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## Lum named HARNNG boss

Col. Alexis T. Lum was recently selected as the new Commander of the Hawaii Army National Guard. Maj. Gen. Valentine A. Siefermann, State Adjutant General, announced Lum's appointment Jan. 15.

Lum, who is employed as a civilian engineer with the U.S. Navy at Naval Magazine Lualelei, assumed his new duties as the part-time (drill status) Commander of the Hawaii Army Guard Jan. 16. He succeeds Brig. Gen. John E. Aiona, Jr., who retired from the top Army Guard post.

Lum, 52, resides in Aina Haina with his wife, Leimomi, and three children. For the past 3½ years he has served as Commander of the Army Guard's Headquarters Installation Command located in Waiawa.

Col. Lum served in the Army as an enlisted man and earned a commission as a Second Lieutenant before being discharged. Since 1953 he has served in a number of command and staff positions with the Hawaii



Lum

Army National Guard. Lum was also called to active duty during the "Vietnam call-up" of the guard's 29th Infantry Brigade in 1968.



**GUARDSMEN HELP CLEAN-UP AFTER BIG ISLAND FLOOD** — Army National Guardsmen assist other State agencies during flooding caused by recent storms. Restoration was concentrated at Wailoa and Hiilawe streams in the Waipio Valley area.

## Guard equipment, people aid Waipio restoration

The State Departments of Defense, Transportation, Land and Natural Resources (Forestry Division), and Social Services and Housing (Kulani Correctional Facility) completed work on the restoration of Waipio Valley on the Big Island Feb. 4.

The State agencies involved in the Waipio project were scheduled to leave Jan. 18 but Governor George R. Ariyoshi extended the deadline until Feb. 4 at the request of Hawaii County officials.

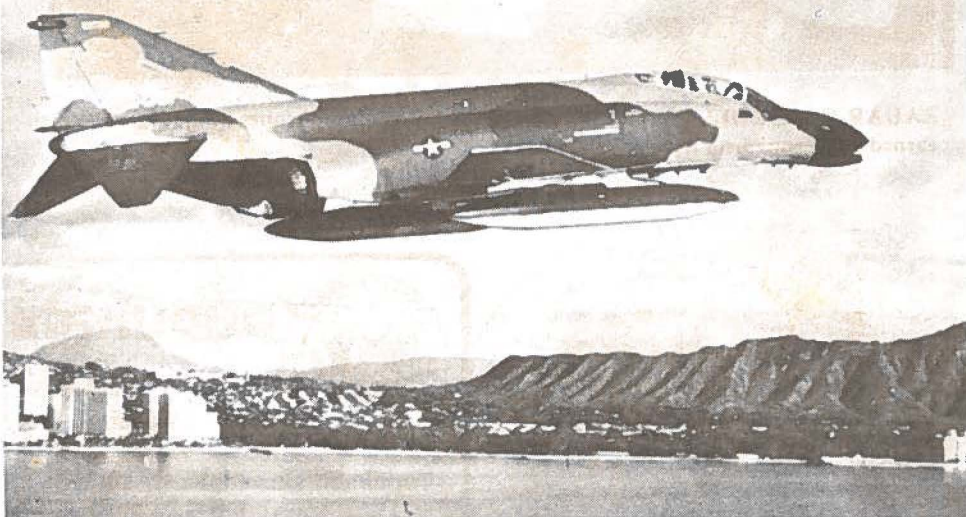
Restoration of the valley is being concentrated on the Wailoa and Hiilawe streams. Both streams overflowed during the Nov. 17 flooding and forced the evacuation of 49 residents. The flooding caused an estimated \$500,000 in damages to taro fields, farm lands, homes and buildings. Some 110 acres of taro alone were destroyed by silt and debris carried by the flood waters.

In addition to supplying manpower the

State agencies provided bulldozers and trucks to assist in the cleanup of Waipio Valley. The bulk of the manpower and equipment were provided by the Hawaii Army National Guard.

Much of the work completed earlier by the State crews was destroyed by the recent strong winds and rains. According to Mr. Hugh Ono, construction engineer, Department of Transportation, the State work crews had to start from scratch again due to storm damages, but to date, the crews have cleared all the debris in Hiilawe stream and about 70 percent of the debris in Wailoa stream.

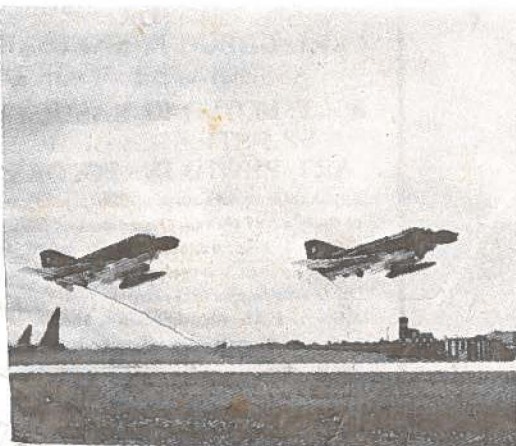
Restoration of the valley initially began December 10, 1979, after the governor proclaimed the valley a disaster area. Funds for the work project, administered by State Civil Defense, are appropriated under the State's Major Disaster Fund.



## HANG Fighter Group wins USAF Award

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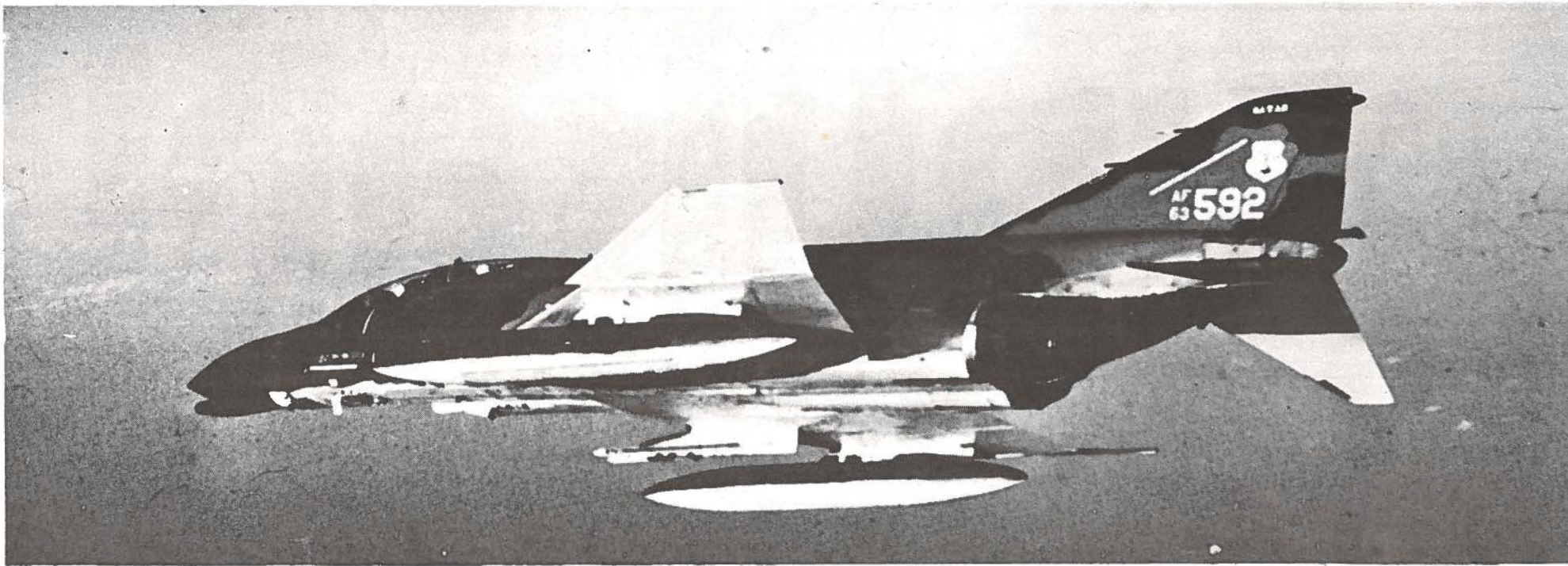


