

JULY-SEPTEMBER 1988



Hawaiian skies were extra secure Aug. 31, as the Commander in Chief of the Hawaii National Guard, Gov. John Waihee, took to the air in the Hawaii Air National Guard's F-15 Eagle jet aircraft. The governor gives a thumbs up after Tech. Sgt. Clifford Fukuji, 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron life support technician, gave him a final takeoff systems check.

Lee heads new veterans office

Newly appointed Director of the Office of Veterans Services, 57-year old Larry Lee, brings the experience of more than 30 years of military and government service and 5 years in the private sector to the Department of Defense's newest division.

Lee was appointed as director by Gov. John Waihee, effective Aug. 22. He is responsible for the performance, development, and control of programs, policies, and activities for Hawaii's more than 102,000 veterans. From his Oahu based headquarters, he will oversee a staff of Veterans Affairs Counselors with offices on Kauai, Oahu, Maui, and the Big Island of Hawaii to assist in accomplishing the OVS mission.

He joins the DoD after 11 years as Information and Referral Coordinator in the elderly Affairs Division of the Office of Human Resources, City and County of Honolulu. "Providing assistance to the more than 90,000 senior citizens on the Island of Oahu," said Lee, "has been one of the most satisfying and enjoyable periods in my career," The division sought out elderly clients, and assisted them in accessing needed services.

Upon graduation from St. Louis High School in 1948, he immediatedly went to work at Capital Investment rector of Personnel and Community Activities at the U.S.

Candidate School at Fort Benning, Ga., as a second lieutenant in May 1957.

Assignments at Infantry Training Centers in California and Georgia as platoon leader, training officer, and company commander highlighted service from 1957-1962.

In 1962, he transferred to the Adjutant General Corps and served in predominatedly personnel and administrative assignments until his subsequent retirement.

In 1965, he was appointed Adjutant General and Deputy Director of Personnel at the U.S. Army Stategic Communications Command in Europe; in 1968, he was the Adjutant of the Army's largest supply depot at Long Binh in Vietnam; and from 1969 until his retirement in 1973, he was Adjutant General and Deputy Di-



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Nakatsu new DAG

Colonel Myles M. Nakatsu has been appointed by Major General Alexis T. Lum, State Adjutant General, with the concurrence of Governor John Waihee, to be the Deputy Adjutant General of the Hawaii Department of Defense effective September 15, 1988. Nakatsu has served as the Executive Support Officer to the adjutant general for the last nine years.

Hilo born Nakatsu graduated from Hilo High School on the Big Island in 1956. He earned a Bachelors of Education, 1960 and Professional Certificates (5th Year/ teaching degree, 1961 and School Administration, 1969) from the University of Hawaii.

His military education includes Officer Candidate School, 1964; Infantry Officers courses (Basic, 1969; Advanced, 1973; and Command and Staff, 1975); Civil Emergency Management Course, 1977; Command and General Staff College, 1978; organizational Effectiveness Managers Course; and U.S. Army War College, 1985.

Twenty-six years of State of Hawaii government service started at the Department of Education, first as a teacher and then as an administrator.

Nakatsu first taught at Waianae High and Intermediate School later



country and track, and served as a counselor. After completing the Administrative Intern Program, he became the vice principal at Ilima Inter-

mediate School and even-

tually principal. In 1979 he joined the full time state DoD staff. As the ESO he managed the Administrative Services Office which provides executive support, personnel, and financial administration for the DoD.

His military career spans over 27 years in the Hawaii Army Nationial Guard with assignments to include platoon leader, aide-de-camp, senior tactical officer, training officer, chief of staff for the adjutant general, and presently as chief of the post mobilization state headquarters.

Nakatsu's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal.

He is married to the former Nancy Nakayama

Lee

Company as an office worker. Five years later he was drafted into the U.S. Army as an enlisted man. He subsequently attended and graduated from Infantry Officer see VETERANS page 10

Army Support Command in Hawaii.

Ida

transferred to Campbell High School where he taught, coached cross of Honolulu. They have two children, Lance and Shenann.

Ida replaces Ito as **USPFO**

There's a new man in charge of all the departmental fedal assets in Hawaii. Col. Melvin M. Ida became the United States Property and Fiscal Officer as of Sept. 12, replacing



Col. Thomas S. Ito.

Cols. Ida and Ito attended the University of Hawaii, where each received his bachelors degree and Army ROTC

program commission.

Ida graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1956 and college in June 1960,

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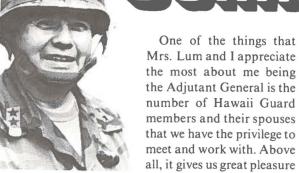
receiving his zoology degree and commission. He enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving as platoon leader, assistant logistic officer, radar officer in artillery units at Fort Bliss, Tx., for two

years.

In April 1963, Ida enlisted in the Hawaii Army National Guard. He held positions in the 298th Artillery Group included fire control platoon leader, executive officer, battery commander, and operations officer, till the unit deactivated in January 1970. He later served in the personnel, logistics, executive and intelligence/plans and operations officer for various other Guard units. In 1983 he

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mmand Notes



Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum when Guard members or The State Adjutant General their spouses recognize us as we travel throughout our great state.

It is always exhilarating when at an airport, a shopping center, or other public place, we're recognized by a Guard member or a Guard member's spouse. I know that we can't remember each of you, or pick you out in a crowd, but we do appreciate that so many of you are willing to say hello. In most cases, telling us who you are and which unit you are affiliated with is a big help in placing you correctly. No matter how busy we are, or seem to be, Mrs. Lum and I are always available to chat with another Guard member or spouse.

One of the things that

Family program

Our Family Support Group Program is making great progress, and our recently completed training workshop at the Prince Kuhio Hotel in Waikiki was an unquestioned success. There is a detailed report on this conference elsewhere in this issue, but I thank everyone who participated for their sincere interest and dedication to family preparedness.

In my remarks to those present at the dinner that was

held as a part of the workshop, I said, "our families, whether they are aware of it or not, are a part of the Total Force." I also stated that, "without the full support of the family, our ability to fulfill our responsibilities and the mission of the Guard would seriously be in doubt." Strong words, but I feel that family preparedness is critical to the readiness of the Hawaii National Guard; as vital as the other essentials of personnel, training, and logistics.

When we joined the Guard, most of us made a serious commitment to the defense of the United States and service to our State of Hawaii. When we did this, we indirectly committed our families; and their involvement today is real. We, the Guard, now take a more active role in all areas of national defense; and our requirements to participate in deployments and exercises continue to grow. Our military educational requirements now parallel the active component member. These are all requirements that cause each Guard member to be away from home more frequently, leaving his or her family without a sponsor for a week or several months at a time. It is my hope that our newly formed Family Support Groups can be of some assistance in filling this void, when needed. Again, my mahalo to everyone that is working so hard to make Family Support Groups viable and useful.

Recruiting

Recruiting for the Hawaii Army National Guard is still our number one problem. Our full-time recruiting force needs help from everyone with referrals. We need each Guard member and even the spouses to assist in

finding and referring the names of potential new Guard members. To support this effort we have developed an incentive program. Simply, everyone that makes a referral and has that person actually join the Hawaii Army National Guard will become a member of the "Adjutant General's Club" and receive a properly inscribed coffee mug denoting membership. Ask your unit or area recruiter for more information.

Training

Training Year 1988 is coming to an end, and both the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard can be justly proud of their accomplishments. There have been many deployments, training exercises, military professional development schools and other activities where we have again made our mark as being true professionals. The Hawaii Guardspersons are something special wherever they go because of their dedication and ability to get the job done. That doesn't mean that we don't know how to enjoy ourselves; we do. However, the mission always comes first. I compliment and thank all of you for your ability to maintain the highest of standards with the constant drive to strive for excellence.

New Challenges

The F-15 conversion is a thing of the past for the Hawaii Air National Guard, and the bulk of the new equipment fielding is completed for the Hawaii Army National Guard. However, all of you know that we will have new challenges in the upcoming training year. I know that we are capable of taking on whatever comes our way because we have the proven professionals and the dedicated people to face up to any task.

New National Guard Bureau appointments -Air Guard

The Secretary of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff approved the establishment of Vice Chief, National Guard Bureau at the major general level, with the designation of joint duty assignment.

