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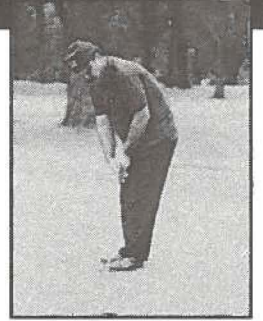
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## Calendar

**November 20, Friday**  
HIANG Awards Banquet, Hickam Officers Club, 6 p.m.

**November 22-28**  
National Week of the Family.

**November 26, Thursday**  
Thanksgiving Day, federal and state holiday.

**December 11, Friday**  
Blood drive, 487th Field Artillery Armory (Gym), 22nd Avenue, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**December 18, Friday**  
DOD Christmas Concert featuring the 111th Army Band, Kauai, time and place to be announced.

**December 19, Saturday**  
Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association Business Meeting and Luau, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery Armory: business meeting, 8:00 a.m.; luau program, 5:00 p.m.

**December 20, Sunday**  
DOD Christmas Concert featuring the 111th Army Band, Neal S. Blaisdell Concert Hall, 7:00 p.m.

**December 25, Friday**  
Christmas Day, federal and state holiday.

## Hawaii National Guard units deploy home

By Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto

The last off-island Hawaii National Guard members assisting in Hurricane Iniki recovery efforts returned home Nov. 6.

Before leaving Kauai, a consolidated team of Guard soldiers and airmen joined Kauai County maintenance crews and the active military in "Operation Final Sweep." Approximately 913 truckloads of debris were collected, including debris from the rivers and streams in Hanalei, Koloa and Anahola. The troops also continued food and supply distribution, temporary roof repair for the elderly and security patrols, from Oct. 1 to Nov. 6.

Twenty-six soldiers remain on Kauai to account for, clean, repair and return equipment to home stations. The soldiers were scheduled to wrap-up their duties by Nov. 20. Two airmen are stationed at the full-service center and the Lihue disaster assistance center. They will remain on active duty until the Federal Emergency Management Agency hires a temporary civilian staff.

More than 400 soldiers and airmen from Hawaii Army and Air National Guard units on Kauai, many of whom suffered severe losses from Hurricane Iniki, will stand down to take care of personal matters.



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

**SQUEAKY CLEAN** - - Staff Sgt. Enrique DeFiesta and Sgt. Melson Naula, 29th Support Battalion, prepare Hawaii Army National Guard vehicles for shipment back to home stations on Oahu, and the Big Island of Hawaii.

### National Guard and Reserve personnel benefits

## VA home loan program expanded to Guard/Reserve

Private home loans guaranteed by the Veterans Administration (VA) will be available to National Guard and Reserve personnel who have served at least six years. The VA loan bill, introduced by Hawaii's U.S. Senators Daniel K. Akaka and Daniel K. Inouye, was signed into law in October. The VA loan program was previously only available for active duty veterans.

The six-year test program would allow personnel to obtain mortgage loans for as much as \$144,000. An additional guaranty entitlement may be secured for a small fee, raising the total

loan to as high as \$184,000.

Eligible Guard and Reserve members would pay a higher origination fee than active duty veterans. The fee would be equal to 2 percent of the total loan amount without a down payment; 1.5 percent with a down payment of at least 5 percent; and 1.25 percent if the borrower makes a down payment of 10 percent or more. The fees for active duty veterans are 1.25, .75, and .50 percent, respectively.

"Despite initial opposition from some of our colleagues, we were able to convince them that the home loan benefit would help retain and attract the best quali-

fied individuals," said Sen. Akaka. "The outstanding performance of Guard and Reserve members during the Gulf War and the downsizing of active military forces also provided powerful supportive arguments. Finally, the fact that this program would actually save the government \$1 million every year gave us a uniquely persuasive advantage."

Akaka estimated that 7,650 Guard and Reserve personnel would be expected to participate in the new program each year. Of Hawaii's 10,000 current Guard and Reserve members, approximately 6,000 would be eligible.

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# Command notes



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

We completed the draw-down of our Hurricane Iniki recovery support on Kauai, Nov. 6. During the final stages of the recovery, we assisted the county by providing security, picking up debris, clearing out stream beds, staffing relief distribution centers and performing other projects. We have now redeployed our equipment and vehicles to their home stations for much needed maintenance. The 400 soldiers and airmen on Kauai are standing down to take care of their personal

affairs. Many of their homes were severely damaged or destroyed, yet they worked tirelessly alongside their fellow National Guard members to help their neighbors and communities.

It has been a demanding ten weeks for the entire department, starting before Hurricane Iniki hit, Sept. 11. We have been able to maintain a hectic pace because of the professionalism, dedication and commitment of our people. Our performance during the emergency response and recovery support phases was outstanding. Operation Iniki can go down in history as one of the most successful operations of its kind. We were successful because we worked at it. We planned, trained, exercised and executed our operating procedures to near perfection. However, things were not perfect, and we are now critiquing ourselves to make the operation run even more smoothly if and when we have to handle a situation like Hurricane Iniki again.

Although we are far from closing out Operation Iniki, as the stacks of paperwork and detailed accounting process continues, we need to again focus on the challenges we faced before the hurricane. Force struc-

ture issues, the military draw-down, defense spending cuts, compliance inspections and unit performance evaluations are still critical issues for the entire National Guard. Since our last issue of the *pupukahi*, we have elected a new President and a number of new members of Congress. As you know, reviving the economy through decreased spending on military defense will take center stage as we begin the new year. It is incumbent on all of us to maintain our vigil, continue to improve our readiness and validate the mission capabilities of our units through outstanding performance.

The 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) went through an Inspector General evaluation last month. The inspectors were impressed by our soldiers' efforts. Brigade units showed improvement in all areas, with special recognition in maintenance and mess operations. We will be working hard throughout this training year to surpass our previous standards.

