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Calendar

February 16, Monday

Presidents Day, federal and state holiday. Great Aloha Run - DOD needs volunteers.

March 26, Thursday

Kuhio Day, state holiday.

April 10, Friday

Good Friday, state holiday.

April 17-19

Hawaii Army National Guard Volleyball Tournament, Fort Ruger Gym, times to be announced.

April 25-26

Hawaii National Guard Family Program Conference, Turtle Bay Hilton.

May 11-16

Hawaii Military Week, various activities at various locations recognizing contributions of the military.

May 25, Monday

Memorial Day, federal and state holiday. Ceremonies at the National Memorial of the Pacific at Punchbowl and Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery.

June 11, Thursday

Kamehameha Day, state holiday.

Governor, first lady join in festivities at Hawaii Theatre

Hawaii's Guard band celebrates Christmas

By Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum

The adjutant general and the state's first lady were guest performers at this year's Hawaii State Department of Defense Christmas concert *Holiday Curtain Raiser*, held at the historic Hawaii Theatre, Dec. 12 and 13.

The concert featured the Hawaii Army National Guard's 111th Army Band, with retired 1st Sgt. Ronald E. Bright, serving as the master of ceremony.

The *Children's March* was conducted by guest conductor Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson.

First Lady Vicky Cayetano sang the *Casablanca* movie classic song, *As Time Goes By*.

Patricia Lei Anderson Murray, a former Miss Hawaii'i, lent her vocal talents to the singing of the state anthem *Hawai'i Pono'i* and a Hawaiian version of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* and some 1940's favorites. Murray was a performer at the department's end of World War II *Hawai'i Remembers* concert in September 1995.

Also, lending her talents to the concert was the Hawaii



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

FIRST NIGHT STAND — First Lady Vicky Cayetano sings with the 111th Army Band stage band.

Air National Guard's Staff Sgt. Allison Bruce-Maldonado, doing her interpretation of *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*.

The 40-member plus band, under the direction of retiring Chief Warrant Officer Gerald T. Nichols and new bandmas-

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Two artillery radar operators deploy to Bosnia -Herzegovina

By Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum

Hawaii National Guard continues to support the United States military's world peace missions. Two more soldiers have answered the call to serve in Operation JOINT GUARD.

Staff Sgt. Herbert Walker and Sgt. Pelias L. Espinosa Jr., radar operators from Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, are deploying for the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina. They left in early November to join the Battery F (Target Acquisition), 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery, California Army National Guard.

The unit's mission is to detect, locate and identify enemy elements and forces within the higher command's area of interest.

Walker and Espinosa operate a radar system that automatically detects and pinpoints first burst projectile-firing weapons. The system can track and locate multiple targets. Signal and data processors test each object to discriminate and filter out unwanted tar-



Field Artillery magazine features the Q-36 Fire-finder radar being used by the target acquisition units in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

gets, such as aircraft and birds. The data is automatically relayed to the firing batteries to direct counter-

fire. The radar can also track friendly fire. The computers predict impact, registration and relays fire direction adjustments.

Deployments are not new to 53-year-old Walker, who was awarded a Purple Heart during his tour in Vietnam. The Indiana-born soldier resides in Pearl City. His military service began in 1969, when

he enlisted in the U.S Marine Corps. He returned to the states and earned a nursing degree.

In 1984, Walker returned to military service, joining California's 144th Field Artillery. The sergeant transferred to the Hawaii Guard in 1988 and worked full-time as a registered nurse with a local nursing home. The 16-year-veteran said we've had good training; now, its time to put it to the test, to see how things work together.

Espinosa, 31, born in the Philippines, joined the Hawaii Guard in 1982. The Aiea resident is a student at the University of Hawaii, majoring in hospital administration.

He welcomes the challenges of putting his training and experience to a practical test.

The radar operators join public affairs Sgt. Curtis H. Matsushige, who is in Germany, in the (up to) 270 day tour of duty for Operation JOINT GUARD. Matsushige, 44, a science teacher on leave from Campbell High School, has been deployed since July. He is attached to the 134th Public Affairs Detachment, Alaska Army National Guard. The Alaska unit is back-filling the active duty units deployed in the theatre.



Espinosa



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Command Notes



Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson
The Adjutant General

Typhoon Paka smashed into Guam on Dec. 16, causing hundreds of millions of dollars worth of damage and leaving about 1,700 families without adequate shelter. The Hawaii National Guard was quick to respond to our Pacific neighbors in need. Within a few days, a KC-135 from the Hawaii Air National Guard's 203rd Air Refueling Squadron transported active-duty Air Force personnel and members of the 154th Civil Engineer Squadron to Guam to repair shelters at Andersen Air Force Base for victims left homeless by the typhoon. As we

go to print, more than 62,000 pounds of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and American Red Cross disaster relief supplies have been flown to Guam aboard 203rd tankers and 204th Airlift Squadron C-130 aircraft. The Hawaii National Guard stands ready to respond, whenever it's called upon.

The Hawaii National Guard Association (HNGA) is at the forefront of an exciting initiative designed to improve the quality of life for our soldiers and airmen and their families. Through the HNGA, the Hawaii National Guard is reaping dividends for its Family Support and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs. So far, \$22,000 in proceeds from the HNGA's insurance fund have gone into HING unit MWR and Family Support Program accounts. The Hawaii National Guard Federal Credit Union has also contributed to HING MWR programs (see accompanying photo). These funds help pay for the expenses for the HING Christmas concert, the HING sports program, the Na Koa Crime Watch and other HING sponsored activities. Proceeds also go to the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted

Association Scholarship program.

I want to thank everyone who helped make this year's Aloha United Way (AUW) and Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) fund drives complete successes. The department raised \$16,130 for AUW and \$136,344 for the CFC. Both of those figures are record totals for our department.

Our thoughts are with those who are currently serving overseas. Staff Sgt. Herbert Walker and Sgt. Pelias Espinosa, radar operators from Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, are now serving as part of the mul-



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SHARING ALOHA — Jozet Yoshitake, from the Hawaii National Guard Federal Credit Union presents Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general, with a \$2,000 check for deposit to the Family Support Conference account. The general thanks her for the credit union's continuing support of Hawaii Guard activities.

