

## Calendar

**November 7, Thursday**  
Na Kuhina Nui O Na Koa Hawaii, Spouses Auxiliary installation banquet, Honolulu Club, 7th floor, 6:30 p.m.

**November 11, Monday**  
Veterans Day, federal & state holiday

**November 15, Friday**  
Hawaii Air National Guard awards banquet and 45th anniversary celebration, DeRussy Room, Hale Koa Hotel, 6 p.m.

**November 16, Saturday**  
U.S. Air Force Thunderbird show, Waikiki Beach, 2:30 p.m.

**December 5-8**  
50th anniversary commemoration of the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor

**January 20, Monday**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day, federal & state holiday

**January 27, Monday**  
Hawaii National Guard 99th anniversary

**February 8, Saturday**  
Hilo Superkids competition, Keaukaha Military Reservation

**February 22, Saturday**  
Maui Superkids competition, War Memorial Football Stadium

**February 17, Monday**  
Presidents' Day, federal & state holiday; Great Aloha Run

**March 26, Thursday**  
Kuhio Day, state holiday

**April 17, Friday**  
Good Friday, state holiday

**May 11-17**  
Hawaii Military Week

**May 17, Saturday**  
Armed Forces Day activities, various locations

# Hawaii Guard medics deploy to Saudi Arabia

Four Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers deployed to Saudi Arabia, Aug. 17. Staff Sgt. Gary Acker, Staff Sgt. Robert D. Mumby, Spec. Robert J. Cobangbang and Spec. Matthew R. Patterson, members of Company C (Medical), 29th Support Battalion, are on duty in Dhahran.

The four will treat American and allied military personnel for disease, heat exposure and minor accidental injuries. They are attached to the Arkansas Army National Guard's 216th Ambulance Company and working in the same platoon. The company is comprised of National Guard soldiers from several states.

Acker went to Saudi Arabia because he has valuable experience to offer. A medical specialist at the end of the Vietnam War, he is a licensed practical nurse at Tripler Army Medical Center. He is married and has a 9-year old son and 8-year old twin daughters.

An information specialist for the City and County of Honolulu, Mumby wants to update his medical and military

skills. He also looks forward to learning about Mideast culture. While she would prefer him to stay in Hawaii, Mumby's wife is accepting of her husband's assignment.

Cobangbang is a psychiatric assistant at Queen's Medical Center. Like the others, he is anxious to use his training in a real-life situation. Cobangbang says his family is proud of him, especially his father, who is a Navy retiree.

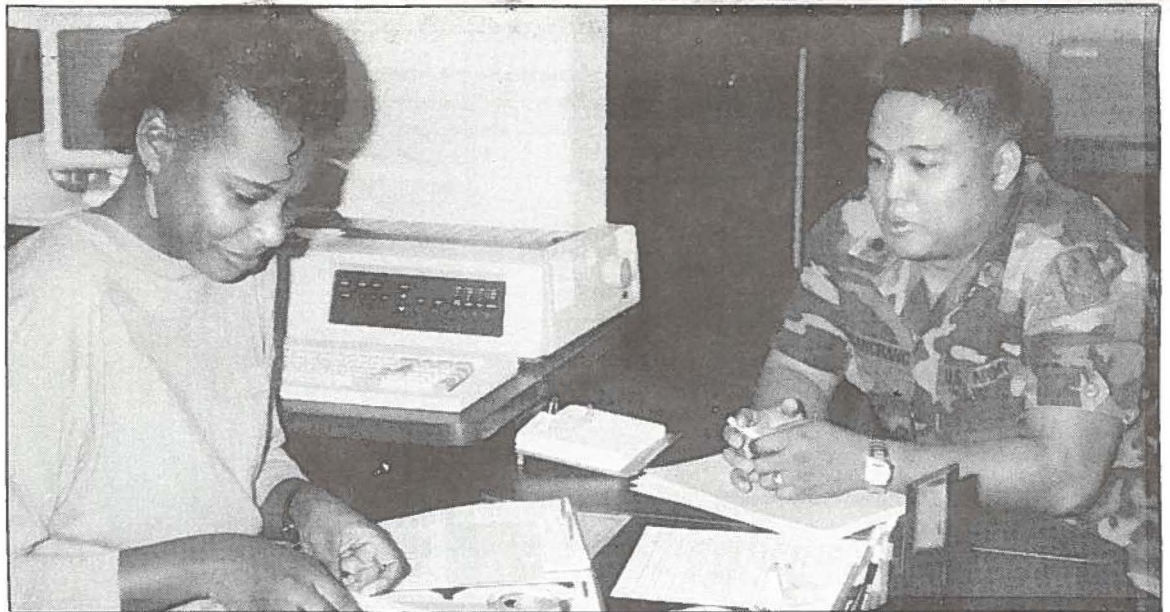
Patterson views the

assignment as a personal challenge and is both excited and nervous about going to the region. His family is supportive, although his parents "didn't believe it until they saw the (military) orders."

Mumby, Cobangbang and Patterson left Hawaii on Aug. 10 for processing at Fort Dix, N.J.; they were joined by Acker, who left Hawaii earlier to visit his relatives on the mainland. (More photos on page 4, see Saudi Arabia)



Staff Sgt. Gary Acker is issued an M-16 rifle at the Fort Dix, N.J., processing station.

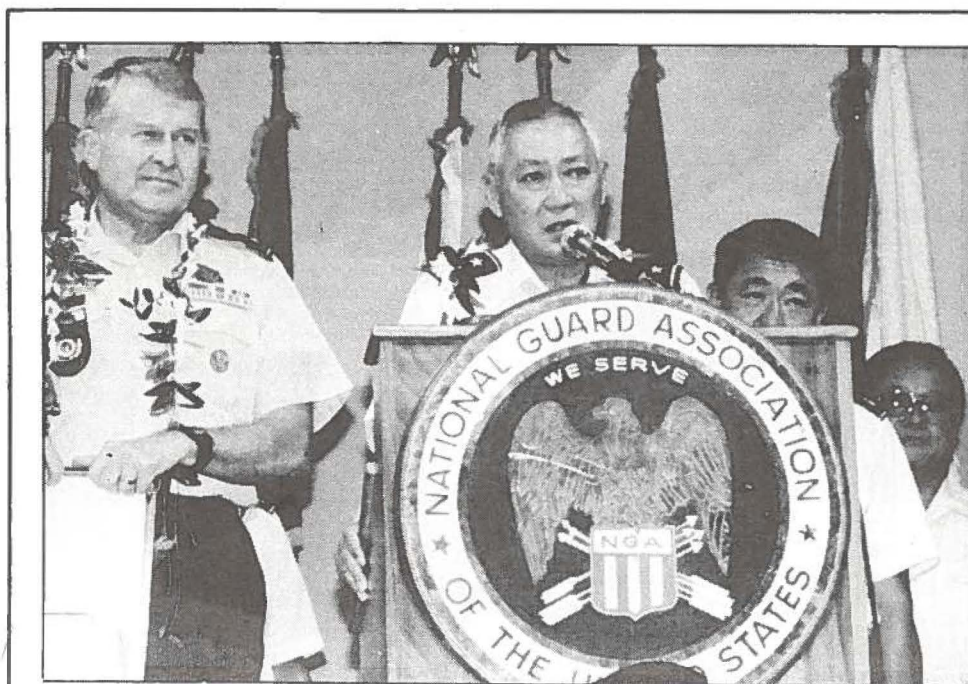


Maj. Dennis Chang photos

A clerk processes Spec. Robert J. Cobangbang's personnel records at Fort Dix, N.J.

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## HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION HOSTS 113TH NGAUS CONFERENCE

Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson addresses the delegates and guests at the 113th National Guard Association of the United States conference held at the Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel, Sept. 4-6. Maj. Gen. Robert F. Ensslin Jr., NGAUS president (left) and Lt. Cols. Jerald Aoki (second from right) and Jerry Matsuda look on. (More Hawaii '91 photos on pages 6-7).

# Command Notes



**Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson**  
The Adjutant General

The 113th National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) Conference was a resounding success, thanks to the dedicated efforts of the entire Hawaii National Guard.

The three-day conference at the Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel from Sept. 4-6, was the culmination of more than five years of preparation, planning and plain hard work. Maj. Gen. Alexis T. Lum, our former adjutant general, Col. William Spillane (Ret.), Lt. Col. Jerry Aoki and Lt. Col. Richard Tsuchiya (Ret.) deserve special recognition for their vision and persistent efforts in 1986 to bring the conference to Hawaii. Also, the exemplary job done by Lt. Col. Don Arakaki, president of the Hawaii National Guard Association (HNGA), past and present HNGA officers, as well as the more than 350 committee chairpersons, volunteers and staff were instrumental in making the 113th conference the best ever.

Lt. Gen. John B. Conaway, chief of the National Guard Bureau, commended our people for their profes-

sionalism and noted that the Hawaii National Guard had won the hearts of the more than 2,900 delegates and conference attendees. This noteworthy praise was representative of the many compliments I received from our dignitaries and guests. They were especially impressed by your well-organized operations, efficiency, accommodating attitude and gracious Hawaiian hospitality.

I'd like to personally thank all of our volunteers who worked so diligently to ensure every last-minute requirement was planned for, coordinated in detail, and implemented in an exceptional manner. It was a first-rate effort by a first-rate team. Thank you.

