

Calendar

August 17-31
Annual training for 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, deployment to Fort Lewis, Wash.

August 30 - September 1
Hawaii National Guard Baseball Tournament, Earhart Field, Hickam Air Force Base.

September 2, Monday
Labor Day, federal and state holiday.

September 2-7
National Guard Association of the United States Conference, Sheraton Waikiki.

September 7, Saturday
Hawaii Air National Guard Tennis Tournament, Pearl Harbor Naval Subbase Tennis Complex.

September 16, Monday
Hawaii Air National Guard Golf Tournament, Hickam Air Force Base Mamala Bay Golf Course.

September 28-29
Hawaii National Guard Family Support Group Conference, Outrigger Prince Kuhio Hotel.

October 9, Wednesday
Headquarters State Area Command Golf Tournament, Leilehua Golf Course, 12:30 p.m.

November 11, Monday
Veterans' Day, federal and state holiday.

November 15, Friday
Hawaii Air National Guard Awards Banquet, location and time to be announced.

December 5-8
50th anniversary commemoration of Pearl Harbor attack.

Air Guard to get tankers

The Office of the Secretary of the Air Force announced, April 15, that the 154th Composite Group will be receiving four KC-135 Stratotanker aircraft. The tankers will add a new dimension to the group's overall mission capabilities. The "R" model tankers, modified versions of the KC-135A, are 98% quieter and use 27% less fuel than the earlier model, according to a General Electric field service representative.

The group will activate the 154th Air Refueling Squadron in 1993, in conjunction with the arrival of the tankers. An initial cadre of 10 to 12 technicians is being recruited, pending National Guard Bureau employment approval, Oct. 1. The organizational concept is a combined operations/maintenance squadron made up of more than 200 military positions, to include more than 100 air technicians.

The initial recruitment for air technicians began in June. The selection process to fill operations and maintenance

positions will begin in mid-1992. Hiring of support technicians (medical, personnel, supply) will be scheduled at a later date.

Lt. Col. James Hussey, program manager, and Chief Master Sgt. Jack Uhrig, assistant program manager, will

manage the start up of the new squadron. Hawaii Air Guard members who are considering transferring or crosstraining into the new unit may contact Hussey or Uhrig (449-7745) or Master Sgt. Iris Kabazawa (4497794).



U.S. Air Force photo

A KC-135R Stratotanker (left) refuels an F-15 Eagle. The Hawaii Air National Guard's new 154th Air Refueling Squadron will be receiving four KC-135Rs.

DOD helps fight Molokai Fire

By Michelle Ai-Chang

A brush fire which burned out of control and a total solar eclipse has kept Department of Defense employees busy since late June.

The Hawaii National Guard (HING) assisted Maui County firefighters in extinguishing the fire which destroyed 12,500 acres on Molokai, June 21-26. Activated on Monday afternoon, the

Also supports solar eclipse activities

Hawaii Army National Guard's (HIARNG) UH-1H Huey helicopter crews rushed to airlift firefighters and water buckets to the stricken area. The Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) C-130 Hercules cargo plane transported

aircraft fuel and water buckets from Oahu, June 24. Two Hueys flew 200 sorties, dousing 40,000 gallons of water on the raging blaze. More than 1,800 gallons of JP 4 aircraft fuel were used by the Hueys, and 2,200 by

civilian contractors hired by the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Six sorties were flown by the C-130, and a total of 4,880 gallons of JP-4 aircraft fuel were drawn from the cargo plane. The fuel was loaded onto the plane in 500-gallon tanks at Hickam and Wheeler Air Force Bases.

Twenty-three Guard members were activated to help with the massive firefighting (Continued on page 4)



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

A Hawaii Army National Guard UH-1H Huey helicopter fills its water bucket before heading back to the fire which destroyed 12,500 acres on Molokai.

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Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson
The Adjutant General

Command Notes

EDITOR'S NOTE: Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson was appointed by Governor John Waihee as The Adjutant General of Hawaii, Feb. 8. In this capacity, Gen. Richardson serves on the Governor's cabinet as the director of the State Department of Defense, the military commander of the Hawaii National Guard (Army and Air), the director of State Civil Defense and is also responsible for administration of the Office of Veterans Services. Since assuming his duties, he has initiated a number of programs that reflect his leadership philosophy, training priorities and goals for the department. The following interview was conducted in June 1991 to provide our readership with some insight into his program objectives.

Pupukahi: General Richardson, you have been on the job for four months. What have you set as the top priority for the department?

Brig. Gen. Richardson: The number one priority for the State Department of Defense is taking care of our people. We have been working hard to see to it that our employees are satisfied with their jobs and are provided with opportunities for career enhancement and promotion. Through openness and communication our employees will feel they are part of the department's team and will make positive contributions toward accomplishing our mission. Ultimately, we want a working environment in which everyone is sincerely concerned about each other's welfare and takes care of one another.

Pupukahi: Given this direction, what specific programs have been instituted to take care of our people?

Brig. Gen. Richardson: There are several on-going initia-

tives we have implemented to improve the quality of the work environment. Our foremost goal is to improve all aspects of job satisfaction and productivity. All of our divisions are working to achieve this goal by ensuring that our training is realistic, exciting, and, above all, safe. We will develop and execute our plans to provide the best training, resources and equipment for our people.

We are improving our facilities to ensure our people work in a comfortable, safe environment. We want our employees to feel good about their workplace and take personal pride in its upkeep. All future construction and renovation will be accomplished with this in mind.

We have also started an aggressive sports program to build teamwork, promote interaction among our employees and improve physical fitness. We are allowing our Federal active duty and technician staffs as well as our State military employees to participate in physical fitness programs for three hours a week and have plans to purchase training and weight lifting equipment for all of our facilities.

Pupukahi: With the introduction of these new people-oriented programs, what are your expectations from our employees?

Brig. Gen. Richardson: I want everyone in the organization to strive to do the very best job they can by providing good service for our employees as well as our external public. The implementation of Total Quality Management throughout the department is a step toward improving the service and care we provide our soldiers, airmen and civilian employees as well as the public we serve. We should all strive to maintain a tradition of excellence in all that we do.

Pupukahi: Our units have been participating in several community activities in the last four months. Why are these events so important for the National Guard?

Brig. Gen. Richardson: The true strength of the National Guard is in its role as a grassroots organization. Since February, we have strived to be more actively involved in

our local communities. We have participated in Operation Desert Storm welcome home parades on all the major islands as well as other activities. Our band has been especially busy showcasing its talent on Maui, Molokai and the Big Island.

We have also been heavily involved in providing emergency assistance. We activated 23 Army and Air Guard members during the Molokai fire in late June and provided UH-1H and C-130 aircraft support. Two weeks later, we helped Big Island and Maui county agencies ensure public safety during the total solar eclipse. These projects proved to all of us the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard is an effective, component team.

All of these activities have strengthened our relationships with the communities that support our Army and Air Guard units. Our soldiers, airmen, families and friends also feel good about the National Guard and that is very important. I commend all of our soldiers and airmen for doing such an outstanding job.

Pupukahi: From your perspective, what do you envision as the greatest challenge we face as a department?

Brig. Gen. Richardson: Federal budget cuts in defense spending is by far our principal challenge and concern. There are proposals to cut the Army Guard's force structure by as much as 30 percent. However, we want to maintain our forces at current levels to accomplish our Federal and State missions, specifically as they relate to emergency and disaster relief/assistance to civil authorities. Although the Hawaii Air National Guard is scheduled to increase its strength levels with the activation of a KC-135R squadron, we need to ensure we manage our programs with care and concern for our people. We will undoubtedly make some tough decisions, however, we will do our best to make sure our people are taken care of. The key to our success is teamwork. We must face these challenges together.

Military News

State passes new graduate tuition waiver bill

Attention graduate students: the State tuition waiver program has been expanded to include graduate studies. The bill was introduced by State Representative Paul Oshiro, 46th District.

The recently signed Act 297 amends the Hawaii Revised Statutes to allow qualified company grade officers (O-3 and below), warrant officers, and enlisted personnel to receive a waiver of tuition at any campus of the University of Hawaii system for undergraduate as well as graduate studies.

National Guard members must be satisfactory participants to be eligible for the tuition waiver. The member must also be a bona fide resident of the State of Hawaii and a classified student. The tuition exemption applies only to regular academic courses (fall and spring semesters), and to summer school, continuing education courses, or

special professional programs.

Montgomery G.I. Bill benefits increased for Reserve Components

By establishing a new six-year service obligation after Oct. 1, eligible National Guard members may take advantage of recent changes which expanded the Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 106) beyond the basic college entitlement. These new opportunities include:

Non-College Degrees: Vocational/technical programs of study offered by training sites other than

colleges and universities. Examples of these training sites include the New York Technical Institute, Electronics Institute, Century 21 Real Estate School, and police departments of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Maui counties. Monthly payment is similar to college courses except that student status will be determined by the Veterans Administration.

Remedial Courses: Refresher courses required of a student by a college. Such courses will be counted in determining student status and monthly payments.

Correspondence Courses: 55 percent of fees for VA-approved correspondence courses. Approved programs include the Cleve-

land Institute of Electronics and the Columbia School of Broadcasting.

Apprenticeship Training: National Guard members enrolled in approved apprenticeship programs may receive \$105 per month for the first six months, \$77 per month for the next six months, and \$49 per month for the remainder of the apprenticeship.