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Air Base, Turkey. Members of the 154th Maintenance Squadron volunteered to support Operation NORTHERN WATCH, the United Nations effort patrolling the northern no-fly zone of Iraq. All of the volunteers are KC-135 guidance and control technicians who temporarily relieved active-duty personnel. They are Master Sgt. William Zambo, Tech. Sgt. Carl Reynolds, Tech. Sgt. Steven Mori, Staff Sgt. Melvin Matsushima and Staff Sgt. Joseph Roache.

By early December, all of the members of the 297th Air Traffic Control Squadron, who deployed to Taszar Air Base, Hungary, had returned to Hawaii. Thirty members of the unit were called to active duty to provide radar approach control and tactical air navigation support at Taszar, the staging point for personnel and cargo destined for Bosnia-Herzegovina. Congratulations to all for a job well done!

Our men and women made significant contributions to our community, state and nation in 1997. My wife, Celia, and I wish all of you and your families the very best throughout the New Year.

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Departmental News

Dental insurance available for Guard soldiers, airmen

A new national dental program for National Guard and Reserve personnel, who are members of the selected reserve, are eligible to enroll as of Oct. 1, 1997. The voluntary, low-cost dental program will provide basic dental benefits to Reservists for less than \$5 per month with up to \$1,000 of dental coverage per year.

Your membership cannot be denied if you have at least one year remaining on your Reserve or Guard commitment.

Dental health is an important factor in determining readiness for deployment. In order to assure this readiness at an attractive monthly cost, DOD is covering 60 percent of the total premium. That means you only pay \$4.36 per month to maintain your dental health and our nation's military preparedness.

Coverage is not for dependents or retirees, but for currently enlisted personnel (officers and enlisted).

Applications were sent to all currently enlisted personnel. For additional applications or information, contact your unit administrator.

More Army golf tee time for reserve

As of Oct. 1, the members and family of the

Hawaii National Guard was given *Category A1* status. This is an upgrade from the *Category B*, of last year and from *Category C* of 1996. What this means to our soldiers is, more tee times are available to the Guard and Reserve soldiers at any of the three courses run by USAG-HI. The three courses are:

- Walter J. Nagorski Memorial Golf Course, Fort Shafter, phone: 438-9587.
- Leilehua Golf Course, Schofield Barracks, phone: 655-4653.
- Kalakaua Golf Course, Schofield Barracks, phone: 655-9833.

So, when can the Hawaii Guard members or family call for tee time reservation?

- Monday thru Friday: 4 days prior, 5 - 6 p.m., by phone or in person.
- Weekends (Sat & Sun): 3 days prior, 6:30 - 8 a.m., by phone only.
- Holidays (federal): 3 days prior, 6:30 - 8 a.m., by phone only.
- Nagorski Course takes tee time from 6 - 6:30 p.m.

Please insure that we follow the rules of the golf courses, to include proper attire, local and PGA rules of golf, and common etiquette of golf. This will insure our new found privileges will not be taken away!

Total Force ID cards go green

Secretary of Defense

William S. Cohen announced the identification (ID) cards for all active and Reserve active status U.S. military personnel will now be the same color - green.

This initiative, which will be phased in over a two- to five-year period that could begin as early as June 1998, calls for changing the color of the Reserve active status forces ID card (DD Form 2 (Reserve)) from red to green. Reserve active status forces include members of the Selected Reserve, Individual Ready Reserve and active Standby Reserve. Only color of the card held by these members of the Reserve components will change; there will be no associated changes to current service benefits, privileges and entitlements.

The change responds to pledge made by Cohen in a recent policy memorandum, calling on civilian and military leadership of the Department of Defense to eliminate *all residual barriers* — structural and cultural to effective integration of the Reserve and active components into a *seamless Total Force*.

New Army physical training standards coming

New standards for the Army physical fitness test

narrow the gap between higher male and lower female performance standards.

Standards are moderately tougher for most soldiers, regardless of gender.

The revised AFPT will take place Oct. 1, 1998, and still consist of sit-ups, push-ups and a 2-mile run.

- New requirements:
- Sit-ups - same number of sit ups for both genders
 - Push-ups - increase minimum for both genders by a few repetitions, relax maximum
 - 2-mile run - make faster minimum running times (except soldiers under 26 years old)
 - Establish new age groups - 52-56, 57-61, 62 plus

See your unit administrator for the new physical fitness standards taking place in Fall 1998.

Healthier life-style: eat sensibly, exercise

First the basics. For optimal health and performance, you should be averaging no more than 30 percent of your total calories as fat each day. More than that, and you increase your risk of an array of health problems—from obesity to heart disease. Further, you should get around 60 percent of your calories from carbohydrates and around 15 percent from protein.

Following are three excellent ways to cut fat from your diet:

- Eat earlier in the day.* Studies found that people who do most of their eating late in the day and at night tend to put on more weight than those who consume most of their calories in the morning and early afternoon.
- Train your taste buds.* We get used to the texture and taste of foods that contain fat and we like it! Fortunately, it's possible to retrain your taste buds to prefer less fat. So, if you're trying to cut fat from your diet

now or plan to do so, be patient with the process. If you stay with it, in just a few month's time, you may start to lose your taste for fat.

c. Eat smarter. Many people think eating healthy foods cost more than eating the typical (i.e., high-fat) American diet. Eating healthily can be less expensive, if you're smart about it.

Editors note: this articles, submitted by Lt. Col. Raymond Jardine Jr., executive officer, 103rd Troop Command and Master Fitness Trainer - will be continued in the next issue of the pupukahi.



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The rains fell but spirits were lifted at this year's Governor's Veterans Day Ceremony

held at the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery in Kaneohe. Gov. Benjamin J. Cayetano and Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson were joined by a host of state and military dignitaries and, most importantly, Hawaii's own honored veterans.

"Veteran's Day allows us to remember the sacrifices that soldiers like the 442nd gave. Despite the problems and obstacles they faced, they gave it their all," said State Rep. Kenny Goodenow. "This is one important message for the young people like us...that despite any obstacles in your way...America still offers many opportunities."

During his keynote address, Cayetano spoke of the nation's and Hawaii's fallen heroes and how their contributions continue to make a difference in the world today.

"Just as we honor our veterans through ceremony and rights, today we must all remember that the preservation of our democratic ideals and our way of life is a task which is never finished," said Cayetano.

The Governor was then joined by U.S. Pacific Commander Adm. Archie Clemins to place a wreath at the base of the cemetery's memorial wall. As the 21-gun salute was rendered, hundreds of those attending the ceremony bowed their heads in respect ... remembering the names, the faces ... and the reason why a day is set aside every year for veterans.