The Hawaii Air National Guard's 201st Combat Communications Group is undergoing its unit effectiveness inspection, and the 154th Composite

Group will start its operational readiness inspection next month. Both units have traditionally done an outstanding job. However, Hurricane Iniki and the ongoing preparations to activate the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron have posed some unique challenges for the Hawaii Air National Guard this year. It is very important that we refocus our efforts and regain the momentum lost because of these challenges. I know that our people will put forth the effort to not only succeed, but to excel in all areas.

November 22-28 is National Week of the Family. The week is set aside to recognize the important roles our loved ones play in our lives and work. I want to especially thank our Family Support Groups, key persons and all family members for the many contributions you have made to our department throughout the year. We cannot do our jobs nor accomplish our goals without your help. All of our families are indispensable partners in our effort to make the State Department of Defense a better place to work, play and prosper.

The 111th Army Band did an outstanding job during recent per-

formances in Fiji and Papua New Guinea. It will perform its popular Christmas concert on Kauai, Dec. 18 and on Oahu, Dec. 20. It is my sincere wish for the entire State DOD family to get together to enjoy the fellowship, count our blessings, and celebrate our many successes throughout the year.

In closing, I want to express my deepest regret over the deaths of Maj. Gen. Kenneth W. Himsel, deputy commanding general for reserve components at FORSCOM, and seven Alaska Army National Guard members in a C-12 crash, Nov. 12. We worked very closely with three of the deceased, Brig. Gen. Thomas C. Carroll, commander, Alaska Army National Guard; Col. Wilfried E. Wood, director of plans, training and mobilization; and Col. Thomas W. Clark, state aviation officer, on many important initiatives. We have a very warm relationship with the Alaska National Guard and they have provided tremendous support to our state, especially during Hurricane Iniki. Our hearts go out to the families, friends and colleagues of these soldiers. They will be sorely missed.

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### 111th Army Band "returns" to Papua New Guinea

By Michelle A. Yu

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's arrival at Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG), on Nov. 6, 1942, marked a significant turning point in World War II. By moving his headquarters north from Australia, the general made it clear that Japanese advancement in the Pacific had come to an end

and it was the Allies who were on the move.

Fifty years later, the Hawaii National Guard's 111th Army Band "returned" to the island nation, Nov. 2-8, as part of Operation Remembrance.

The band played in four joint performances with the 50-member Papua New Guinea Constabulary Band. (In PNG, police officers are

called *constables*.) The highlight of the trip was the Nov. 6 memorial service at Bomana War Cemetery, where local and visiting clergy prayed for those who died in the war. Dignitaries attending the ceremony included Lt. Gen. Johnnie H. Corns, commander of the U.S. Army Pacific, American veterans, and represen-

tatives from neighboring island nations.

On two evenings, a Hawaiian combo comprised of 111th Army Band members performed at the Governor-General's residence and aboard the 7th Fleet's USS Schenectady. The latter marked the band's first performance at sea.

The trip was especially sig-

nificant for band members Spec. Samuel L. Hesch and his sister, Pfc. Linda C. Hesch, because their mother was born in Papua New Guinea. It was the first time either Hesch had visited PNG. The Hesch's were featured in the PNG Post-Courier newspaper and became overnight celebrities.

The 111th Army Band travelled to Papua New Guinea aboard a New Hampshire Air National

Guard KC-135 Stratotanker from the 157th Air Refueling Group. The trip is the second South Pacific deployment for the band, the first being to Fiji and Tuvalu in July.

Many Americans, including World War II veterans and military retirees, are attending and participating in World War II commemoration events being held throughout the Pacific.

**ON DECK --** 111th Army Band musicians entertain on the deck of the U.S.S. Schenectady, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of a World War II battle fought in New Guinea. Performing are (left to right) Sgt. Nolan D. Santa Ana, Staff Sgt. Mark K. Akaka, Sgt. Lambert T.L. Lum, Staff Sgt. Balligui Vinluan, 1st Sgt. Ronald E. Bright, Sgt. 1st Class Melvin N. Miyashiro, Sgt. Donald J. Noguchi, and Sgt. Stuart J. Hayashi.



Sgt. Warren Y. Imada

#### Fund drive for state employees

Cash contributions for State Department of Defense employees affected by Hurricane Iniki are being collected. Many DOD personnel on Kauai were involved with emergency response efforts and are only now starting to rebuild and repair their own homes and property.

Checks should be made payable to *Kauai Economic Opportunity* and have "Hurricane Iniki - State Program" written in the lower left corner. Contributions are tax deductible and should be sent to State of Hawaii Department of Defense, ATTN: HIADMP, 3949 Diamond Head Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96816-4495.

State employees are also able to donate a day of their vacation leave to a fellow state employee who is directly affected by Hurricane Iniki. The state employee Give-A-Day program will provide these workers additional leave time to attend to their recovery, such as repairing/rebuilding homes or filing insurance claims.

For more information, call HIADMP at 732-3944.

#### HIARNG officer candidates

The Hawaii Army National Guard presently has 16 soldiers enrolled in Officer Candidate School. A consolidated phase with Arizona, Utah and New Mexico will be conducted Dec. 5-6.



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# Spotlight

## Guard babies born in hurricane's wake

Story and photo by  
Lt. Col. Gregg Kakesako

Headquarters, State Area Command

For two Army National Guard soldiers from the Big Island's 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hurricane Iniki was not just another storm. Spec. Wilbert Kahoonei of Company D missed the birth of his child because he was serving three weeks of state active duty following the hurricane; Pfc. Vernal S. Carpio of Company C was able to witness the birth of his daughter after requesting emergency leave.

Kahoonei's wife, Darnelle, recalled when her husband's unit was activated for storm relief duty. "He (Wilbert) looked at me and said, 'How can I go when you're pregnant?'"

