

Hawaii State Department of Defense

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New Department of Defense Leadership Confirmed by State Senate



Brigadier General Arthur "Joe" Logan was confirmed as the Adjutant General of the Department of Defense in a unanimous vote on April 2.

"Brigadier General Logan has excellent credentials and has demonstrated a high level of understanding of the State's emergency management and homeland security needs," said Senator Will Espero, Chair of the Senate Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs committee. "His years of military service, accomplishments, and leadership experience indicate that he is capable and ready to serve as the Adjutant General in peacetime and during times of emergency." [Read More](#)



Colonel Kenneth Hara, who was also confirmed by the Senate as the Deputy Adjutant General, Senator Lorraine Inouye; (D) Kaupulehu-Waimea- North Hilo, Gaylene Logan, Brigadier General Arthur "Joe" Logan, and Senator Will Espero; (D)Ewa Beach - Iroquois Point pose for picture after the confirmation vote. (Air National Guard Photo by TSgt. Andrew Jackson / Released.

Hawaii Army National Guard Unit Receives Army Aviation Unit of The Year Award



Holding the award for the Aviation Association of America for the year of 2014 are MAJ Byron N. Cadiz (L), former commander of 1-171, and First Sgt. Keith I. Nakahara, they are joined on-stage by Col. Roger Pukahi, State Army Aviation Officer and Brig. Gen. Oliveira, Commander of the Hawaii Army National Guard.

The Hawaii Army National Guard's Company B, 1st Battalion, 171st Aviation Regiment, known as "the Voyagers" were recently recognized as the Army National Guard Aviation Unit of the Year by the Army Aviation Association of America for 2014.

B/171st's Commander, Maj. Byron Cadiz, and its Senior Noncommissioned Officer, 1st Sgt. Keith I. Nakahara, were invited to receive the award during a ceremony during the Army Aviation Association of America's annual summit that was held at Nashville, Tennessee's Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Convention Center at the end of March. [Read More](#)



Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month



As the Adjutant General of the Hawaii National Guard, I am firmly committed to supporting the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program. The objective of the SAPR program is to eliminate all incidents of sexual assault through a comprehensive program that focuses on: Awareness, Prevention, Education, Victim Advocacy, Reporting, Response, and follow-up. Sexual Assault is a crime, demeans the value of others and erodes the basic foundation of trust so vital to the success of the Hawaii National Guard Ohana. [See Video](#)

New Commander for 154th Wing Comptroller Flight



Lt. Col. Robin Tibaduiza receives command of the 154th Wing Comptroller Flight from Brig. Gen. Braden Sakai, Commander 154th Wing, during the change of command ceremony, April 11, 2015, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (Air National Guard Photo by TSgt. Andrew Lee Jackson)



Safety First for the 487th Field Artillery



Courtesy of the 1/487 FA

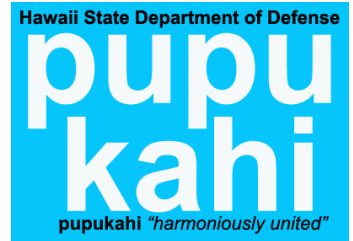
During April drill, the 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery conducted a safety certification which qualifies fire direction personnel (FDC) and field artillery officers to conduct live-fire exercises. The qualification ensures that the testers are able to perform safety procedures during live-fire training events. Safety data calculations provide the field artillery batteries with maximum quadrant elevation, left and right deflection limits, and minimum quadrant elevation. Safety data ensures that that fire missions do not endanger friendly troops, civilian population and protected environmental sites.

The administration of the test ensures that the 1-487th FA can safely destroy, suppress or neutralize the enemy with cannon fire, and mitigate the risks associated with a live fire exercise. In addition to receiving their range safety officer and officer in charge certifications, field artillery officers and fire direction personnel need to be able to manually compute safety data. The test was approximately four questions and took four hours to complete. At the end of the day, the 1-487th FA qualified all of its FDC personnel and officers.

TSUNAMI AWARENESS MONTH

Tsunami Awareness Month is held in April in memory of the April 1, 1946 Aleutian Islands earthquake and tsunami which struck Hilo and other portions of the State. It was the deadliest natural disaster in Hawaii's history. The goal of Tsunami Awareness Month is to educate the public on tsunami hazards and what they should do if a damaging tsunami is headed their way.

HI-EMA and its partners encourage the public to learn what to do before, during, and after a tsunami. More information can be found through NOAA's Tsunami Information Service at <http://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/tools/tsunamimap>.

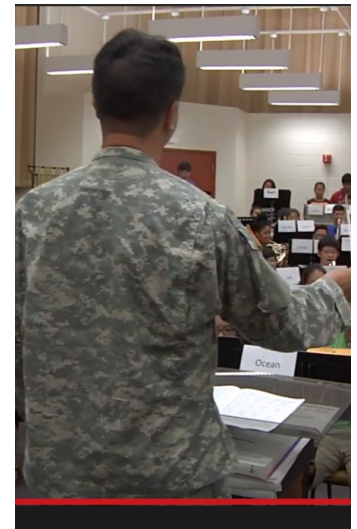


Hawaii Army National Guard Officer Candidate School



Officer candidates of Class 01-15 load magazines with blank rounds for the field training exercise portion of training April 11, 2015, at 298th Multi-Functional Regional Training Institute, Waimanalo, Hawaii. Candidates of Class 01-15 conducted field exercises in preparation for the third and final phase of Officer Candidate School. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Ryan Sheldon/Released)

111th Army Band Shares Music With High-schoolers



111TH Army Band mentors Honor Band students for Central Oahu Music Festival. [Watch Video](#)

Aloha Major General Wong



Maj. Gen. Darryll D.M. Wong, former Hawaii State adjutant general and retired Gen. Craig McKinley, former chief, National Guard Bureau, salute the Hawaii state flag during a retirement ceremony at the Distinguished Visitors reception area on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, April 12, 2015. The Royal Guard, consisting of members of the Hawaii Air National Guard, present the colors for the ceremony. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Robert Cabuco/Released)

The State of Hawaii, Department of Defense held a retirement ceremony for Maj. Gen. Darryll D.M. Wong, April 12, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The ceremony was presided over by retired Gen. Craig McKinley, the former Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

Maj. Gen. Wong formally relinquished his authority to current state adjutant general Brig. Gen. Author "Joe" Logan in a ceremony at Kalaeloa in Feb. Maj. Gen. Wong was state adjutant general from Jan. 9, 2011 to Dec. 31, 2014 and served more than 37 years in uniform. He was also honored at a dinner at the Hilton Hawaiian Village that evening.