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**HANG'S FORMIDABLE FIGHTER** — The F-4C Phantom, and the men and women who maintain, support and fly her, combined to win the AFOUA for 154th COMPG achievements from October 1978 through June 1979.

# 154th wins Outstanding Unit Award

The Hawaii National Guard's 154th Composite Group got a big red, white and blue pat on the back from the U.S. Air Force to start the New Year.

In fact, it was just before Christmas that the 154th was notified it had been chosen to receive the United States Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (AFOUA).

Pacific Air Forces Commander, Lt. Gen. James D. Hughes, was scheduled to present the award in a special ceremony at Hickam on Mar. 1.

The 154th is the only Air Force unit responsible for the air defense of the State of Hawaii. This mission has been consistently performed in a superior and professional manner for 21 years of uninterrupted 24-hour-a-day air defense alert.

The citation to accompany the award states: The 154th Composite Group, Hickam AFB, Hawaii and its subordinate units, the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron; 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; 154th Combat Support Squadron; 154th Civil Engineer Flight; 154th Security Police Flight; 154th USAF Clinic; 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

(located at Kokee, Kauai) and the 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, Wheeler AFB, Hawaii, have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service from October 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979.

One additional note: the 169th ACW Squadron is a previous recipient of the AFOUA, which was awarded to that squadron when it existed as a separate entity in 1975.

During the '78-'79 period, the 154th Composite Group provided outstanding support for the United States Air Force; excelled in an operational readiness inspection; achieved outstanding results in long range Western Pacific deployments; and maintained constant air defense readiness.

Additionally, the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron was selected to represent the entire Air National Guard in competition for the Air Force's Hughes Trophy. This trophy is awarded annually to the unit which best performed America's Air Defense Mission anywhere in the world. The nomination of the 199th TFS was forwarded to Headquarters, United States Air Force.




**RADAR CONTROLLERS** of the 169th ACW Sq. manning scopes in the vigil which earned their squadron its second AFOUA.



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# Aiona retires; Lum named successor

The Hawaii Army National Guard held a retirement ceremony Jan. 13 for Brig. Gen. John E. Aiona, Jr., former commander of the Army Guard.

Two days after the ceremony, Aiona officially retired after 35 years of military service. He served the last 31 years in the Hawaii Army National Guard.

The retirement ceremony was held at 10:00 a.m. in Diamond Head Crater.

Military dignitaries, fellow guardsmen and women and friends of Aiona filled the seating area as troops stood fronting the reviewing stand. Representatives of each Army Guard unit stood in a formation in a final gesture of respect as the departing commander made his last inspection of the troops. Also among the well-wishers were Aiona's wife, Suzanne, and their three daughters. The family resides in Hawaii Kai.

Representing Gov. George R. Ariyoshi, Maj. Gen. Valentine A. Siefermann said "Through General Aiona's leadership, we have been able to reach the culmination of our participation in the Army's Roundout Program . . . we have developed an even closer rapport with our active Army counterparts . . . and we are better able than ever

before to discharge our role as a full partner in the defense of the United States."

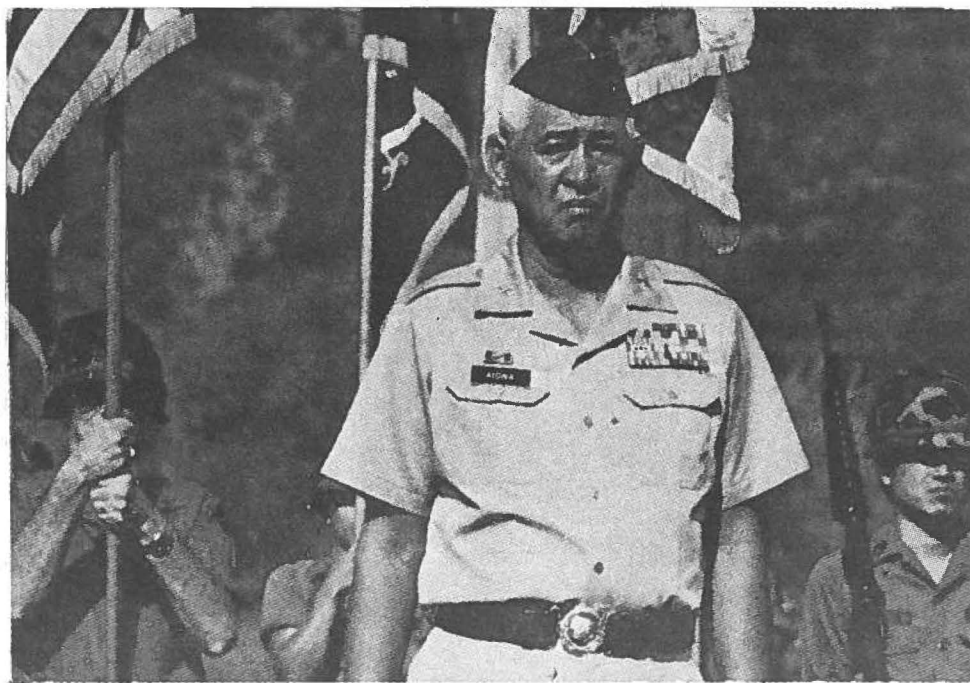
Gen. Siefermann continued by thanking Gen. Aiona for his many years of service. He said that Aiona's influence would continue to be felt in the Guard for years to come.

During the singing of *Aloha Oe*, a helicopter formation of three Army Guard OH-58s flew overhead as a final salute to the retiring general.

Aiona, the first general officer of Hawaiian ancestry to command the Hawaii Army National Guard, served with the 29th Infantry Brigade in Vietnam when the local guard unit was activated in 1968.