"But I know that he likes the Guard...in fact, he loves the Guard," she said. "I told him to go; I would be fine. Now I am glad he was able to go and help those who really needed the help."

Kahoonei said his wife helped him pack and told him not to worry

because her mother would assist her. "She (Darnelle) was really supportive," he said. "She backs the Guard 100 percent...she understands."

Hurricane Iniki, the third costliest natural disaster in the nation and the most destructive storm in Hawaii's history, cut off all communications to Kauai for several days. Kahoonei was unable to call his wife until three days later, after his arrival, Sept. 25. His call found her in the Hilo Hospital delivery room. "I got all excited when the nurse said your husband is calling from Kauai. I just wanted to get it over...and when I got to talk to him I told him Baron had arrived. Baron is my father's middle name," she said.

Carpio landed in Lihue several hours after Iniki struck. He was neither prepared for the massive devastation he saw, nor for the three weeks of security detail his company was assigned. That's because Carpio's girlfriend, Kristann Aveiro, was due to give birth Sept. 20.

"Hey, I was told that we would be there five days at 'max,' so I wasn't initially concerned," Carpio said. "I thought I would be back in time to help my girlfriend." When it became apparent the Guard

would be needed for a longer period, Carpio asked to be sent home early. His request was approved, allowing him to be present for his daughter Kawehi's birth, Sept. 26.

Carpio says he was glad to have

helped Garden Isle residents, even if it was only in a small way. "I think we were able to help the police in the Hanalei area since the potential for looting was high...I was glad to be there."



**BABY MAKES THREE**--Spec. Wilbert Kahoonei and his wife, Darnelle, with their three children: Bruce, 4, Brittney, 2, and newborn Baron. Kahoonei is a member of Company D, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, and was helping with hurricane relief efforts on Kauai when Baron was born Sept. 15.

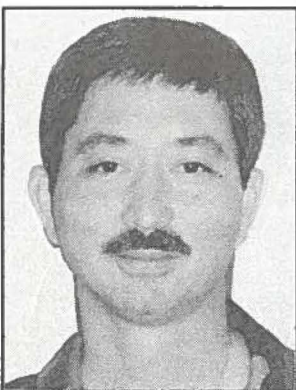
## New command sergeants major for support battalion and military academy

1st Sgts. Thomas N. Suyemoto and Oscar F. Symonds II were promoted to command sergeant major effective Oct. 1.

Suyemoto is the new command sergeant major for the Hawaii Military Academy. He leaves his position as the first sergeant of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate). Suyemoto enlisted in the Guard in 1966 and was activated with the Brigade in 1968. He and his

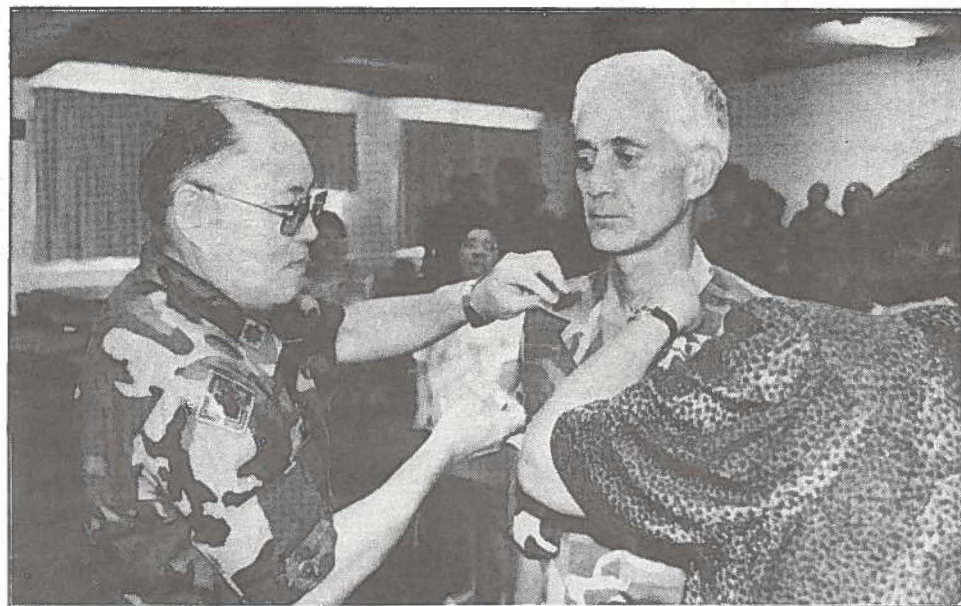
wife, Lelinda, have a daughter, Larissa, 17. Suyemoto works as a field collector at Hawaiian Electric Company.

Symonds has been reassigned as the command sergeant major for the 29th Support Battalion. He served in the Army Reserve before joining the Hawaii National Guard as a staff sergeant in 1975. He and his wife, Sally, have twin sons, Terence and Darryl, 25, and a daughter Denice, 22. Symonds is the



Suyemoto

state manager of supply operations at GTE Hawaiian Telephone Company.



Command Sgt. Maj. Oscar F. Symonds II (center) is pinned by his wife, Sally and Lt. Col. Chester Saito, commander of the 29th Support Battalion, at the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) headquarters, Nov. 8.

## Do you know a State DOD retiree who is not receiving the pupukahi?

Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general, would like all Department of Defense retirees to receive the pupukahi at their home address.