Maj. Gen. John B. Conaway's appointment was approved by the Secretary of Defense on July 20. As vice chief, in the absence of the Chief, NGB, or at the chief's direction, will perform the duties of Chief, NGB with respect to the NGB, National Guard and the Army and Air National Guard of the United States. He will supervise the NGB staff in its

internal day to day operations.

Replacing Conaway as Director, Air National Guard, is Brig. Gen. Phillip G. Killey.

The Secretary of the Air Force, on September 15, announced the appointment of Killey as director, effective November 1. General Killey has been the adjutant general of South Dakota since March 16, 1987.

August 1988

Secretary of Defense Washington, the District of Columbia

To All Members of the National Guard and Reserve:

Members of our Reserve forces have often been referred to as "twice a citizen." For the most part they work and live as civilians, but accept an additional responsibility of citizenship by serving our nation as members of the National Guard and Reserve, prepared to defend against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

There is yet another way in which each member of our Reserve forces and their family members can serve this nation. Our government was founded on the premise that we, the people, would be the ones who select our leaders. The selection process of choosing our leaders by voting in local, state and national elections is certainly equal to the responsibility we accept when we participate in the defense of our nation.

Check cashing changes Check cashers beware!

Recent changes to Federal Banking Regulations will cause changes in the location where personal information is placed on a check presented in your Army and Air Force Exchange Service facilities.

Beginning September 1, all information currently required on the back of a personal check will have to be placed on the front. This includes individual social security numbers, rank, unit of assignment and telephone numbers.

"This change heralds good news for all consumers," explains Orman Frazier, comptroller, AAFES-Pacific, "Banks will no longer be able to hold a check, even from out-of-town, longer than

48-hours. In fact, Federal Reserve Banks will be able to fine a bank in the clearance chain for holding up the process."

The key to the clearance process is the requirement that a dishonored check be returned to depository bank as quickly as possible. In order to do this the depository bank has to identify itself in a clear and precise manner on the reverse of the check and that all other parties handling the check, such as AAFES, stay clear of the depository bank's area.

The new regulations have divided up the back of a check into three distinct areas. There is only a space of one and one-half inches on the reverse for AAFES to place its deposit information and for

a customer to endorse a check with the remainder left for bank clearance stamps and automated machine processing information.

What all of this means for military check cashers is that buying groceries, shopping at the exchange, or cashing a check at the club, will require placing all identifying information on the front of their checks.

"Your exchange will have signs posted throughout facilities explaining the new procedures," said Ben R. T. Davis, General Manager, AAFES-Hawaii. "Customers may want to consider having identifying information pre-printed on their checks to save having to squeeze everything on the front of the check."

This year we will elect over 500,000 public officials at the federal, state and local levels and their decisions will directly influence our lives and well being. It's not only the President that will be determined in this year's election. At stake are all 435 members of the U.S. House of Representatives, 33 U.S. Senators, 13 Governors and thousands of state and local officials.

In 1984, more than 81 million Americans who could vote, didn't vote. Only slightly more than 53 percent of our nation's voters chose to exercise this most important franchise in our last national election in 1984.

If civilian or military obligations require you to be away from your hometown on election day, November 8, 1988, please make arrangements now for an absentee ballot.

Our forefathers defended our freedoms and guaranteed us the right to choose our leaders — to honor their commitment deserve our participation in the voting process. I urge you to be sure to vote this year.

Frank C. Carlucci, III Secretary of Defense



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Darby receives 1987 Jefferson award

Since returning to the Hawaii Air National Guard in 1979, community service has become a way of life for 1987 Thomas Jefferson Award recipient **Maj. Charles V. Darby II.**

The Jefferson Award recognizes Hawaii's 10 most outstanding volunteers. Darby and the other winners were praised by Gov. John Waihee for giving of themselves without expecting any rewards.

Pukalani, Maui resident Darby was recognized for his seven-year involvement with the Teen Challenge Hawaii drug rehabilitation program.

47-year-old Darby, father of two grown daughters and a son, serves as a volunteer counselor to prevent drug and alcohol related problems. Recently, Darby along with his wife **Patty** (both associate ministers with the Kihei Assembly of God Church) started the Student Stay Straight program at Maui's two high schools.

Volunteering does not stop when Darby puts on his uniform. As a member of the 293rd Combat Communications Squadron, Kahului, Maui, he puts in extra hours in Guard co-sponsored Superkids and March of Dimes fundraisers, said **Maj. Lance I. Okihara**, former detachment commander.

Darby is the squadron's chief of operations, officer in charge of teletype, telephone and radio operations. His military duties complement his civilian duties as program manager for the Maui Optical Tracking and Identification Facility division of the Avco Research Laboratories/TEXTRON in Puunene, Maui.

After the active tour he joined the Hawaii Air National Guard's 169th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron (Fixed). Wheeler Air Force Base from November 1971 to July 1972. He rejoined the Guard on Maui in May 1979.



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Darby

Cavalry comes to the rescue of injured canoer

Wahiawa. His canoe

overturned and he was

washed down stream.

Nearby witnesses went

for help and located

Troop E soldiers as they

were completing rapel-

ling training at the 25th

Infantry Division (Light)

A five-man rescue team

consisting of Staff Sgts.

Ted Endo and Dereck

Sanico, Sgt. Chester

Popa, and Specs. Samuel Saffery and Louis Wal-

lace was assembled and

briefed by 1st Lt. Jesse

the stream bed, a search

ensued for the missing

man. Saffery spotted Lee

pinned against a large

rock by his canoe 150

When the team reached

Canoy.

Air Assault School.

In the days of the old American West, the cavalry was known for saving the day. Today, the tradition lives on with the men of the Hawaii Army National Guard Troop E, 19th Cavalry. In May, Chad Lee of Honolulu was canoeing in Schofield Barrack's East Range stream, near



RESCUE RECOGNITION—Hawaii Army National Guard's Troop E, 19th Cavalry: 1st Lt. Jesse Canoy, Staff Sgts. Ted Endo and Dereck Sanico, Sgt. Chester Popa, and Specs. Samuel Saffery and Louis Wallace are congratulated by Brig. Gen. John R. D'Araujo Jr.

meters downstream from the mishap.

Once the team reached Lee, three men secured the canoe while the rest pulled Lee from the water. Besides sustaining local injuries to his right knee, he exhibited signs of going into shock. The rescue team applied first aid.

"It was a very frightening experience for me;" commented Lee on his three-hour ordeal, "contemplating life-near the brink of death. I don't think I could have lasted through this ordeal another hour." The team proceeded to evacuate Lee up the steep wet bank by utilizing the fireman's carry. Lee was taken to Wahiawa General Hospital and treated for his injuries.

Besides the appreciation of Lee, the six men were presented the Army Commendation Medal by **Brig. Gen. John R.** D'Araujo Jr., commander of the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), for their actions.

"They acted in the true spirit of the cavalry, doing what was required of them on short notice," asserted Capt. Mark Logan, commander, Troop E, 19th Cavalry. "Anyone in the Troop would respond readily in the same situation."

Story & photo by Sgt. Brett Niles 117th PAD

Aircraft controllers provide ground assistance

Near midnight, May 30, a lone individual in his midtwenties approached the Kokee Air Force Station main gate. He asked Department of the Air Force Civilian Guard William Sakai for assistance.

He informed Sakai that he and two others were injured in an automobile accident and were in need of medical assistance. Sakai reported the request to the operation team headed by **Maj. Patrick J. Casey** and **Master Sgt. Herbert Y. Takeya**, 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard and called the civilian authorities via Emergency Number "911."

Casey ordered accident victim Art Andrew Miner be brought into the guard shack, provided blankets for warmth, and treated him for shock. Master Sgt. Louis S. Niau and Tech. Sgt. Milton S. Yamamoto from operations and Staff Sgt. Gary F. Foster from maintenance were dispatched by Casey to the scene in the installation's ambulance.

The team provided control of the Kalalau Lookout vicinity accident till the civil authorities arrived. William Ludington was moved from the car to the ambulance where his head injury was bandaged, covered with blankets, and treated for shock. Valarie Basa did not respond and was allowed to remain in the accident vehicle. She was wrapped in blankets and treated for shock.