I'd also like to thank those who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to respond to the many changes we experienced and to those who completed the daily workload in our various departmental offices. Without your support we could not have invested the necessary time and effort we needed to be successful and completed all of the requirements for this immense undertaking.

And, finally, I'd like to convey my gratitude to the spouses, families and loved ones of our volunteers and staff. It has been a long five years for many of you. Our Guard volunteers have been busy attending planning and coordination meetings or tending to other conference business. This has meant frequent disruptions to your family schedules and other changes in plans. I appreciate your sacrifices throughout this period and I assure you that our success was due in large part to your support, patience and understanding.

Our hosting of the national conference came at a very crucial time in our history. It was the first gathering of NGAUS, active component and congressional leaders since the Operation Desert Storm victory in the Persian Gulf. As such, it was the focal point for far-reaching discussions on defense budget reductions which were largely suspended because of the war, as well as deliberations on the future roles and force structure of the active and reserve components.

This gathering of prominent leaders in national defense enabled us to meet separately with members of the U.S. Congress, Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan, chief of staff of the Army, Mr. G. Kim Wincup, assistant secretary of the Army, Lt. Gen. John Conaway and other National Guard Bureau directors, to discuss specific force structure issues relating to the Hawaii National Guard. These one-on-one meetings were highly productive and were very instrumental in our efforts to help restore proposed cuts to the Hawaii Army National Guard being imposed by the active Army's Quicksilver and Program Agreement Memorandum reduction plans.

The conference also provided a unique opportunity for many of our people to attend this annual NGAUS event. The distinguished speakers, prominent guests and extensive discussion of defense-related issues exposed our people to matters of national significance and underscored the strength and scope of influence of the National Guard Association. The gala festivities and social events in the evening were equally impressive and enjoyable. I believe it was a worthwhile experience for many of our younger members and I am certain they appreciated being a part of these activities.

The highlight of the conference, however, was the presentation of the NGAUS Harry S. Truman Award to U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye. The award citation specifically recognized his personal sacrifices and his lifelong contributions to national defense and security. The award was a fitting tribute to a distinguished statesman, lawmaker, and American patriot.

Again, I appreciate the outstanding job each of you did as conference hosts and staff. It was a mammoth undertaking and I am proud, as you are, of being a member of the Hawaii National Guard.

I ask for your continued support as we take on the many challenges on our road to becoming the best National Guard in the nation. Thank you.

## Military News

### New family ID card

Effectively immediately, DD Form 1173-1 (DOD Guard/Reserve Family Member ID Card) replaces DA Form 5431 (Army Guard/Reserve Family Member ID Card). The old form may be used until the new forms are received.

DD Form 1173-1 will be used worldwide by all services and is covered by the cross service agreement. It will be issued to family members when they renew their ID cards.

### GI Bill rates to increase

Montgomery GI Bill education allowances will increase from \$140 to \$170 for National Guard and Reserve personnel, Oct. 1. The increase was approved by Congress March 21 as part of the Fiscal 1991 National Defense Emergency Authorization Request.

Although the House had sought to increase GI school aid to \$200 monthly, the Bush administration and the Senate Armed Services Committee rejected the proposal. The rate increase will be the first since the program was enacted in 1984.

### Six Army Guard soldiers are commissioned

Six Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) soldiers graduated from the Hawaii Military Academy's Officer Candidate School, July 28. The ceremonies, held at the Honolulu International Country Club, included an awards presentation and the pinning of second lieutenant bars.

The Adjutant General's Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Stanley T. Garcia of Company A, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry. He also received the Erickson Trophy, donated by the National Guard Association of the United States.

2nd Lt. Nathan H.B. Hee of the 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, received the Association of the United States Army for leadership potential.

2nd Lt. Anna M. Bacon, 292nd Supply and Service Company, received the Commandant's Award and the Academic Board's Award for maintaining the highest classroom average.

2nd Lt. Jeffrey A. Kawakami, 227th Engi-



2nd Lt. Stanley T. Garcia (right) accepts the Adjutant General's Award from Col. Eugene S. Imai, Hawaii Army National Guard commander, at the Officer Candidate School graduation ceremony, July 28.

neer Company, received the Hawaii National Guard Association Award and the TAC Committee Award for excellence in physical training.

Also graduating were 2nd Lts. Steve C. Lai and Henry N. Sakata. Lai belongs to the 117th Public Affairs Detachment; Sakata is a member of Company B (Maint.), 29th Support Battalion.

The commencement message was delivered by Col. Eugene S. Imai, HIARNG commander, who also administered the oath of office to the new officers.



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# Spotlight

## Brig. Gen. Sumida concludes military career

Brig. Gen. Kenji Sumida, 60, retired as commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard with more than 38 years of military service, Aug. 4. He leaves the Guard as a command pilot with more than 3,800 flying hours.

Gen. Sumida received his commission in 1953 through the Air Force Reserve Officers Training program at the University of Hawaii. He served active duty for three years and joined the Hawaii Air National Guard in 1957. The general was assigned to the 154th Fighter Group from 1962 to 1973, when he became commander of the 154th Combat Support Squad-

*Sumida's service includes more than 3,800 flying hours as a command pilot*

ron. In 1976, he joined the headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard, and served as chief of staff from 1982 to 1991. Gen. Sumida was promoted to brigadier general in 1985 and named commander, Feb. 8, 1991.

During his career, the general has flown the KC-97, T-33, C-47, C-54, C-7 and C-130 aircraft. His military decorations and awards include the Distinguished

Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with six oak leaf clusters, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with two hourglass devices and the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon. He has also been awarded the Hawaii National Guard Service Medal and the Hawaii National Guard State

Active Duty Ribbon.

A graduate of McKinley High School, Gen. Sumida earned bachelor and master degrees in business administration from the University of Hawaii. His professional military education includes the Intercept Weapon Controller course, Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and the National Security Management course.

Gen. Sumida is presently the director of administration for the Pacific International Center for High Technology Research. He and his wife, the former Kathleen T. Ikeda of Paia, Maui, have two daughters and a son.



Brig. Gen. Sumida

## Mizumoto to command Hawaii Air National Guard



Staff Sgt. Charlie Chang

Col. Allen M. Mizumoto receives the colors of the Hawaii Air National Guard from Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general, Aug. 4.

Col. Allen M. Mizumoto, 54, was appointed commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) by Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general. Mizumoto is the former deputy commander for maintenance, 154th Composite Group.

Mizumoto joined the Hawaii Air Guard in 1954 as an airman. A specialist in fire and weapons control systems, he rose to the rank of senior master sergeant before receiving a direct commission in 1965. From 1970-71, Mizumoto served with the Pacific Air Forces' Commando Edge team, whose mission was

to provide guidance and fulfill U.S. and Air Force commitments to the Chinese Air Force. In 1972, he was instrumental in the reclassification of full-time communications-electronics positions in the National Guard. Mizumoto was also the maintenance functional manager during the 154th Composite Group's conversion from F-4C Phantoms to F-15A/B Eagles in 1988. Last September, he was assigned as the program manager for the activation of a new HIANG tanker refueling squadron, scheduled for activation in 1992.

Mizumoto's military decorations include the

Meritorious Service Medal and Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters.

He is a graduate of Kaimuki High School and attended the University of Hawaii. His professional military education includes Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College seminar program, and the National Security Management course.

He is married to the former Miriam M. Mimori of Lihue, Kauai. They have two daughters and a son. His son, 2nd Lt. Lance Mizumoto, is assigned to HIANG's Consolidated Base Personnel Office.

## Health

### Reservist works on alcoholism recovery

By Capt. Denise DeVor

Editor's Note:

The following interview was conducted on Aug. 19 with a member of the Reserve forces. Details have been omitted or slightly changed as necessary to protect the anonymity of the interviewee.

**CPT D:** How did you become an alcoholic?

**Andy A:** Quite simply, I drank too much, too often. In retrospect, I realize that I always had the personality traits that could lead to addiction.

**CPT D:** To what "personality traits" are you referring?

**Andy A:** I was always a perfectionist, an overachiever, overly sensitive, highly competitive, compulsive, shy, uncom-

fortable in crowds, never content with things as they were, and so on.

**CPT D:** How did you know you were an alcoholic?

**Andy A:** My father and two of my aunts were alcoholic so I was familiar with the disease. As a teenager, I had a feeling deep inside of me that I was a lot like my father. As I started to experiment with drinking, I found that I liked drinking more than my high school friends liked drinking. When I went away to college, I found some new friends who enjoyed drinking as much as I did. I could always handle my drinking better than my friends and I showed fewer signs of intoxication even when I drank more than they did. I was a weekend drinker and never got into trouble legally or academically.

After I completed college and joined the Army I found that my personal military lifestyle was conducive to my personal drinking lifestyle and I continued my drinking routine. I received four promotions in six years so despite my excessive drinking patterns, I did

well in the service. I never missed work and was never late.

However, my personal life was beginning to show signs of deterioration. I was intolerant and impatient with myself and others. I found that I was not doing the things I wanted to do and was doing the things I did not want to do. Something in my life was not right. However, I did not think that drinking was a problem.

**CPT D:** It sounds as though drinking has not affected your military career.

**Andy A:** Correct. As far as the military is concerned, they have no knowledge of my drinking background. I've been sober—without a drink—for almost five years now. Although I was an active drinker when I joined the military, I did not recognize my alcoholism until further on in my military career.