National Guard members who want more in-

formation on basic and expanded Chapter 106 entitlements may contact:

- The Veterans Administration (Veterans Benefit and Information);
- The Hawaii Army National Guard (Education & Incentives Office, Maj. Michael Wong, 737-2295); or
- The Hawaii Air National Guard (Master Sgt. Roselina Vendiola, 449-7794)

Other education incentives, entitlements

In addition to amendments to the Montgomery GI Bill, Guard members who are going to school should know about other recent changes in educational benefits. Some of the changes:

- Enlistment, extension and affiliation bonuses and the health profes-
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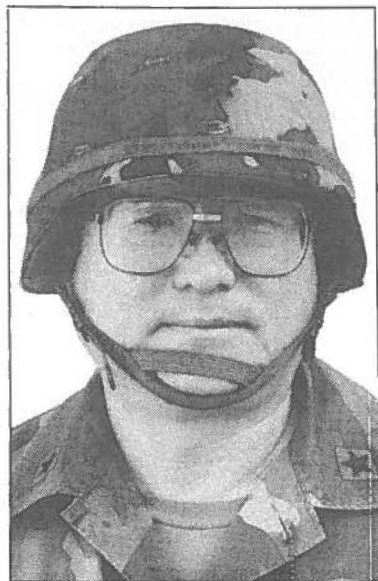
Chapter 106 monthly rates increased

For a two-year test period starting Oct. 1, the Montgomery GI Bill monthly rates for college and non-college degree programs will increase as shown:

Student Status	Current	New
Full-time student	\$140/month	\$170/month
¾-time student	\$105/month	\$128/month
½-time student	\$70/month	\$85/month
Less than ½-time student	\$35/month	\$43/month

Spotlight

Shigezawa concludes military career



Shigezawa

An afternoon retirement ceremony capped the military career of Brig. Gen. Haruo Shigezawa, who retired as the assistant adjutant general, Army, and deputy commander of the State Area Command, Hawaii Army National Guard, April 14. The 3:00 p.m. ceremony was held in front of the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) headquarters on 22nd Avenue.

Gen. Shigezawa began his military career more than thirty years ago when he received his commission through the University of Hawaii ROTC program. From 1950 to 1960, he served as an executive officer, then battery

commander, of the School Brigade at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Gen. Shigezawa joined the Hawaii Army National Guard in 1961 in Hilo, serving as executive officer of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battle Group, 299th Infantry. Over the next five years, Gen. Shigezawa held various positions in the 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, including assistant chief of staff (logistics) and company commander.

In 1966, Gen. Shigezawa became assistant chief of staff (logistics) for the 29th Support Battalion, 29th Infantry Brigade.

He served in the Republic of Vietnam, first as an assistant chief of staff and later as a transportation company commander.

Gen. Shigezawa commanded Company C, 29th Support Battalion, 29th Infantry Brigade, upon his return. He subsequently became the brigade supply officer and the brigade assistant chief of staff (logistics). He transferred to the 298th Field Depot in 1975 and served in various positions.

Gen. Shigezawa commanded the 159th Maintenance Battalion from 1979 to 1982, when he became assistant chief of staff (logistics) at Headquarters,

Hawaii Army National Guard. In 1985, he took command of the Troop Command, then known as Headquarters Installation Command. He was appointed to his present position in 1988.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Vietnam Service Medal.

Gen. Shigezawa is employed full-time as the central purchasing and contracts administrator for the City and County of Honolulu. He and his wife, Ruth, have three daughters and a son.

Imai, Hawaii Army Guard commander

Col. Eugene S. Imai was named the new commander of the Hawaii Army National Guard and commander of the Hawaii State Area command, April 15. He comes to the Hawaii Guard from Headquarters, IX Corps (Reinforcement), U.S. Army Reserve, at Fort DeRussy, where he served as chief of staff.

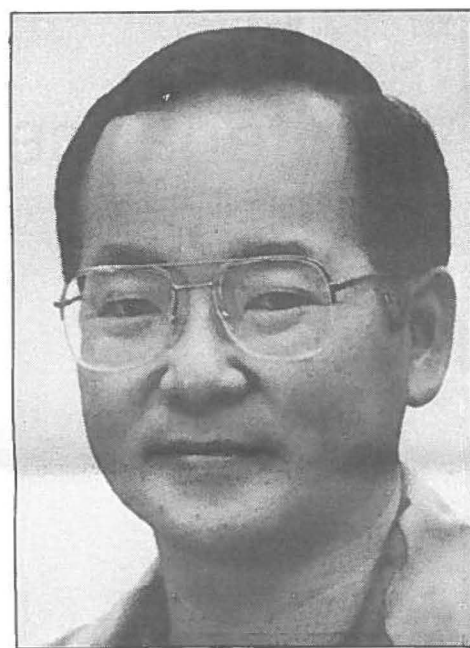
Col. Imai received his commission from the University of Hawaii ROTC program and entered active duty in 1968. He joined the Headquarters, IX Corps (Augmentation), in 1970 and commanded the 621st Adjutant General Detachment from 1971-1975. He then served as a personnel management

officer until becoming the assistant adjutant general, Headquarters, IX Corps (Augmentation) in 1981. Col. Imai became the adjutant general in 1983 and assistant chief of staff, G-5 (civil affairs), in 1985. He commanded the 1085th Training, Exercise and Maneuver Group in 1987-88 before being promoted to chief of staff, Headquarters, IX Corps (Reinforcement).

He is the recipient of the numerous awards and decorations including the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal,

Vietnam Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 10-year Device, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon with Numeral 8 Device, Army Reserve Components Achievements Medal with 3rd Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Service Ribbon and Republic of Vietnam Medal with 1960 Device.

Col. Imai is the deputy director of the State of Hawaii Department of Budget and Finance. He holds bachelor of arts and master of business administration degrees from the University of Hawaii. Born in Honolulu, Col. Imai is married to the former Gail Nakasone and has two children, Serina and Gavin.



Imai

Nurse becomes Hawaii Army Guard's first female lieutenant colonel



Col. Eugene S. Imai (left), Hawaii Army National Guard commander, pins a silver oak leaf on newly promoted Lt. Col. Deborah A. McGeehan, as husband, Gene, looks on.

The Hawaii Army National Guard promoted its first female lieutenant colonel June 1.

Lt. Col. Deborah A. McGeehan, 38, a nurse with the Headquarters State Area Command became the first female to attain that rank during promotion ceremonies here.

She joined the Hawaii Army National Guard in 1979 following three years of active duty in the Army. She is currently the chief nurse at the Headquarters.

"The Hawaii Army National Guard's medical program has developed

into a real quality program with individual care," McGeehan said. "When I joined, there was only a doctor and myself assigned to the headquarters. Since then, we went from a staff of two to 15."

"My goal is to see the headquarters equipped to be able to complete full physical examinations, including lab work," she said. "That means being able to do electrocardiogram examinations for soldiers over 40 and tonometry or eye pressure tests."

In civilian life McGeehan is a registered nurse with Straub Hospital. She and her husband, Gene, live in Salt Lake.

Community Service

Soldier's relaxing weekend ends in heroism

By Staff Sgt. Stephen Lum

He trains everyday to fight and win, and to save lives. Sgt. 1st Class Gordon K.T. Lau Sr. fought to save three lives April 20.

What started to be a typical weekend of fishing with a buddy, concluded with a life endangering effort to save lives of Sgt. Lau's fishing ohana (family).

Lau, a 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery member, was trolling in the rough waters off Kaena Point, Oahu, when he spotted a small, submarine-shaped object. As he and Maj. Jim Prater, of U.S. Army Pacific Command, came closer to the floating object they discovered it was a capsized 16-foot boat.

After calling the Coast Guard, the chief of firing Battery B sergeant cut his

six lines (worth more than \$100) and steered Prater's 19-foot Reinell toward the disabled boat.

Prater's boat and a 16-foot Boston Whaler reached the boat at the same time. Lau switched with Prater and threw lines to rescue three novice fishermen. The Whaler pulled a fourth member of the stranded crew onto their boat.

The new fishermen were located Saturday morning, two hours after their boat capsized. They were thankful Lau and company showed up. One fisherman was worried about sharks.

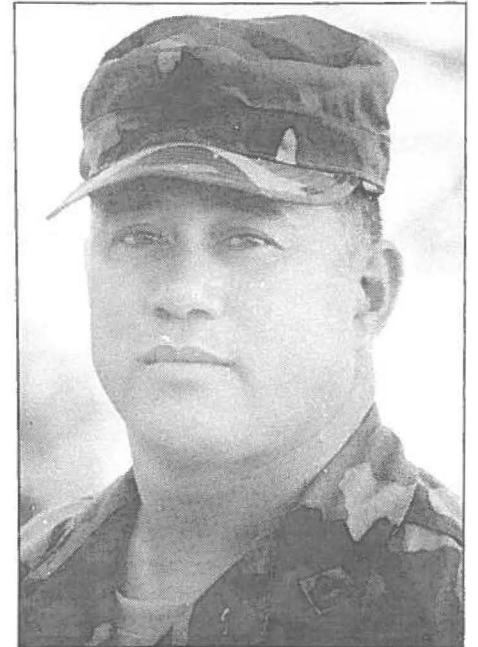
Lau, a full-time readiness NCO, and his new crew tried to save the boat by securing lines and flipping it back over. The taut lines could have easily snapped, injured someone or cracked the rescue boat. After more an hour of many body-straining efforts, the dis-

abled boat was righted and towed back to shore.