Over the next half hour the police, fire, and ambulance teams arrived. Statements were taken by the police from the victims and Yamamoto. The fire rescue team cleared the female from the accident vehicle to the roadside. Civilian ambulance technicians provided medical attention to the three victims.

Niau and Foster assisted the civilian ambulance team by transporting one of the victims to Kauai Memorial Hospital.

Niau and Foster returned to the station at 2:30 a.m. and it was business as usual for the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. Humanitarian assistance was willingly provided and the incident was logged for the record.

Compiled from reports by Maj. Patrick J. Casey, 150th ACWS; and Kauai Police Department

Calendar

September — November Hawaii, Dod Women's December 17, Saturday Combined Federal Auxiliary, meeting at the Departmental Christmas 154th Composite Group, Campaign through Concert, Baldwin High November 12 and Aloha Hickam Air Force Base. School Auditorium, 7 United Way through p.m., featuring the November 18, fund October 30, Sunday Hawaii Army National raising drives. 1988 3rd Annual Hawaii Guard's 111th Army Army National Guard Band. Fun Run, Bellows Air October 14-16 Hawaii National Guard Force Station, 7 a.m. December 20, Tuesday Enlisted Association Departmental Christmas membership meeting and November 6, Sunday Concert, Neal S. Blaisdell banquel, Quren Kapiomorning Center Concert Hall, 7:30 lani Hotel. 29th Infantry Brigade p.m., featuring the (Separate) Memorial Hawaii Army National October 22, Saturday Ceremony, Brigade Guard's 111th Army Na Kuhina Nui O Na Koa grounds. Band.

In memory of Kara Nagashima

The Department of Defense was deeply touched by three-year old Kara N. Nagashima's struggle for life and saddened by her passing on September 12, 1988. Our sympathy goes out to her family, State Civil Defense's Leonard Nagashima, wife Lynn, and son Josh.

The trust fund established by Leonard's co-workers is still accepting contributions to offset the medical expenses.

Contributions may be sent to: "Friends of Kara" P.O. Box 10-D Honolulu, Hawaii 96816 For more information call: 734-3259

Dobashi and Melich assume new commands

Kauai command change

Unit and air technician detachment command of the 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard changed as Lt. Col. Myron N. Dobashi follows in the footsteps of Lt. Col. Owen D. Ota as of August 6, 1988.

Lt. Col. Dobashi not only follows in the steps of Lt. Col. Ota, but also shares many similarities besides the drill-status and full-time command of the Kokee Air Force Station air defense direction center.

Both colonels were born and raised in Kauai in August, 10 years apart. They attended Lihue Grammar School, received their commissions through Air Force ROTC programs, and joined the HIANG's 150th ACWS after their Air Force tours. Both served as weapons controllers and operations officers before assuming command of the 150th ACWS.



Dobashi

Newly appointed commander Dobashi was born August 1, 1943 in Lihue, Kauai. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in history and second lieutenant's commission from Central State College and Air Force ROTC program, Ellensburg, Washington, in June 1965.

After enlisting at Hickam AFB in the Air Force in September 1965, Dobashi attended weapons controller training at Tyndall AFB, Fla. He served at Truax Air Field, Wis., in Southeast Asia with the Pacific Air Forces, and Adair AFS, Ore. till February 1969, to complete his Air Force commitment.

Dobashi returned to Kauai in March 1969 working as an operations specialist at the Navy's Barking Sands facility till March 1970. In October 1969, he accepted an appointment in the HIANG's 150th ACWS as a weapons controller. He was hired as a full-time air technician in March 1970. After serving in a variety of operations positions, he was selected as ACWS operations training officer in April 1983.

More than 3,700 live intercepts and 1,500 tactical engagements with experience in both the semiautomatic ground environmental (SAGE) and manual command and control systems have prepared Dobashi to take command. His military decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and Air Force Commendation Medal.

Dobashi and his wife, the former Jean M. Togo of Kahuku, Oahu, reside in Lihue, Kauai, with children Corey, Kyle, and Jill.



Ota was born August 7, 1933 in Kilauea, Kauai. After graduating from Mid-Pacific Institute, Honolulu in June 1951 he attended the University of Denver, Colorado. He was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in accounting and received a commission as a second lieutenant through the Air Force ROTC program in June 1955.

Ota joined the Air Force in March 1956 at Hickam Air Force Base (AFB) and attended Air Force Navigator Training in Harlingen AFB, Texas through May 1957. He logged more than 3,900 flying hours as a navigator in C-324 and C-97 aircraft at various active duty assignments: Lackland AFB, Texas: Travis AFB, Ca. and Hickam AFB, Hawaii through June 1961.

For more than 19 years Ota has served in the 150th ACWS, first as an air weapons controller in May 1962, operations officer in February 1977, and finally as commander in February 1983.

Ota's medals and awards include the Air Force Commendation Medal (with three devices).

Ota and his wife, the former Winifred K. Kotani of Honolulu, Oahu, reside in Lihue, Kauai with daughter Carolyn and son Jonathan. He leaves keeping watch on the blue Hawaiian skies to the new team and pursues burning-up the golf course's green pastures.

CAMS changes Commanders

Maj. Michael J. Melich assumed the command of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron from Lt. Col. Norman C. Ault Jr. at change of command ceremonies held at Hickam Air Force Base, Sept. 18.



Melich Minneapolis, Minn., born Melich graduated

from Benilde High School in 1967 and received a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from the University of Minnesota in 1971. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1971 and after attending officer training school at Lackland AFB, Texas, he was commissioned a second lieutenant.

Following undergraduate navigator and F-4 combat crew training, Melich's assignments included tours in Thailand, United Kingdom, and the Philippines. He completed a masters of science degree in counseling from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., in 1976.

Melich joined HIANG in 1980, after more than eight years with the active component. He served as the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron's weapons systems officer instructor. He compliments his formal maintenance training with more than 15 years of operational flying time in the F-4 Phantom jet aircraft. He has completed a year of training and evaluation at the 154th CAMS prior to assuming command. The major's military

awards include the Air Force Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and Army Achievement Medal.

Melich is married to n., the former **Nida Abella** of the Philippines and they have one son, Kenneth.

Punahou High School graduate, Ault will retire after more than 40 years with the Hawaii National Guard. He enlisted in the Hawaii Army National Guard in January 1947 and served in the Headquarters Company, 298th Infantry till his discharge in December. He left to attend aircraft school and joined the California Air National Guard in June 1948.



Ault

In August 1948, Ault transferred to Hawaii's 199th Fighter Squadron and in March 1962. received a first lieutenant's direct commission. He has guided HIANG's largest squadron for more than 15 years and directed the daily operations as Chief of Maintenance.

Ault is married to the former **Pearl King.** They have two daughters, **Donna** and **Norma**, and a son, **John**.

By Stephen M. Lum & Capt. Stanley J. Osserman HIPAO & PAO, 154th COMGP



LEADING BY EXAMPLE. . .GENERAL GIVING-State

Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum lends his support to the 1988 Combined Federal Campaign, Aloha United Way, and the Blood Bank of Hawaii, as he asks each of us in the Department of Defense to give what we can to help our community. The TAG addresses the CFC departmental coordinators at a training seminar (left photo). The next day the TAG donates blood at the 487th Field Artillery Armory. Registered Nurse Julie Brown check's the TAG's temperature and blood pressure before she draws blood. The TAG was one of 44 DoD personnel (83 total donors) to give blood at the Pre-

Labor Day drive.



Combined Federal Campaign

Aloha United Way





Officer candidates take oath of office

honor graduate Peppers, from the Big

Island's Company B, 1st Battalion,

299th Infantry. He was presented the

Adjutant General's Award by Maj. Gen.

Alexis T. Lum, State Adjutant General.

Peppers also received leadership awards

from the Association of the United

States, Army National Guard Associa-

tion of the United States and the Hawaii

Canady, Reserve's 411th Engineers,

received the Erickson Trophy given to

the distinguished graduate. A replica of

the trophy is kept at the NGAUS head-

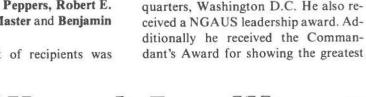
National Guard Association.

Nine Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) and three U.S. Army Reserve soldiers received their gold second lieutenant bars during commissioning ceremonies at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel's Tapa Ballroom, August 21, 1988.