He assumed command of the 3,490-member Hawaii Army Guard in September 1977.

His military decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with overseas bar, Armed Forces Honor Medal-First Class (Vietnam), Hawaii Army National Guard Commendation Medal with Silver Kahili Device, and the Hawaii National Guard Service Medal.



FINAL SALUTE — Brig. Gen. John E. Aiona Jr., stands before the colors and the men and women of the Hawaii Army National Guard during his retirement ceremony in Diamond Head Crater.

## Maui guard hosts 2nd Annual Super Kids 'Mini Olympics' draw more than 1,000

Maui's annual Superkids Competition was held February 2, at the War Memorial Stadium in Wailuku.

Coordinating this year's events, for a second year, were Maui members of the 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hawaii Army National Guard, along with members of the 201st Communications Flight, Hawaii Air National Guard.

According to Command Sergeant Major Gus Fuentes of the 1st Battalion, overall coordinator for the Guard units, the Guard members are "enthusiastically looking forward to assisting in the competition again." This is the second consecutive year the Guard units will be lending their support.

Also participating in the "mini-Olympics" was the 111th Army Band, who flew over for the competition.

Registration began at 8:30 AM, and competitive events started at 9:30 AM.

The events included the 50-yard, 30-yard (potato sack) race and standing long jump. Winners for each age bracket were determined on the basis of total points accumulated and shortest times.

The grand winner won a Mongoose bike and will be eligible to compete in the State-wide Superkids Competition.

The competition was open to all boys and girls ages six through eleven years old.

Proceeds from the competition, based upon the total number of pledges collected, will go to the American Lung Association. Pledges are based upon the anticipated number of points each participant expects to earn. If the participant reaches or exceeds his predicted point total, he then collects the per point pledge amount from each sponsor.

Last year's Superkids competition attracted approximately 250 participants and netted \$15,000 for the American Lung Association.



GOING AND STILL GOING — Maui Super Kids hustle during the potatoe sack race.



NOW LISTEN UP — CSM Gus Fuentes gives kids the word.

## NGAUS supports President Carter's push for defense

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Executive Council of the National Guard Association of the United States, met recently in Washington and issued the following statement:

The National Guard Association of the United States wholeheartedly supports the moves announced by President Carter to improve the nation's defense posture. We believe his initiatives to increase defense funding, reduce interchanges with the Soviet Union unless they remove their forces from Afghanistan, create an American presence in the Indian Ocean and Persian Gulf areas, and resume Selective Service registrations are the absolute minimum response this nation should make to that threat that has arisen in that oil-rich part of the world.

We are especially pleased that Selective Service registrations are to resume because that decision is aimed directly at overcoming our most critical military weakness. We suffer from a severe shortage of trained manpower, and have no way of correcting that weakness within an acceptable time frame.

We strongly believe, however, that resumption of registration is merely an essential first step. It alone, if it's of the sanitized, painless type that apparently is intended, still will not be enough. A mere listing of names and addresses won't cut the time required to induct and train men in emergency unless we also take the next step. That's to classify those who register, so that we can distinguish those who will be immediately available from those who will not be able to serve due to physical condition or some other impairments.

Today, most components of the armed forces are short of their required peacetime strengths, some by a very major degree. That Army Guard and Army Reserve, for example, are about 135,000 short of even their reduced "peacetime" goals, even farther below their war levels. The Active Army is an estimated 70,000 below war strength and 14,000 below peacetime levels. The Individual Ready Reserve (IRR), which is supposed to provide trained fillers and replacements to round out existing units and replace

early casualties, is nearly 500,000 individuals short of the estimated need for a major mobilization.

In our view, the traditional concepts of "peacetime" and "wartime" no longer are adequate as a guide to the forces we require nor the machinery we must possess for creating a "wartime" force. As events in Iran and Afghanistan demonstrate, threats surface with little warning. A military response, if needed, cannot await the traditional, slow buildup of U.S. Military power. We must have the force-in-being to deal with such emergencies, and the ability, through pre-registration and classification, to expand our forces rapidly.

Moreover, we believe it is essential that there be local participation and involvement in making such life-or-death decisions as who must go first, and who has legitimate reasons to not be called. For that reason, we hope a decision will be made to create a structure which permits State and local decision-making as part of the Selective Service Process.





Record breaking rain floods the streets of Hilo. Star Bulletin photo by Llewellyn Stone Thompson.

# Three disasters keep SCD hopping

by Bill Roome  
State Civil Defense

It has been approximately 100,000 years since Diamond Head Crater last erupted but one would get the impression that this majestic land mark was stirring or certainly restless by the rumblings going on in Birkhimer Tunnel, home of State Civil Defense (SCD).

Many of the SCD staff have been on the constant go since February 1979, handling surf, heavy rains and flooding, prompted

President Jimmy Carter, at the request of Governor George R. Ariyoshi, to declare Maui County a major disaster area. To date, statewide damage estimates have surpassed \$25 million. With the President's declaration, Maui now is entitled to Federal disaster assistance funds and loans.

One of the first steps that will be taken by SCD in coordinating the statewide disaster assistance effort will be to brief concerned State and county agencies applying for public disaster relief. Once this is completed, a statewide survey of damaged public facilities will be conducted to develop detailed engineering reports of each damaged site or facility. Finally, the disaster assistance applications will be processed, and Federal funds will be disbursed through SCD.

Persons who suffered damages from the January storm will be able to apply for low-interest loans through individual agencies such as the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Farmers Home Administration, and the State Department of Planning and Economic Development.

Earlier, a state disaster was declared by the Governor for the Big Island in November 1979 following damaging heavy rains and flooding. In Waipio Valley alone, 49 persons were evacuated and many taro farms destroyed. Following emergency restoration work on the Waipio Valley stream by the Hawaii Army National Guard and other state agencies, SCD began to approve State and county requests for financial assistance to repair damaged public facilities.

And there's more: although the February 1979 Presidential declaration disaster for Hawaii County may have been forgotten by many people, State Civil Defense still is busy processing requests for supplemental Federal disaster assistance and requests for cash advances on disaster work still in progress. SCD is also coordinating final inspection of completed disaster projects and reimbursements of State and Federal disaster funds.

The target date for completing restoration of Big Island public facilities damaged from the February 1979 disaster is late 1980. To date, there are no estimates as to when restoration will be complete following the November 1979 and January 1980 floods and storms.



"WIRING THE WORLD" — Whether it's an EMU-19 generator in Korea (above) or an NZ deployment (see story below), 201st Comm troops support USAF worldwide.

## Busniewski receives AF award

by Lt. Col. David Howard  
201st Combat Communications Squadron

SrA. Raymond Busniewski, a radio repairman with the 201st Combat Communications Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard in Hilo, recently received a Certificate of Outstanding Service from the 61st Military Airlift Support Wing for his participation in Operation Deep Freeze 80.