The return to shore was not without incident. Prater's engine died and the boat in tow started sinking. Prater dove over to the sinking ship and plugged a hole. The sinking boat could have easily pulled the 19-footer down too. The rescue ship's engine was restarted and the crew was greeted at the pier by television cameras, family and well-wishers.

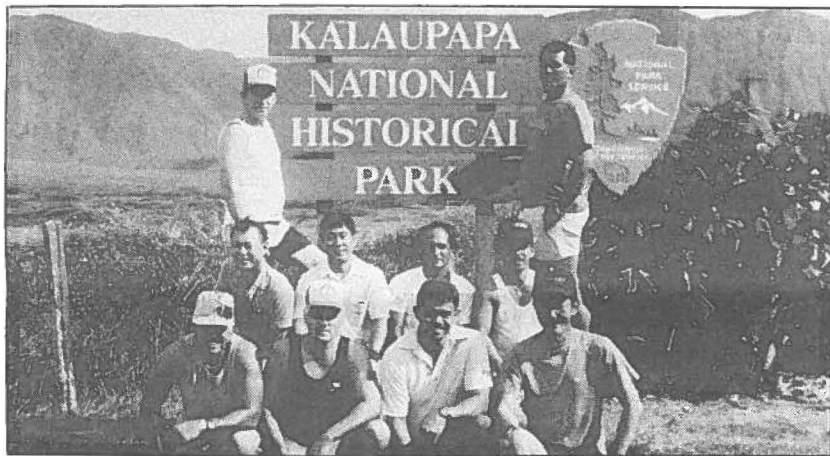
"A life is more important," said Lau, "than all the fish I could catch or my equipment. As fishermen, we are all family."

The weekend ended on a positive note. Sergeant Lau went fishing on Sunday and caught an ono and a mahimahi. The marlin he hooked got away, but Lau will return another day to catch the big one.



Lau

Maintenance unit helps run Kalaupapa Walk-A-Fun



Chief Warrant Officer Teddy Dudoit

KALAUPAPA WALK-A-FUN VOLUNTEERS — (front) Staff Sgt. Robert Balatico, Chief Warrant Officer Richard Mejia, Staff Sgt. Alfredo Barbieto, Sgt. 1st Class Steve Young; (center) Sgt. 1st Class Richard Fujinaga, Sgt. 1st Class Danny Murakami, Sgt. Marlon Medeiros, Sgt. 1st Class Robert Miguel; (back) Staff Sgt. Francis Hapanney, Sgt. Nathan Khalbaum.

By Sgt. 1st Class Steven Young

True to their motto of Huki Like ("Pull Together"), volunteers from the 291st Maintenance Company spent a recent weekend helping Kalaupapa, Molokai, residents with their first Kalaupapa Walk-a-Fun, May 18. The walk was the brainchild of nursing supervisor Fe Carpenter, who wanted a health-oriented activity for the former patients and their kokuas, or helpers.

Chief Warrant Officer Teddy Dudoit, a support maintenance technician for the 291st, was in charge of organizing first-aid support for the walk. Dudoit, a full-time State auto mechanic and the president and coordinator of the Kalaupapa Activities Club, asked for volunteers from his Hawaii Army National Guard unit. Ten soldiers flew

over, at their own expense, to help

The Army Guard members arrived on island Friday, to work out last minute details and to check each walker's blood pressure. By 5:30 a.m. Saturday, the NCOs were staffing water stops and driving a first-aid wagon along the 7.5-mile route. (There was also a half-mile route for participants unable to complete the longer walk.) They also assisted ambulatory patients throughout the daylong festivities.

Most of the entrants finished the walk by late morning, and many joined in the afternoon volleyball games, races and a tug-of-war contest. The afternoon games led the way to a dinner buffet and late night dancing.

On Sunday, the ten Guard members returned to Honolulu, exhausted yet inspired. And they're already talking about next year's walk.

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effort. Several soldiers of Kaunakakai's Scout Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, volunteered to fight the blaze Sunday evening and were placed on state active duty with other Guard members Monday. Ten aircrew and support personnel from the 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, were activated to operate and service the Hueys and C-130. Two members of the Headquarters, State Area Command, acted as liaisons and worked closely with local Civil Defense officials.

Two photographers from the 117th Public Affairs Detachment recorded the Guard's involvement in the operation, as well as the demise of the Mid-Nite Inn, which burnt down in an unrelated fire.

In addition to personnel, aircraft and fuel tanks, the Hawaii Guard also commit-

ted vehicles, radios, telephones and camouflage nets to assist with the County's overall firefighting effort.

Two weeks later, State Civil Defense officials and Hawaii National Guard members assisted Big Island and Maui officials in ensuring the safety of the thousands of residents and visitors viewing the total solar eclipse, July 11.

On Hawaii, three vehicular patrols and a command cell were located with police and fire departments at the Waikoloa Post Office; six vehicular patrols were stationed at the South Kohala fire station. Medical support consisted of a standby medivac helicopter at Kona Natural Energy Laboratory and medic assistance at Kona Airport. HIARNG helicopters were used to survey potential disaster areas; the HIANG C-130 to airlift boats and crews for the State De-



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

A 500-gallon fuel tank is loaded into the Hawaii Air National Guard's C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft at Hickam Air Force Base.

partment of Public Safety.

Although media attention focused on the Big Island, the total eclipse extended to Maui and preparations were made on the Valley Isle as well. A communication station was set up at Nuu Landing for communication with Wailuku. Medical evacuation centers were erected at Nuu Landing and Kipahulu; a third medical center, consist-

ing of three air-mobile tents, was set up on the rim of Haleakala Crater. Two vehicles patrolled between the landing and Ulupalakua Ranch.

The eclipse and Molokai fire provided the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard with excellent opportunities to carry out coordinated relief efforts in times of state emergency.



Foodbank drive exceeds projected goals

The State Department of Defense employees surpassed the Department's food drive goal by an impressive 340 percent this year. Tasked with contributing 544 pounds of food for the Hawaii Foodbank, DOD employees responded by donating 1,851 pounds as of April 25. Combined contributions from state agencies totalled 110,159 pounds.

The departmental coordinator for the eight-day drive was Lt. Col. Clarence Fukumoto, executive support officer for the Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard. This is the second year the state has sponsored an employee drive to donate food and cash to the Hawaii Foodbank.

STATE OF HAWAII
OPERATION DESERT STORM
WELCOME HOME PROJECT

Mahalo and Aloha

A heartfelt thank you to our statewide volunteers who joined together to greet the soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines returning from Operation Desert Storm. It was fitting that these brave men and women be given a traditional Hawaiian welcome upon their safe arrival home from the Persian Gulf.

Special thanks to the Chamber of Commerce for its generous financial support, the Department of Education for donating thousands of leis, the Department of Transportation and its dedicated corps of greeters, the Department of Defense employees who gave up their nights and weekends, and to everyone else who helped in this happy homecoming. . .

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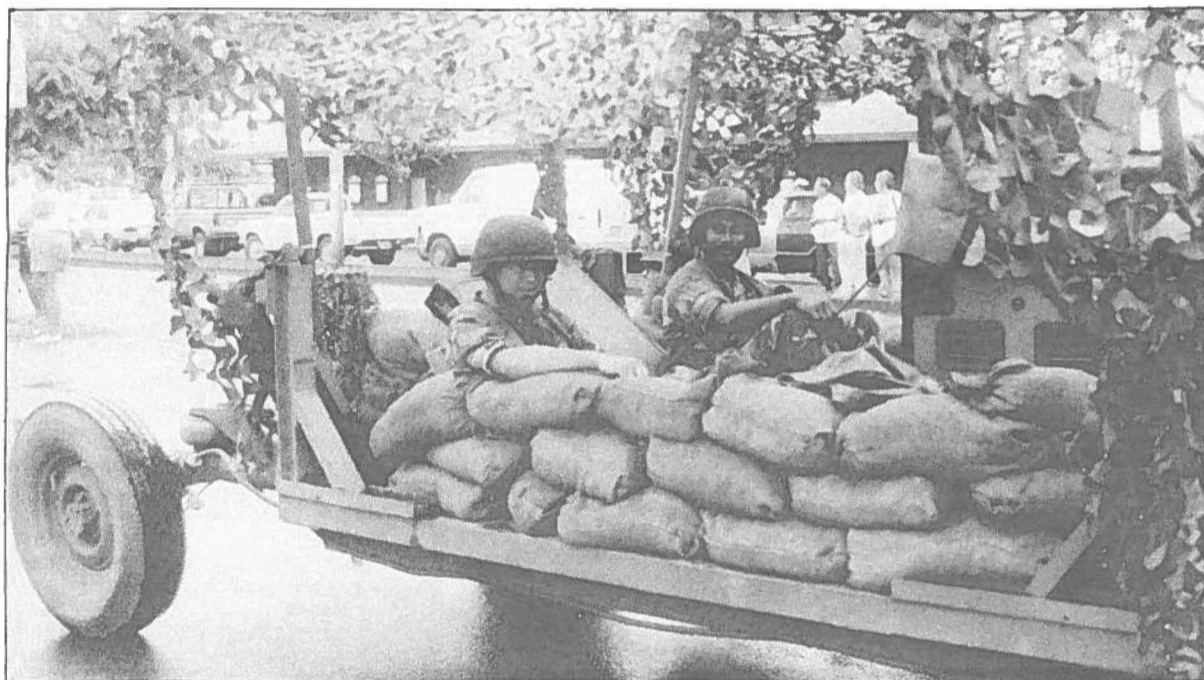
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Capt. Wayne N. Yoshioka

The ceremonial Royal Guard marches in Hilo's welcome home parade, May 25.