The new lieutenants, were the first class to graduate from the HIARNG'S Hawaii Military Academy Officer Candidate School, since the school moved from Diamond Head Crater over to Bellows Air Force station in Waimanalo.

Sharing the awards spotlight were 2nd Lts. Jeffrey N. Peppers, Robert E. Canady, Mark LeMaster and Benjamin Balanay.

Leading the list of recipients was



degree of improvement.

The Academic Award for maintaining the highest academic average was presented to Lemaster, 1/299, while Balanay, 2/299, received the TAC Officer Committee Award for his excellence in physical training.

The 14 graduates, successfully completed 13 months of military tactical, leadership and academic training on Hawaii and the mainland. The officers attended four weeks of training during the past two summers as well as 12 weekend drill sessions. The senior class completed the Army National Guard Officers Candidate School Phase III Consolidation Program at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, this summer.

This was the 26th graduating class since 1962.

The oath of office was administered by Col. Haruo Shigezawa, deputy commander, State Area Command, HIARNG and Brig. Gen. Paul R. Lister, Commander, IX Corps (Reinforcement), U.S. Army Reserve. Music for the graduation and commissioning ceremony was provided by the Hawaii Army National Guard's 111th Army Band.

By Pfc. Jonathan Shiroma 117th PAD

es' Auxiliary

Scholarship benefit luau

NA KUHINA NUI

The fourth annual Scholarship Benefit Luau was held on Aug. 16 at the Heeia State Park in Kaneohe.

Families and friends of the Hawaii National Guard enjoyed the traditional Hawaiian food and entertainment in the beautiful seaside setting.

1988 scholarship awardees attending the luau, Stacy Chow, Marc Chun, and Lorna Loebl were introduced by Elaine Young, scholarship committee chair and other recipients Douglas Abe Jr., Sherilyn Fukuji, and Lena Kaneshiro were also recognized.

Master of ceremonies Roy Price, vice director of State Civil Defense, introduced the honored guest, Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum, State Adjutant General

and Mrs. Lum; Brig. Gens. and their wives: Edward V. Richardson, Kenji Sumida, John R. D'Araujo Jr., and retired Irwin Cockett.

Entertainment was provided by Native Pulse and Na Mele Koa.

The Auxiliary thanks luau cochairpersons, Ruth Shigezawa and Sylvia Silva and all those who supported this worthwhile cause.

New officers election

The next meeting of the Na Kuhina Nui O Na Koa Hawaii will be sponsored by the Air Guard wives on Oct. 22 and will include election of officers.

By Eileen D'Araujo President, Wives' Auxiliary



SMILING SCHOLARS-Marc Chun (1st year), Stacy Chow (2nd year), Lorna Loebl (1st

year), and Elaine Young (scholarship chair) are all smiles at the Scholarship Benefit Luau.

Maj. Richard K. Shimomura, HIPAO



Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association .

Thank you

Thank you to the many Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association members who contributed their personal time and money this year soliciting memberships, coordinating, and getting involved in fund raisers. Their dedication and support is what the association is all about.

Going to the national conference as a delegate or supporter is the reward and goal for many of our members.

This year, I missed the opportunity to attend and get involved with our counterparts from other states, discussing issues that affect or promote all the soldiers and airmen in the National Guard.

My commitments as the new area NCOIC in Army Guard recruiting took me out of state for recruiting and retention

schools for five and a half months this year. It has been challenging to devote the time necessary to accomplish both full-time and association business. Thank you to those who covered for me on many occasions.

More thanks

Mahalo to Master Sgts. Wayne Soma, Al DeRego, Wesley Seril, and everyone from both services for their help at our huli-huli chicken fund raiser.

Thanks to Air Guard's DeRego (vice president) and Master Sgt. Ken Enoki (secretary) who were selected as national convention delegates based on their expertise, experience, and knowledge in representing Hawaii's best interest. Council member Soma also attended the conference as a supporter.

Meeting and banquet

HNGEA's membership meeting and banquet will be on Oct. 15, Army Guard drill weekend. The dress for those attending the association meeting has been changed to aloha attire.

Final thoughts

The Enlisted Association is a vital link in our system that introduces, protects, and lobbies for benefits for all members of the National Guard. We need your support.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the council, please contact me or any member of the council, (Sgt. 1st Class Tom Chock at 737-5255 or 1522)

By Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Chock President, HNGEA



LET'S GO FISHING-Senior Master Sgt. Ronald Izutsu, 154th Resource Management Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard, assists at the Waimano Home Carnival. He and more than 40 NCO Academy Graduates, Chapter 18, provide manpower and donations for the annual event held at the training school and hospital.

HIANG Units Recog

Congratulations to the following Hawaii Air National Guard units for the national recognition of their professionalism in accomplishing their Air National Guard mission:

1988 Air National Guard Distinguished Flying Unit Plaque from the National Guard Association of the United States 1987 U.S. Air Force Explosive Safety Award 1987 U.S. Air Force Flight Safety Award 1987 National Safety Council Award of Honor 154th Composite Group

1987 National Safety Council Award of Commendation 201st Combat Communications Group

1987 National Safety Council President's Award letter 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron 169th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron 292nd Combat Communications Squadron 293rd Combat Communications Squadron

Airlifts accent AT '88

More than 3,000 soldiers of the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), Hawaii Army National Guard, completed soldiers were immediately trucked out into the dusty and Annual Training 1988 this summer.

Months of weekend training were tested.

Planning put to the test

The start of AT '88 culminated several months of planning, training, and realistic mobilization exercise designed to test HIARNG's capabilities to deploy its units.

Families briefed

This also meant ensuring that HIARNG family members were briefed on what benefits they as perspective military families, were entitled to as well as making sure that the family had all necessary legal documents. The family briefings are part of an on-going program developed by the State Family Program Coordinator.

Brigade moves out

The brigade soldiers prepared to move out at dawn. They departed their unit armories July 16 and 17, in full gear and flew from Kauai, Oahu, Molokai, and Maui to Bradshaw Army Airfield located in Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island.

Rapidly departing the C-130 aircraft, the infantry rugged lava fields of PTA, their home away from home for the next two weeks. For the soldiers of the 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, headquartered on the Big Island, moving during AT '88 simply meant driving up the hill.

"Everything was fast paced," said Sgt. Ireneus Borengasser, Alpha Company, 1st Bn., 299th Inf., as he described his first few days during AT '88. Borengasser is a Kauai police officer from Kapehi.

Offensive posture

Within 24-hours, select brigade units were again boarding military aircraft and helicopters to conduct their mission and recapture several "enemy-held" positions around the state.

On July 17, soldiers from Bravo Co., 2nd Bn., 299th Inf., departed Bradshaw AAF on C-130 aircraft bound for the Navy's Pacific Missile Range Facility - Barking Sands on the island of Kauai. Their mission - to retake an "enemy-held" communication site which was being used to pass on information to the "enemy's" naval force.

The Big Island soldiers from Kona were silent during their pre-deployment briefing as they quietly contemplated their objective. By night fall, the soldiers were ready to conduct their assault. Using the cover of



darkness and moving swiftly yet quietly, the Kona soldiers engaged and overwhelmed the "enemy" forces, capturing their objective.

During AT '88, the pace remained in high gear.

"One day we traveled from Kauai to the Big Island, and the next da, we were attacking Molokai," boasted Sgt. Jerry Carineo, also from Kauai.

On July, 18, Alpha Co., 1st 1st Bn., 299th Inf., soldiers from Kauai were flown to Molokai to also assault and capture an "enemy" position. "We boarded the aircraft at noon, landed on Molokai at 1 p.m. and hiked up and down valleys and ridges. In total darkness, we reached, attacked, and captured the objective. It was a long 'hump,' but the mission turned out good," explained Borengasser.

Additionally, solders from Troop E, 19th Cavalry were airlifted on Army UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters from PTA to Puu Pa, a dormant volcano cone, to assault an "enemy" position near Kohala.

The "enemy" during AT '88 on Kauai and Molokai as well as various locations in PTA and on the Big Island were soldiers from the 25th Infantry Division (Light).

Evaluating AT '88

How did the citizen soldiers do during AT '88?

According to Capt. Harold Bass, division evaluator attached to Co. B, 2nd Bn., 299th Inf., "This company has highly motivated soldiers with good leadership and they gave me a favorable impression of an infantry with the National Guard."