**CPT D:** What if a person reading this article is concerned about his or her drinking. Perhaps they think they may have a drinking problem. What would you suggest?

**Andy A:** Alcoholism is a disease of denial. The mind of the alcoholic continually tells him or her that he or she is not an alcoholic. Therefore, the barrier of denial needs to be broken.

If you think you may have a drinking problem or if you even have a desire to stop drinking, you may wish to learn more about alcoholism by attending some Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. The Oahu AA Central Office phone number is 946-1438 and they will be happy to assist you in locating a nearby, convenient meeting. Meetings are free and you are under no obligation. Anonymity is observed and nobody needs to know about your attendance at a meeting.

If you have doubts about your drinking, try a meeting. It may be the best thing you've ever done for yourself.

There are various treatment centers that are available. Look in the yellow pages under "Alcohol Abuse and Addiction Information Centers." Or see me, Capt. DeVor, in G-1 for further information on military counseling and treatment centers.

# Air Guard dedicates new facilities

The 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (CAMS), Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG), dedicated two new facilities at Hickam Air Force Base, Aug. 4. The Munitions Maintenance and Storage Facilities dedication was followed immediately by the Composite Avionics and

Weapons Release Facility dedication.

The traditional untying of the maile lei was led by Brig. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general. Dr. Edward Kealanahale delivered the invocation and benediction. Maj. Stanley Osserman Jr., Hawaii Air National Guard,

served as master of ceremonies.

Funded by the Pacific Air Forces, the Munitions Maintenance and Storage Facilities provide maintenance space for air intercept missiles, associated ground equipment and precision measuring equipment. The \$4.25 million facilities house 11

full-time and 41 drill-status HIANG maintenance personnel.

The Avionics and Weapons Release Facility was built to fulfill new mission requirements resulting from the HIANG's conversion from the F-4C Phantom to the F-15A/B Eagle. The new building houses 77 full-time and

193 drill-status Guard personnel. The cost of the building and parking lot is \$3.9 million.

The mission of the 154th CAMS is to provide trained, qualified personnel in the maintenance of aircraft, munitions, aerospace ground equipment and allied equipment assigned to

the 154th Composite Group. The squadron is responsible for all on and off equipment maintenance for the HIANG's 26 F-15A/B Eagles, one C-130H aircraft, and supporting equipment and missiles. The 154th CAMS also supports other contingency operations.

## Tactical hospital completes training in Michigan

By Staff Sgt. Gayle Sakamoto

154th Tactical Hospital

Forty-seven members of the 154th Tactical Hospital took part in the unit's first medical mobility training, May 10-26. The unit deployed to Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base in Alpena, Mich., and discovered that being in the National Guard truly is an adventure.

The deployment, which involved both academic and hands-on experience, fulfilled medical readiness training requirements for the unit's wartime mission and trained unit personnel in the second echelon (2E) concept of military medical care. The training focused on enhanced readiness capabilities and improved performance effectiveness for wartime and peacetime missions in support of the Pacific Air Force and Hawaii Air National Guard.

The highlights of the training mission were the field exercise

and erection of a 2E facility configuration. Members retrieved and treated casualties under different situations and guarded the facility's perimeter against aggressors. The unit practiced triage (separating patients according to the severity of their wounds) and treated patients in temper tents. The ultimate test was the performance of medical tasks with the full chemical warfare ground crew ensemble in a simulated chemical environment.

The unit also completed a challenging litter obstacle course. Tac Hospital members carried patients on stretchers across rocky and hilly terrain, sometimes carrying the litters overhead or while crawling. Members were ordered to hit the ground during simulated fire.

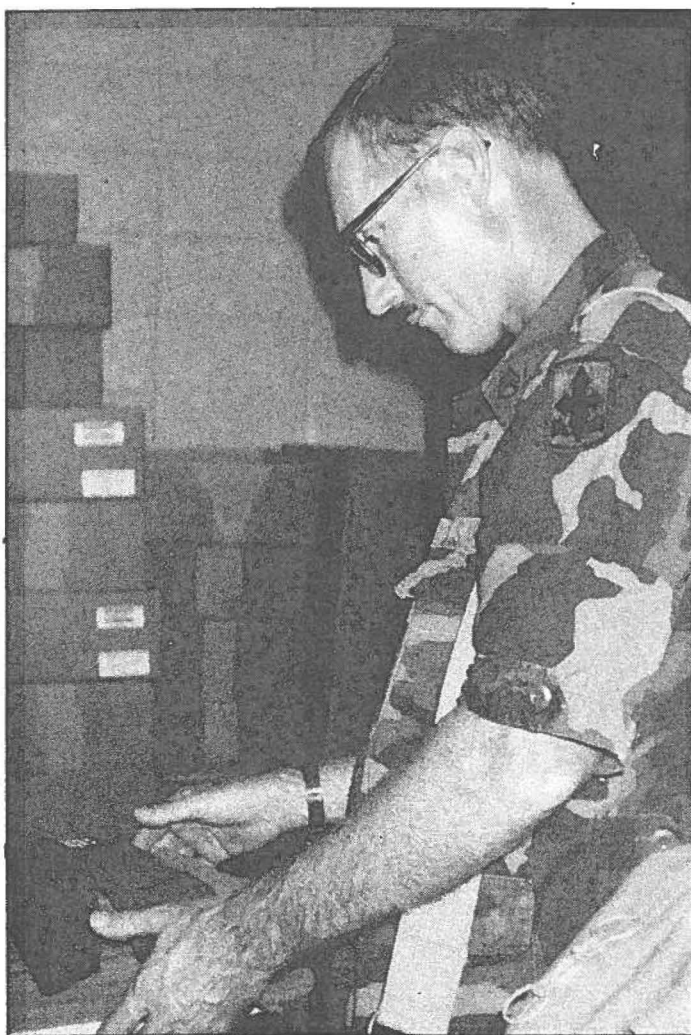
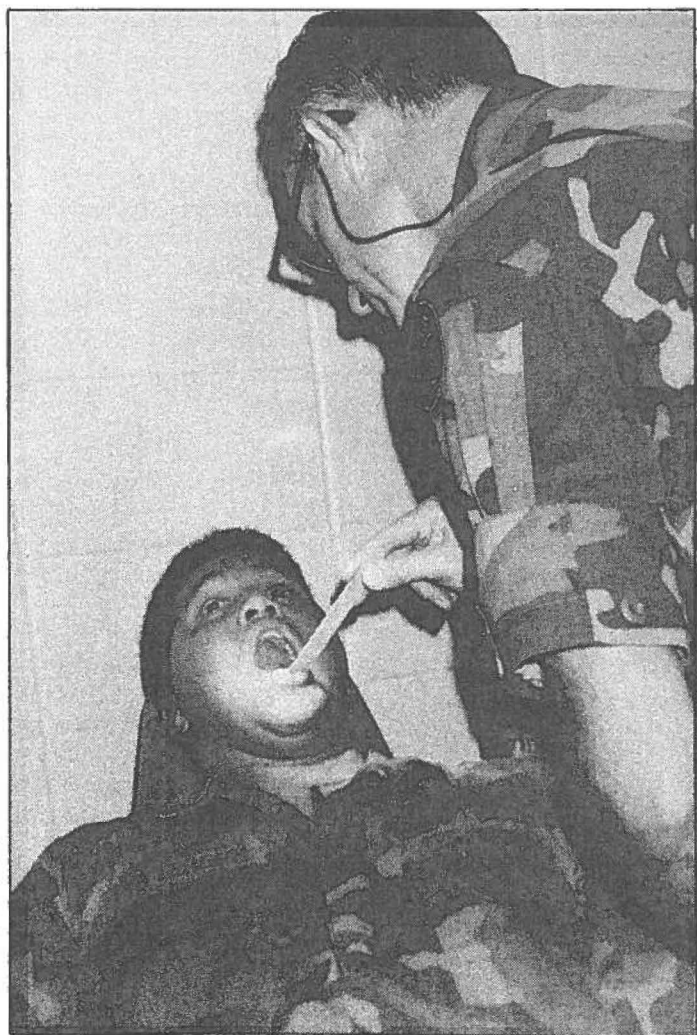
In addition to hands-on training, unit personnel received classroom training in the Geneva Convention, field sanitation and combat stress.

Supplementing the unit were three service technicians from the 154th Tactical Control Squadron, Kekaha, Kauai. Led by Staff Sgt. Mike Akama, Staff Sgt. Oscar Sagucio and Airman 1st Class Steve Carvalho prepared outstanding meals throughout the deployment and were greatly appreciated by the Tac Hospital personnel and local mess hall staff alike. The three prepared Island-style delicacies whenever possible.

At the request of a base instructor, Tech. Sgts. Ronald Babb and Alan Yoneshige agreed to speak with the instructor's daughter and her fourth grade classmates at nearby Hillman Community School. The elementary students had recently studied Hawaii and were enthralled by Babb's brief presentation and question and answer session. Photographer Yoneshige gave macadamia nut candies and treats as well as educational material to the children.



Tech. Sgt. Alan Yoneshige  
Maj. Patrick Nam prepares to move "patient" Senior Airman Kimberly Shinsato during a vehicle rapid extraction training session.