Staff Sgt. Jimmy M. Kuwahara (left) and Tech. Sgt. Roger L. Salinas, from Hilo's 291st Combat Communications Squadron, ride in a trailer carrying a camouflaged, mobile high frequency radio.



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Spec. Allan J. Liftee Jr., a baker with the 292nd Supply and Service Company's field bakery section, slices piping hot raisin bread for awaiting visitors at the Magic Island military display, May 11.



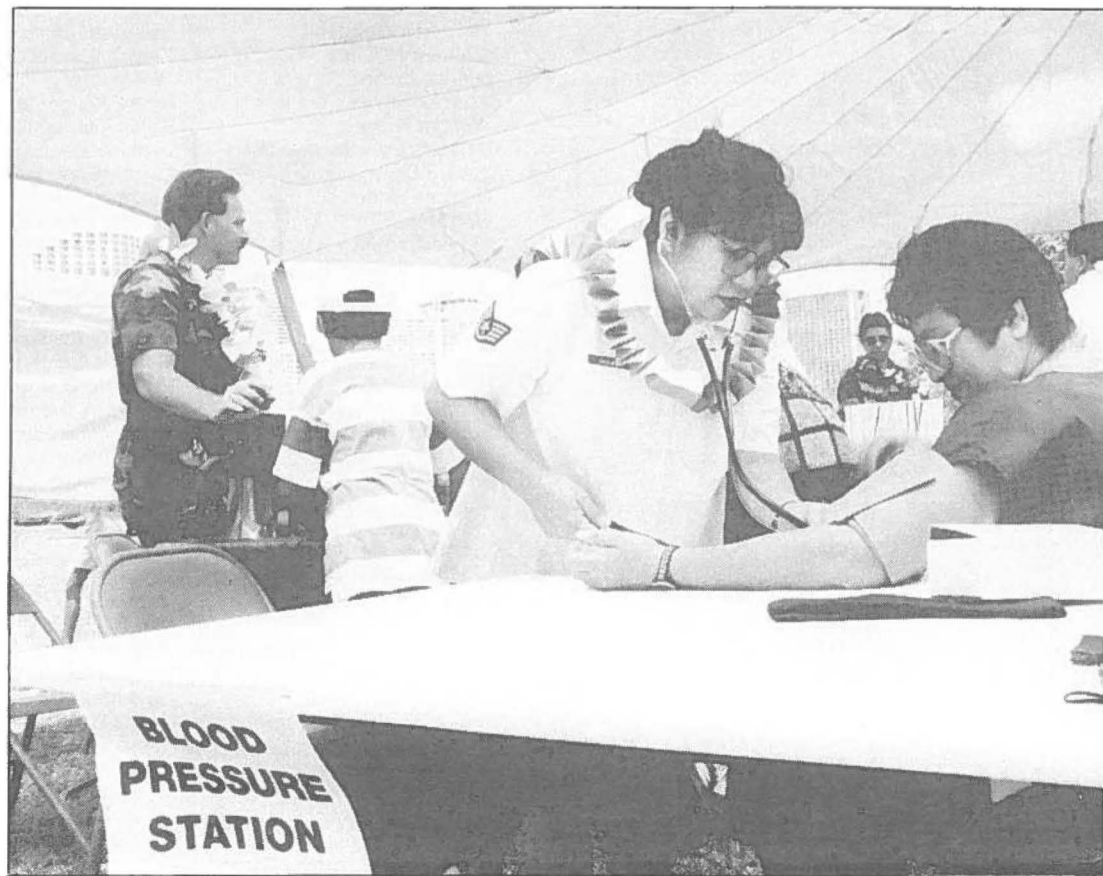
Stephen M. Lum

May was a busy month for hundreds of Hawaii National Guard members who either participated in or helped with preparations for elaborate welcome home parades on Oahu and Hawaii.

On Oahu, the Guard helped to organize and assist with the city-sponsored Ho'ohono Na Koa (Honor the Warrior) parade, May 11. More than 100 marching units, including the Royal Guard, 11th Army Band and 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), marched past a reviewing stand fronting the City Hall lawn. Filled with the 200-seat reviewing stand were military and civic leaders, including Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general.

In addition to the marching units, several flybys and flyovers were conducted by the different military branches. The Hawaii Air National Guard and the Arizona Air National Guard each flew 15 flyovers. The Eagles were joined by AH-1S Cobras, UH-1H Hueys and OH-1A Kiowa helicopters from the Hawaii Air National Guard.

Hundreds of parade goers also visited the military static displays set up at Magic Island. In addition to its popular field bakery unit, the Army Guard displayed a variety of hardware, including a high mobility multi-purpose wheeled vehicle (HMMWV) mounted with an anti-tank missile system, a heavy expand



Staff Sgt. Nancy T. Quemel, of the 154th Tactical Hospital, takes a blood pressure reading at the parachute covered booth, May 11.

Hawaii National Guard helps honor the warriors

Big Island honors troops

mobility tactical truck (HEMMT) wrecker/recovery vehicle, an artillery radar, a 102mm Howitzer and an AH-1S Cobra helicopter. Air Guard exhibits included a combat communication mobile radar unit, blood pressure taking booth, and security police hardware display.

The Guard, with the help of many volunteers, distributed more than 5,000 paper leis to troops and veterans marching in the parade. Family support group members and the University of Hawaii Rainbow Dancers were among the volunteers helping to give out the leis, which were made by school children for returning Desert Storm personnel.

The Hawaii Guard also assisted with a second homecoming parade on the Big Island, May 25. Organized by the Koa Motorcycle Club, the Memorial weekend parade received support from the 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, and 291st Combat Communications Squadron.

In addition to a color guard and marching and vehicle units, the Hilo units set up several static displays on the Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium grounds. The Hawaii Air National Guard also conducted an F-15 flyby and the Army Guard a UH-1H and OH-58 helicopter flyover. Also appearing in the parade were the ceremonial Royal Guard and Gen. Richardson, who represented Gov. John Waihee.



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The 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), led by brigade commander Col. Bernard M. Watson, march in the Honor the Warriors parade, May 11.



Capt. Wayne N. Yoshioka

The Big Island's 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, marches through Hilo town, during the parade welcoming home the troops, May 25.



Michelle Ai-Chang

Sgt. Jeffrey J. Nagun, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, gives David Schmidt and his dad, Thomas F. Schmidt, tips on operating the controls of the wrecker/recovery vehicle at Magic Island.



Capt. Wayne N. Yoshioka

Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general, representing Gov. John Waihee, leads the motorcade of dignitaries in the Hilo parade, May 25.