Brig. Gen. John R. D'Araujo Jr., commander of the 29th Inf. Bde. (Sep.) said, "I was most impressed by the dedication and hard work demonstrated by each brigade soldier. Everyone worked as a team with one common goal - mission first!"

"AT '88 was the most dynamic training we've conducted in recent years," continued D'Araujo. "It was demanding on all staff levels. We tried some innovative approaches to reach out training objectives and I feel we kept the soldiers challenged."

By Staff Sgt. Dennis Y. Fujii to 117th PAD

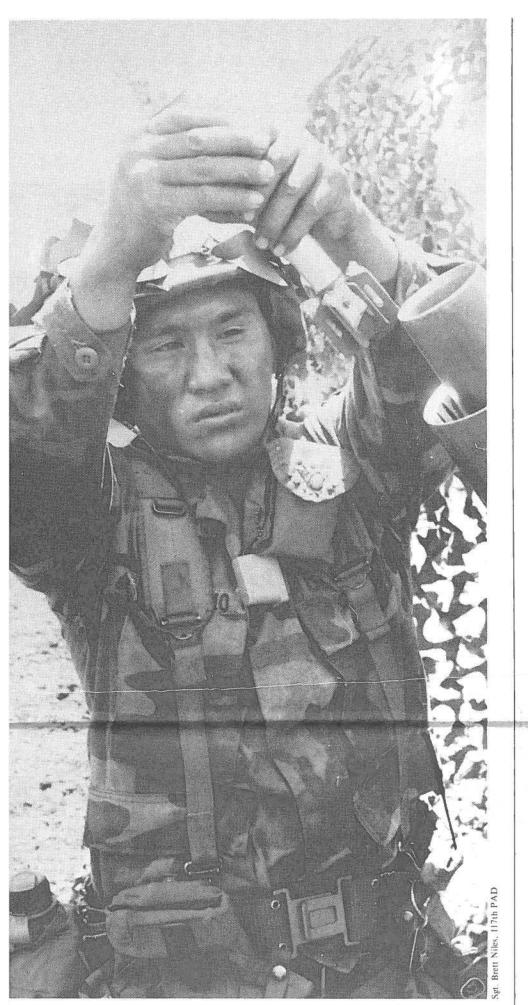
Hawaii Army National Guard personnel board UH-1 Huey helicopters. . .their mission. . .recapture "enemy-held" positions.





Australian Army Sgt. Bruce Miller and the Hawaii Guard's Pfc. Charles Tolbert, 487th Field Artillery, spot firing points.

Spec. Lester Tendo prepares a hearty roast for his fellow Maui **Guard** soldiers.



'FC Edwin A. Guillerno, Combat Support Company (-Detachment 1) prepares to load a practice ound in the 4.2 inch mortar.



Maintenance Company gets 'hands-on' training at Utah

More than 80 Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers of the 291st Maintenance Company conducted annual training for two weeks at the Tooele Army Depot in Utah.

The HIARNG soldiers arrived there July 31 aboard a C-141 jet flown by the Mississippi Air National Guard.

The soldiers received "hands-on" training instead of textbook instructions and worked with advanced equipment. Civilian journeymen workers helped the soldiers expand their knowledge by showing them techniques and "tricks-of-the-trade" that came with years of experience.

The biggest difference was the equipment.

"With the machines there, parts were made in huge quantities at an unreal rate," said Staff Sgt. Danny Murakami of Palolo Valley. "Although it would take a month of exposure to get the hang of these machines, it was still important for us to have at least an idea of their capabilities since we have none at the unit. Some of my men work in the same field on their civilian jobs; it benefits them in more ways than one," added Murakami, who is a full-time machinist with the Guard.

The training at Tooele is important to the unit since an upcoming reorganization will affect the 291st. Various positions for certain Military Occupational Specialties are going to vanish causing some soldiers to retrain into other specialties.

The Maintenance Company is the only HIARNG unit with an approved supervised onthe-job training program. It normally trains at the



Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Tamashiro, receives axle repair hints from Tooele mechanic Isabel Ruben.

Waiawa Armory in Pearl City.

The deployment to Tooele couldn't have happened at a better time.

"The training at Tooele Depot with their tanks and track vehicles really helped our program since in Hawaii, the opportunity to work in these areas would not exist." said Sgt. 1st Class David Junk, training non-commission officer for the 291st.

"This program helps retention because it encourages soldiers to continue in another occupation gradually instead of taking three months off their civilian jobs to go to school," adds Junk, a Kailua resident.

While the bulk of the company worked within the depot, a few soldiers traveled to the Utah National Guard's Combined Support Maintenance Shop in Salt Lake City each morning. They worked on the maintenance of small arms as well as track vehicles.

The unique training at Tooele enhanced the morale of troops. A big part of this training involved the civilian workers in the shops who provided a helping hand to the soldiers. To extend a little aloha spirit back, the 291st invited some civilians to a luau at the end of the first week hoping the relationship between the two would strengthen. The traditional Hawaiian kalua pig, lomi salmon, and poi was served along with fresh air-flown poki (raw fish). Hawaiian music was performed by some members of the 291st.

After spending two dry weeks in ninety-plus degree weather, the cool tradewinds were a welcomed feeling when the soldiers returned to Hawaii on August 13 with the experience and knowledge gained at Tooele Army Depot.

Story & Photo by Spec Lance Kamisugi 117th PAD

Target sites are set by Battery C, 487th Field Artillery personnel.



Sgt. Ronan Kozuma codes the computer controlled drill press for precise location boring.

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Coordinator's



CORNER By David H. Price State Family Program Coordinator

Seven new groups have organized and joined the growing Family Support Group program. We now have thirteen FSG's in being and expect to have seventeen by year's end, making a group available to any family member who wants to participate in this worthwhile program.

Charter presentations

One of the most pleasant tasks for me during the past few weeks has been accompanying the State Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum and his wife Momi, as they formally presented the FSG charters.

The charters officially recognized the existence of the groups and serve as tangible evidence of the partnership of the Hawaii National Guard and its families.

The TAG and his wife have devoted much of their busy schedule to attend FSG functions to personally express their support of the families involved. Their commitment to the Family Action Program is evident in its present progress.

Pre-workshop training

Liz Taga, FAP State Volunteer Representative, continues her tireless efforts assisting groups in organizing. Taga, along with Deanna DeMello, SECOND BATTALION OHANA and Marci Keiser, 292nd MAUI OHANA, attended a volunteer management course at the University of Colorado for a week in June. Their training was utilized at the September's Family Support Group Workshop.

Support Groups in action

Hawaii Army National Guard's MOBEX '88 (Mobilization Exercise) recorded major progress in family readiness for mobilization. The June 25-26 exercise included Family Assistance Centers set up on each island and staffed with recruiting personnel and supported by FSG key persons and their alternates.

Group key persons were able to disseminate information on unit briefings and activities held specifically for family members. Especially successful at bringing in numbers of family members to MOBEX '88 were MALAMA PONO O KAUAI's Irwette Santiago (Kauai) and BRAVO IKAIKA KA OHANA's Cheri Mandaquit (Kailua-Kona) efforts.

Family Photo Album

State Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum and his wife Leimomi welcome seven Family Support Groups to the Hawaii National Guard as chartered organizations.



BRAVO IKAIKA KA OHANA family members pose with Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Lum at the first official charter presentation in the Hawaii National Guard's Family Support program. Key person, Cheri Mandaquit holds the charter certificate.



CSC FHANGS, Key person, Johnalyn Hanohano and alternate, Gemma Chaves accept the charter from the TAG and Mrs. Lum.



SECOND BATTALION OHANA, key person, Deanna DeMello and alternate, Lee Tamaye flank the TAG and Mrs. Lum.



E HOOLAKO MAU, key person Gwen Thornly and alternate Susan Dano accept the charter from the Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Lum, Lt. Col. William Wright, commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 291st Combat Communication Squadron and Tech. Sgt. Claire Miyamoto, unit contact person, look on.



MALAMA PONO O'KAUAI, key person Irwette Santiago accepts the charter from the TAG as Mrs. Lum and alternate, Mary Ephan look approvingly.





Continued success

Our Family Action Program's success is also due to many who are not mentioned here due to space constraints. Thanks and congratulations to you for your support of the Guard family.