SrA. Busniewski deployed a radio system to Christchurch, New Zealand, which was used to communicate with Hickam AFB, Hawaii and McMurdo Sound, the U.S. Scientific Research Base in Antarctica.

The resupply of Operation Deep Freeze at McMurdo Sound, Antarctica, was

scheduled from October through December to take advantage of the spring and summer in Antarctica, which occurs at a different time there than it does in Hawaii.

The 201st Combat Communications Squadron in Hilo was selected to participate in this exercise due to their experience in providing Communications support to the 61st Military Airlift Support Wing in missions throughout the Pacific, from Hawaii to Korea.

Since the formation of the 201st Combat Communications Squadron in 1976, the Hilo unit has participated in three exercises in Korea and deployments to Guam, Japan, Oahu, and Kauai, as well as its Pacific wide support of the 61st Military Airlift Support Wing.



A SINGLE FLOWER — Dennis A. Daugherty, chairman of the Pacific War Memorial Commission, drops a flower from his association's wreath into the open well of the Arizona Memorial as part of Dec. 7 commemoration services. Individuals and organizations from the U.S. and other countries joined in the remembrance for more than 1,000 sailors and Marines lost when the Arizona was sunk off Ford Island in Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack which plunged America into World War II. U.S. Navy Photo by J02 James G. Bryant



# Arizona ANG battles HANG jets despite damaging winds, rains

by Maj. Gar Pillgrim  
Public Affairs/Education Officer

If you measure a contest by sortie count, the score would look something like this: F-4Cs — 15, A-7Ds — 8, rained out — 33. Alas, Oahu's slashing rainstorms were the big winner during the waterlogged week of Jan. 7-11, but even with only one and three-fourths days open for flying, the visiting Arizona ANG pilots and Hawaii's pilot-WSO teams got in enough intensive Dissimilar Air Combat Training (DACT) to know they want to do a lot more of it . . . and soon!

"Sure, the rain hurt us a little; but we still got some real good training out of it; better than we had hope, really," said Maj. R.G. "Fuzzy" Fosnot. "In fact, I just wish we could come back and fly DACT with you guys twice a year . . . every year!" he added.

The four A-7D "SLUFs" (a term standing for "Short Li'l Ugly Fellow") whistled up to the HANG ramp just after noon on Sunday, Jan. 6 after a seven-hour flight from Tucson and a couple of aerial refuelings provided by KC-135s of the 161st Air Refueling Group (AANG) Phoenix, Arizona.

Following a full day of preparation and briefing on Jan. 7 the air and ground crews of Arizona's 162nd Tactical Fighter Group were raring to go Tuesday morning. Unfortunately, so was one of Hawaii's worst wind-and-rainstorms of the century: all our aircraft were grounded (in fact, they were all but swamped!)

Finally, HANG's F-4 aircrews and the Tucson troops got to tangle on four separate 2 vs. 2 engagements on Wednesday, and again (after another rainy stand down Thursday) on Friday for the last three engagements of the day. Was it worth it? "Sure" said 154th COMPG Ops Plans Officer Maj. Clint Churchill, who flew against the Arizonans on Friday's last mission. Added Churchill: "It was great training for us, in that we flew against a dissimilar aircraft with different turning characteristics; and it was good for the A-7 guys because they learned and practiced defensive tactics against our higher-performing F-4 Phantoms. We all learned something."

One of the things that HANG aircrews learned, according to those that flew the missions, was how important and impressive it is to maintain well-thought out and intensively practiced mutual defense procedures, as well as constant air discipline. The Arizona Air Guard SLUF drivers have worked out some intricate responses to enemy attack that are both graceful and effective.

"Their 'Rhumba' maneuvers really watered our eyes. We'd get to them eventually, but when you see a pair of A-7s dart to the right, make a beeline, then dart back hard to the left — always in perfect unison — it makes you appreciate the value of disciplined, practiced defense tactics," Churchill concluded.



PLAYING IT SAFE — Visiting members of Arizona's 162nd Tactical Fighter Group pre-check one of their A7-D jet fighters prior to take-off from Hickam AFB.



Two of Arizona's 162nd Tactical Fighter Group's A7-D's taxi down the runway along with one of the Hawaii National Guard's F-4C's. Visiting Arizonans took part in Dissimilar Air Combat (DACT) with Hawaii Air National Guardsmen at Hickam.



FUTURE F-4 FLYER? With all the talk about registration, a young woman from Punahou Jr. ROTC decides to cover her bets with a cockpit briefing from Capt. Pete Pawling, 199th TFS, during a recent field trip to Hickam Air Force Base.

## Maui guardsmen aid neighbors during flooding

The Hawaii Army National Guard was called into action twice to aid Maui County and its residents during the severe January storm that buffeted the Valley Isle.

At the request of Maui County officials, Gov. George R. Ariyoshi ordered 40 Hawaii Army National Guardsmen to State Active Duty Jan. 8-11 to assist stranded or displaced residents.

The National Guard armory in Wailuku was opened up Jan. 8 at 11:40 p.m. to temporarily house some 25 Maui residents affected by the heavy rains and flooding.

Twelve Army Guardsmen were again called upon the following morning to assist county medical, police and civil defense personnel in crossing flooded roads. Waters too deep for regular and emergency vehicles required the use of six water-fordable utility transports called "Gamma Goats," and one 2½-ton transport truck to cross into the Kihei and Makawao areas. The Gamma Goats are large troop carriers with extra-wide flotation tires, and were used to evacuate citizens in these areas.

All guard personnel and equipment were

pulled off State Active Duty by midafternoon of Jan. 9 when relief assistance no longer was needed.

Then on Jan. 10, the guardsmen were recalled to assist stranded Maui residents for a second full day after the already battered island suffered even more destruction from the Pacific storms.

Activated in two additional phases, the first contingent of 17 guardsmen was called out at 11 p.m. Wednesday and the second group of 11 guardsmen was mobilized at 3:30 a.m. Thursday. Hawaii Army National Guardsmen again provided vital transportation for Maui County emergency personnel, as well as temporary housing for residents affected by the wind-lashed rains and flooding.

Seventy-five displaced people were evacuated and housed in the National Guard armory in Wailuku.

During the final call-up of National Guardsmen, five more medium-sized amphibious Army Guard transport trucks were used, bringing the total vehicle count to eleven.

## Out-of-State flyers invade Hawaii

By late January it seemed that once the HANG F-4's got heavily into DACT, folks from all over came out to play; even some Air Reservists!

The 508th Tactical Fighter Group, a Reserve Unit from Hill AFB, Utah, somehow persuaded the Tactical Air Command to give them a sort of "outstation ORI" at Barbers Point NAS, Hawaii beginning the week of Jan. 21. Once they had watered the eyes of TAC's 12th Air Force evaluators — the 508th passed the ORI with topnotch ratings — the Utah reservists settled down to

enjoy Hawaii and fly their F-105B Thunderchiefs (nicknamed "Thuds") against the HANG Phantoms in mock dogfights.