If you know of a retiree who is not receiving a copy of the twice-quarterly publication, have them contact their respective personnel offices:

**Retired soldiers:** G-1 (Personnel), Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG), 737-6744 or 737-8439

**Retired airmen:** Military Personnel Management Officer, Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG), 732-2341

**Retired federal employees:** Supervisor Personnel Management Specialist, Support Personnel Management Office (SPMO), 737-8962

**Retired state employees:** State Personnel Office (HIADMP), 732-3944 or 735-8675



# Office of Veterans Services

## Veterans Day Commemorated

By Nancy S. Williams

Veterans Day ceremonies were held for the first time at the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery (HSVC) on Oahu, Nov. 11. During the ceremony, the names of Hawaii's service members who were killed or missing in action were read to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. The HSVC ceremony also included posting of the flags of Hawaii's veterans organizations, and a keynote address by Lt. Gen. Allen K. Ono (U.S. Army retired).

Earlier in the day, F-15 fighters of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Fighter Squadron flew in a "missing man" formation over the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), where hun-

dreds had gathered for the annual massing of the colors ceremony.

The Big Island Veterans Association sponsored ceremonies at the Hawaii County Veterans Cemetery and a lunch at the University of Hawaii - Hilo. The ceremonies included posting of the colors and a "salute to the dead" by soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry; and addresses by Hawaii County Mayor Lorraine R. Inouye and Brig. Gen. Myles M. Nakatsu, deputy adjutant general, State of Hawaii Department of Defense. Gen. Nakatsu also spoke at the luncheon.

The Maui Veterans of Foreign Wars held their awards banquet during the evening of Nov. 11.

In the wake of Hurricane Iniki, ceremonies on Kauai were limited to a sunrise service Nov. 8.



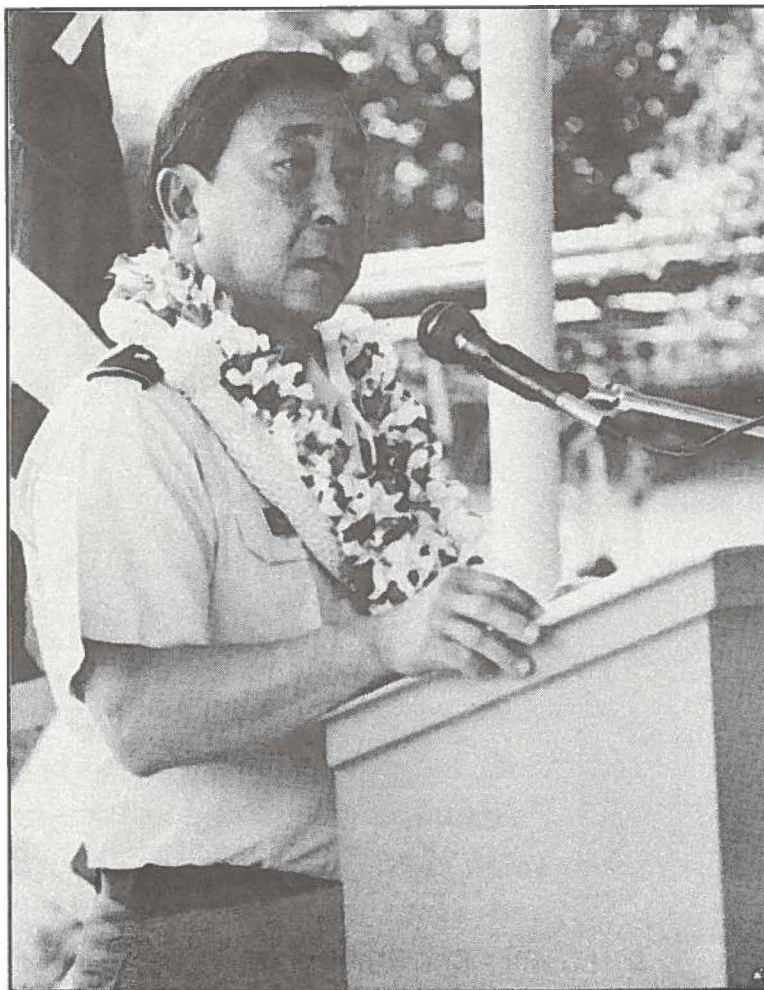
Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto

**AWAITING ORDERS** -- A Color Guard from 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry stands at parade rest prior to the ceremony conducted at the Hawaii County Veterans Cemetery in Hilo.

**PROUD TO BE AMERICANS** -- (right) Representatives from 15 of Hawaii's veterans organizations await the command to post their colors at the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery flag plaza. The ceremony was the first Veterans Day commemoration held at the cemetery in Kaneohe, Oahu.



**BIG ISLAND-BORN GENERAL** -- Brig. Gen. Myles M. Nakatsu addresses a gathering at the Hawaii County Veterans Cemetery in Hilo sponsored by the Big Island Veterans Association, Nov. 11.



Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto



**SALUTING THE COLORS** -- John Utley (far right) and Carswell Ross (second of Foreign Wars and American Legion members) in a salute on Veterans Day.



**VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCES** -- A Big Island woman places flowers near her father-in-law's headstone at the Hawaii County Veterans Cemetery in Hilo.

Spec. Jan T. Tanimoto



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**CHRISTMAS JOY FOR KAUAI** -- Sanford "Sandy" Kodama of the New Jersey AMVETS, Post 16, and his wife, Ann, display some of the 300 pounds of toys collected by the chapter to help young victims of Hurricane Iniki.

## Hurricane relief: mainland veterans help Kauai's kids

More than 300 pounds of toys donated for young victims of Hurricane Iniki arrived on Kauai Nov. 6. The toys were collected by members of the American Veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam (AMVETS) Post 16, New Jersey, in a toy drive organized by member Sanford "Sandy" Kodama and his wife, Ann.

When hearing of Hurricane Iniki's effect on Kauai, Kodama, who was born and raised on Oahu, realized that the island would be in a particularly difficult situation because of the delay and expense involved in shipping supplies. He knew that the adults would receive help but wondered about the children.