### Saudi Arabia — Continued from page 1

Spec. Matthew R. Patterson has his teeth checked by a dentist and Staff Sgt. Robert D. Mumby is issued towels, socks, and other supplies at Fort Dix, N.J.

### Composite Group goes to Red Flag

By Sgt. Wayne Acosta

154th Composite Group

In late June, the 154th Composite Group participated in exercise Red Flag, at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. Red Flag is a tactical air command (TAC) activity which conducts tactical training for all branches of the U.S. military. The exercise evaluated the 154th's deployment capabilities and provided pilots the opportunity to employ combat tactics, techniques and procedures in a realistic threat environment.

The two-week deployment involved eight F-15A Eagles which were supported by two KC-10 tankers, 17 officers, 75 enlisted personnel and equipment.

Red Flag gave the group an opportunity to operate over a large land mass with high, irregular terrain and the radar considerations in such an environment. The training is designed to improve pilot and air weapons director capabilities in a large land area. The Nellis AFB Electronic Warfare Range exposed the 154th COMPG pilots to surface to air threat of simulated hostile areas. Pilots received initial evaluations and were subsequently stepped through increasing threat levels to culminate in a comprehensive final evaluation.

# Hawaii Guard conducts annual training exercises

By Sgt. Margaret P. Tulleo and 2nd Lt. Sivale Talaeai

More than 2,000 Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) soldiers deployed to the Big Island, Washington and Thailand this summer to complete two weeks of military training. The annual exercises test the Guard's ability to mobilize, deploy and conduct field training.

Annual training at the Big Island's Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) commenced July 20. Joining Oahu's 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) and 29th Support Battalion and the Big Island's 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, this year was a 60-member Australian Army Reserve unit.

A four-day field training exercise comprised the final phase of training. The soldiers worked, ate and slept in the field, enduring the area's typically dusty, craggy terrain and extreme temperature changes.

The weather posed a special challenge for the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Weather Flight, whose forecasts can affect the success of an air or ground operation. At one point, the weather flight advised against the brigade's use of simulated chemicals with smoke because of unfavorable wind conditions. "The wind is one of the most important weather elements during combat," said meteorologist Master Sgt. Peter D. Spurlin. "It affects flight patterns and artillery fire as well as chemical disbursement."

In all training exercises, the support troops keep the infantry, artillery and aviation units moving, and this year was no exception. "It gets easier each year because of training," said Sgt. Keith R. Perry, 29th Support Battalion maintenance specialist. "It's good to see the younger soldiers out here with their spirits up and morale high. It's (the exercise) a good test of their endurance."

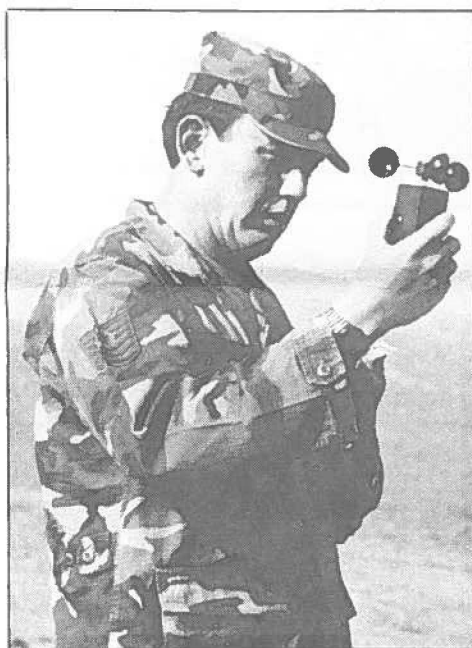
For many of the 600 soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, who went to Fort Lewis, Wash., the trip was their first to the Pacific Northwest. The unit

usually trains at PTA and was last sent to Fort Lewis in 1983.

Some soldiers of the 29th Support Battalion, 227th Engineer Company, and Troop E, 19th Cavalry, joined the battalion at Fort Lewis, as did a Washington Army National Guard tank platoon. (The 1st Battalion also received support from the Oregon Army National Guard, which loaned vehicles to the battalion.) "Readiness is our goal and the 1st Battalion is ready," said Lt. Col. Glen I. Sakagawa, battalion commander.

The troops were visited by Gov. John Waihee, who was in Seattle to attend a National Governors Association meeting and to address the National Convention of Asian American Journalists.

In late spring, seven soldiers from the 117th Public Affairs Detachment deployed to Surat Thani Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand, to participate in Cobra Gold '91, a joint U.S.-Thailand training exercise.



Staff Sgt. Stephen M. Lum  
Master Sgt. Peter D. Spurlin, 199th Weather Flight, Hawaii Air National Guard, uses an anemometer to check wind speed at the Pohakuloa Training Area.



Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto

Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson (right), the state adjutant general; Col. Eugene S. Imai (left), HIARNG commander; and Staff Sgt. Damian K. Depasquale, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery; discuss laser technology at the Pohakuloa Training Area. Gen. Richardson also visited HIARNG soldiers at Fort Lewis, in August.



Pvt. Jack H. Riley, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), sets his Stinger anti-aircraft missile sight on incoming "aircraft."

Sgt. Margaret P. Tulleo



Capt. Edward K. Chun Fat Jr.

Staff Sgt. Randall D. Mau and Sgt. Howard D. Williams, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, show Gov. John Waihee the new SINCGARS radio.



Maj. Bud Bowles

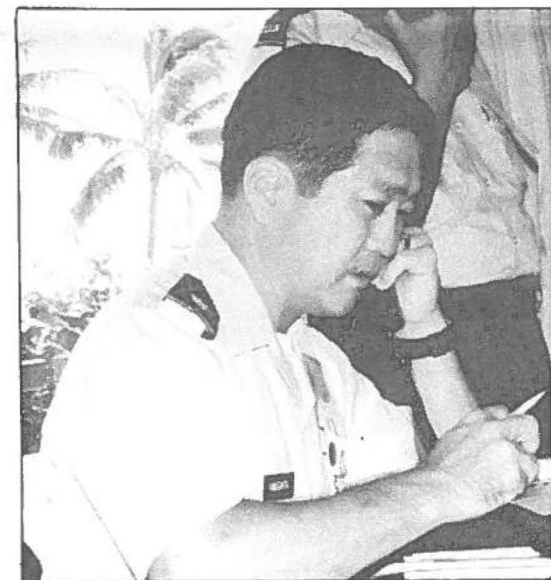
Staff Sgt. Matthew Slayden, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, and Sgt. David Burdon, 12/40 Battalion, Royal Tasmania Regiment, Royal Australian Army, discuss the improvements in the M-16A2 rifle.



Lt. Col. Jerald Aoki, Hawaii '91 conference chair, calls to the stage some of the more than 350 volunteers who worked on the NGAUS conference.



1st Sgt. Bert M. Yanagida and Capt. Jeffrey J. Protacio, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation, view an exhibit during a conference break.



Lt. Col. Walter Y. Kinoshita coordinates travel for distinguished guests. Kinoshita and his staff were responsible for hundreds of distinguished visitors during the conference.

Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan (right), chief of staff of the Army, receives a Kukailimoku tiki from Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general.



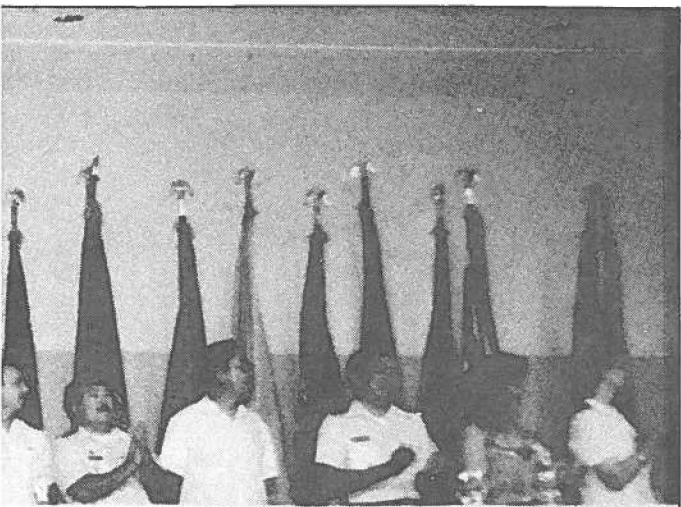
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# HAWAII '91

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| Lt. Col. Jerald Aoki, Conference Co-Chair                            | Maj. Gervin Miyamoto, Security                                | Maj. Stanley Osserman, Public Affairs                           |
| Lt. Col. Don Arakaki, NGAUS President and Conference Co-Chair        | Lt. Col. Walter Kinoshita, Distinguished Guests               | Lt. Col. Clarence Fukumoto, Governor's Reception                |
| Col. (Ret.) Bob Perry, Conference Co-Chair                           | Lt. Col. Ed Chung-Hoon, Audio Visual                          | Lt. Col. Freddie Esperanza, States Dinner and VIP Reception     |
| Lt. Col. Jiro Arakaki, Administration                                | Col. Michael Rawlins, Food Service                            | Lt. Col. Judy Fadrowsky and Mrs. Bernee Hall, Family Activities |
| 1st Lt. Randy Tom, Registration                                      | Lt. Col. Wayson Wong, Legal Affairs                           | Maj. Spencer Mukai, Ground Transportation                       |
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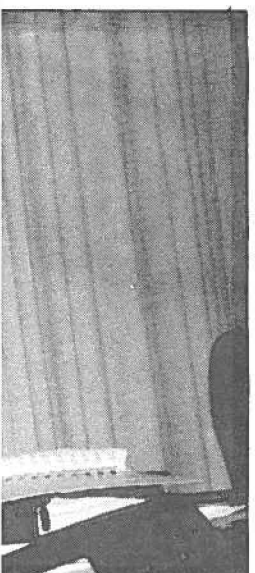


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Maj. Gen. Robert F. Ensslin Jr. (right), NGAUS president, presents the Harry S. Truman Award, NGAUS' highest award, to U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye. The presentation was the highlight of the All States Dinner held on the last night of the conference.