SCD hold hurricane exercise

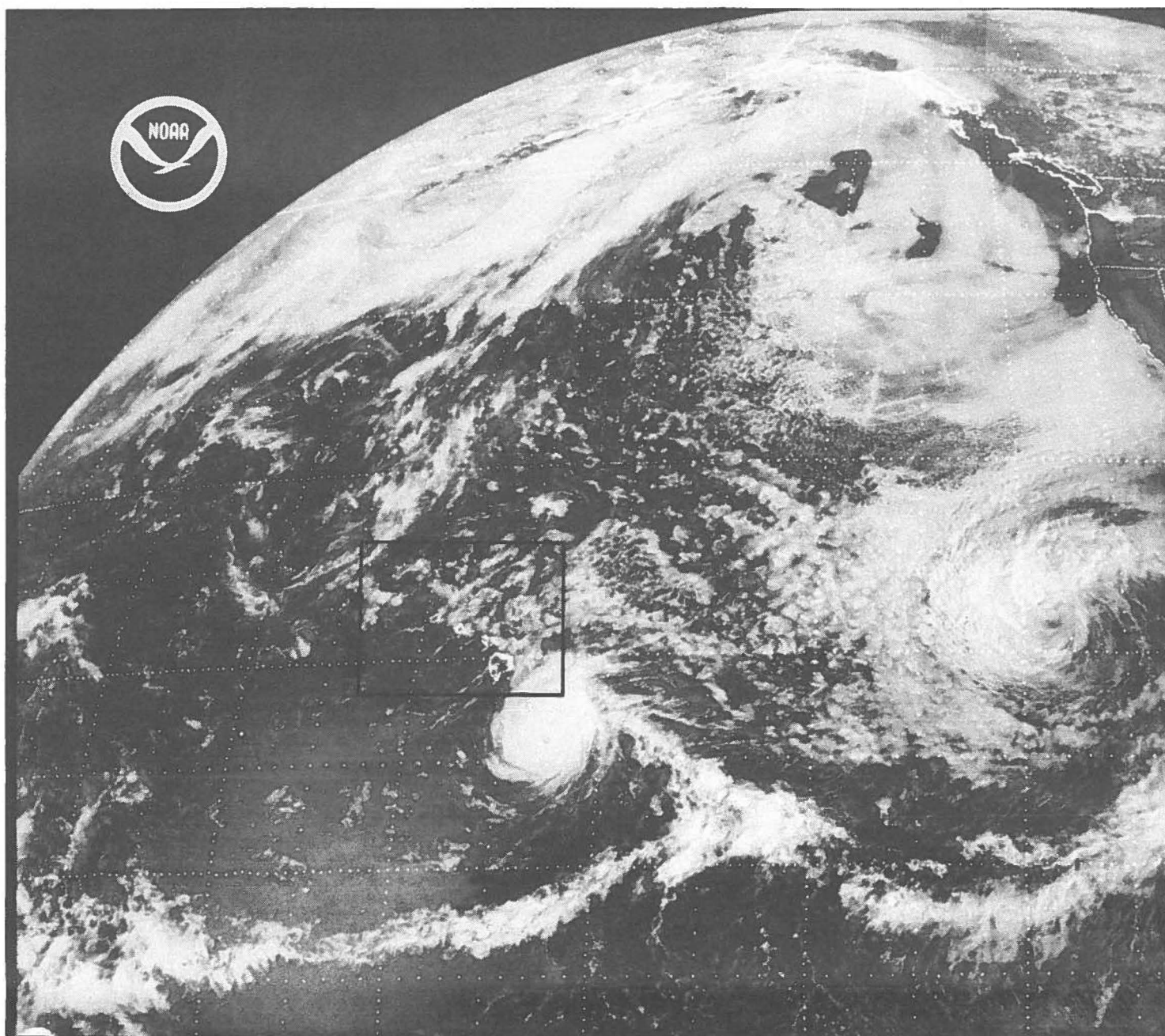
By Barbara Hendrie

Hawaii State Civil Defense (SCD), in coordination with the county civil defense agencies, U.S. Pacific Command, and National Weather Service, conducted a statewide hurricane exercise, June 5-6. Also taking part in the exercise were state and county agencies tasked with emergency support responsibilities and selected volunteer and private organizations.

Sponsored by SCD, the exercise is part of ongoing training to bolster the readiness of emergency managers and first responders. The hurricane scenario executed emergency procedures, communications, and response operations for agencies that would be involved in an actual hurricane threat.

The exercise coincided with the start of the Northern Pacific tropical cyclone season, which runs from June through November. Controlled communications began the morning of June 3 and were followed by a build-up of message traffic until June 6. All simulated communications and messages were clearly designated as exercise components.

Civil defense officials took every precaution possible to avoid unduly inconveniencing the public, and the Civil Defense Siren Warning System was not used during any part of the exercise.



Satellite photo, taken July 1978, shows Hurricanes Fico and Gilma in early transit eastward from the West Coast. Fico passed close to Hawaii and threatened the Islands with 150 mph winds.

Hurricane preparedness can save lives and property

By Karl K. Turner
National Weather Service

Weather Service provides continuous updated information to civil defense and news media

Preparedness is the key to minimizing destructive forces, such as hurricanes and tropical storms. Would you know what to do if a hurricane warning was issued tomorrow? Being prepared means knowing what to do, when to do it, and what you would need to survive the different living conditions caused by disasters such as

hurricanes. What if utilities were suddenly cut off? If fresh water and food were temporarily unavailable? If you were forced to evacuate your home? The answers to these questions can be found in the home survival and evacuation checklists located in the white pages of all local telephone directories.

For up-to-the-minute hurricane information, the public should know that:


- **Hurricane watches and warnings** are issued by the National Weather Service to civil defense authorities and local TV and radio stations. Many people first learn of threatening weather condi-

tions through these broadcasts.


- **Weather band radio KBA-99** broadcasts continuous National Weather Service information on frequencies 162.40 and 162.55. For more information on weather band radios, contact a radio dealer.
- **1-900-410-WARN** is the

Hawaii Hurricane Hotline. Two-minute taped recordings provide callers with the latest in hurricane information. There is a charge of \$.35 for the first minute and \$.45 for each additional minute.


An average of four tropical cyclones pass through Hawaiian waters per year, so being prepared makes sense. The last major hurricane to strike Hawaii was Hurricane Iwa, which caused \$250 million in damages in 1982.



Two good reasons for an employee to be out of the office.



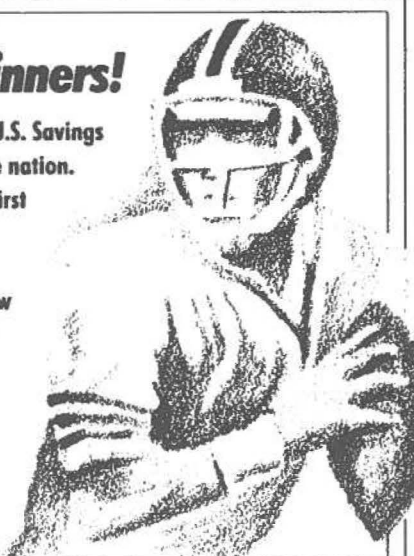
Today, the National Guard and Reserve makes up over 44% of our armed forces. So when people who work for you need time off to serve, please be supportive. While there may be many good reasons to be out of the office, there can be none better than protecting our country's future.



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People



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New Army Guard Bureau director announced

Maj. Gen. Raymond F. Rees took over as director of the Army National Guard, July 1. The former adjutant general of the Oregon National Guard has a bachelor's degree from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, and a law degree from the University of Oregon.

Aviation and artillery battalions get new commanders

Lt. Col. Eugene H.B. Young replaced Lt. Col. Dennis A. Kamimura as commander of the 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, April 28. Young is employed full-time by the Hawaii Army National Guard as the state army aviation officer. Initially an enlisted soldier, he received his commission in 1969 and was assigned to the Nike Hercules missile program from 1960 to 1970. He and his wife, Elaine, live in Honolulu. They have two sons and four daughters.

Lt. Col. Dennis Kamimura assumed the duties of commander of the 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery. While on active duty, he served with the 82nd Airborne Division, 25th Infantry Division and with the 1st Aviation Brigade in Vietnam. He presently heads the motor vehicle and licensing division for the City and County of Honolulu. A Kaimuki resident, Kamimura and his wife, Diane, have a son and two daughters.

Hawaii Army Guard NCO of the Year wins regional Reserve Component NCO honors

Sgt. Shawn H. Tsuha was selected as the Re-



Lt. Col. Eugene H.B. Young (right) receives the 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation colors from Col. Edward L. Correa Jr., commander of Troop Command, at the change of command ceremony, April 28.

serve Component Non-commissioned Officer of the Year for the United States Army, Pacific (USARPAC). A tow gunner and communications sergeant for Troop E (Ground), 19th Cavalry, Tsuha was chosen over top soldiers from Alaska, Guam and Hawaii and was nominated for Army National Guard Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

New full-time DOD employees welcomed on board

Welcome the newest full-time employees of the State Department of Defense:

Maj. Roy A. Cornella, detachment commander, 291st Combat Communication Squadron. Born in W. Chicago, Ill., Cornella now lives in Hilo with his wife, Jana, and their two-year-old daughter, Aja.

Staff Sgt. Kingston Y.S. Ko, power support mechanic, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron. Born and raised in Honolulu, Ko joined the Guard in 1973 and is a drill-status refrigeration and air conditioning mechanic for the 293rd. He and his wife, Gayle, have a daughter, Jennifer.

Staff Sgt. Craig M. Makiya, production control, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. A graduate of Castle High School and Windward Community College, Makiya joined the Guard in 1982. His hobbies include bowling and softball.

Sgt. Ricky Y. Yamamoto, metals processing technician, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. This St. Louis High School graduate served on active duty before joining the Air Guard in 1987. He enjoys softball and music in his free time.

Sgt. Rafael S. Rodriguez, administrative clerk typist, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. Born in Mexico City, Rodriguez began his military career with the U.S. Air Force in 1984. He and his wife, Kathleen, have two children, Ashley and Raphael.

Sr. Airman Pamela C. Patterson, secretary-typist, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard. Patterson, a drill-status information management specialist, recently transferred from the 201st Combat Communications Group. She was born in Anchorage, Alaska, and joined the Reserve Officers Training Corps while a student at Radford High School.

Senior Airman Kimmy Lauderdale, packing and crating, 154th Resource Management Squadron. Born and raised in Arizona, Lauderdale served with active duty transportation squadrons before joining the Guard last year. She and her husband, Glenn, enjoy fishing and camping on the weekends.

Tech. Sgt. Donna Von, computer operator, 154th Mission Support Flight. Von was a weather observer with 199th Weather



Kamimura

Flight for four years before joining the 154th MSF in 1978. She and her husband, Gary, have two children, Pua and Suky.

Staff Sgt. George J. Stibbard, auditor, U.S. Property and Fiscal Office. Stibbard is an active community volunteer and avid golfer. He and his wife, Margaret, have three daughters: Ashley, Nohea and Mary.

Sgt. Rae Deane M.H. Esau, warehouse worker, 292nd Supply and Service Company. Esau began her military career with the active Army in 1981, and has been stationed in exotic locales to include the Honduras and Germany. She and husband, Maota, have two children, Shante and Christopher.

Spec. Steve Hayselden, flight operations, Limited Army Aviation Support Facility #2. Hayselden joined the active Army following his graduation from Waiakea High School and has worked in flight operations ever since. He is a drill-status member of the 451st Aviation Detachment.