"Veteran's day is a time for remembrance," said 18-year-old Fabian Campbell, a corpsmember of Youth Challenge who attended the ceremony to help in various capacities. "I used to think that it was a day to stay home from school, but now I have a task on this day and I respect veterans more now for

Veterans Day

Hawaii National Guard assists in ceremonies on islands of Kauai, Oahu, Hawaii

the freedom we have."

Korean war veteran Edward Bailey proudly attended the ceremony to remember what his time in the military was all about.

"I know how important it is, we need to stand up and be heard so our rights will not be taken away," said Bailey.

Punchbowl ceremony

Hawaii Air National Guard F-15 Eagles flew a missing-man formation over the National Memorial of the Pacific at Punchbowl, during the traditional morning ceremony.

Kauai Veterans Parade

Meanwhile, on Kauai, Garden Isle residents paid tribute to their veterans during the annual Kauai Veterans Parade.

Held on Nov. 8th, this veteran's tribute is traditionally held a few days before the actual holiday.

Hundreds lined Kuhio Highway through Kapaa for the festive commemorative event.

It opened with a six-member Hawaii National Guard color detail along with the Guard's 111th Army Band, Headquarters State Area Command and 154th Air Control Squadron marching formations. Other highlights included JROTC units, veteran's groups and representatives from both the private and public sector.

"It is a pleasure for us to be on Kauai because it is really a family island and we enjoy being here," said Richardson as he greeted many of those attending the parade.

All in all, no matter what island you were on...Veterans Day was a time of reflection...to remember good times and bad, a time to be proud and a time to be thankful that we made it, but sad that it cost so much.

West Hawaii Veteran's Cemetery

Veteran's on the Big Island's west side got

a special gift this Veteran's Day...as the West Hawaii Veteran's Cemetery was officially dedicated, blessed and opened, Nov. 9.

"In the past, West Hawaii veterans were laid to rest either in private cemeteries or in veterans cemeteries in Hilo, more than a hundred miles away," said General Richardson. "Now, West Hawaii has a veteran's cemetery of its own...here on the slopes of Hualalai, with a panoramic view of the ocean. This cemetery will serve as a fitting resting place for our veterans and their families."

The cemetery is made up of two phases. Phases 1A and 1B have been completed a cost of \$1.6 million dollars. This phase includes an access road from the Queen Kaahumanu Highway, a parking lot, flag poles and one-half acre burial area.

Construction begins for Phase II of the cemetery in mid-1998. It will cost close to 2.2 million dollars and will include a committal shelter, more burial sites and a perimeter road.

The State has provided half of the funds for this project with a matching grant from the Department of Veterans Affairs. "It makes us veterans so happy, it was long awaited," said Alex Tirado of Kailua-Kona. Tirado served in the Korean war and is a member of the American Legion, Post 20.

"It was a complex process, one that involved a number of state, federal and county agencies," said Richardson, "but we are here today because of the unwavering commitment, perseverance, patience and understanding of many people."

On Nov. 15, the first soldier was buried at the cemetery. That soldier was Harry Weise who was a strong advocate for this project.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Contributing to the Veterans Day coverage were Capt. Charles J. Anthony, 2nd Lt. Jeffrey D. Hickman, Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum, Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi, Spc. Vincent Maloney-Cui and Spc. Jonathan M. Shiroma. The graphic in the v-form is of the veterans organization color guards passing the reviewing stand during the Kauai Veterans parade, Nov. 8.

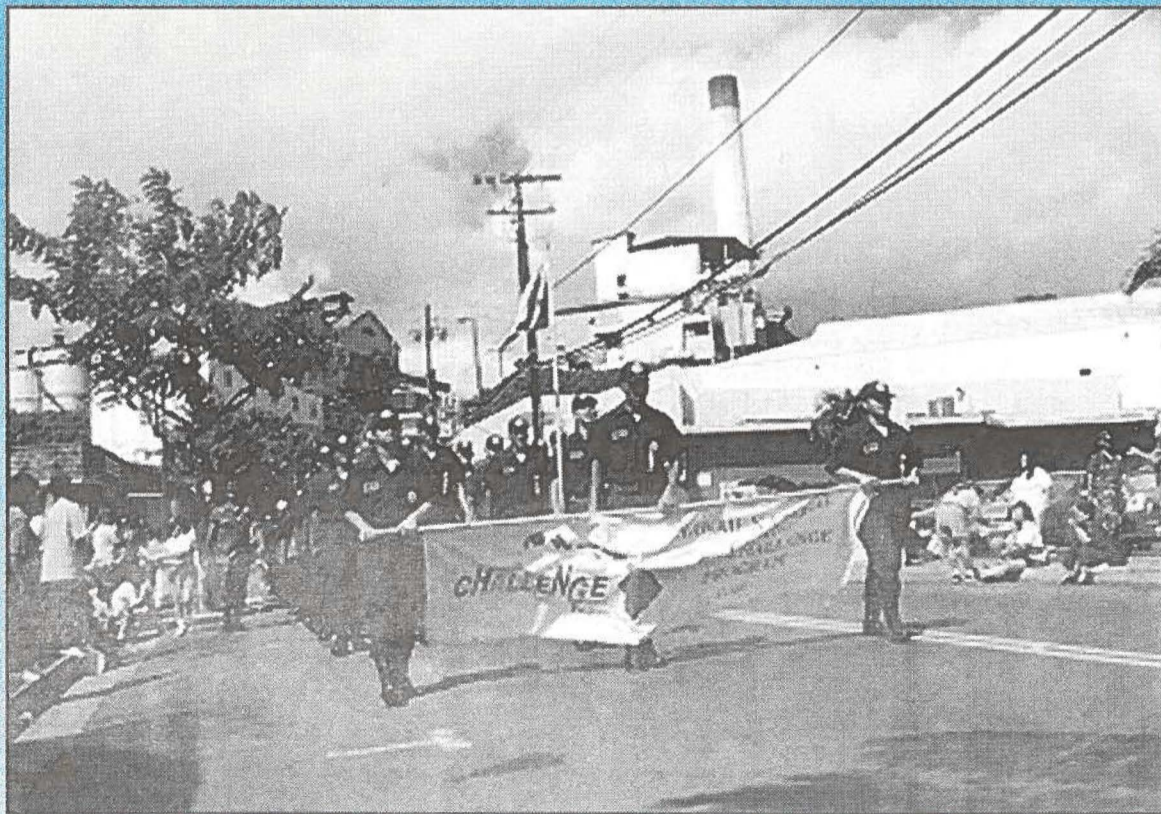
SALUTE IN THE SKY — Hawaii Air National Guard's F-15 Eagles fly the missing-man formation over the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl for Veterans Day.