Photos for the NGAUS conference were shot by Maj. Stan Osserman, Tech Sgt. Wayne Pontes, and Sgt. Francis Shen, Hawaii Air National Guard; 2nd Lt. Steve C. Lai, Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha, Staff Sgt. Dennis Y. Fujii, Sgt. Jennifer Horimoto, Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi, Sgt. Wayne T. Miyata, and Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto, 117th Public Affairs Detachment, Hawaii Army National Guard; and Michelle Ai-Chang and Stephen M. Lum, State DOD Public Affairs Office.



U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye addresses the conference attendees.



Enjoy the All States Dinner, Sept. 6.

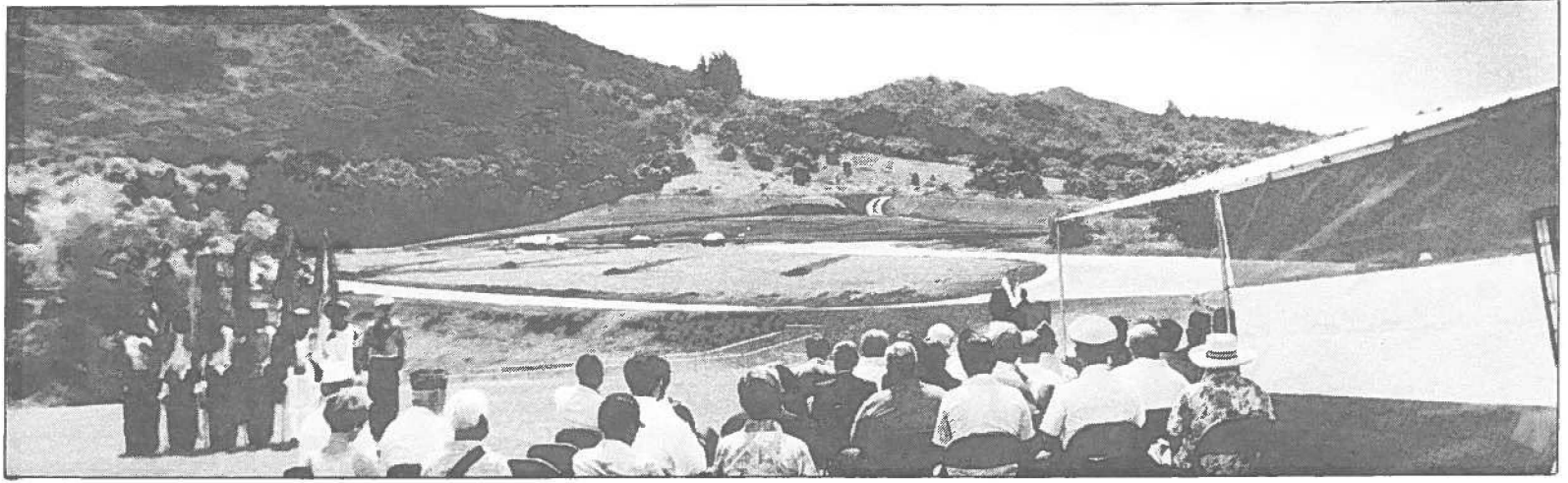
# OVS Office of Veterans Services

## Veterans cemetery opens in Kaneohe

A ribbon cutting ceremony to officially open the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery (HSVC) in Kaneohe was held July 31.

Governor John Waihee delivered the keynote address and led the traditional untying of the maile lei. Allen B. Clark, National Cemetery Systems director, represented the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The Royal Hawaiian Band provided music throughout the ceremony. An invocation and Hawaiian purification ceremony were followed by the consecration of the burial grounds by ministers of four churches.

Located at 45-349 Kamehameha Highway, the cemetery is being constructed in four phases. When completed in 1993, the cemetery will accommodate approximately 72,500 body burial plots, 6,000 garden urn niches, and 3,800 urn niches for cremated remains. It occupies 90 acres of state land next to the Hawaiian Memorial Park. An adjoining 33-acre parcel has been set aside for future expansion. The VA has agreed to pay 50 percent of the project's estimated

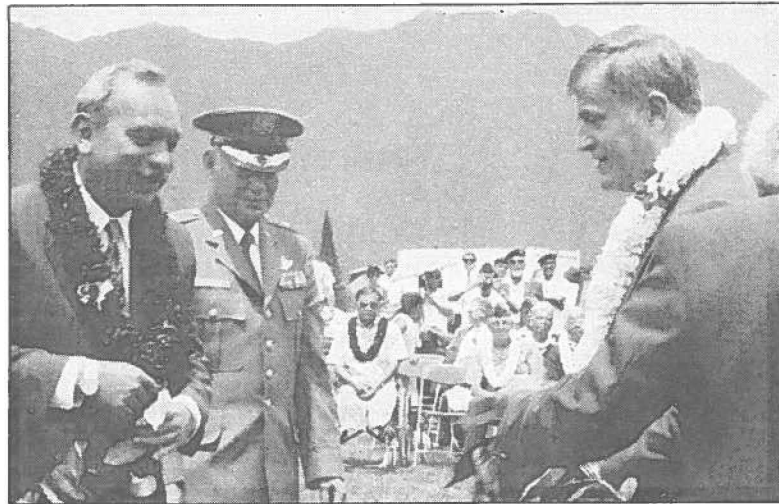


An unfinished section of the cemetery provides the backdrop for the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery opening ceremony, July 31.

cost of \$25 million.

The primary purpose of the cemetery is to ensure that all eligible veterans in Hawaii, their families and their widows or widowers are provided an appropriate burial place after Aug. 1, when the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl) reached its maximum capacity for first-time ground interments.

The first casket burials at the new cemetery took place Aug. 1.



Gov. John Waihee; Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the state adjutant general; Allen B. Clark, National Cemetery Systems director; and Larry Lee, Office of Veterans Services director, untie the maile lei to officially open the cemetery.

## Community Service

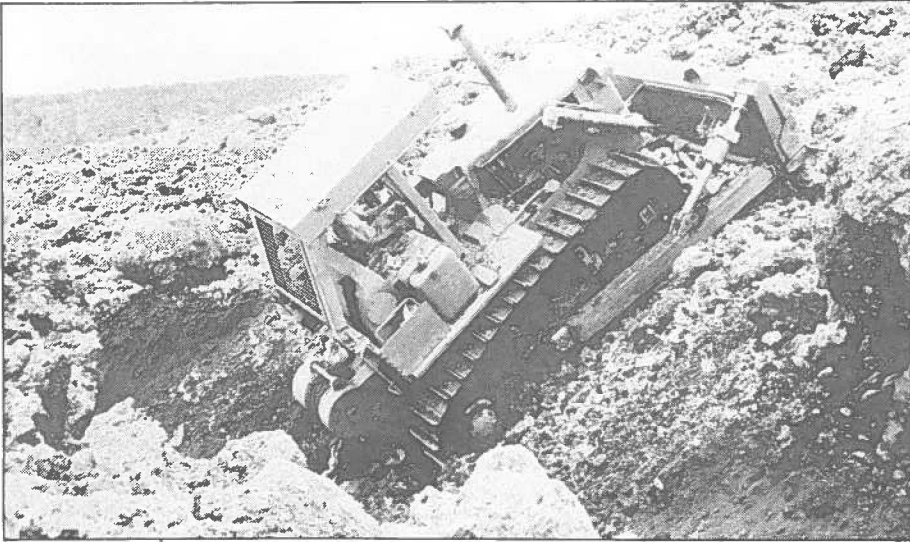
### Engineers complete two environmental projects

By Capt. Curtis H. Matsushige

In 1984, Pele let down a strand of her hair, covering part of Mauna Loa's Tree Planting Road with rough 'a'a lava. Seven years later, the 227th Engineer Company was called upon to reconnect the road which had been separated in two by the goddess' once-fiery locks.

"The significance of Tree Planting Road is that it connects Saddle Road and Stainback Highway — a paved road on the higher slopes of Mauna Loa," said Capt. Arthur J. Logan, company commander. "Without this access road, the hunters and forestry people would have to travel to Hilo to get on Stainback Highway." According to Rodney Oshiro, Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) forester, "The National Guard engineers are doing a job we haven't had time and equipment to address."

Road construction began about 2 1/2 miles in from Saddle Road, where the access road was met by a 20-foot wall of lava. Staff Sgt. Alton N. Lalawai, a heavy equipment squad leader and 27-ton D7G bulldozer operator, carved a "V" into the lava to get atop the flow. (The crumbly nature of 'a'a lava precluded the use of explosives, ac-



Capt. Curtis H. Matsushige

Staff Sgt. Alton N. Lalawai, 227th Engineer Company, presses his 27-ton D7G bulldozer through the craggy lava on the Big Island's Tree Planting Road.

ording to the unit's maintenance officer, Warrant Officer Paul N. Kahunahana.) Lalawai then scraped off the loose surface lava and shoveled the rubble over the side to create a ramp up from the road. By the end of the day, Spec. David K. Fuller was able to drive a second bulldozer up the ramp onto the crusty rock.