Sgt. Russell Wong, equipment technician, Army Aviation Support Facility #1. A graduate of Leilehua High School, Wong joined the Guard in 1982. He and his wife, Erlinda, are expecting their first child in October.

Spec. Gerald Hagins, supply sergeant, 487th Artillery. Born in Washington, D.C., Hagins served in the active Army and D.C. National Guard before coming to Hawaii this year. He is married to Chamica Landreth.

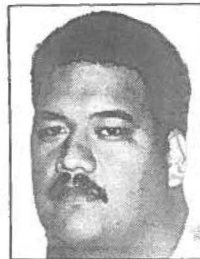
Ms. Karen N. Kisan, secretary, Combined Support Maintenance Shop #1. Kisan attended McKinley High School and the University of Hawaii, where she obtained a 5th year diploma in education. She is married to Barry



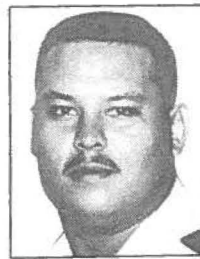
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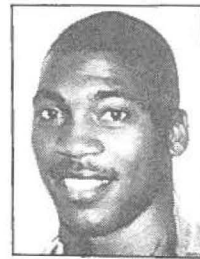
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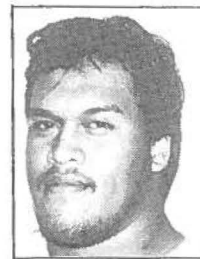
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Ching and is a member of the Nature Conservancy and League of Women Voters.

Ms. Lilian L.O. Cheung, accountant, State Fiscal Office. Born in China, Cheung went to high school in Hong Kong and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of San Francisco. She and her husband, Louis, enjoy traveling and reading.

Ms. Emlovytte L.K. Maikui, clerk, Engineering Office. Born in Honolulu, Maikui now lives in Waipahu and has been working for the DOD since January. In her spare time, she enjoys playing the guitar and singing.

Mr. Michael A. Ancheta, laborer, Engineering Office. Born and raised in Honolulu, Ancheta graduated from Kaimuki High School. He and his wife, Janeen, have a child, Micah.

Mr. Gilbert K. Farm, laborer, Engineering Office. A Castle High School graduate, Farm is an avid sports fan who likes to play baseball and volleyball when he can. He has two sons, Dellbert and Gilbert Jr.

Mr. Herring Kalua, laborer. Born in Hilo, Kalua graduated from the Kamehameha Schools in 1989. He enjoys weightlifting and playing basketball in his free time.

Mr. Florendo Coloma, laborer, Barbers Point. Coloma was born in the Philippines and now resides in Waipahu. He and his wife, Rosita, have two teenage daughters, Charlene and Christelene.

Mr. Alan Nitta, population protection planner, State Civil Defense. Born in Denver, Nitta enjoys playing racquetball and fishing in his spare time. He and his wife, Alice, have a 19-year old daughter, Michelle.

Mr. Thomas Simon, radio technician, State Civil Defense. Born in Wisconsin, Simon earned a bachelor's degree from San Jose State University, Calif. He is a former Marine and an avid amateur radio enthusiast. He and his wife, Anny, have two children, Toshio and Hideo.

Mr. William Rodgers, cemetery superintendent, Office of Veterans Services. Born and raised in Virginia, Rodgers retired from the Air Force and previously worked for the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. He and his wife, Yuki Yang, have five children.

Mr. John Utley, counselor, Office of Veterans Services. Recently retired from the Army, Utley served with the 173rd Airborne Brigade in the Republic of Vietnam. He holds a bachelor's degree in psychology and business administration from the University of Hawaii, West Oahu.

Two teams capture ahi awards

Story and photo by
Lt. Col. Myron Dobashi

Fifteen Air National Guard teams, including a team from the Alaska Air Guard, entered the annual 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron (ACWS) Goodwill Ahi Tournament, May 22-24. Six teams flew over from Oahu to join the eight host island teams and their Alaskan guests.

Two ahi were caught during the three-day tournament, both on the last day. Only one of the the two met the minimum qualifying weight (100 lbs. or more), and at 139

lbs. was declared the winner. The second fish weighed in at 84 lbs.

Of the 15 teams, three registered as small boats to qualify for the largest ahi (boats under 19'5"). As in previous years, "catch of the day" and "heaviest fish" jackpots were included in daily competition.

Daily results:

Day 1—5 marlin, 22 aku, 7 ono, 3 ko-shibi, 2 mahimahi, 1 kawakawa, 1 barracuda and 1 spearfish;

Day 2—1 marlin, 99 aku, 31 ko-shibi, 1 mahimahi, 1 rainbow runner, 1 barracuda, 2 spearfish and 1 ulua;

Day 3—1 ahi, 4 marlin, 37 aku, 33 ono, 21 ko-shibi, 3 mahimahi, 3 kawakawa and 1 rainbow runner.

Final tournament standings (category and winner):

Largest Ahi—139 lbs., caught on Day 3 by Ahi Busters. 150th ACWS, Kauai, aboard the *Merchelle*. Staff Sgt. Walter Ines, team captain and boat owner, crew of Tech. Sgt. Bruce Takekuma and Master Sgt.

Ron Javier, and Damien Ines, skipper.

Second Largest Ahi—No qualifiers. Prize to Ahi Busters.

Most Ahi—139 lbs., caught on Day 3 by Ahi Busters; also Largest Ahi category winner.

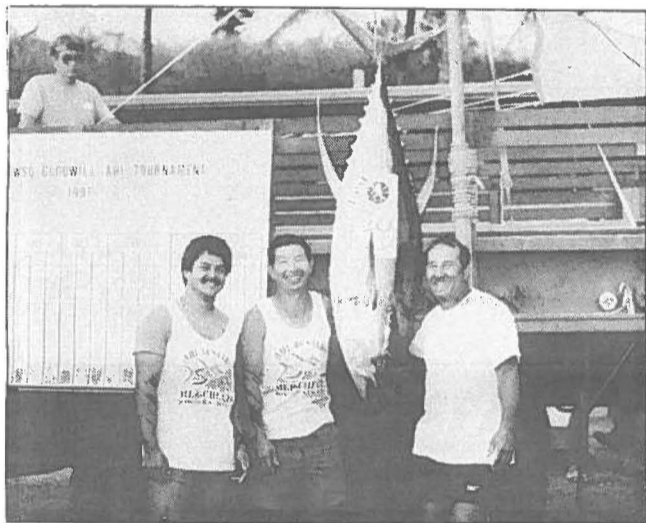
Largest Marlin—215½ lbs., caught on Day 3 by 154th Civil Engineers team, Oahu, aboard the *Eleu*. Tech Sgt. Steve Baldanado, team captain, crew of Tech. Sgt. Ron Gionson, Senior

Master Sgt. Anthony Siva, and Master Sgt. Richard Kashiwabara, and Frank Medeiros, skipper and boat owner.

Largest Ahi (boats under 19½ feet)—No qualifiers. Prize to Ahi Busters.

The awards banquet was held Saturday evening at the Kiahuna Golf Club Restaurant, where the winners of the major categories received their awards and trophies. Secondary

prizes were given for the most fish (mixed), largest ono, largest aku, largest mahimahi, largest kawakawa and best dressed team. The prestigious Sportsmanship Award was presented to the Alaskan Chinooks team for its continuous support and active participation in the tournament since 1989. Tournament chairman Herbert Honjon also presented special "mahalo" gifts to key tournament volunteers.



THE AHI BUSTERS SHOW OFF THE LARGEST AHI—Team members (left to right) Damien Ines, Tech. Sgt. Bruce Takekuma and Staff Sgt. Donny Ines, with their 139-pound ahi. (Not pictured, Master Sgt. Ron Javier)

Hawaii runners compete in Guard Marathon

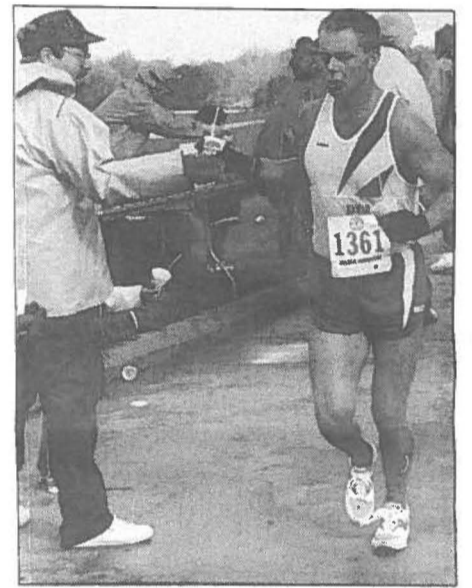
Representing the Hawaii National Guard in this year's National Guard Bureau marathon were 1st Lt. Stanley E. Toy, Sgt. Lynn M. Kuda and Sgt. Norman R. Ledgerwood. The 8th annual event was held on Sunday, May 8, in Lincoln, Neb.

Warm weather and gentle winds greeted the three-member team upon their arrival in Lincoln on Friday. The runner's luck ran out, however, and by 7 a.m. Sunday the temperature had dropped to 41 degrees and winds were blowing at a gusty 30 miles per hour. All thoughts of a personal best for the race were put aside.