After our Phantoms and their Thuds had hammered each other for six days, both groups disengaged, licked their respective wounds, and decided to call it a draw. On Saturday, Feb. 8, the 200 or so reserve troops flew back home to the ski slopes of Snowmass and the glittering nightlife of Ogden and Salt Lake City. As far as Hawaii's 199th TFS fighter jocks were concerned, the first five weeks of 1980 inaugurated quite a busy "tourist season."



NEW HIC COMMANDER — Lt. Col. Earl Thompson (center) is congratulated by Maj. Melvin Ozeki during change of command ceremony held in Diamond Head Crater Feb. 10. HARG photo by SSgt. Lloyd Kurashima



# 199th WF supports Army operations

Imagine that there is a military convoy coming down the road somewhere out in the Schofield Barracks area. It looks like a typical Army convoy heading out to another field exercise, but there is something different about the uniform of the troops on one of the vehicles.

The fatigues are the same olive drab as all the rest are wearing, except chevrons on the sleeves are curving out of the blue circle containing a white star, and just above the left shirt pocket is a tag that reads U.S. Air Force.

If you're wondering who they are and what they are doing, the answer is simple: they are the airmen of the 199th Weather Flight of the Hawaii Air National Guard on maneuvers. They are out in the field to provide weather support for the front line units of the U.S. Army.

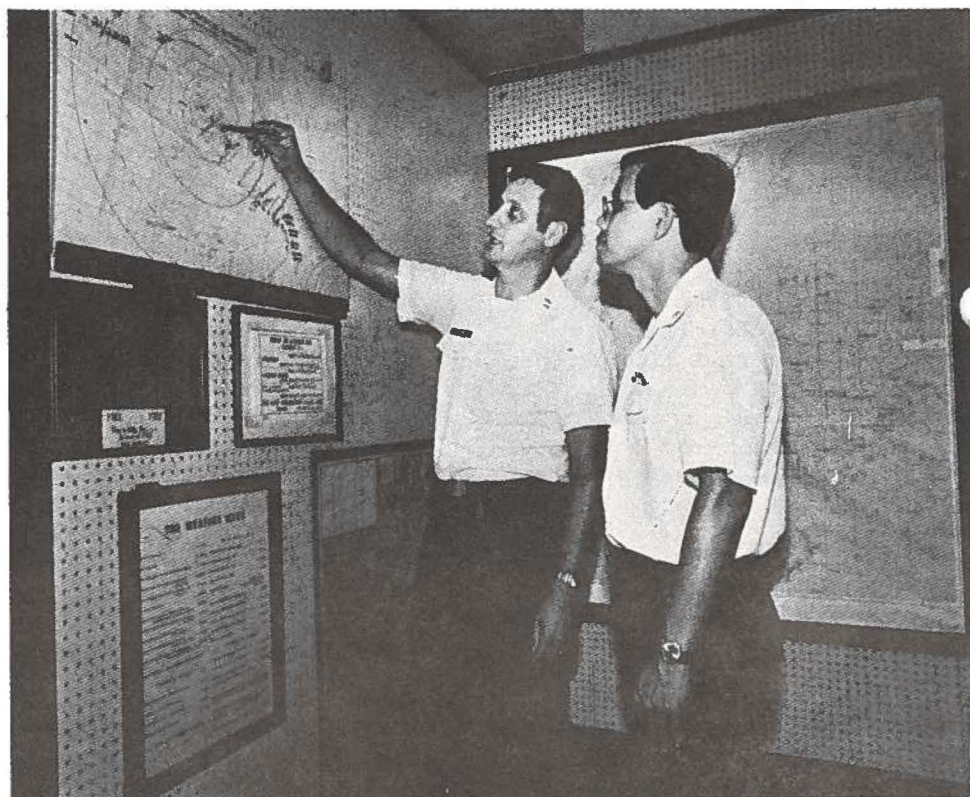
The mission of the 199th Weather Flight was officially changed from providing Air Force weather support to Army operations as of October 1, 1979. It is just one of 23 air guard weather flights that will be making the conversion.

The new mission is to provide weather support to the IX Corps and to augment Det. 7, 1st Weather Wing in support of the 25th

Inf. Div. In preparation for the realignment, unit members have been training at Wheeler AFB under the supervision of Detachment 7. The enlisted people have been instructed on map reading, camouflaging of vehicles, erecting tents, the setting up and operating of communication equipment, and other skills that are necessary for working in the field with army units.

To get some first hand experience in the field, the weather flight will be participating in the army deployments TROPIC LIGHTNING and GOPHER BROKE at Schofield Barracks. In these field exercises, forward weather observing teams will be deployed with front line combat units. Their job is to observe weather conditions and transmit this information back to the staff weather officers at division and corps headquarters. There the overall climatology of the battlefield can be determined and army operations planned accordingly.

In all, this is one of the most far-reaching changes that has happened to the 199th Weather Flight in quite some time. Though it might mean sleeping in the mud, eating out of tin cans and fighting the mosquitos, the dedicated "weather-watchers" of the Air Guard will be out there supporting the Army come rain or shine.



Capt. Ronald Bound, 1st Weather Wing, Det. 4 commander, briefs Maj. Christopher Jay, 199th Weather Flight commander on the morning's weather condition.

## Army Guardsmen aid March of Dimes

The Hawaii Army National Guard, on the evenings of January 28-31, assisted the March of Dimes Campaign with its annual "Mother's March." Sixty-eight Guard members wearing nametags participated in the march through the Kaimuki neighborhood from 5-9 p.m. each evening.

The March of Dimes organization had

asked Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Valentine A. Siefermann for voluntary assistance.

According to Maj. Gen. Siefermann, "the Army Guard's positive response helped make all four nights of the march a success, for which I'd like to thank everyone."