The Kodamas initially planned to carry the toys as excess luggage on their yearly trip to Hawaii. The response was so great, however, that this plan soon became unworkable, and they were faced with raising the money for shipping. After being turned down by several air carriers, the American Legion came through with a donation covering nearly all of the cost. They also received donations from individuals.

In Kauai, the toys were turned over to the Veterans Wives Auxiliary for gift-wrapping and distribution during a Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Luau sponsored by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 right) of the Office of Veterans Services join Veterans 1 Kaneohe, Oahu.

# Hawaii Army National Guard



Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Imai  
Commander, HIARNG

As we come off a most successful operation to support the people of Kauai following the destructive Hurricane Iniki, we in the Hawaii Army National Guard must focus inward again on the basic building blocks which set the foundation for a strong HIARNG. It is clear to me that we have a very solid foundation of commitment, training, professionalism, and overall quality based on the outstanding performance demonstrated on Kauai. We nevertheless must continually strive to make the HIARNG even better.

We need to continually strive to meet and exceed all standards set for the HIARNG whether it's in the

training, mobilization, administration or logistics area. I'd like to spend some time on this issue, discussing one of these standards -- the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program (ADAPCP). To have an effectively trained force, ready to fight or perform disaster relief missions when called upon, it is absolutely essential that soldiers of the HIARNG be drug free. Your life and the lives of your fellow soldiers cannot be jeopardized because the judgment and reaction of a drug abuser is impaired at a critical time.

A drug testing program, as required by Army and National Guard regulations, has been recently started in the HIARNG. Its purpose is to prevent and deter drug abuse in the HIARNG and is focused on maintaining a combat-ready force and ensuring the safety and fitness of all of our soldiers. This program is already in effect for all aviators and other personnel in selected aviation MOS's. Our strong emphasis in the HIARNG will be on prevention. **Everyone, however, must be very clear on two things:** the test is very effective in detecting the presence of illegal drugs in



Capt. Curtis H. Matsushige

Pfc. Theodore H. Padua, personnel records clerk with 12th Personnel Service Company, is presented an impact award by Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Imai, Hawaii Army National Guard commander. Padua's input during the commander's conference impressed the general.

your body; and once found, the consequences are severe.

Drug testing will be conducted on a random basis for all M-day, AGR, or technician soldiers. This means that **everyone has an equal chance of being selected to be tested.** Soldiers with positive drug test results will be administratively processed in the following manner:

- Soldiers in the rank of sergeant and above and all soldiers with three (3) years or more of total military service, regular or reserve, who test positive will be processed for discharge.

- Soldiers in the rank of private to corporal with less than three (3)

years of total military service who test positive will be referred to their commanders for discharge or rehabilitation.

- Officers and warrant officers who test positive will have their federal recognition withdrawn and be separated.

If you have a drug problem and want to clean yourself out, I urge you to take advantage of the "Limited Use Policy." This program requires you to enroll in a professional rehabilitation program and to provide your command with documentation certifying your enrollment and satisfactory progress. If you do this before your unit is

tested, you will be placed in a deferred category and not be subjected to the normal random testing. Once your unit is selected for urinalysis testing and the tester arrives at your unit, use of the "Limited Use Policy" will no longer be possible.

Drug testing is here to stay. Be assured that if you are a drug abuser, you will be detected, and severe administrative action will be taken. I urge you, if you are in this category, to seek counsel and take action to enter a rehabilitation program. Our goal is to ensure that all of our soldiers perform in a safe, drug-free environment.

# Hawaii Air National Guard



Brig. Gen. Allen M. Mizumoto  
Commander, HIANG

In the previous issue of the *pupukahi*, Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson expressed his heartfelt appreciation to the entire State Department of Defense family for their outstanding performance before, during and after Iniki.

In this article, I would like to add my personal appreciation to the entire Hawaii Air National Guard family for the outstanding support you gave to the response and recovery operations on Kauai. Your performance was superb and your contributions made a direct impact on the amazing recovery efforts that are going on to return the people of Kauai to some semblance of normalcy.

The whole operation was a team effort that included individuals from every HIANG unit. Both the 150th and 169th Aircraft Control

and Warning Squadrons provided invaluable radar information on the location, speed and direction of Iniki as it approached our islands. Members of the 201st Combat Communications Group were part of the first forces to land on Kauai with communications equipment and generators to provide power to the water system pumps. This effort was even supported by members of Kauai's 298th Air Traffic Control Flight, many of whom suffered extensive damage to their own homes.

The first full unit in the HIANG to be activated was the 154th Services Flight with augmentation from the 154th Civil Engineering Squadron (CES). They were activated on the night of Sept. 11 and deployed to Kauai the following day to set up a feeding facility. They were followed by the 154th Security Police Flight that was activated and deployed to Kauai on Sept. 14 to provide security at Lihue Airport. On Sept. 18, the 154th CES was activated and deployed to provide various civil engineering services including expert installation of plastic sheeting on the roofs of homes that were damaged by the hurricane. The largest activation took place on Sept. 21 when Col. Michael Tice was designated as the HIANG task force commander for Operation Garden

Sweep. For this enormous operation, we activated the 201st CCGP headquarters, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 154th Resource Management Squadron, 154th Mission Support Squadron, 154th Mission Support Flight, and elements of the 154th Tactical Hospital.

Throughout all these operations, many individuals performed necessary support functions on Oahu to ensure our success on Kauai. And all of this took place while necessary day-to-day functions

were also being performed.

Some 'gee whiz' information includes the fact that our C-130H cargo aircraft was the first to land on Kauai following the hurricane at 7:05 a.m. on Sept. 12 and, along with the six C-130s from the California Air National Guard that arrived the same day, flew 78 sorties, moved 173.5 tons of cargo and carried 1,320 passengers in the first two days of operation. As of Nov. 2, ANG aircraft flew a total of 175 sorties moving 426.7 tons of cargo and carried 2,149 passengers. Air

Guard members processed 1,064 truckloads of debris and trash from the Lihue area during Operation Garden Sweep, and an additional 591 truckloads during Operation Final Sweep.