The runners persevered in spite of the weather, turning in

commendable performances. Toy was the first Hawaii runner to cross the line, finishing in 3:23:53. He is the executive officer for Company B, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, and ran in last year's Lincoln marathon. Ledgerwood completed the run in 3:34:26 and is a member of the 154th Civil Engineering Squadron.

Kuda crossed the line in 3:40:49, qualifying for the 50-member All-Guard Marathon team for the third straight year. She recently transferred from the Headquarters, State Area Command, to the 111th Army Band. The All-Guard team will compete in the Marine Corps Marathon, Washington D.C., in November.



Nebraska National Guard photo

1st Lt. Stanley E. Toy slows down to replenish liquid lost during May's National Guard Marathon.

Warrior Fun Run brings Guard family together

Story and photo by
2nd Lt. Sivale Talaeai

More than 70 Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers, employees, and family members participated in the 5th Annual Warrior Fun Run. The

run, organized by Officer Candidate Class 29-91, was held at Bellows Air Force Station, June 30.

After a safety briefing by Officer Candidate Stanley T. Garcia, the runners took their places

for the 7 a.m. start of the race.

In less than 25 minutes, the first finishers completed the 3.5 mile course. Maj. Walter Sullivan of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sepa-

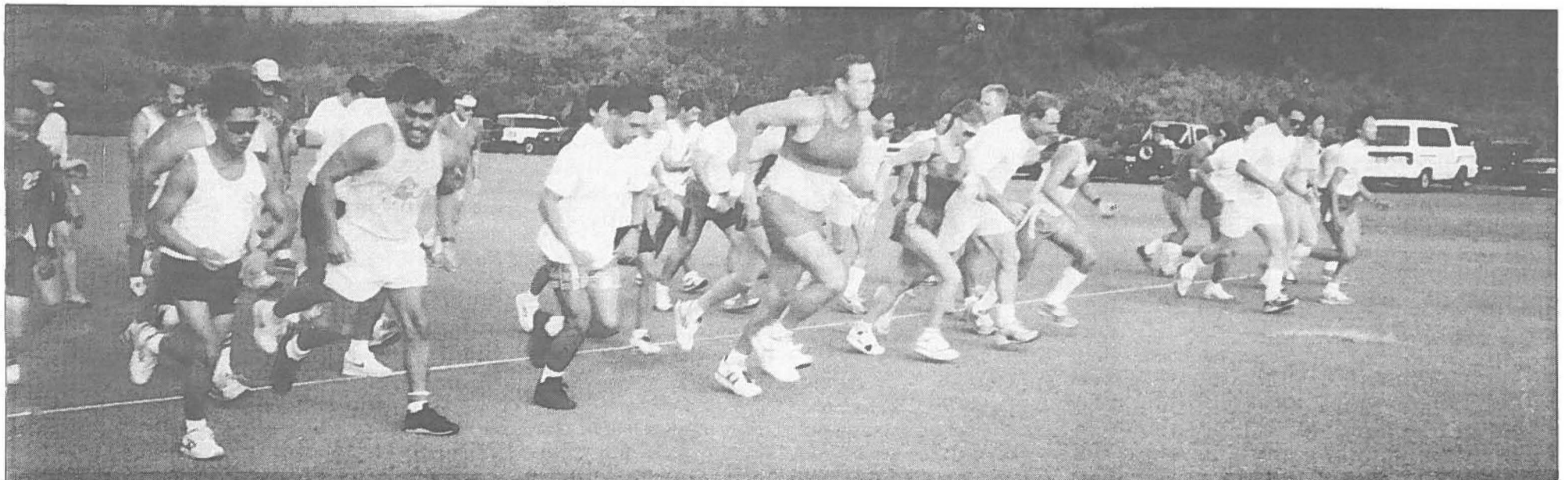
rate), finished first in 21:44. Nancy Rawlins, wife of Col. Michael Rawlins, Headquarters, State Area Command, was the first female to cross the finish line in 24:06.

The run emphasizes

physical fitness, community efforts, and brings military personnel and family members together.

The fun run committee thanked all the participants and major sponsors who made the run a big

success. Door prizes included dinner for two at Hale Koa Hotel, two nights accommodation at Turtle Bay Hilton, Desert Storm T-shirts, and gift certificates to various stores.



Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers, employees and family members take off on the 3.5-mile Warrior Fun Run held at Bellows Air Force Station, June 30.

Awards

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

Legion of Merit:

Brig. Gen. Haruo Shigezawa, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, 3)

Meritorious Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster)

Col. Bernard M. Watson, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command, Troop Command

Meritorious Service Medal:

Lt. Col. Dennis A. Kamimura, Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battalion, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
1st Sgt. Wallace Hong, 292nd Supply and Service Company

Master Sgt. Harry T. Beppu, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron
Sgt. 1st Class Kiyoshi Arakawa, Company A (S & T), 29th Support Battalion

Army Commendation Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster):

Lt. Col. Myron K. Brumaghim, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, &)

Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster):

Col. Donald D. Orton, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):

Lt. Col. Wayson W.S. Wong, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Army Commendation Medal:

Lt. Col. Eric W.K. Tom, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)
Maj. Ronald S. Katto, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal:

Col. Rosindo E. Caldaroni Jr., Headquarters, U.S. Army Pacific Command, Fort Shafter, Hawaii

Staff Sgt. Kenneth O. Robinson, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

Army Achievement Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster):

Staff Sgt. Jerry L. Carineo, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry
Staff Sgt. Jose E. Yadao, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Army Achievement Medal:

1st Lt. Kenneth S. Hara, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

2nd Lt. Guy B. Terai, Company A (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Sgt. 1st Class Arthur T. Sampaga, Company A (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Frank J. Mulec, Company A (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Lee T. Yamauchi, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command, Troop Command

Sgt. Clarence Ariola Jr., Headquarters Company (-Det. 1), 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Sgt. Shirley N. Bryant, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Sgt. Daniel P. DeGarcia, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Air Force Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster):

Maj. Richard K. Shimomura, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

Air Force Commendation Medal:

Col. David M. Rodrigues, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

Maj. Ford A. Chinen, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

Capt. Stephen D. Haldeman, 154th Composite Group

Senior Master Sgt. Ronald K. Izutsu, 154th Resource Management Squadron

Master Sgt. Edwin T. Doi, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

Master Sgt. Glenn I. Sugawara, 154th Resource Management Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Wayne K. Okabe, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Staff Sgt. Guy T. Ishii, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron

Staff Sgt. Joel A. Nakagaki, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

Staff Sgt. Melvin F. Rapoza, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Sgt. Galen H. Kumamoto, 154th Resource Management Squadron

Air Force Achievement Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster):

Senior Master Sgt. Ralph M. Kaneshiro, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

Tech. Sgt. Claire N. Olores, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Staff Sgt. Benjamin Domingo Jr., 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Air Force Achievement Medal:

Master Sgt. Harvey K. Maeda, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Tech. Sgt. Christopher F. Olores, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Sgt. Leona L. Lamadrid, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Senior Airman Sperry V.K. Burley, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Airman 1st Class Richard D. Drapesa, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Airman 1st Class Leah F. Villanueva, 298th Air Traffic Control Flight

Army Good Conduct Medal (Fifth Award):

Master Sgt. Freddie Makinano, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. 1st Class Donnie L. Sanders, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Army Good Conduct Medal (Fourth Award):

Sgt. 1st Class Gary H. Murakami, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. 1st Class Robert E. Stinson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Army Good Conduct Medal (Third Award):

Sgt. 1st Class Guy I. Fukumoto, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. Norman E. Bryant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Army Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award):

Sgt. 1st Class Kiyoshi Arakawa, Company A (S&T), 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. 1st Class Armell Armstead Jr., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. 1st Class Leroy D. Brack, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 29th Support Battalion

Staff Sgt. Jose Gatiuan, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Leonardo Garcia, Company C (Med.), 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. Ford T. Matsunaga, Company A (S&T), 29th Support Battalion

Army Good Conduct Medal (1st Award):

Staff Sgt. Jose Gatiuan, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Army Good Conduct Medal:

Staff Sgt. Virgine A. Kanoa, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Staff Sgt. Scott T. Nomura, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. Pauline K. Keohuhu, Company A (S&T), 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. Ralph K. Maio, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Senior Aircraft Crewman Badge:

Sgt. William M. Kapua, Company B, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Aircraft Crewman Badge:

Sgt. Michael L. Nii, Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Spec. Neala K. Bovard, Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

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Association honors outstanding officers

Congratulations to the officers who received the Hawaii National Guard Association's outstanding officer awards at the association's 1991 conference, April 27.

Capt. William F. Petti, orderly room officer-in-charge for the 154th Consolidate Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, has been selected as HNGA's outstanding officer for 1991. Petti joined the Guard in 1983 and received his commission from the Academy of Military Science, McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base, Tenn. His first assignment was as administrative management officer for the 154th CAMS.

Originally from Hilo, Petti graduated from St. Joseph's High School and the University of Hawaii, Hilo. He went on to earn a master of science degree in geography from Rutgers

University. Petti is employed as a personnel statistician for the State Department of Public Safety.

Receiving the outstanding field grade commander award this year was Lt. Col. Kenneth E. Hall, commander of the Headquarters, 29th Support Battalion. Hall received his commission from the Hawaii Military Academy in 1975 and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

He was born and raised in Honolulu and graduated from the Hawaiian Mission Academy and Chaminade University. He is the state asbestos coordinator for the State Department of Health.