Year of service to our state, our nation



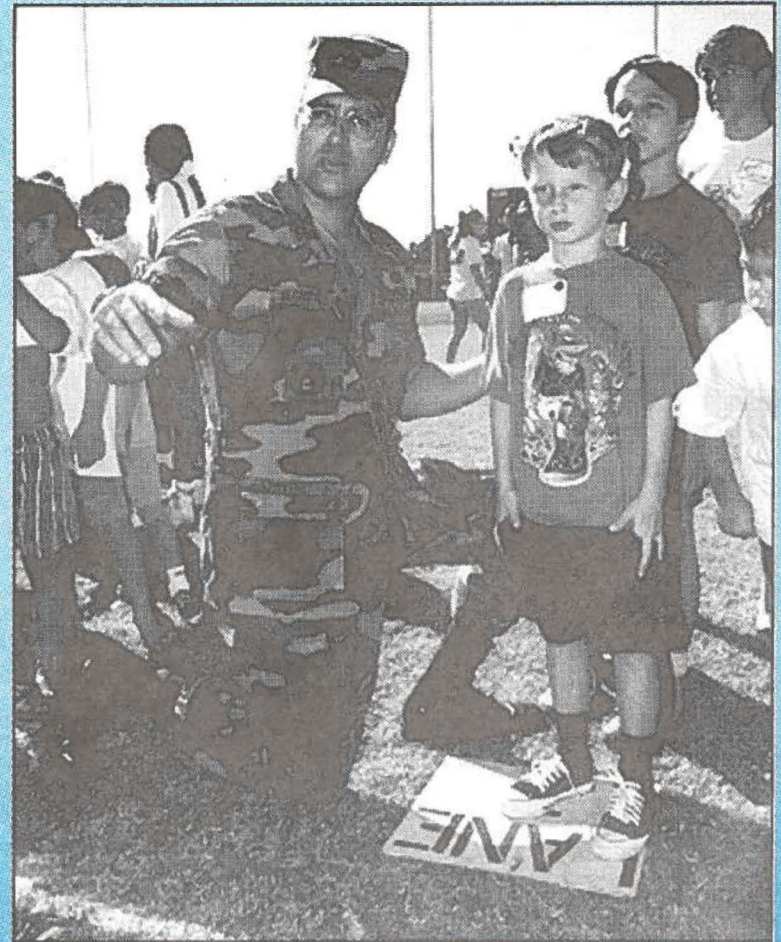
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DOCUMENTING THE DEPLOYMENT — Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi, pauses from his public affairs acquisition mission to pose in front of an M2 Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle, during Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR/GUARD in Croatia. Kamisugi and three other public affairs soldiers were deployed to countries (Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia) of the former Yugoslavia in June 1996 and returned in February 1997.



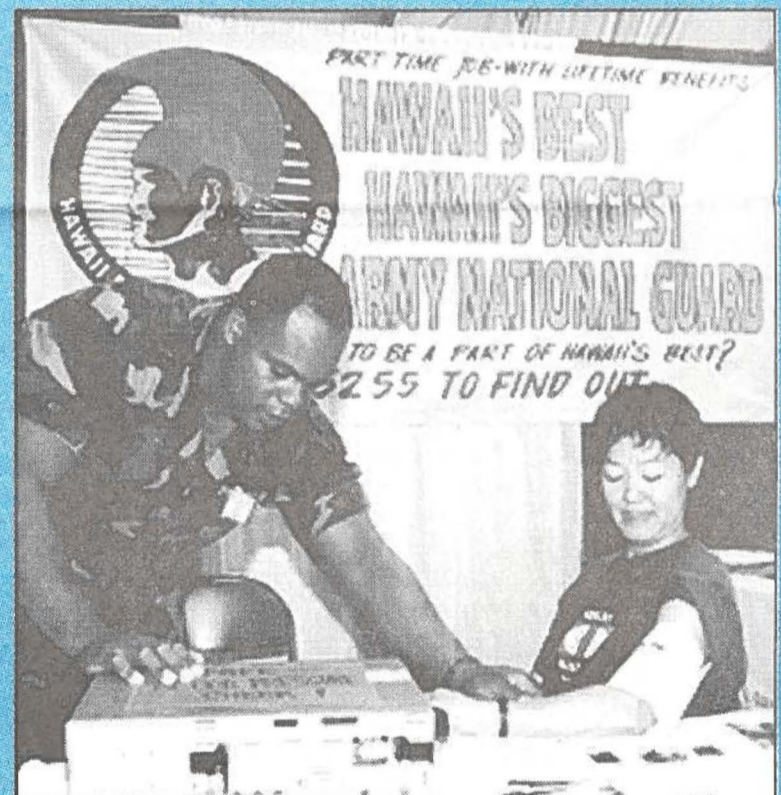
Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum

BEST FOOT FORWARD — Hawaii National Guard Youth Challenge Class 98-7 corpsmembers march down Depot Road, pass the historic sugar mill, during the Waipahu Centennial Parade in November. Eighty-nine corpsmembers from Class 98-7 graduated Dec. 22.



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

FORWARD... RUN — Hawaii Army National Guard soldier Sgt. 1st Class Arturo Alcantara, Company C, 299th Infantry, encourages 6-year-old Mickey Howanic of Wailuku, Maui, to do his best in the American Lung Association's Maui Superkids, February 1997.



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha

THE PRESSURE'S ON — Sgt. Richshell Lott, a medic with Company C, 29th Support Battalion, checks Valarie Bates blood pressure at the H3 Expo, May 1997. The Hawaii Army National Guard set up a recruitment and publicity booth at the pre-H3 Run Expo held at Kapiolani Park.

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ter Warrant Officer Curtis Hiyane, served as house, concert, stage and jazz band in addition to chorus performers. They were joined by five retired band members.