Army Guard members who responded were:

**11th Army Band**  
CWO Castro  
MSgt. Yuen

**117th PAD**  
Sp5 Fujii

**HHC, 29th Bde**  
2nd. Lt. Igarashi  
SFC Yoshizu  
SSgt. Hashimoto  
Sgt. DeCosta

**HHC, 1/299**  
Capt. Prewitt

**Spt Co, 1/299**  
1st. Sgt. Maesaka  
SFC Luna  
SSgt. Fleming

**A Btry, 1-487**  
Cpl. Kilaulani

**C, Btry, 1-487**  
1st. Sgt. Moniz  
SSgt. Graham  
SSgt. Gibo  
Sp4 Deal

**Svc Btry, 1-487**  
SSgt. Abe  
Sgt. Morse  
Sp5 Kobayakawa

**HIC**  
Lt. Col. Ida  
CSM Duncan

**HHD, 159 Svc Bn**  
Lt. Col. Shigezawa  
Maj. Kon  
Maj. Sheridan  
Capt. Arakaki  
Capt. Saito  
CWO Sakamoto  
CWO Kitaoka  
CSM Nakaichi

SFC Seto  
SFC Chatani  
SFC Shimizu  
SFC Shimabukuro  
SFC Yamada

**12th Admin Co**  
1st. Sgt. Sagon

**299th Med Co**  
1st. Sgt. Villaverde

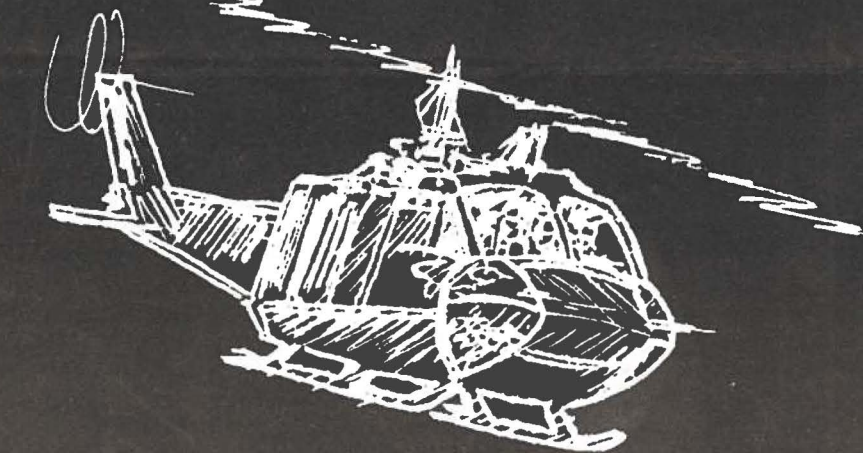
**329th QM Co**  
1st. Lt. Saito  
2nd. Lt. Arakaki  
CWO Shea  
1st. Sgt. Iaea  
SFC Akau  
SFC Ono  
SFC Arakawa

**HMA**  
Maj. Correa  
SFC Almadova  
SFC Napoleon

SSgt. Kekaulua  
SSgt. Tomita  
Sgt. Pharr  
MSgt. Paulino  
Sgt. Silva  
Sgt. Rivera  
Sgt. Rivers  
Sgt. Lewellyn  
Sp5 Ramos  
Sp5 Agena  
Sp4 Root

**HHD, HARNG**  
Col. Alencastre  
Col. Bush  
Col. Camara  
Lt. Col. Kimura  
Lt. Col. Honjiyo  
Maj. Kaahaaina  
CWO Apo  
CWO Nakano  
Sgt. Maj. Furukawa  
SFC Yim  
SFC Lewis  
SSgt. Watanabe

## Wanted



Would you like to take on the challenges of the skies?

The Army Guard is forming a new aviation company with platoons on the islands of Hawaii and Oahu.

Qualified guardsmen will be sent to Ft. Rucker, Alabama for helicopter flight training.

If you've always dreamed of becoming an aviator, then this may be your chance.

If this sounds like you:

18-27 years old

Enlisted member of HARNG or eligible to become one

High school graduate

In good physical condition

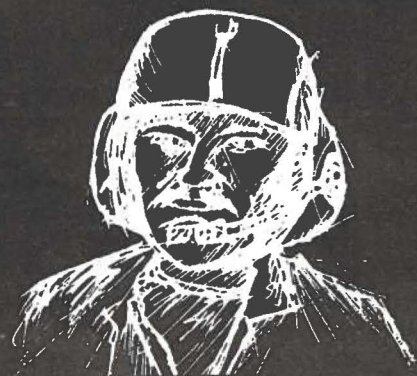
Able to face 38 tough weeks of flight training on the mainland

Then you might qualify for this unique opportunity.

A few positions are also available for officers who qualify.

For more information, call CW3 Bob Blair at CAC HQ., 456-3882.

Also, an aviator recruiting team will visit Army Guard units on the island of Hawaii April 12 and 13. Check with your 1st Sgt. for more details.



## Air Guard NCOs receive community special thanks

Select members of the Hawaii Air National Guard completed several community service projects in a final burst of activity at the end of 1979.

Wrapping up an intense community relations effort in November and December, members of the Non-Commissioned Officers Academy Graduate Association (NCOAGA), Chapter 18, were busy spreading the spirit of Aloha while building the public image of the Hawaii Air National Guard.

Highlighting the year's activities, the NCOAGA:

\* Sponsored and built a float for the 34th Annual Downtown/Chinatown Christmas

Parade held November 24.

\* Raised the State and National flags at the State Capitol on the morning of December 7, the 38th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.

\* Contributed more than 150 lbs. of clothing to the Waimano Training School and Hospital. As a result of the Air Guard members' activities, Msgt. Dick Deveas, Civic Actions head, received a note from Waimano Auxiliary Director Rosalind Oliveira. Said Ms. Oliveira: "A very special thank you . . . it is the generosity of people like you who help keep our auxiliary functioning."



# Perry reflects personal views, goals

by SP5 Judy Lau  
117th Pub. Affairs Det.

*Lt. Col. Louis W. Perry, Jr. assumed command of the 29th Infantry Brigade November 17, 1979*

*Perry, 44, graduated from Chaminade University in 1977, after completing his college education under the university's continuing adult education program. In civilian life he is a community relations coordinator for the Honolulu Police Department.*

*Perry was recently promoted to colonel and is awaiting federal recognition.*

*Below are some excerpts of an interview with the new commander:*



Perry

**• How do you feel about your promotion?**

Outstanding! Twenty seven years ago when I joined the Guard as a Private E-1, I never realized that one day I would be commander of a brigade. It's a challenge; it's exciting to be a commander, to be able to influence so many things.

**• What are the main areas you'll be working on?**

The main issue is recruiting, retention and attendance. I also want to emphasize individual skill training as well as appearance of troops.

We need to boost attendance and assigned strength.

I think attendance can be improved by giving the individual soldier, good, meaningful training.

If a soldier comes to drill and he doesn't get interesting, realistic training, he might as well stay home, and generally, he does.

In my 27 years I have been called out three times, twice for a state mission and once for a federal mission. I found out how important it was for each individual to really know his job.

As brigade commander, I especially have the responsibility to see to it that every individual in the brigade is trained to survive the lethality of the modern battlefield. If every officer and NCO doesn't look at that responsibility, we are in deep trouble. We owe it to that soldier to give him the best training possible.

I am putting a message out that personal grooming is important. Haircut standards are back. Hair should be off the collar, off the ears. Insignia and brass are on, uniforms must be worn properly. We need to get back to this.

I feel that if you look sharp, you feel sharp. When you lessen a standard, then it's no longer a standard. We are talking about individual skills and professionalism.

**• How would you describe yourself?**

That's a tough, tough question.

I really don't know how to perceive myself. I am outgoing, although many people don't perceive it that way.