My hat is off to all of you. You should be very proud of your contribution to the people of Kauai. Your work at the EOCs, airlift coordination center, joint military control center crisis action team, air terminals, etc., was tremendous and definitely made a difference. Again, mahalo nui loa to all of you!



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

GOING HOME - - A Hawaii Air National Guard cargo pallet is prepared for shipping back to Oahu.

# People

The State of Hawaii Department of Defense announces the following personnel changes:

**Sgt. Brian K. Abrigo**, computer systems technician, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron. Abrigo served on active duty before joining the Guard in February of this year. The former Airman of the Quarter was born in Los Angeles and enjoys playing tennis, softball and volleyball in his free time.

**George F. Burnett**, telecommunications officer, State Civil Defense. Burnett served 20 years in the active Army before retiring in 1992. His military awards include three Meritorious Service Medals and five Army Achievement Medals. Burnett and his wife, Helen, have two teenage sons: George and Ernest.

**Adrian Q.S. Chang**, environmental engineer, Engineering Office. Chang has a bachelors degree in environmental engineering from the University of Hawaii. He and his wife, Jeanette, live in Hawaii Kai and have three children: Kristi, Arin and Keri.

**Tech. Sgt. Stephen V. Cid**, inflight refueling superintendent, 203rd Air Refueling Squadron. Cid served on active duty before joining the Guard in September. He was born in the Philippines and is an active community volunteer. He and his wife, Rowena, have

two teenage children.

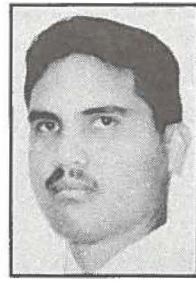
**Sgt. Dawn L. Cool**, military pay clerk, 154th Resource Maintenance Squadron. Cool was born in New York and enjoys cross stitching, gardening and reading in her free time. She and her husband, Norman, have three children: Jacob, Kyle and Courtney.

**Sgt. Jeffrey P. Daog**, electronics computer switching system specialist, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. Daog graduated from Waiakea High School and studied electronics at Honolulu Community College. He has been with the 169th ACWS since joining the Guard in 1987.

**Staff Sgt. Wilbert J. Fermin**, air control technician, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. Born and raised on Kauai, Fermin holds a bachelors degree in social work from the College of Idaho. An avid swimmer, he also enjoys building aircraft rocket models in his spare time.

**Senior Airman Vanessa L.M. Harvey**, demand processing technician, 154th Resource Maintenance Squadron. Harvey lives in Kailua and graduated from Kaiser High School. She joined the Guard in 1989 and likes to go deep sea fishing when she's not at work or drill.

**Wendall K.L. Keliinui**, general laborer, Engineering Office. Keliinui lives in Waimanalo and graduated



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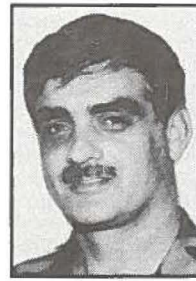
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from Kaiser High School. In his free time, this avid athlete enjoys bike riding, playing basketball and going to the beach.

**Sgt. Steven G. Ledford**, inventory management specialist, 154th Resource Management Squadron. Ledford served on active duty from 1974 to 1987 when he joined the Guard. He was born in New York and earned an associate's degree three years ago while living in Arizona.

**Peter J. Macalma**, general laborer, Engineering Office. Macalma was born and raised in Honolulu. His hobbies include collecting sports cards, rebuilding engines and "four-wheeling." He and his wife, Enette, have a 1 1/2-year-old son, Jordan.

**Thomas T. Moriyasu**,

fiscal officer, Administrative Services Office. Moriyasu was born and raised in Honolulu and graduated from the University of Hawaii. On the weekends he enjoys watching football and baseball and spending time with his wife, Debbie, and their 5-year-old son, Thomas Jr.

**Senior Airman Richard K. Riehn**, command and control technician, 199th Fighter Squadron. Riehn joined the Guard three years ago and was a basic training honors graduate. Born in California, he grew up in leeward Oahu and earned a bachelors degree from the University of Hawaii.

**Sgt. Jason S. Sato**, general purpose vehicle mechanic, 154th Resource Maintenance Squadron. Sato

joined the Guard in 1981 and has an associate's degree in mechanics from Leeward Community College. He and his wife, Lynn, live in Waipahu and have a 3-year-old son, Brandon.

**Tech. Sgt. Paul N. Taketa**, special purpose vehicle mechanic, 154th Resource Maintenance Squadron. Taketa has been a member of the 154th RMS since he joined the Guard more than a decade ago. He has an associate's degree from Leeward Community College and enjoys playing golf in his free time.

**Staff Sgt. Edward M. Tang**, heavy mobile equipment mechanic, 154th Resource Maintenance Squadron. Tang joined the Guard in 1985 and received an associate's degree from Ho-

lolulu Community College three years later. He and his wife, Deborah, have a son, Noah, and daughter, Jessica.

**Senior Airman Ei Jung Yiu**, air traffic assistant, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. Yiu served on active duty from 1985 to 1989, when he joined the Army Guard's 297th Supply and Service Battalion. Born in Hong Kong, he has completed both the airborne and Vulcan repair courses.

**Sgt. Dwayne T. Yoshioka**, aircraft pneumatic system mechanic, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. Yoshioka served on active duty from 1982 to 1986 before joining the Guard. He was born and raised on Kauai and has an associate's degree in electronics.