Pulling double duty as musicians and vocal soloists were Staff Sgt. Lambert L.T. Lum; Sergeants David. L. Asentista, Donald J. Noguchi, Nolan D. Santa Ana, and Raymond T. Williams Jr.; and Specialists Samuel L. Hesch and James M. Kimoto.

All the band members got to strut their stuff in the World War II song and dance medley, accompanied by Spc. Roberta J. Textor on piano.

Twenty DOD members and families formed the woman's chorus, under the direction of

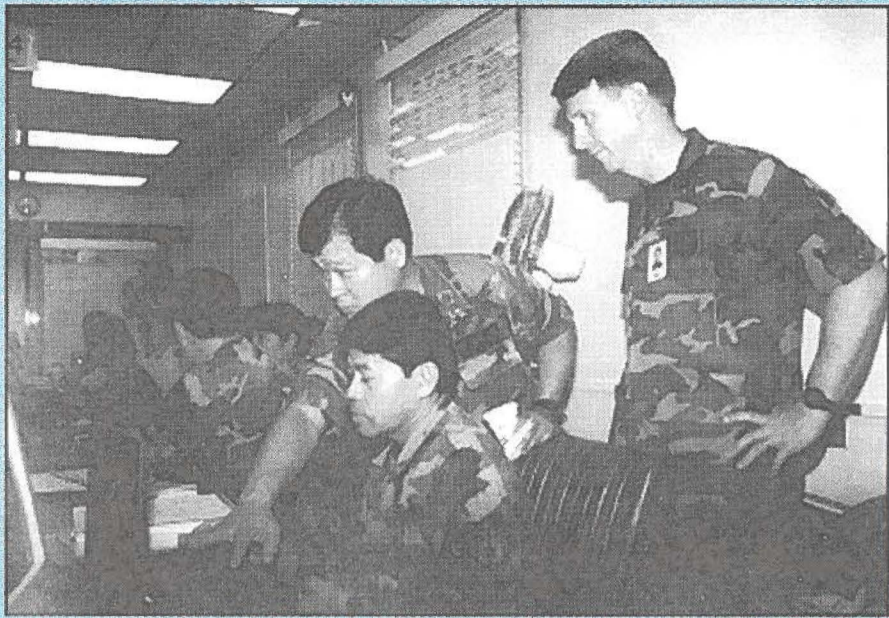
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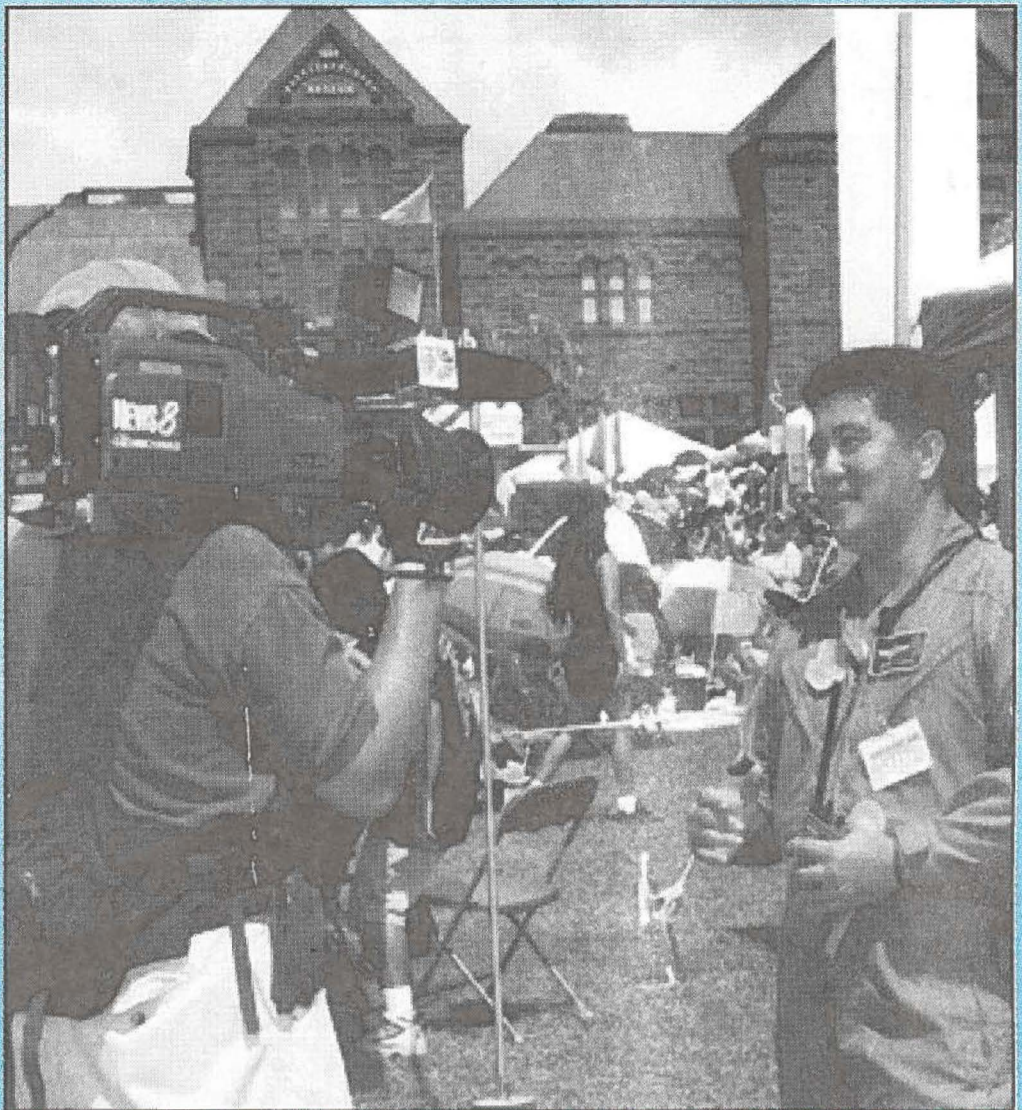
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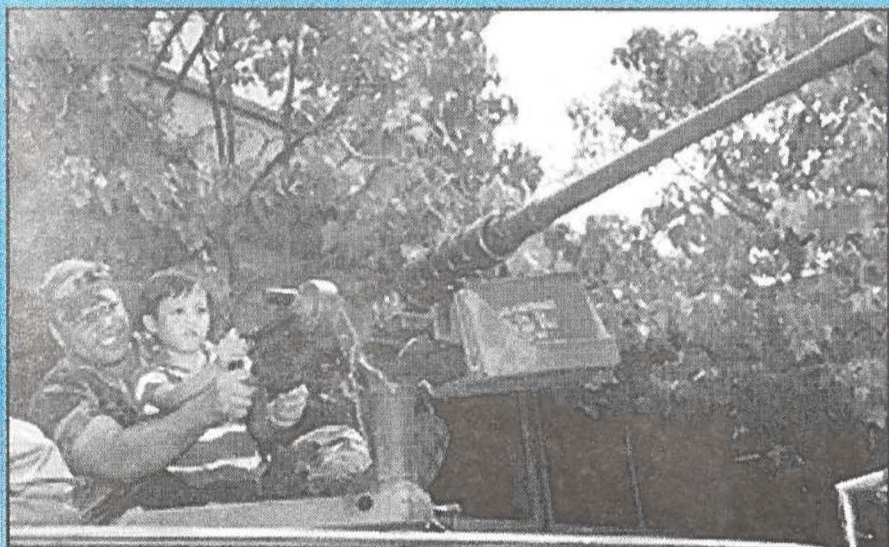
Capt. Charles J. Anthony
COOPERATION AND COORDINATION -- Lt. Col. Blaine Izuka, Staff Sgt. Patrick Bailon and Capt. Michael Doolin, review situation reports during statewide hurricane exercise Makani Pahili in May.