I try to be honest with people. Then again, sometimes I am too honest. I say things that sometimes hurt people because they don't like to hear it.

I am easy to approach; I think I am. I think the greatest thing going for me is the nine years I experienced as an enlisted man.

I know how that guy down there feels.

**• What turns you on in life?**

I guess people turn me on. I like people, working with people, helping people, just being with people, I guess. That's why I think I can contribute as a commander of the brigade. The day I feel I cannot contribute, that's the day I should step down.

**• What is your favorite motto?**

"Nothing ventured, nothing gained." If it's right, let's do it. I've got a lighter that was given to me in Vietnam by one of my chiefs and on it it had "nothing ventured, nothing gained" because I always used it.

**• What do you want the enlisted people to know about you?**

That I am just a human being and I am interested in their welfare.

## HNGA Conference:

# 'Salute Our Mothers' Big Island weekend promises fun, games

How would you like to spend the weekend on the Big Island, stay at Waiakea Resort Village, play tennis or golf, and spend your time with family and friends as well?

Sounds inviting? If the answer is yes, the Hawaii National Guard Association is planning its annual conference to be held May 9-11, and this may be just the ticket. The theme for the conference will be: "The HNGA Salutes Our Mothers," because the Sunday of the conference falls on Mother's Day.

Although this event is a conference, it perhaps is surprising to see just how much time actually is devoted to business . . . a total of two hours! The rest of the time is saved for a moonlight picnic and a banquet, as well as all that time for you sports buffs. The schedule also leaves Sunday, Mother's Day, open to honor your wife or mom on the Big Island, or to return home to be with the rest of your family.

This is not to say that single members would find the conference boring. In fact, the swinging singles may just find the Big Island to be more than they can handle.

Details on the conference are as follows:

- Dates — May 9-11
- Conference hotel — Waiakea Resort Village
- Military travel — If available, seat assignments will be based on a lower rank priority basis
- Commercial travel — Individual reservation, or group travel at 20% discount
- Ground transportation — Car rental
- Theme — The HNGA Salutes Our Mothers

Program for the conference follows this schedule:

Friday, May 9, 6 p.m. — Moonlight picnic in casual attire

Saturday, May 10, 8-10 p.m. — Business session in duty uniform

Saturday, May 10, 10:30-4 p.m. — Golf and tennis tournaments

Saturday, May 10, — Banquet in Aloha attire

5:30-7:30 p.m. — Cocktails

7-9 p.m. — Dinner and Program

Sunday, May 11 — Free day to honor your spouse on the island of Hawaii or to return home to the rest of your family.

With all this pleasant information for an enjoyable weekend, we must also include some basic (and vital) data: the cost.

The total package deal for a couple, including cost of a room for two nights, the moonlight picnic, coffee and pastries for the business meeting, and banquet ticket is only \$100. For the single person who is willing to share a room, the cost will be \$50. If you want your own single room, the cost will be \$80. If you need additional banquet tickets, they are available at a cost of \$13.50 each.

All other costs such as air fare, car rental, meals and golf or tennis will be paid directly by each participant.

If you are interested — and who wouldn't be? — contact either Maj. David Kaahaaina for Army Guard members or Capt. Edwin Chung-Hoon for the Air Guard. You can also clip the fancy coupon on this page, fill it out and mail it back along with your check to Maj. Kaahaaina or Capt. Chung-Hoon.

As the feelings of excitement and anticipation mount, it may be best to make your reservation early. Deadline for application is March 17.

## Clip and Mail in

# 'Salute Our Mothers' 1980

Army Guard Members send to: Maj. David Kaahaaina  
3949 Diamond Head Road  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Air Guard Members send to: Capt. Edwin Chung-Hoon  
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Wheeler Air Force Base, Hawaii 96854

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Check the blocks below as appropriate:

I will participate in the conference or

I will not participate.

I need a double room for myself and my wife. (\$100.00)\*

I need a double room to share with \_\_\_\_\_ (\$50.00)\*

I need a single room. (\$80.00)\*

I need a car rental for myself.

I need a car rental to share with \_\_\_\_\_

I will participate in the golf tournament.

I will participate in the tennis tournament.

\*Forms returned with checks made payable to HNGA Conference, will confirm your reservations now.



# Spotlight

## Guardsman chases down bank robber

Sp4 Gordon Olayvar, a Cavalry Scout for Troop E (Air), 19th Cavalry, recently made the news. Olayvar, a full-time security guard for First Hawaiian Bank, chased down a robbery suspect, thus leading to the arrest of a 19-year-old man in connection with the holdup of the Aiea branch of First Hawaiian Bank.

According to the *Honolulu Advertiser* story, Olayvar sensed something was wrong when he saw the commotion in the bank. After finding that a robbery had taken place, he ran back to his car and followed the robber to an auto hobby shop near the Ford Island ferry landing at Pearl Harbor. Olayvar called to a bystander for help, and the two continued to chase the robber, who threw down the money.

They caught the suspect and waited for the Navy police to arrive. The Honolulu police later drove up and made the arrest.

Terrific job, Gordon, but weren't you scared???

## Kauai guardsmen to the rescue

MSgt. James Hori and Lester Matsushita, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, aided a victim of an apparent heart attack at the Waimea Canyon lookout point in January.

An ambulance was dispatched from Kauai Veterans Memorial Hospital (KVMH) in Waimea. But the 150th, located on top of Kokee, is only seven miles away from the lookout, so it took the Air Guardsmen only minutes to get there.

Hori, a surgical technician at KVMH, immediately supervised the administration of Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation. After the victim's vital signs were checked, Hori began intravenous blood transfusion, administered oxygen and put the patient on a life pack to monitor his heart rhythm.

Immediately after the ambulance arrived, the patient was loaded in the ambulance and transported to the hospital, where regular treatment put him on the road to recovery.

Great work guys!

## Honolulu police present award

WO1 Justin Culahara, 293rd Service Company, has been presented an award by the Honolulu Police Department. Culahara, a police reservist, received the award in recognition of his efforts to save the life of a child who was a passenger in a three car accident. Culahara performed mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on the child when she stopped breathing.

## Tax deductions

As you figure out your income taxes this year, remember that you are entitled to certain tax deductions. You may be eligible to deduct the following:

1. Cost of transportation from your home of record to your drill location (unless the place of your full-time business is in the same area of your drill location). You are entitled to 18.5 cents per mile. If your drill site is located in the same area as your full-time business, you receive 18.5 cents per mile for the distance between your business and the drill location.

2. Travel, meal and lodging expenses when your drill location is far enough away from your full-time business to warrant an overnight stay. This applies, for instance, if you live and work in the same area but drill a reasonable distance away. You can deduct all cost of living expenses (if meals and lodging weren't provided by the government). Expenses covered include lodging, non-drill status meals, transportation from your home of record to your drill location, and daily transportation between your temporary lodging and drill location (if government transportation is not provided).