Remember, as coordinator, I am here to serve you. The program belongs to you, the Guard family. If you have any questions or comments about our program, please let me know. 292ND MAUI OHANA, key person, Marceline Keiser (front row and center) ladies of the original nucleus of the group pose with Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, Assistant Adjutant General, Air (left) and Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Lum.

HANALIKE ONIPAA HONOKAA, alternate, Conchita Leslie and key person, Annette Vincent flank Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Lum.

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Workshop assists family support groups

"Family Support Group" is a new term quickly being added to the vocabulary of the soldiers and airmen of the Hawaii National Guard. However, for their family members, it is a welcomed addition, and it has brought about a new focus reemphasizing the importance of the family to the military.

A workshop for HING Family Support Groups was held Sept. 10-11 at the Outrigger Prince Kuhio Hotel on Oahu bringing together nearly 50 HING FSG key persons and alternates from every island. This also included those planning to organize a Family Support Group for their National Guard Unit.

Program's roots

In the 10 months since the first HING Family Conference was held November 1987 in the Turtle Bay Hilton Hotel, 13 FSG have sprung up on each island throughout the state. Each group was organized by a group of dedicated spouses, primarily women. However, with the changing demographics, husbands of women in the HING are also included.

From information and comments gathered at the Turtle Bay conference, it was evident that spouses of National Guardmembers were not getting sufficient information about their soldier or airman, the unit, or the National Guard in general. Additionally, conferees wanted to become more involved with the National Guard and develop a statewide FSG program to deal with the special needs of National Guard families.

Call-up of 1968

To better understand this special need, one has to flashback to more than 20 years ago when the Hawaii Army National Guard's 29th Infantry Brigade was mobilized and called up to active duty. While the headquarters of the Hawaii Army National Guard units were busy getting soldiers and their records ready to be transferred to the Army, many families felt the trauma of having a major change impact their lives. Many family members did not know where their husbands and fathers where going or what to expect. Many questions by family members went unanswered. It was a time of uncertainty and confusion for the family. With their husbands gone, many wives had to make hard decisions and manage their families on their own. Many families also suffered a sudden decline to their income.

However, family members now have a support group which they can have a definite role in developing to meet their special needs. In fact, family members of the Hawaii National Guard are lucky because Hawaii, under the guidance of **Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum**, state adjutant gereral, and his wife, **Leimomi Lum**, Hawaii is the leader in developing FSGs within the National Guard across the country.



FAMILY SUPPORT FORUM-Liz Taga, state volunteer representative, addresses the Family Support Group Workshop held in September at the Outrigger's Prince Kuhio Hotel.

Workshop organized

The recent workshop was organized by the Family Action Office and Mrs. Liz Taga, state volunteer representative, with the assist of Mrs. Deanna DeMello, 2nd BATTALION OHANA; and Mrs. Marcelina Keiser, 292nd MAUI OHANA. By the interaction between workshop attendees, FSGs have arrived and will definitely continue to grow in the HING.

In her opening remarks during the workshop, Mrs. Lum, official hostess of the workshop said, "I was moved by the spirit of oneness. . . of caring and sharing. As we enter these workshops together, remember our goal, remember the years when there was no family programs. . .when the family, especially the spouses of the guardmember, was not included in planning nor participation in improving the readiness of the various National Guard units."

Workshop report

As part of the workshop and its main guest speaker, Marilyn J. White, president of Performance Skills Inc., a consulting firm based on the mainland, presented training on communications, group dynamics and organization. She was joined by Taga, DeMello and Keiser who passed along information they gained by attending formal training classes in volunteer management earlier this summer at the University of Colorado.

During the evening's banquet, Maj. Gen. Lum was the keynote speaker. In his remarks, the general said, "When we joined the Hawaii National Guard, we made a commitment to be a part of the defense of the United States. But how many of us as members of the Hawaii National Guard have stopped to think that when we made that commitment, we also committed our families. The commitment of our family may be indirect, but it is a commitment nonetheless."

The general continued by describing what actions the HING took to keep family members better informed about what's taking place in the HING.

"The heart of the effort to involve the family, however, is the Family Support Group Program. . .something which most of you present have been a major part of. Those of you that are already involved. . .literally took the ball and ran with it. You understand the need, you volunteered to get the program off the ground in your community. . .and above all, you brought your friends and neighbors who are also guard members on board." commented General Lum.

Mrs. Lum praised the gathering saying, "You (the leaders of our Family Support Groups) are the backbone of our state family program. Be proud of your achievements. You are part of an important program, it is your program, and you are here to share and get ideas on how to do it better."

Each participant departed the workshop with many new ideas of how to develop or improve their FSG. Additionally, each participant left the hotel with a group photograph of all the participants signed by many new friends from the different neighbor islands.

If you or members of your unit are interested in having your spouses organize a FSG, call 732-1823 for information and assistance.

By Staff Sgt. Dennis Y. Fujii 117th PAD

Family Support Groups

Location FSG Name Hilo CSC FHANGS (Family of Hawaii National Guard Servicemen) Affilliated Unit CSC, 2/299, HIARNG

Honokaa HANALIKE ONIPAA HONOKAA Co. C, 2/299, HIARNG

Annette Vincent Conchita L. Leslie

Key Person & Alt.

Johnalyn Hanohano

Gemma Chaves

Tax deduction reminders

Child care tax credit According to Internal

Revenue service officials, one tax deduction often overlooked by members of the National Guard and Army Reserves is child care credit. This applies if you have to pay someone to care for your children so you can drill or go to annual training. If married, your spouse must be working or a fulltime student during your drill or annual training period, and your dependent children must be younger than 15 or disabled. A disabled spouse may also qualify for this deduction. Did you overlook this on your tax return? If you did, it's not too late to get a refund. You may file an amended Federal or state income tax return for up to three years after the regular due date of that return. For example, you have until April 15, 1991 to file an amended return for your taxes that were due on April 15, 1988.

For more information, contact your local IRS office or your unit's legal assistance officer. meetings are conducted outside the general area of your tax home. If the meetings are conducted after work on a normal workday, even if your regular employment is with a defense activity, you may deduct the expense of getting from one place to the other. Also, RC soldiers may deduct the unreimbursed cost of uniforms if military regulations restrict you from wearing them except while on duty. In figuring the deduction, you must reduce the cost by any nontaxable allowance you receive for those expenses. For more information, check with your local IRS office or your unit's legal assistance office.

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Kauai	MALAMA PONO O KAUAI	Co. A & B, 1/299, HIARNG	Irwette Santiago Mary Ephan
Maui	HO'OPAEPAE O'HANA	HHC, 1/299, HIARNG	Lyn Houpo Gale DeCambra
Oahu	To be announced	HHC, 29th Inf Bde (Sep), HIARNG	Paulette Chaves Amy Hao
Oahu	HUI PILIKANA	297th S&S Bn, HIARNG	Roberta Mejia Myles Furubayashi
Oahu	HIKI NO OHANA	487th FA Bn, HIARNG	Iris Kauhane Cecily Naval

We welcome your informative and useful contributions in the Family News Section. Call the **Family Action Office** COLLECT at **732-1823 (Oahu)**.

Other tax deductions

If your normal workweek is Monday through Friday and you attend a Guard or Reserve drill that meets one weekend per month in the general area of your tax home on a Saturday or Sunday, the cost of transportation from your home to the meetings is a commuting expense. You may NOT deduct it.

However, you may deduct the cost of your transportation if the

tate Civil Defense

Hurricane Season exercise

May 11 saw a host for federal, state and county agencies, as well as allied military services take part in a statewide hurricane exercise. Numbering in the hundreds, players were directly involved in responding to a "storm" which threatened to line up the Hawaiian chain in its sights.

This year, exercise efforts proved timely as Hurricane Fabio loomed off the South Coast of the Big Island in early August. Fabio may not be the last hurricane to head our way before the season subsides in November.

Over the years, Hawaii has sustained significant damage from Dot in 1959 and Iwa in 1982 and recorded numerous near misses as hurricanes have passed dangerously close. Fabio is the most recent reminder of that fact.

May's hurricane exercise helped agencies gear up for the real thing by testing plans, procedures and operations. This fine tuning is conducted on a year-round basis for natural and technological hazards commonly encountered here in the Islands.