Upon visiting the site two days later, Logan was surprised at the progress the engineers had made — after all, the project had been estimated to take eight days. Working in tandem, the team of Lalawai and Fuller had rough

cut a .9 mile road over jagged lava in two days. "They are doing a fabulous job," said an amazed Logan. Initially skeptical on how well the bulldozers would perform on the lava, DLNR's Oshiro was equally impressed with the outcome. When asked to respond to their comments, Lalawai said, "We don't talk much, but we do the job."

Back on the island of Oahu, thirty members of the 298th Engineer Detachment took on the task of replacing worn playground equipment at the Hono-



Shawn Tasaka

Sgt. Walters K. Miranda, 298th Engineer Detachment, and daughter, Marla, test the newly-installed playground equipment at Honolulu Stadium Park.

lulu Stadium Park.

Located in a high-density residential area, the Honolulu Stadium Park is popular with residents of all ages. The original playground equipment, erected when the park was built ten years ago, had become worn from heavy use.

Under a scorching Hawaiian sun, the soldiers began by fencing off the work site and removing the dilapidated playground equipment. They then installed new, prefabricated equipment and additional sand to

make the "tot lot" safer for its young users.

And although the park users will be the primary beneficiaries of the project, the engineers also gained something from the experience. As the project neared completion, some soldiers brought their children to play on the new equipment. Supervisor Sgt. Kenneth K. Kaaina said, "The guys really got into it."

"It felt good doing something in the community," said Kaaina. "The neighbors even brought sodas for us."



# People



Correa

## Correa appointed deputy to HIARNG commander

Col. Edward Correa Jr., has been appointed to serve in a full-time capacity as the deputy to the Hawaii Army National Guard commander, Col. Eugene S. Imai. Imai announced the appointment, and noted, "The leadership team of the HIARNG is now complete." Correa will continue to hold his drill-status position as commander of Troop Command.

## Communications Group and Squadron change commanders

Lt. Col. Jeffrey H. Okazaki assumed command of the Hawaii Air National Guard's (HIANG) 201st Combat Communications Group (201st CCGP), Aug. 4. Okazaki replaced Col. Melvin C. Morris, who was reassigned as the deputy commander for maintenance, 154th Composite Group.

Morris commanded the 201st since 1990. He enlisted in the Guard in 1957 while a junior in high school and attained the rank of master sergeant before receiving a direct commission in 1967. In his new position, Morris will exercise command and control over a consolidated aircraft maintenance squadron and functional control over the ground communications-electronics maintenance activities of two aircraft control and warning squadrons and a tactical control squadron.

A Chaminade University graduate, Morris is married to the former Brenda Brilhante and has three children.



Okazaki

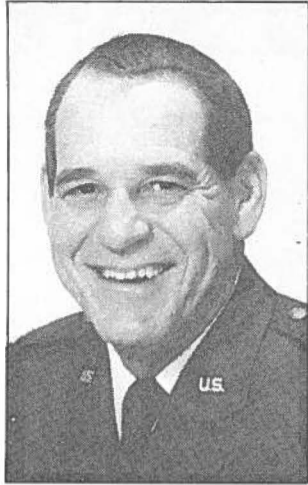
Okazaki entered active duty in 1967, serving with various units at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas, and Okinawa, Japan. He joined the Hawaii Air National Guard in 1971 and was first assigned to the Communications Group as a maintenance officer. He later served with other combat communications units at Hickam Air Force Base and Wailuku, Maui. Most recently, Okazaki commanded the 293rd Combat Communications Squadron.

Okazaki works full-time as the civilian personnel officer for the Department of the Army at Fort Shafter. He has bachelor and master degrees from the University of Hawaii and has completed post-graduate work in educational psychology. He is married to the former Frances Murao and has three children.

## New assistant chiefs of staff appointed

Col. Lawrence W.J. Siu retired as the assistant chief of staff for personnel, G-1, July 30. Siu received his commission through the University of Hawaii ROTC program and has worked in the G-1 office since the mid 1970s. Known for starting his meetings with a joke or humorous prop, Siu looks forward to retirement and plans to take refresher courses in art. He and his wife, Sandy, have four daughters.

Col. Clarence M. Agena has been appointed to replace Siu. Agena leaves the 29th Brigade, where he served as deputy commander. Agena grew up on Maui



Morris



Esperanza

and received his commission from the University of Hawaii. He served with the 25th Infantry Division in three Vietnam campaigns before joining the Guard in 1971.

Agena will be assisted by deputy Lt. Col. Noburo Kon, former S-2/S-3 (intelligence and training) for Troop Command. Born and raised on the Big Island, Kon received his commission from the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla.

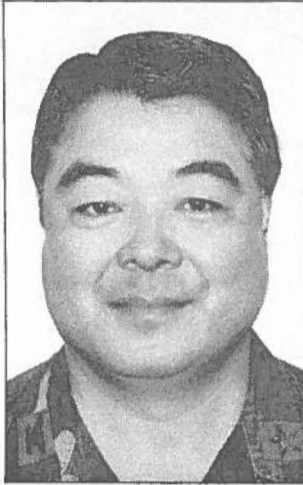
Kon replaces Lt. Col. Freddie Esperanza, who was appointed as the state family program coordinator. A dedicated family man, Esperanza is committed to the program and is happy to see that the number of family support groups is growing. His oldest son, Boisse, recently enlisted in the Guard and is with HIARNG's medical company.

Col. Horace S. Hara will be replacing Col. Robert A. Broderick as assistant chief of staff for logistics, G-4. Hara was previously the assistant chief of staff for training and operations, G-3. He is the principal of Laupahoehoe High and Elementary School.

Broderick, a former commander of the 297th Supply and Service Bat-



Castellano



Hara

talion, is transferring to the Inactive Ready Reserve. He has served with Guard units on Oahu, Maui and the Big Island, and is employed as the general service manager for Pacific Machinery. He and his wife, Peggy, have three daughters and a son.

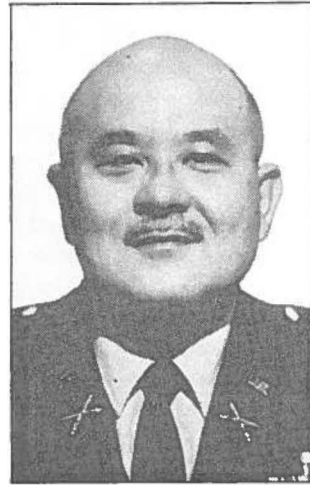
## Big Island infantry unit command change hands

**By Specs. Jan T. Tanimoto and Jonathan M. Shiroma**

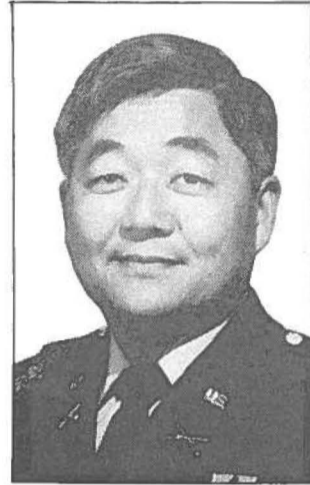
Lt. Col. Delbert M. Nishimoto handed over the Hawaii Army National Guard's, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, command to Maj. Wayne T. Nishijima at the Keaukaha Military Reservation in Hilo, Aug. 2.

A graduate of Laupahoehoe High School and a native of Ninole, Nishimoto will become the chief plans officer for the Hawaii Army National Guard's Headquarters, State Area Command.

A highly decorated soldier, he served in Vietnam from May 1968 to June 1969. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement



Agena



Nishijima

Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Hour Glass Device, Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, Army Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, Hawaii National Guard Service Medal with 25-year service bar, Hawaii Army National Guard 1968 Federal Service Ribbon, Hawaii National Guard Active Duty Ribbon, and the Hawaii National Guard Active Duty Training Ribbon.

Formerly the training and operations officer for the 2nd Battalion, Nishijima will assume command of more than 500 soldiers in the infantry battalion.

A full-time plant pathologist at the University of Hawaii Manoa extension in Hilo, Nishijima is a native of Lahaina, Maui, and graduated from Lahainaluna High School.

## Rodrigues receives Adjutant General's award

Congratulations to Dorothy H. Rodrigues, this year's recipient of the Adjutant General's award for distinguished state



Kon



Rodrigues

service. Rodrigues is a clerk-typist for the HIARNG's 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, on Maui.

Capt. Michael L. Tarpley, Rodrigues' supervisor, describes her as "the ideal State employee."

Because of her efforts, the 1st Battalion was the first battalion-size unit in the HIARNG to achieve a 100% completion status of officer evaluation report submission for training year 1991. And when the battalion was behind schedule in updating its tactical standard operational procedures (SOP), Rodrigues voluntarily typed three-fourths of the document herself. She has also been heavily involved with the American Lung Association's Superkids and Guard family support program since the two programs began on Maui. She is credited with founding the annual 1/299th Infantry Family Support Group Infantry Ball, which attracts more than 250 active, Reserve and National Guard personnel. As if this wasn't enough, Rodrigues also serves as co-editor of the battalion newsletter.