Capt. Keith Y. Tamashiro has been named the outstanding company grade commander for 1991. Tamashiro commands Battery B, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery.

Since assuming command, he has increased assigned strength from 84 to 100 percent.

Born in Chicago, Tamashiro entered the Hawaii Army Guard in 1989, after serving five years of active duty with the 25th Infantry Division. He is a real estate agent and holds a bachelor of science degree from DePaul University.

The recipient of the James Y. Sato Memorial Award this year is 1st Lt. Patrick R. Fierro Jr. He is an air weapons controller, manual systems, for the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. Fierro enlisted in the Guard in 1982 and received his commission from the Academy of Military Science, McGhee Tyson ANGB, in 1985.

Fierro was born in

Kansas and graduated from high school in California. He has an associate of arts degree in liberal arts from Kauai Community College and a bachelor of science degree in recreation from the University of Hawaii.

The Sato award is a perpetual trophy presented to the outstanding squadron or flight commander below group level who demonstrates exceptional qualities of leadership: improvement in a unit's effectiveness, effi-

ciency, and ability to accomplish its mission; and for contributions which further the interests of HIANG. The memorial award is named in honor of Maj. Sato, an operations staff officer for the Headquarters, HIANG.

Spouses Auxiliary

Membership open to all spouses

Auxiliary membership is now open to all spouses (all ranks) of persons assigned to or retired from the Hawaii National Guard and the State Civil Defense. The purpose of the organization is the "doing of charitable and educational works". Activities/events will focus around the NGAUS Hawaii '91 Conference in September and our first Hawaii National Guard Cookbook (scholarship fundraiser). To join or renew your membership, please send your name, address, phone number, spouse's name/rank/affiliation, and a check for \$12.00 payable to Na Kuhina Nui O Na Koa Hawaii, c/o Mrs. Iris Kinoshita,

7226 Naohe Street, Honolulu, HI 96825, or call Mrs. Bernee Hall at 845-3619.

Scholarships announced

The Auxiliary is proud to announce that seven \$1,000 scholarships were granted to dependents of the Hawaii National Guard. Recipients named are: Derrick Carpenter, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. James R. Carpenter; Adria and Marcy Imada, daughters of Sgt. and Mrs. Warren Imada; Lory Kim, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Dennis Kim; Kelly Mangca, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Michael J. Mangca, Sr.; and Allison and Brian Takeshita, children of Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Dennis Takeshita.

Recruiting & Retention

Hawaii Air Guard creates new recruiting award

By Master Sgt. M.A. Geolina

Referrals have proven to be best source for enlistments, and the Headquarters, Hawaii Air

National Guard, has approved the addition of two recruiting awards to the HIANG's recognition program. One award will be given to the member referring the most individuals resulting in enlistment, and another to the unit with the most refer-

als per capita. Both awards will be based on referrals submitted during the fiscal year.

The recipient of the individual award will receive a trophy at the annual HIANG awards banquet and also qualify for an F-15 ride. The win-

ning unit will be presented with a perpetual trophy at the awards banquet.

HIANG members should call in referrals to the recruiting office at 449-5601. Recruiters will validate referrals and forward referral slips to HIANG/DPR for record-keeping.

Cargo aircraft crew members needed

Lt. Col. Edwin Miyahara, C-130 section leader, is screening applications for a flight engineer and a load master. Applicants will undergo 14 weeks of schooling, including two weeks of survival training. Interested persons should call Miyahara at 449-9875.

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sional student loan repayment program have been extended to Sept. 30, 1992.

• AGR (Title 32) soldiers are now allowed to participate in the active duty Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30). The program must be elected by the soldier and requires a \$1,200 contribution by the soldier via monthly payroll deductions of \$100.

• Eligible AGR soldiers (Title 32) may participate in the Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30 2x4 program) after completing two years of AGR.

Persons seeking more information on these or other new changes should refer to the Reserve Components Personnel Update 23 or call Maj. Michael Wong, education officer (737-6744).

Air Society Loan rates drop

Interest rates on certain college education loans from the Air Force Air Society have dropped more than 2 percent for the academic period July 1 through June 30, 1992, AFAS officials said.

The interest rate on the society's parent loan, PLUS, dropped from 11.49 percent to 9.34 percent, the lowest rate since the loans were first offered in 1983.

The PLUS program is a low-interest installment loan offered to active-duty members of the Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, retired members, and their widows or widowers. PLUS differs from traditional guaranteed student loan programs in that the federal government does not pay interest on the loan while the student is in college.

Parents with children enrolled full-time at a school approved by the Department of Education can request loans up to

\$4,000 a year for undergraduate work, up to a maximum of \$20,000. Loans may also be granted for more than one child.

More information is available from local AFAS offices or by writing to: HQ AFAS, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Red ID card can now access MWR facilities

Good news for all National Guard members! DD Form 2 (Reserve) (Red) can now be used to authorize access to all Category C Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities. This includes base exchanges, golf courses and other revenue-generating facilities operated by Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) activities of the DOD for morale, welfare and recreation.

Leave and Earning Statements (LES) will no longer be required, and family members must present AF Form 447 or other service specific family member identification.

Guard members who run into problems accessing MWR facilities should ask to see the facilities manager. If the problem persists, contact HIANG or HIARNG Headquarters.

Gray area retirees benefits expanded

The DOD has announced rules for gray-area retirees to utilize post/base MWR facilities, as well as military commissary stores. The commissary privilege was contained in the FY 91 DOD Authorization Act. DOD revised other rules to permit post/base exchange shopping and full use of shopping and full use of other MWR facilities on installations effective immediately.

The commissary shopping plan will take effect when the individual gray-area retiree receives a commissary privilege card (DD Form 2529), which will be mailed from the Service Personnel Center by March 31. This card is the same as issued to traditional Guard members by their unit clerks and entitles the recipient to shop at a commissary 12 days per year.

In order for the DD Form 2529 to be accepted at a commissary, the gray-area retiree or his/her spouse will be required to have a military ID card or a spouse ID card. These can be obtained at any identification-card issuing facility.

The retiree will be issued the normal red ID card, DD Form 2A, with the rank block entered with "RET." Family members must have either DD Form 1173-1 or DD Form 5351.

Servicemen's Group Life Insurance increased

(Washington, D.C.—Air Force News Service)—Military personnel who are enrolled in the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance plan are entitled to an increase to \$100,000 of coverage, April 6. Service members who choose NOT to pay for the increased coverage must notify their unit administrators.

SGLI's maximum coverage doubled after President George Bush signed the 1991 Persian Gulf Supplemental Authorization and Personnel Benefits Act, Public Law 102-25. Although the rate of eight cents per \$1,000 of coverage remains unchanged, the increase will include a proportionally increased cost, from \$4.00 to \$8.00 per month for \$50,000 versus \$100,000 coverage.

National Defense Service Medal award policy explained

Nearly all military personnel serving on active duty anytime since Aug. 2—the day Iraq invaded Kuwait—can wear the National Defense Medal. Reserve personnel eligible to wear the ribbon include:

- Personnel ordered to federal active duty under Title 10, U.S. Code 672 or 673, as part of the Desert Shield or Desert Storm call-up of units. This includes persons who had an accelerated entry into training because of their unit's activation under Title 10

- Active Guard Reserve (AGR) personnel under Title 10 and Title 32

- Reserve personnel on active duty for special work for at least 30 consecutive days. National Guard personnel who performed active duty for special work for less than 30 consecutive days must have the state adjutant general certify that the duty was in support of Desert Shield or Desert Storm

- Reserve soldiers in an active duty for training status in direct support of Desert Shield or Desert Storm. Again, the state adjutant general must certify that the training

was in support of the Persian Gulf crisis

There are a few persons who can't wear the ribbon, however. Persons INELIGIBLE to wear the medal include:

- Members of reserve component troop program units who did not serve any active duty since Aug. 2

- Personnel who served on active duty solely for training. This includes basic or advanced in-

dividual training, annual training, active duty for training and attending school in a temporary duty status

- Soldiers who were "flagged," or under suspension of favorable personnel actions, throughout their active duty after Aug. 2.

(Note: Personnel with one or more days of active duty without a flag may wear the ribbon.)



Santa Ana, circa 1940's

IN MEMORIAM

Former Command Sgt. Maj. Isayas Santa Ana passed away June 23, 1991, in Las Vegas, Nev. Sgt. Maj. Santa Ana retired from the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) in 1984 with 37 years of military service.

The Hawaii National Guard mourns the loss of this great soldier and extends its deepest condolences to his wife, Felicia; daughters, Cathy and Christine; and the entire Santa Ana family.

Training Schedule

ARMY & AIR NATIONAL GUARD TRAINING SCHEDULES

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.

	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.
HQ STARC, HIARNG	—	10-11	14-15
29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)	6	24-25	14-15
Troop E, 19th Cavalry	13-14	10	14-15
227 Engineer Co.	13	10-11	14-15
1st Bn. 487th Field Artillery	6	10-11	7
29th Support Bn.	—	17, 24-25	14-15
Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command	13-14	10-11	14-15
298th Engineer Det.	6-7	17-18	21-22
HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard	13-14	3-4	14-15
154th Composite Group	13-14	3-4	14-15
199th Weather Flight	13-14	3-4	7-8
201st Combat Communications Group	13-14	3-4	14-15