# Sports

## HIARNG golf tournament played at Leilehua

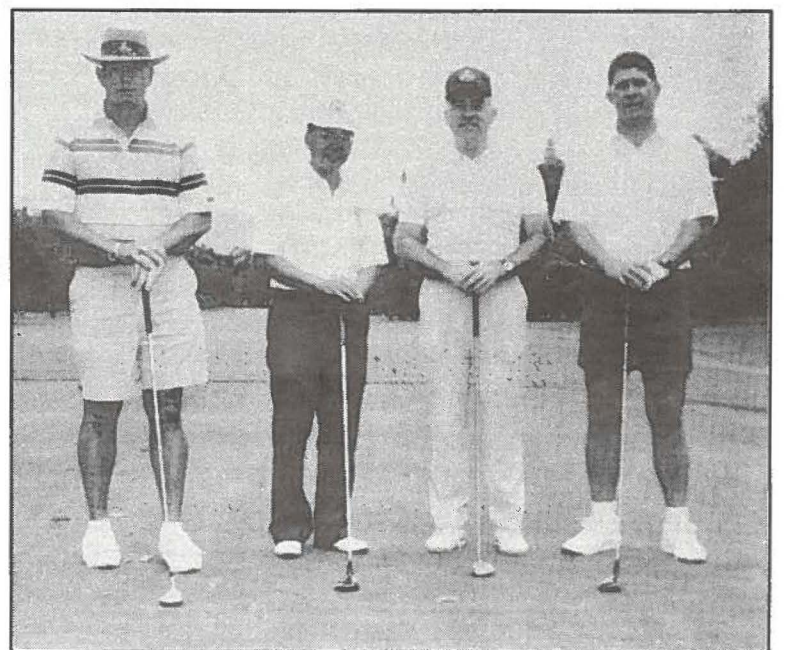
One hundred sixty players teed off at high noon for the second annual Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) Golf Tourna-

ment at Leilehua Golf Course, Nov. 2. Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Imai and Col. Edward L. Correa Jr., commander and deputy com-

mander of the Hawaii Army National Guard, respectively, joined 158 golfers and golfers-at-heart for the friendly competition. In addition to Army Guard members, the players list included active military leaders, Guard retirees and prominent community members.

The big winner of the day was Lt. Col. Glenn I. Sakagawa, operations officer assigned to the 25th Infantry Division. Sakagawa placed first in both individual and team competitions, winning the latter with teammate Capt. Darren Carpenter. Sakagawa shot a net 58 to contribute to a winning team score of net 57.

Tournament coordinator Lt. Col. Emerick Y. Kaneshi and his committee were very pleased with the turnout and the support they received from the local community.



**FIRST TEAM :** (left) Lt. Gen. Harold Fields, deputy commander, Pacific Command; Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Imai, commander, Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG); Col. Edward L. Correa Jr., deputy commander, HIARNG; Lt. Gen. Johnnie Corns, commander, U.S. Army Pacific.

### Golf Tournament Team Results

Place	Name	Score
1st	Lt. Col. Glenn I. Sakagawa Capt. Darren Carpenter	57
2nd	Lt. Gen. Harold Fields Col. Edward L. Correa	58
3rd	Master Sgt. Alan M. Kataoka Staff Sgt. Russell Nakahara	58
4th	Sgt. 1st Class Rodney A. Tomita Sgt. Ronald Yi	58
5th	Jon Kawashibara Julie Sarroca	59
6th	Sgt. Maj. Les Yoshimura Master Sgt. Charles Tasaka	59
7th	P. Pasha Baker Harold Tonda	60
8th	Chief Warrant Officer Stan Komata Sgt. Amy Aguil	60
9th	Jerry Akagi Gen. Fred Weyand	60
10th	Russell Miyake Maj. David Mau	60

# Awards and recognition

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

**Meritorious Service Medal**

Lt. Col. Vern T. Miyagi Headquarters, State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2 & 3)  
Sgt. 1st Class Randolph B. Nakoa, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2 & 3)

**Army Commendation Medal**

Maj. Brigido C. Salinas, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2 & 3) (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Sgt. 1st Class Jose F. Garcia, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2 & 3) (4th Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Sgt. 1st Class Melelini Fiso, 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation  
Sgt. 1st Class Tulafale Tulafale Jr., 1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation  
Sgt. 1st Class Ephriam Lum Jr., Headquarters State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2, & 3)  
Staff Sgt. Ilaisa S. Taito, Headquarters, State Area Command (-Det. 1, 2 & 3)  
Spec. Janis T. Tanimoto, 117th Public Affairs Detachment

**Air Force Commendation Medal**

Senior Master Sgt. Alfredo Canopin, 154th Resource Management Squadron  
Master Sgt. Paul J. Kealoha, Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard

**Air Force Achievement Medal**

Master Sgt. Roy T. Sunaka, 154th Composite Group (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)

Master Sgt. Nobuo Takeno, 154th Composite Group  
Staff Sgt. Reinold T. Butac, 154th Composite Group  
Staff Sgt. Dennis S.C. Hiu, 154th Composite Group  
Staff Sgt. Yolanda M. Kawano, 154th Composite Group (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Senior Airman Lloyd B. Llana, 154th Composite Group

**Hawaii National Guard Medal for Merit**

Hendrick E. Mathias, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operation and Plans, U.S. Army Pacific  
Patrick L. Kawewehi, 452nd Aviation Detachment (posthumous)

**Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal**

Col. Hiroshi Kato, U.S. Army Pacific  
Capt. John C. Self, U.S. Naval Reserve

**Hawaii National Guard Service Medal**

Maj. David C. Snakenburg, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (10-year medal, 15-year bar)  
Tech. Sgt. Antone D. Gabriel, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (10-year medal)  
Tech. Sgt. Stanley C.S. Leong, 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (10-year medal, 20-year bar)  
Tech. Sgt. Francis K. Mahelona Jr., 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (10-year medal, 15-bar)

## Kimura receives Christa McAuliffe Award

Lt. Col. Arthur Kimura of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Composite Group received the Christa McAuliffe Memorial Award at the Aerospace Education Foundation, during the Air Force Association National Convention in Washington, D.C., Sept. 14. The award recognizes a teacher who has emphasized the connection between mathematics and science and the country's need for qualified individuals in aerospace careers.

