-3694

● Save the Date - Hickam AFB Open House! The 2009 Hickam AFB Open House will be held September 18-19, 2009. The United States Air Force Thunderbirds and the United States Army Golden Knights will be performing at this year's event! POC for the Open House is **Lt Col Scott Weber**, [scott.weber@hickam.af.mil](mailto:scott.weber@hickam.af.mil)

● Save the Date – the Hawai'i National Guard Birthday Ball is on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at the Ihilani Resort and Spa in Kapolei. This joint event celebrates the 373<sup>rd</sup> Birthday of our National Guard's beginnings. Last year's birthday ball was another fun and entertaining event. The specifics about the ball are forthcoming!