Emergency know-how test

Birkhimer Emergency Operating Center was the site for a Disaster Health Services Workshop held for Department of Health officials. The June 30 session was attended by Director John Lewin, as well as deputies and division managers involved in emergency planning and response. Over 40 participants convened to review medical services plans and procedures set in motion when managing large numbers of casualties.

The scenario dealt with a large magnitude earthquake causing widespread damage and casualties on the island of Oahu. The exercise gave health officials a good opportunity to review field operations - staging areas, priority treatment and transport for disaster casualties.

The half-day health services workshop also served as a testing ground for using video remote equipment. Trained on a large situation map of Oahu, a camera linked the map display to TV monitors for closeups of the scenario and live situation reports. The video system was highly successful in adding realism to the exercise, and

Exercise test government at all levels



U.S. Army Western Command service personnel get hands on experience with radiation detection instruments during Know Your Neighbor site visit at State Civil Defense.

will be employed for future events calling for special video requirement.

Know Your Neighbor Program

State Civil Defense was the host of a day-long orientation program for 10 active duty service personnel from the U.S. Army Western Command. The July 20 visit was sponsored by the Know Your Neighbor Program, a joint community project to acquaint the military community with local businesses and civilian government. Since its inception in 1985, the project has given a first-hand view of community operations statewide.

Orientation at State Civil Defense included a tour of

the State Emergency Operating Center, a short course in digitized mapping, and hands-on demonstrations of radiation detection equipment. Following a luncheon hosted by the Adjutant General, the group toured facilities at Oahu Civil Defense to view County emergency operations.

From all reports, the program was a success. State Civil Defense will continue to support the Know Your Neighbor Program by sponsoring future orientations. It is a community project beneficial to the State and military alike.

By Barbara Hendrie SCD

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joined the Headquarters State Area Readiness Command, as logistics and logistics management officer.

Ida's military schooling includes Army air defense courses, Command and General Staff College, Quartermaster School, Industrial College, logistic management courses, and War College; and more than 15 other courses. His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Hawaii National Guard Com-

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During his 20 year military career he received numerous awards and medals, they include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster.

From 1973 until 1975, Lee worked as a realtor associate dealing primarily in the sale of single family homes on Oahu. In 1975, he was hired as a property coordinator with Deak & Company (Hawaii) and a year later, was appointed general manager of the company. His responsibility was primarily the purchase and sale of foreign currency and investments.

mendation Medal and Medal for Merit, and Outstanding Unit Commander Award (1969).

Ida is married to the former Barbara J. Lee. They have two children, daughter Michele and son Michael.

Ito will become retired Brig. Gen. Ito and plans to enjoy life.

Before starting his military career Ito graduated from Mid-Pacific Institute in 1946 and completed college, receiving his commission, science degree, and Professional Teacher's Certificate. He joined the Hawaii Army National Guard in June 1951.

Ito was a teacher with the Department of Education and Diamond Head School for children with hearing defects before working full time for HIARNG in the air defense program. He drilled at artillery and missile units as battery commander; battalion adjutant, operations and training officer, and executive officer.

Ito served active duty at the National Guard Bureau, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as an air defense staff officer and later as logistics officer for the USPFO-Hawaii. He served as drill status headquarters, acting chief of staff and field artillery, commander.

In September 1976, Ito was appointed the deputy adjutant general, Department of Defense, State of Hawaii. He was promoted to brigadier general in February 1977.

The general served as deputy till his appointment as USPFO-Hawaii in July 1980. He reverted back to colonel for his active duty position until his retirement October 1988.

Ito is married to the former Doris Y. Kinoshita and they have two daughters, Merrie and Alison, and son, Wendell.

By Stephen M. Lum



Lee is a widower and has three children; Darlene, Debbie, and Darren. He also has three grandaughterstwo of whom are identical twins.



1988 Hawaii Air National Guard State Softball Championship team - TONY TIGERS from the 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. First row (kneeling): Dale Zuttermeister, Jody Goya, Antone Gabriel-manager, Mike Parilia, Bobby Furtado; second row: Noel DeMello, Doug A wana, Gerald Gono, Miles Kaneshiro; third row: Andy Partika, Arthur Kaai, Mark Peleholani, Larry Kauleinamoku-coach, and Henry Machado.

* Sports

Airmen anglers chase elusive 'Ahi

Although the fish talley was high for the 8th annual Goodwill 'Ahi Tournament hosted by the 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard, there was no qualifying 'ahi caught during the three days of fishing, June 15-17.

This was the first time that major categories - largest, second largest, and most 'Ahi, Marlin, and a special category for boats under 19 1/2 feet - were without winners, "We'll try again next year," said Master Sgt. Lester Matsushima, general chairman.

Final results for the three days of fishing were: 286 Aku, 20 Ono, 37 Ko Shibi, 6 Mahi Mahi, 2 Barracuda, and an "almost no counted" Kawa Kawa for a grand total of 352 fish. There was definitely no shortage of fish for the 15 teams entered in the tournament, but the elusive award-winning 'Ahi remains at sea.

Major winners

Listed by team, boat, unit, base, and category/pounds or number:

KAI KANE TROLLERS, WAHINE KAPALOA I, 169th ACWS, Wheeler AFB

Largest Aku - 31 1/2 pounds, Ko Shibi — 51 pounds

HEADQUARTERS HIANG, ULILI, Diamond Head

Largest Ono - 57 pounds

RADAR MAINTENANCE, APRIL Y, 150th ACWS, Kokee AFS, Kauai Largest Mahi Mahi - 44 pounds

LITTLE DIPPERS, LITTLE DIPPER, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight, Barking Sands, Kauai

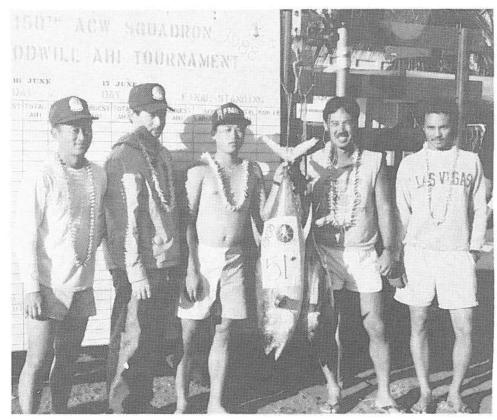
Most fish, mixed — 74 fish (59 Aku, 12 Ko Shibi, 2 Ono, and 1 Mahi Mahi

Other awardees

The Sportsmanship Award was presented to Staff Sgt. Juan Lorenzo of Kalaheo, Kauai (150th ACWS, radio maintenance) for his dedicated support of the activities and his untiring participation in all phases of the tournament throughout the past years.

Other prizes were awarded for best dressed team, first team back to port, last team to launch, team that provided the most stress to the chairman and the ground crew, and the team that spent the most time washing their boat.

Story and photo by Lt. Col. Myron N. Dobashi 150th ACWS



BIG WINNERS-KAI KANE TROLLERS: Steve Oka (team captain, left), Pat Kinerney, Scott Oka, Kevin Abe, and Keala Lanning (boat owner and skipper of the (WAHINE KAPALOA I) show off their largest ko shibi catch.

Tomono leads Hawaii Army Guard pistol team



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT-Hilo's 1st Sgt. Yukimasa Tomono, sharpens his firing skills at the Keaukaha Military Reservation firing range.

Officer candidates host fun run

A Hawaii Army National Guardsman placed third in an individual excellence-in-competition match as part of the National Match Pistol competition held at the Wilson National Guard Rifle, Pistol and Light Machinegun Championships, Camp Robinson, North Little Rock, Ark.

Hilo's 1st Sgt. Yukimasa Tomono, from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, fired a score of 277-3X out a possible 300-30X to take third place honors. Tomono works full time at the Guard's Consolidated Services Maintenance Shop #2 in Hilo as an auto workers foreman. The 37-years of service Guardsman has been in pistol competition for five years.

More than 1,700 Guard

persons from the fifty states and territories participated in the two week long championships, Aug. 28 - Sept. 10. The National Guard marksmanship program is designed to enhance individual proficiency in small arms and at the same time improve overall combat readiness.