A Department of Education science teacher for 20 years, Kimura is currently "on loan" to the Office of Space Industry, Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism, as an aerospace education teacher. He



Lt. Col. Arthur Kimura (right) of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Composite Group accepts the Christa McAuliffe Memorial Award from Gerald Hasler, president, Aerospace Education Foundation, at the Air Force Association National Convention in Washington D.C., Sept. 14.

makes presentations to thousands of students, teachers and parents throughout the state. In an interview in Wash-

ington, D.C., Kimura credited his association with Hawaii Air National Guard as being instrumental in allowing him to follow his

dream of using space science as a means to catalyze children's and teachers' interest in science, technology and the future.

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### Military courses rescheduled

Due to Hurricane Iniki efforts on Kauai, the Hawaii Military Academy has rescheduled two of its courses. Battle Staff Course will be conducted Jan. 31-Feb. 12; First Sergeants Course will be Feb. 1-12.

### Advanced officer course changes

Effective Oct. 1, 1992, reserve component (RC) officers must complete the RC Advanced Course through a 2-phase, instead of the current 3-phase, program of instruction.

Some schools, including ordnance and armor, will offer both 2- and 3-phase programs in fiscal year 1993. Due to lack of space, the ordnance school is allowing only officers who have already enrolled in the program to begin the 3-phase advanced course. All new applicants must register for the 2-phase course. Priority

will be given to officers requiring OAC for promotion, then to branch transfers and branch qualification.

The armor school will accept officers who need the 3-phase instruction during fiscal year 1993. Two-phase instruction will begin in March, May and September of next year and be conducted by the active Army's 2nd Squadron, 12th Cavalry. The 3-phase program will be led by the 2075th U.S. Army Reserve (Phase I - May 23 and 30; Phase III - Apr. 18 and May 2).

Other schools, such as finance and infantry, will only offer the 2-phase program. The infantry school recently cancelled its 3-phase program for next year, and officers enrolled in the program should cancel their reservations as soon as possible.

### Exchange privileges

Since 1990, all National Guard members and their

families have had unlimited shopping privileges at U.S. military exchanges. To better inform reservists, retirees and their families on exchange entitlements, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) recently developed "Pass the Word," a comprehensive presentation that provides information on the locations and hours of operation of major AAFES programs.

### Thrift savings plan (TSP) loans

A booklet for Federal employees interested in a thrift savings plan (TSP) loan is available from the Support Personnel Management Office. The booklet contains information such as who may apply for the loan and what the loan may be used for. For more information, call Sandra Hashimoto at 737-8865.

### Medicare and FICA refund checks

Refund checks for FICA and Medicare taxes withheld from cost-of-living allowances (COLA) while employed as a Hawaii Army National Guard technician for calendar years 1988-1991 plus interest earned were distributed on Oct. 22. Persons who have not received their check or have questions should call Grace Gonzales, 735-0341, or Karen Frost, 735-0333.

## Wellness is the key to a healthy lifestyle

Submitted by Capt. Denise DeVor

G-I, HIARNG

The majority of articles on drug and alcohol abuse focus on avoidance of chemical substances. Though essential, the element of "wellness" is also important to keep in mind.

According to a health booklet, "Wellness is more than not being sick. It is a way of life aimed at reducing your risk of serious lifestyle-related diseases." An unhealthy lifestyle may cause life-threatening diseases such as heart disease, cancer, stroke, emphysema and chemical addiction. To maximize your health, recognize your risk factors and take steps to gradually reduce them--one at a time is usually the most permanent method.

1. *Stop smoking.* It's not easy, but 40 million ex-smokers have. Do it--you'll breathe easier for it.
2. *Control blood pressure.* Check your blood pressure every 6-12 months to guarantee early detection and treatment.
3. *Moderate alcohol and use prescription drugs correctly.* Control alcohol before it controls you. Always follow directions for prescribed drugs exactly and then discard as directed.
4. *Manage stress.* Physical and emotional illness result from unmanaged stress, and an overworked soldier may make poor decisions. Slow down and relax.
5. *Eat well.* Control your weight wisely--by eating a high fiber, low fat diet. Eat sensibly and don't crash diet the week before weigh-ins.
6. *Keep fit.* Develop a total fitness program that includes strength building and aerobic exercise. Start gradually and remember to warm up and cool down.

Removing mind-altering substances or other health impairing habits from your life may leave you with a void. Fill the void by incorporating wellness into your life.

## Training Schedule

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.

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
<b>Hawaii Army National Guard</b>			
HQ, STARC, HIARNG	5-6	9-10	6-7
29th Infantry Brigade (Separate)	5-6	9-10	6-7
1st Battalion, 299th Infantry	5-6	9-10	6-7
2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry	5-6	9-10	6-7
A Company	5-6	8-10	6-7
B Company	4-6	8-10	6-7
1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery	5-6	9-10	6-7
29th Support Battalion	5-6	9-10	6-7
Troop Command	5-6	9-10	6-7
452nd Aviation Detachment	5-6	23-24	20-21
1st Battalion, 193rd Aviation	5-6	9-10	20-21
297th Supply and Service Battalion	5-6	9-10	6-7
<b>Hawaii Air National Guard</b>			
HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard	5-6	9-10	6-7
154th Composite Group	5-6	9-10	6-7
201st Combat Communications Group	5-6	9-10	6-7

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