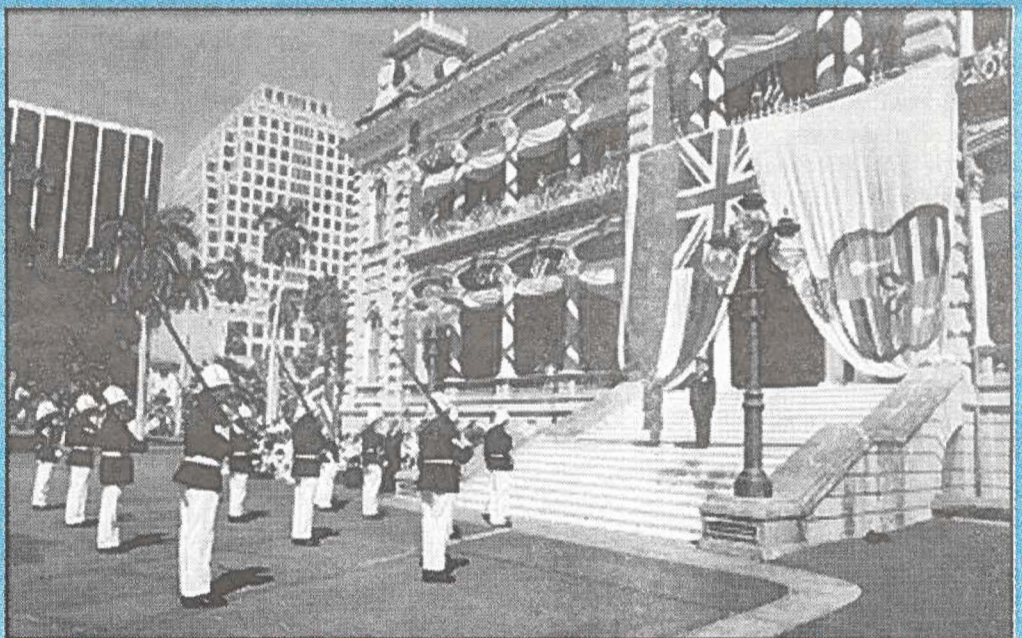
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MEDIA MESSAGE -- Capt. Jeffrey "Sumo" Namihara, an F-15 Eagle pilot with the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Fighter Squadron, talks to NBC News 8 crew about the Children and Youth Day held at the Bishop Museum in October. The Hawaii National Guard cosponsored event was orchestrated by Namihara and the Guard's Counterdrug program staff.



Deborah M.S. Murray
COMMANDER IN CHIEF MEETS HIS TROOPS -- Gov. Benjamin J. Cayetano, the Hawaii National Guard's commander in chief shakes hands with 1st Lt. Kory Gacono. The governor and Lt. Gov. Mazie Hirono visited the Hawaii State Department of Defense in April.



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha
BIG GUNNER -- Spc. Lance P. Taufassau, Company D, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, shows a youngster how to operate the 50-calibre machine gun at the Children and Youth Day held at the Bishop Museum in October.



Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha
ROYAL SHOW -- Hawaii Air National Guard's Royal Guards are formed at the steps of the Iolani Palace during the annual celebration of King David Kalakaua's birthday, Nov. 16. Ready to inspect the troops are Princess Abigail Kawanakoa and Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general.

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ALL STAR CAST -- Patricia Lei Anderson Murray, Hawaii Air National Guard's Staff Sgt. Allison Bruce-Maldonado and Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general, help celebrate Christmas with the Hawaii Army National Guard's 111th Army Band.

Sgt. 1st Class Wayne T. Iha photos

Hawaii Air National Guard



Brig. Gen.
Dwight M. Kealoha
Commander, HIANG

There are times when we get so embroiled in daily events that we sometimes lose sight of the values that bond us together in the Guard and the total force. The organizational values that are hung on our walls — integrity, service before self, excellence, patriotism . . . and more, remind us of who and what this great Ohana is about. Every so often, it helps to be reminded through stories how individuals have made those values come to life. Here is one such story:

Mike came from a small town near Selma, Ala. He didn't wear a pair of shoes until he was thirteen years old. At seventeen, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He later earned a commission. He became a Navy flying officer, and was shot down and captured in 1967. Mike had a keen and deep appreciation for the opportunities this coun-

try — and our military — provide for people who want to work and want to succeed.

The uniforms we wore in prison consisted of a blue short-sleeved shirt, trousers that looked like pajama trousers and rubber sandals that were made out of automobile tires. I recommend them highly; one pair lasted my entire stay.

As part of the change in treatment, the Vietnamese allowed some prisoners to receive packages from home. In some of these packages were handkerchiefs, scarves and other items of clothing. Mike got himself a piece of white cloth and a piece of red cloth and fashioned himself a bamboo needle. Over a period of a couple of months, he sewed the American flag on the inside of his shirt.