3. Dues for membership in Reserve Component-oriented associations and professional societies that enhance your effectiveness as a member of the Reserve Component.

4. Unreimbursed travel expenses, including lodging and meals, incurred while attending Reserve Component sanctioned meetings, conferences, workshops, and conventions.

5. Unreimbursed tuition and book costs when your educational goal is to maintain or improve Guard-related skills or meet the express requirements of your military position.

If you have any questions about your eligibility for these deductions, contact the IRS.

## Off to New Zealand

Twelve pineapples are off to visit the land of Kiwis. Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers departed Honolulu for New Zealand to participate in a joint Australia, New Zealand and United States (ANZUS) Military exercise Feb. 11-26.

The lucky guys who went were: Col. Melvin Alencastre, Lt. Cols. Larry Siu and Henry Hara, Maj. Delbert Nishimoto and Earl Nakashima, Capt. Wayne Nishigima, Warren Yamamoto, Melvin Tamaye and Richard Sasaki, CSM Mitsuo Hasegawa, MSgt. Douglas Tom, and SFC James Kaolowi.

Be sure to ask them for some war stories.

## Sharpshooters take note

Sp5 Edward J.T. Yuen, 291st Maintenance Company, is another Army Guardsman who returned victorious from the Winston P. Wilson National Guard Pistol Championship.

The contest is held annually at Camp Robinson, Little Rock, Arkansas, where Yuen placed in three out of five possible categories in the Composite phase.

Yuen placed third in the .22-caliber category, second in the .45-caliber category and third for the aggregate.

## Guardsman's son recognized

Elroy Abe, 11-year-old son of TSgt. Douglas Y. Abe, survival equipment technician, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was honored by the Boy Scouts for rescuing a friend at Waikiki Beach last summer.

Elroy received the Boy Scouts' Certificate of Heroism during a recent annual Scouters Recognition Dinner.

As described in a *Honolulu Advertiser* story, the senior Abe noted that his son was not a good swimmer; and following the rescue asked him, "What made you do it?" Young Abe replied, "the boy needed help."

## HMA graduates honored

During the recent NCO graduation several guardsmen singled out for their outstanding efforts were: **Honor Graduates** Sp5 Norman Agena, 829th Maintenance Company; Sgt. Paul Lakin, Battery B, 487th Field Artillery; Sp4 Todd Muraoka who also won the leadership award, Company A, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry; and Sgt. Warren Gima, Battery B, 487th Field Artillery.

Sp4 Jimmy Nunua, 115 4th Transportation Company won the Most Improved award and Sgt. Marshall Harvest, Troop E 19th Cavalry won the Commandant's award. Congratulations to all!

## Attack of the superkids

In addition to the Maui Superkids, other guard units in Hawaii have also sponsored the annual event on other neighbor islands.

On the Big Island, 90 Army Guard members hosted the event Feb. 9 at the Hoolulu Tennis Complex. Big Island kids 7-12 years old were divided into three age groups to take part in the basketball throw, 40-yard dash, and a potato sack race.

On Kauai, Air Guard members from the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron hosted that island's competition.

Great PR with the community, guys, keep it up!!!

## 'Big Bird' wants You!

# Guard members aid Public TV drive

by Maj. Gar Pillgrim  
Public Affairs and Education Officer

The Hawaii National Guard community relations program got another boost — and some great television exposure — early last December, when both Hawaii Army and Air National Guard members appeared on KHET-TV at the start of Hawaii Public TV's end-of-the-year membership drive.

From 6:55 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. Sunday night, Dec. 2, 12 Army Guard and six Air Guard members operated a bank of telephones on camera during the evening's programming on Channel 11. The guard members processed telephone membership applications and contributions to the "Friends of Hawaii Public Television" organization, which helps fund talent and programming for Hawaii Public TV. The Public Television authority in the islands is 50 percent funded by the state government through the legislature; the other half is supported by community membership.

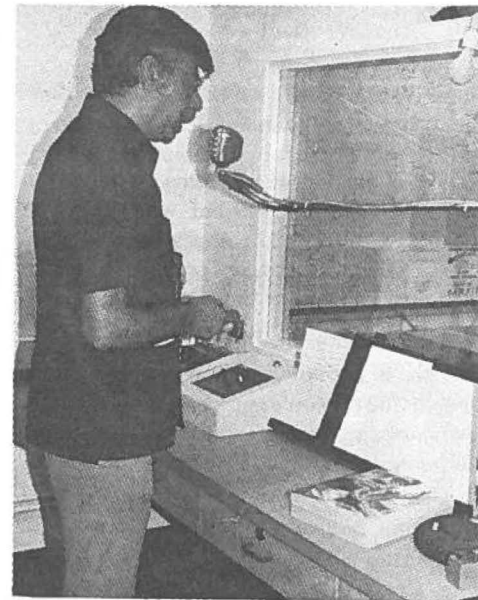
Immediately following the night's televised activities, officials and staff of KHET-TV and the "Friends" offered enthusiastic compliments about the "appearance, professionalism, and cheerfully cooperative spirit" displayed by the guard members. The periodic appearances of the Army and Air Guard representatives during the 4½-hour drive was described as "instrumental in making that night a success."

In fact, public television officials soon were eagerly requesting more National Guard volunteers back for the "Festival '80" membership drive in March, when another bank of telephones is scheduled to be operated by the Army khaki and Air Force blue of the Hawaii National Guard.

Those who participated in the December activities were:

HAWAII ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
Lt. Col. George T. Honjiyo, HHD, HARG  
1st Lt. Rogelio Javillo, Co A, 1/299  
1st Lt. William Bowles, 117th PAD  
1st Lt. Terry Chang, Co A, 1/299  
2nd Lt. Bruce D. Spear, Btry B, 1-487  
2nd Lt. James Dunlap, Co A, 1/299  
SFC James M. Reis, Btry B, 1-487  
SSgt. Angela Gibson, 12th Admin Co  
SSgt. Kenneth L. Young, 293d Svc Co  
Sgt. Paul C. Lakin, Btry B, 1-487  
Sp4 Kevin T. Furutani, Spt Co, 1/299

HAWAII AIR NATIONAL GUARD  
MSgt. Ralph M. Kaneshiro, HQ. HANG  
TSgt. Steven C. Hanscom, 154th COMPG  
TSgt. Charles Petersen, 199th WF (USAF AWS)  
SSgt. Charles S. Gravett, 154th COMPG  
Sgt. Ruth Baldino, 154th COMPG  
A1C Jean Burrell, 199th WF



**EMERGENCY BROADCAST SYSTEM ANNOUNCEMENT** — Jack Kellner, a local television news director, activates the Hawaii State Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) to squelch a rumor that a hurricane is approaching the 50th State. Many Hawaii residents were confused when a local radio station erroneously announced that a hurricane threat was imminent during the recent January storm.