The award was not the first for Rodrigues, who has received three sustained superior service awards during her 23-year career with the state. Keep up the good work!

# Combos, Air Guard softball champs

**By Chief Master Sgt. Cornwall Matsusaka**

An early loss to the 150th Kokee Eagles forced the 154th to slug their way back through seven games in two days to claim the 1991 HIANG State Tournament, July 21-22. The Combos beat runner-up 154th Resource Management Squadron for the championship and finished with a 6-1 record.

The Combos controlled the game from the start, taking an early 4-0 lead and continuing to blast their way to a 10-2 victory. Fine pitching by Edwin Chung-Hoon, Gaylen Redoble and manager Wayne Soma contributed to the Com-

bos' winning performance. Neil Gima was the game's leading hitter with 4-4. Other members of the winning team were Melvin Asai, Larry Kaleinamoku, Billy Ramos, Karl Kaneshiro, Cornwall Matsusaka, Troy Hill, Dave Adams, Scott Duffield, Joe Kruse, Dave Franks, Ben Ormita and Ramon "Butch" Del Castillo.

The Combos, along with the teams from the 154th Resource Management Squadron, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, 291st Combat Communications Squadron and 201st Combat Communications Group, will go on to compete against seven Hawaii Army



**HIANG State Tournament Champs — 154th Combos, front, left to right: Ben Ormita, Wayne Soma (manager), Dave Adams, Joe Kruse, Cornwall Matsusaka, and Neil Gima; back: Troy Hill, Karl Kaneshiro, Scott Duffield, Ramon Del Castillo, Larry Kaleinamoku, Billy Ramos, Edwin Chun-Hoon, and Sandra Nakano; not pictured: Mel Asai, Dave Franks, and Gaylen Redoble.**

National Guard teams in the Hawaii National Guard Tournament at Hickam Air Force Base, Oct. 12-14.

Sponsored by Hilo's 291st Combat Communications Squadron, the eight-team, double elimination tournament was a

fun time for players, family members and spectators alike. A special mahalo to chairman Chief Master Sgt. George

Ah Chong, coordinator Ken Enoki, and their hardworking committee members for sharing their "Big Island hospitality."

## Family Action Program

# Conference stresses family interaction

"Learning, Relating and Working Together the Family Way," was the theme of this year's Family Support Groups (FSG) conference, Sept. 28-29. More than 215 people attended the conference, which was organized by Lt. Col. Freddie Esperanza, state family program coordinator. Attendees included FSG members, unit commanders and spouses/guests.

The highlight of Saturday morning was a panel discussion focusing on the lessons learned from Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. The panel included family center directors, educators and military family members.

Maj. Gen. Richardson, the state adjutant general, was the featured luncheon speaker. He was followed by a two-hour training session on conflict and motivation. Capping the first day of activities was a keynote address by retired Marine Col. Orson Swindle III, a former Vietnam prisoner of war.

Breakout sessions on benefits, fundraising, health issues, newsletters and group activities were held on Sunday morning. Before ending the conference, Esperanza recognized Deanna DeMello, 1990-91 state volunteer representative, for her outstanding support of the Guard's family program. DeMello, in turn, introduced this year's volunteer representative, Linda Nagai.

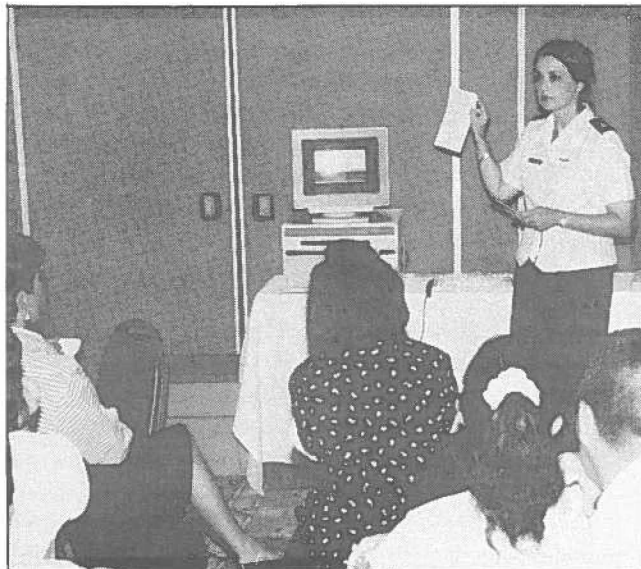


Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

**Family support group conferees participate in a discussion on some of the lessons learned during Operation Desert Storm.**



**Linda Nagai**  
1991-92 State Volunteer Representative



Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto

**Lt. Col. Judy Fadrowsky, 154th Tactical Hospital, discusses health issues during a breakout session.**



Staff Sgt. Stephen M. Lum

**Sgt. William Rose and his wife, Gloria, learn how to put together a family newsletter.**

**Hui Laulima**  
"Family of Helping Hands"

# Awards

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

**Distinguished Service Medal:**

Brig. Gen. Kenji Sumida, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

**Legion of Merit:**

Col. Lawrence W.J. Siu, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

**Meritorious Service Medal:**

Col. Clarence M. Agena, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Lt. Col. Noburu Kon, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3), Troop Command

Lt. Col. Norman M.W. Pang, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3), Troop Command

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Clayton H. Mitsui, Headquarters Detachment, Headquarters, State Area Command

Sgt. 1st Class Harold H. Arakawa, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3), Troop Command

Sgt. 1st Class Hiroyuki Tahara, Company A (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Hillary Atai Sr., Headquarters and Headquarters Company (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha, 117th Public Affairs Detachment

Sgt. 1st Class Harold S. Shimabukuro, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command

**Hawaii National Guard Medal for Merit:**

Col. Robert A. Broderick, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Col. Robert M. Watanabe, Detachment 3, Headquarters, State Area Command

1st Lt. Paul Darryl, 451st Aviation Detachment

Chief Warrant Officer Gary M. Matthews, Range Company, Puuloa Rifle Range, Headquarters & Service Battalion

Staff Sgt. Steven J. Santiago, Company C (-Det. 1), 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

**Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal:**

Col. Calvin Lau, Headquarters, IX Corps (Aug), U.S. Army Reserve

Master Sgt. Stanford M. Dobashi, 154th Composite Group

Sgt. Shawn H. Tsuha, Troop E, 19th Cavalry

Spec. Steven P.K. Higa, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Mr. Craig Y. Fukuda, Department of Transportation

Ms. Paula Z. Helfrich, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii

Ms. Gael P. Mustapha, Department of Education

Mr. Hector H. Venegas, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii

**Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster):**

Maj. James S. Cavaco Jr., Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

**Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster):**

Lt. Col. Gregg K. Kakesako, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Lt. Col. Walter Y. Kinoshita, Headquarters, State Area Command

Maj. Gary M. Hara, Detachment 1, Headquarters, State Area Command, Troop Command

Maj. Nelson K. Tanaka, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Capt. Robert E. Freeburg Jr., Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation



**Distinguished Service Medal recipient Brig. Gen. Kenji Sumida and his wife, Kathleen, thanked the Hawaii Guard for making his tour of duty a memorable one.**

Capt. Roland K.Y. Shim Jr., Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

1st Sgt. Joseph H. Viveiros, Headquarters Detachment, Headquarters, State Area Command

Master Sgt. Arnold R. Galacia, Detachment 2, Headquarters, State Area Command

Sgt. 1st Class Harry C. Miller Jr., Detachment 2, Headquarters, State Area Command

Spec. Brandon R. Cabanilla, Headquarters & Headquarters Company (-Det. 1), 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Spec. Lee A.K. Contrades, Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Pfc. Edward L. Correa III, Headquarters & Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery

Pfc. Charles J.K. Johnston, Detachment 1, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

**Army Achievement Medal:**

Maj. Alan S. Igarashi, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Capt. Clarence J. Gunderson Jr., Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

1st Lt. Sharon Borkowski, Detachment 2, Headquarters, State Area Command

Staff Sgt. Keith A. Enanoria, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Lester S.Y. Lau, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1, 2, & 3)

Sgt. Dwayne D. Collins, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Support Battalion

Sgt. Harold J. Morales, 451st Aviation Detachment

Sgt. Anthony J. Sarroca, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Sgt. Jeffrey K. Yamamoto, 451st Aviation Detachment

Spec. Jun P. Kataoka, 451st Aviation Detachment

Spec. Clayton R. Perreira, 451st Aviation Detachment

Pfc. Troy J. Ritchie, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

**Army Good Conduct Medal (Fifth Award):**

Master Sgt. Wayne C.K. Lewis, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

**Army Good Conduct Medal (Fourth Award):**

Master Sgt. Wayne C.K. Lewis, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Master Sgt. Robert T. Nishioka, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Staff Sgt. Albert Domingo, Headquarters & Headquarters Company (-Det. 1), 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

**Army Good Conduct Medal (Third Award):**

Master Sgt. Wayne C.K. Lewis, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Master Sgt. Aloysius L. Witzell, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Sgt. 1st Class Alfredo Nebre Jr., Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Sgt. 1st Class William K. Panui Jr., Troop E, 19th Cavalry

Sgt. 1st Class James E. Yap, Headquarters & Headquarters Company (-Det. 1), 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Gary G. Bernhardt, 227th Engineer Company

Staff Sgt. Jose M. Feliciano-Crespo, 227th Engineer Company

Staff Sgt. Randall D. Mau, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, (-Det. 1), 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Tulafale Tulafale, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Sgt. Dennis M. Shimabuku, 227th Engineer Company

**Army Good Conduct Medal (Second Award):**

Master Sgt. Wayne C.K. Lewis, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Master Sgt. Aloysius L. Witzell, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Sgt. 1st Class Kurtis T. Mabe, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Sgt. 1st Class Alfredo Nebre Jr., Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Donald Craig, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Staff Sgt. Gordon K. Doo, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1 & 2) attached to Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Jose M. Feliciano-Crespo, 227th Engineer Company

Staff Sgt. Michael J. Machado, Troop E, 19th Cavalry

Sgt. Daniel Mendes, 129th Signal Detachment

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Staff Sgt. Gordon K. Doo, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Dets. 1 & 2) attached to Company B, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Staff Sgt. Melelini Fiso, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Sgt. Mark M. Delacruz, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.)