Every afternoon, before we had a bowl of soup, we would hang Mike's shirt on the wall of our cell, and say the Pledge of Allegiance. I know that saying the Pledge of Allegiance may not seem the most important or meaningful event of our day now, but I can assure you that for most men in that stark prison cell — it was indeed the most important and meaningful event of the day.

One day, the Vietnamese searched our cell and discovered Mike's shirt with the flag sewn inside, and removed it. That evening they returned,

opened the door of the cell, called for Mike Christian to come out, closed the door of the cell, and for the benefit of all of us, beat Mike Christian severely for the next couple of hours.

Then they opened the door of the cell and threw him back inside. He was not in good shape. We tried to comfort and take care of him, as well as we could. The cell in which we lived had a concrete slab in the middle on which we slept. Four naked light bulbs hung in each corner of the room.

After things quieted down, I went to lie down to go to sleep. As I did, I happened to look in the corner of the room. Sitting there beneath that dim light bulb, with a piece of white cloth, a piece of red cloth, another shirt and his bamboo needle, was my friend, Mike Christian, sitting there, with his eyes almost shut from his beating, making another American flag. He was not making that flag because it made Mike Christian feel better. He was making that flag because he knew how important it was for us to be able to pledge our allegiance to our flag and country.

To all of our Air Guardsmen and women, you have served our communities, state and nation so very well. I am proud to serve with you and to be part of this great organization.

Hawaii Army National Guard



Brig. Gen.
Edward L. Correa Jr.
Commander, HIARNG

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation to the citizen-soldiers, staff, and families of the Hawaii Army National Guard. As 1998 begins, I cannot help but reflect on how 1997 has been filled with increased operational demands and shrinking resources. Yet, I believe we overcame all challenges and, through our labors, enhanced the professional and command climate of our organization.

Through the concerted effort of leaders at all levels, we used this

THEY CAME, THEY SAW, THEY ASSEMBLED — Sgts. Kimberly T. Christopherson and Ronald Butla Jr. help to assemble and distribute the more than 240 new squad auto-matic weapons (SAW) fielded to the Hawaii Army National Guard in October. The Hawaii Guard received their shipment the same time as the active component's 25th Infantry Division (Light).

year to affirm what was important to our organization. Based on such vision, we charted a course of action for the Hawaii Army National Guard to follow well into the next century.

The Hawaii Army National Guard has been called upon to support many communities within our State. Whether it was building the Kahikinui Road on Maui for Hawaiian Home Lands or marching in the Kauai Veterans Day parade, we have distinguished ourselves and repeatedly demon-

strated that we are truly "Hawaii's Own."

We can be truly proud of our ability to pull together. It has made us what we are today — part of a great team in a great State and country. As we end this year and look toward the next, let us remember to thank our fellow soldiers, co-workers, loved ones, and family members for all the support that they have given us . . . and don't forget your Maker.

From my family to yours, we wish you the very best in the New Year.



Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum



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FAMILIES THAT JOIN TOGETHER, STAY TOGETHER — Spouses Edy J. (center) and Douglas J. Pagala, of Kalihi, are sworn into the Hawaii Air National Guard by Brig. Gen. Michael Tice, 154th Wing commander, Oct. 7. Douglas, formerly of the Hawaii Army Guard's Company B (Maintenance), 29th Support Battalion is joining the 154th Civil Engineer Squadron as a staff sergeant (E-5) and Edy is joining the 154th Medical Squadron as an airman first class (E-3). They are the Hawaii Air Guard's first married couple to enlist simultaneously.



Ask the Top

Command Sgt. Maj. James K. Kahalehoe Jr.

Salutes, hats, courtesies

Q: Why do we salute?

A: It is an act of courtesy and recognition between military members.

Q: Military personnel in uniform are required to salute when they meet and recognize persons entitled (by grade) to a salute except for what circumstances?

A: When it is inappropriate or impractical (in public conveyances such as planes and buses, in public places such as outside athletic facilities, inside theaters, or when driving a vehicle).

Q: Name other times when a soldier is required to salute.

- A: When the U.S. national anthem, *To the Color*, *Reveille*, *Hail to the Chief*, or foreign national anthems are played outdoors
- To uncased national color outdoors
- On ceremonial occasions (as directed, e.g. state anthems: *Hawaii Pono*)
- At reveille and retreat ceremonies, during the raising or lowering of the flag
- When pledging allegiance to the U.S. flag outdoors
- When turning over control of formations
- When rendering reports or when reporting to an of-

ficial board or officer indoors

- To officers of friendly foreign countries

Q: When are salutes not required?

A: Indoors, except when reporting to an officer or when on duty as a guard.

Q: When are military hats not required, while in official military uniforms, when not outdoors?

A: In designated areas as posted (at Hawaii National Guard headquarters between the two main buildings) or for safety (e.g., flightlines)

Hawaii National Guard Family Program

Hui Laulima

Family of Helping Hands



Maj. Martha St. Louis
State Family Support
Coordinator

This year's Family Program Annual Conference is scheduled for April 25-26, 1998 at the Turtle Bay Hilton. The plans are to make this a family weekend, so mark your calendars and coordinate with your unit and Family Support Group. The theme for the conference is "Changes in Attitudes" with a concentration on the Hawaii National Guard's mobilization missions. Commanders, military points of contacts and key Family Support Group (FSG) volunteers are invited to attend. The Governor is a planned keynote speaker. More information on the upcoming conference will be forthcoming! As always, we will work together to help improve the quality of life of Hawaii National Guard soldiers and airmen and their families ... it's what we're all about!

Christmas Aloha

The DOD Annual Christmas Concert was a great success, thanks to all the volunteers who helped make it all happen and the great talents we have within our Guard community. The 111th Army Band performed beautifully along with the special guest vocalists, Mrs. Vicky Cayetano, Patricia Lei Anderson Murray and our own Air Guard's Allison Maldonado-Bruce. Guard family members and friends also showed their talents as they performed in the Women's Chorus after only a few rehearsal sessions. Thanks to all who purchased a copy of the "Twas the Night before Kalikimaka" book narrated during the performance — proceeds will go to support the Family Program. Additional thanks go out to the Hawaii National Guard Association, the Hawaii National Guard Credit Union, and Dr. Jack Scaff, director of the H3 and Great Aloha Runs, for their generous financial donations to ensure a successful concert!