Joining Tomono on the Hawaii Army National Guard match pistol team were Sgts. Earl S. Iwata and William K. Mae of Hilo's HHC, 2nd Bn., 299th Inf.; from Honolulu, Capt. Scott J. Foster, HHC, 29th Support Battalion; Staff Sgt. Gerald C. Ching, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery; and Sgt. Stephen H.J. Siu, Headquarters Service Company, 193rd Aviation Battalion.

By Stephen M. Lum HIPAO

Retread those old running shoes and break-in that new jogging suit at the 1988 Third Annual Hawaii Army National Guard Fun Run on Sunday, October 30, 1988, at 7 a.m. All HIARNG members, their families, and HIARNG employees are invited to participate in the fun run to be held at Bellows Air Force Station.

Hosting the run is the Hawaii Military Academy Officer Candidate School

Class 27-88. The candidates will be using the event as a training tool, providing them with organizational skills and preparing them for their duties and responsibilities as young officers.



Race director is Officer Candidate John Thawley and he is assisted by **Officer Candidates Dennis** Kinoshita and Aaron Kaneao.

The course will cover six kilometers (3.72 miles) of Bellows AFS's scenic training areas. It is a very safe course, following the old runways, and will not cross any active roads. Rest and aid stations will be set up along the course.

In addition to an

individual awards division, there will also be a platoon and unit competition. Post run activities will include refreshments, awards, and random prize drawings. Poster and run applications are available at each company size unit. The \$8.00 entry fee includes a run T-shirt.

For further information call Officer Candidate John Thawley (526-2002) or Maj. Claude Ishida (259-7850).



Nakatsu and Soma receive AG's award

Colonel Myles M. Nakatsu and Mr. Glenn Soma are the 1988 Adjutant General's awardees for Manager and Employee of the Year respectively.

DoD's 1988 winners joined the department after tours of duty with the Department of Education.

Col. Nakatsu, the new Deputy Adjutant General, was the Executive Support Officer to the Adjutant General for nine years. His 26 years of government service began as a teacher, counselor and later as an administrator in Leeward district schools before coming to the DoD.

The energetic enthusiasm Nakatsu brought to the DoD is reflected in his outstanding performance as an administrator, coordinator, and organizer. As Administrative Services Office head he was involved in many aspects and levels of government, military and civilian and also supervised the legal, information, and family support program offices.

DoD's Hawaii State Civil Defense division training specialist, Soma, has been with the state for more than nine years. After graduating from



The Adjutant General's Employee of the Year Mr. Glenn Soma (left) and Manager of the Year Col. Myles N. Nakatsu flank the Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum, at the Department of Defense's (DoD) awards luncheon.

the University of Hawaii with an education degree, he taught at Kailua, Jarrett, Stevenson, and Washington Intermediate and McKinley High Schools. His curriculum included social studies, guidance, and alternative learning. Before coming to SCD, he was also an education specialist at UH.

"The last six years have given me new challenges in continuing to educate," said Soma, "the general public through the statewide emergency preparedness training program."

Cited for curriculum development and instruction in an accredited course for educators, Soma has been instrumental in bringing emergency preparedness to public classrooms throughout the state.

Soma is involved in research development/ planning and often instruction of participants who attend SCD training courses, exercises, and seminars yearly.

The offices and staff of the DoD salute the dedication and professionalism of Col. Myles Nakatsu and Mr. Glenn Soma.

By Barbara Hendrie and Stephen M. Lum SCD-PA and HIPAO

Awards

Members of the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard were recently presented with awards in recognition of their outstanding performance.

Meritorious Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):

Lt. Col. Norman C. Ault, Jr., 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

Meritorious Service Medal:

Lt. Col. John K. Hao, HHC (-Det. 1), 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.), Hawaii Army National Guard

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Roy T. Hinokawa, HHC, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hawaii Army National Guard

Sgt. 1st Class James K. Ahloy, 111th Army Band, Hawaii Army National Guard

Sgt. Ist Class Samuel K. Akau, Jr., HQ STARC (-Dets. 1 & 2) Hawaii Army National Guard

Sgt. 1st Class Albert M. Supnet, Company C, 29th Support Battalion, Hawaii Army National Guard

Staff Sgt. Shigeru Kaneshiro, Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, Hawaii Army National Guard

Staff Sgt. Ephriam Waiwaiole, HQ STARC (-Dets. 1 & 2), Hawaii Army National Guard

Hawaii National Guard Medal for Merit:

Lt. Col. Owen D. Ota, 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

Command Sgt. Maj. Young Hi Ko, Det. 2, HQ STARC, Military Academy, Hawaii Army National Guard

Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal:

Lt. Col. Wayne T. Armour, U.S. Army Readiness Group, U.S. Army Western Command Lt. Col. Emerick Y. Kaneshi, HHB, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, Hawaii Army National Guard

Senior Master Sgt. Wayne M. Curry, 326th Air Division (USAF)

Master Sgt. Gerald A. Verno, Detachment 7, 1816th Reserve Advisor Squadron (USAF)

Army Commendation Medal:

Master Sgt. Walter R. Soh, HQ STARC (-Dets. 1 & 2)

- Master Sgt. Wilfred S. Takabayashi, HQ STARC (-Dets. 1 & 2)
- Staff Sgt. Obed K. Keannaina, Det. 2, HQ STARC, Military Academy

Sgt. Joyce S. Hakkei-Malina, Company A, 29th Support Battalion, attached to HQ STARC (-Dets. 1 & 2)

Sgt. Kyle Y. Kaneshiro, Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Army Achievement Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):

Master Sgt. Masao Ebe, Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Army Achievement Medal:

Sgt. 1st Class Richard Fukunaga, Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Staff Sgt. Adelino C. Vares, Det 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Sgt. Julia M. Craig, Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Spec. Sharon M. Shinn, Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command

Air Force Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):

Maj. Alan T. Fujita, 154th Mission Support Squadron

Air Force Commendation Medal:

Master Sgt. Manuel J. Silva, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron Tech. Sgt. Donald D. Bolos, 154th Resource Management Squadron Tech. Sgt. Jackson Y. Hamamura, 150th

Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron

Air Force Achievement Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):

Master Sgt. Eric M. Kuniyoshi, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Air Force Achievement Medal:

Master Sgt. Glenn K. Kageno, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron

Master Sgt. Reuben S. Kaneshiro, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Alejandre Quibilan, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

25 Years of Service:

Chief Master Sgt. Rodney N. Correa, 154th Civil Engineering Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

20 Years of Service:

Senior Master Sgt. Melvin Y. Masuda, 291st Combat Communications squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Arthur H. Loebl, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

Chief Warrant Officer 2 George M. Yonamine, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

Chief Master Sgt. Rodney N. Correa, 154 Civil Engineering Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

15 Years of Service:

Maj. Jose E. Soriano, 291st Combat Communications Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard

Capt. Clyde H. Nagata, 291st Combat Communications Squadron, Hawaii Air National Guard Chief Warrant Officer 4 Arthur H. Loebl, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii

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Staff Sgt. Glenn M. Shintaku, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

Staff Sgt. Abel O. Vidaurri, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

Staff Sgt. Karl M. Zinsman, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

Sgt. Roy Y. Nitta, HQ, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, Hawaii Army National Guard

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-Training Scheduler

Listed below are the inactive duty training dates for all Hawaii Army and Air National Guard units. Dates for subordinate units are the same as their parent headquarters, unless otherwise indicated. All dates are subject to change.

	October	November	December
HQ, STARC, Hawaii Army National Guard	15-16	5-6	10-11
Troop Command	15-16	19-20	10-11
298th Engineer Det	22-23	19-20	3-4
HQ & Svc. Co., 1934d Avn. Bn	22-23	5-6	10-11
HHC 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.) (-Det. 1)	15-16	5-6	10-11
HHC, 1st Bn. 299th Inf.	1-2	5-6	3-4
HHC, 2nd Bn. 299th Inf.	15-16	5-6	3-4
Co. A, 2nd Bn., 299th Inf	14-16	5-6	3
Co. B, 2nd Bn., 299th Inf	15-16	4-6	3-4
HHB, 1st Bn., 487th Field Artillery	15-16	5-6	3-4
Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard	1-2	5-6	3-4
154th Composite Group	1-2	5-6	3-4
201st Combat Communications Group	1-2	5-6	3-4
199th Weather Flight	1-2	5-6	3-4

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