Sgt. Warren L. Faurot, 227th Engineer Company

Sgt. Parker K. Kaneakua Jr., 129th Signal Detachment

Sgt. Russell S. Nakahara, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Sgt. Mario T. Tabaquin, Headquarters & Service Company, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation

Spec. John K. Gerard, 227th Engineer Company

Spec. Warren T. Kaetsu, 227th Engineer Company

**Air Force Commendation Medal:**

Maj. Roy H. Cornella, 291st Combat Communications Squadron

**Air Force Achievement Medal (First Oak Cluster):**

Senior Master Sgt. David L. Leynes, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron

**Air Force Achievement Medal:**

Staff Sgt. Frederico L. Corpuz, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron

Staff Sgt. Ryan L. Kawamoto, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron

**Hawaii National Guard Service Medal:**

Master Sgt. Steven S. Kamaura, 154th Mission Support Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Kenneth K. Takushi, 154th Mission Support Squadron

# Recruiting & Retention

## Frequency manager vacancy

By Lt. Col. Jiro D. Arakaki

The 201st Combat Communications Group (CCGP) is now accepting applications for a communications systems electromagnetic spectrum management technician—more commonly known as a frequency manager. This vacancy represents an exciting opportunity for an individual looking for an interesting new career. The frequency man-

ager's duties and responsibilities include:

- Planning high frequency (HF) radio systems using propagation data obtained through manual and computer-assisted means;
- Recommending antenna types for optimal HF system performance;
- Analyzing radio link deficiencies and recommending corrective action to improve system performance and intersystem compatibility;
- Analyzing requirements and request frequencies for terrestrial

and space systems;

- Coordinating radio, radar and other electromagnetic radiating or receiving requirements with Air Force and other spectrum management activities;
- Engineering frequency complements to determine compatibility with the requirements of other users, considering transmitter and receiver specifications, antenna characteristics, and modes of radio wave propagation.
- 5-skill level or higher in 116X0, 492X1 or 30XXX specialty, exclud-

ing 305XX and 306XX;

- Secret security clearance;
- Rank of staff sergeant (E-5) or higher;
- Mandatory Air Force Regulation 39-1 qualification requirements for this specialty include:
  - Completion of the 12-week interservice radio frequency management course at Keesler Air Force Base. The school provides training in radio propagation factors, including the effects of antenna design, power, type of emission, frequency and terrain; and

national, international and military rules and regulations governing use of spectrum frequencies.

The position is in the 201st CCGP's operations division, where the incumbent will work closely with the tactical engineer in designing, testing and operating high frequency, wideband microwave and satcom radio systems.

Interested applicants should contact Master Sgt. Elmer Looney, Maj. Barry Castellano or Lt. Col. Jiro Arakaki, at 449-3825.

## Tanker Squadron signs first recruit

Airman Basic Kenneth Miike, 23, was sworn in July 27, as the first new member of the 154th Air Refueling Squadron. The 1985 Mililani High School graduate will begin basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, in December. Following basic training, he will train as a crew chief at Chanute AFB, Ill.

The squadron will be the home of the Hawaii Air National Guard's KC-135R Stratotanker aircraft.

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## DEA helicopter crashes during Operation Wipeout mission

A Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) pilot died and three other persons were injured when the DEA chopper they were riding in crashed near Honokaa on the Big Island, Aug. 14. The four men were on a routine "spotting" mission for Operation Wipeout, the marijuana eradication program sponsored by the state's Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). The three survivors included a DLNR representative, a Kauai policeman and Big Island National Guard soldier, Spec. Patrick Kawewehi. All three were taken to the Honokaa Hospital where Kawewehi was treated and released.

The cause of the 2 p.m. crash is under investigation. Witnesses say the Bokow 105S twin-engine helicopter appeared to lose power before it went down on a Honokaa Plantation airstrip.

## Funds available for morale and welfare activities

Looking for money to help pay for family day activities? How about a sponsor for that sports tournament? You say you're tired of collecting fees and selling the same old chili and sweetbread tickets? Well, don't despair because help may be on the way.

Funds received by the Scheduled Airline Ticket Office (SATO) from promotional rebates are now available to fund activities

which promote the morale and welfare of Hawaii National Guard members, DOD employees, and their families. The leisure travel rebate fund, LTRF, is for activities, supplies and services for which federal, state or other tax-supported funding are not normally available. Examples include softball and basketball tournaments and supplies for unit family days.

Request for funding should be made through normal command channels.

The request is then forwarded to Lt. Col. Vern Miyagi, fund administrator, of the U.S. Property and Fiscal Office. Miyagi then submits the requests to a fund council for approval or disapproval.

## Promotion rules to major tightened

Beginning Oct. 1, 1993, reserve component promotion to major will be restricted to captains who have completed the RC Combined Arms and Services Staff School (RC-CAS3). Current rules restrict promotion to captains who have completed the officer advanced course (AOC). The new requirement will require completion of both AOC and RC-CAS3 before enrollment in the Command and General Staff College course.

RC-CAS3 will be offered in two phases. Phase I will be correspondence studies; phase 2 will be resident instruction by either an Army Reserve Forces School or the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

## Major Air Force restructuring proposed

Air Force News Service

In a move that rivals the founding of the Air Force in 1947, three major commands will be combined into two as the Air Force continues to assess its requirements in terms of contribution to global missions. Air Force Secretary Donald B. Rice announced plans Sept. 17 to restructure the tactical air command (TAC), strategic air command (SAC) and the military airlift command (MAC) into two new commands — one to provide worldwide airlift and tanker support and the other to project aerial firepower, where and when needed.

Although the two new commands have yet to be officially named, the Air Force is referring to the pair as the air mobility command and the air combat command. The air mobility command will be assigned global reach missions; deterrence, air superiority and global power taskings will be carried out by the air combat command.

SAC and TAC resources, including fighters, bombers, intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM), reconnaissance aircraft and some transports and tankers, will make up the heart of the air combat command.

Air mobility will include the bulk of airlift assets as well as a considerable portion of the tanker force. Assignment of tankers to the mobility command is based on the tankers' role

of ferrying transports, bombers and fighters over long distances within a short time period, as in the case of the build-up of Operation Desert Shield.

## VA looking for Vietnam Era vets

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is asking for help in identifying all Hawaii veterans of the Vietnam Era.

It needs the information to create the state's first, single registry of Vietnam veterans. The registry is part of the Matsunaga Minority Study, named for the late U.S. Sen. Spark Matsunaga.

The VA is also seeking participants for a study of posttraumatic stress disorder among Vietnam veterans. The project's purpose is to increase understanding of the

disorder and veterans' problems and concerns.

Both studies are being coordinated by Mike Boschaert, program assistant for the Matsunaga Minority Study. Boschaert served multiple tours in Vietnam and was an officer with the Wisconsin and California Army National Guards. Interested persons may contact him at the VA's Medical and Regional Office Center, 541-1550.



Tech. Sgt. Bruce T. Hara Jr.

Lt. Gen. John B. Conaway, chief of the National Guard Bureau, and Maj. Gen. Raymond F. Rees, director of the Army National Guard, visited Kauai's 298th Air Traffic Control Squadron, Sept. 4. Front (left to right): Sgt. Leona LaMadrid, Genevieve Delanoza, Gen. Conaway, Gen. Rees, Tech. Sgt. Claire Olores, Staff Sgt. Frankie Saligumba, Tech. Sgt. Christopher Olores. Back: Senior Master Sgt. Edgar Takabayashi, Lt. Col. Roy Smith (298th ATCF commander), Tech. Sgt. Bruce Hara, Master Sgt. Dennis Umfleet, Tech. Sgt. Alberto Antonio and Mast Sgt. Alfredo Remata.

## 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.

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
HQ, STARC, HIARNG .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
29th Infantry Brigade (Sep.) .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
2nd Bn., 299th Infantry .....	5-6	1-3	7-8
1st Bn., 487th Field Artillery .....	5-6	16-17	7-8
Det. 1, HQ STARC, Troop Command .....	5-6	16-17	7-8
1st Bn., 193rd Aviation .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
451st Aviation Detachment .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
452nd Aviation Detachment .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
154th Composite Group .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
201st Combat Communications Group .....	5-6	2-3	7-8
292nd Combat Communications Squadron .....	19-20	2-3	7-8