Family Week recognized

The TAG presented certificates of appreciation and thanks to selected Guard families during National Military Family Week, Nov. 23-24 for their outstanding support of the Guard and the Family Program. The certificates read "... to the family of ... for its success in meeting the challenges of life in the armed forces and for its contributions to the well being of our military community. They have made our nation and community stronger and healthier. And we extend wishes for continuing success." The certificates were accompanied by a letter of thanks from President Bill Clinton and Senior Enlisted Advisors for the Army and Air Force. The Armed Services YMCA was a lead sponsor for this certificate program to "help build strong kids, strong families and strong communities."

Welcome home controllers, warm wishes to those deployed

Families and friends joyously welcomed back thirty members of the 297th Air Traffic Control Squadron deployed to Hungary since July. Welcom-

ing remarks were made by Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson and Col. Myron N. Dobashi, 201st Combat Communications Group commander. Brig. Gen. Dwight M. Kealoha and fellow Guard members were present to help greet the returnees. Refreshments were provided for all present. Another Air Guard mission completed successfully!

Soldiers from the Hawaii Army National Guard are currently deployed in support of Operation JOINT GUARD in Bosnia-Herzegovina working in field artillery radar operations and in Germany working in public affairs. They will be deployed until Spring 1998. Contact the Family Program office if you would like to write to them or contribute to care packages being sent. Your support is always appreciated but this is especially true when soldiers and airmen are so far from home in austere environments.

The Air Guard has several ongoing deployments as part of their alert missions. Ten KC-135 airmen from the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron have just returned from Iceland where they have been since Thanksgiving. The 154th Wing, 199th Fighter Squadron and 203rd participated in Operation COMMANDO SLING with 55 airmen deployed for over two weeks. Family Support Groups are really kept busy with these ongoing deployments! Keep up the good work!

Special family member support available

Exceptional Family Members are those military family members that require special medical or educational support in their everyday lives. Contact Maj. St. Louis if you are a Guard family member or know of a Guard family member that may be able to use some resources and support for their special family member needs.

It is important that we have a Guard and community-wide commitment to stop or prevent violence in our homes. Not only are our families threatened, but the fundamental mission of readiness can be undermined. Prevention is the key to breaking the vicious cycle of family violence. We must use every teachable moment to ensure that our Guard members, their spouses and children promote positive, nonviolent behavior in their families. Informational pamphlets as well as information on Army Community Services classes, are available through the Family Program office.

Thank you to family briefing volunteers

Kudos go out to all volunteers who help conduct the annual family day presentations and mobilization briefings. Jo Anne Yamamoto assisted the State Coordinator in presenting to Army Guard units in December, and Joyce Silva will be presenting to Air Guard units in January. Include Family Program and Family Support Group information as part of your family days and unit get-togethers. Contact the State Family Program Coordinator at 732-1823. Additionally, pre-mobilization Family Support briefings for any HING unit that requests them are effective ways to keep the family, as well as, the unit members informed of what happens during and how to prepare for mobilizations and deployments. Air Guardsmen have ongoing

alert missions, and Army Guard soldiers are preparing for training at the Joint Readiness Training Center in Louisiana. Include family readiness and mobilization preparation in your unit training schedules and FSG agendas. Our HING units are constantly on the go, and we need to make sure our families are prepared.

Hawaii Guard free computer training

Don't forget to take advantage of the FREE computer classes Maj. Gen. Richardson has made available to Guard family members at no cost to the federal or state government. Enrollment procedures are easy ... call the Ordnance Training Battalion, Regional Training Site-Maintenance between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at 455-1519 or 455-1613 to reserve a seat.

- Introduction to Computers (Thursdays from 5:30-9:30 p.m. - Feb. 26 or March 5)
- Beginning Windows NT 4.0 (Tue.-Wed., 5:30-9p.m.; Sat., Feb. 7, 8a.m.-4p.m. or Tue., March 3, 8a.m.-4p.m.)
- Beginning Word 7.0 (8a.m.-4p.m. on Feb. 8 or Tue., March 10)
- Intermediate Word 7.0 (8a.m.-4p.m. on Tue., Feb. 24 or Sat., March 7)
- Beginning Excel 7.0 (8a.m.-4p.m. on Thu., Feb. 19 or Mar. 8)
- Power Point 7.0 (Tue., Feb. 17, 5:30-9:30p.m. or Thu. March 12, 8a.m.-12p.m.)

These courses are ongoing into 1998. Eligible persons include full-time State DOD employees, Army and Air National Guard members and their dependents age 12 and older and retirees. A valid identification card must be presented on the first day of class. Call today to get your free computer training!

Call the Pearl City facility to enroll or for more information at 453-5927/28 or fax to 453-0536).

Parent, other classes available

Parent to Parent Training continues to be available to train and guide Guard families in the parenting experience. Classes are available as listed: Jan. 7-8/Safe Passage, Fort Ruger, 11a.m.-1p.m.; Jan. 21, 28/ Feb. 4, 11/ Parent to Parent, Kaimuki Intermediate, 7-9p.m.; Jan. 23/Safe Passage, Kauai/Maui, 8a.m.-4p.m.; Jan. 29/Parent to Parent, 291st Combat Communications Squadron, Hilo, 8a.m.-4p.m.; Jan. 30/Safe Passage, 291st CBCS, Hilo, 8a.m.-4p.m.; Jan. 31/Parent to Parent, Parker School, Big Island, 8a.m.-4p.m.; Feb. 5, 12, 19/Parent to Parent, Waimalu Elementary School, 7-9p.m.; Feb. 9, 16/Safe Passage, Newtown Recreation Center, 6:30-8:30p.m.; and March 9, 16, 23/Parent to Parent, Newtown Recreation Center, 6:30-8:30p.m.

Call the Family Program office at 732-1823 for more information.

Use your family program to keep families informed

Commanders, the FSGs are YOUR organizations to help with unit readiness and unit and family education. Families, the FSG is your vital connection to the Hawaii National Guard for information, networking and training! Family Team Building is course of training available to Guard families and units. In keeping with the mission readiness need to keep our families educated and informed, this program provides training for a way of life that prepares everyone to function at their highest level, in any situation, with minimal outside support. It is designed to help improve personal and family preparedness which enhances the overall Hawaii National Guard readiness. These classes can be scheduled to meet unit training schedules and should incorporate the Family Support Groups. We can also "train the trainer" and create certified trainers down to the unit level to facilitate these classes. College credit is obtainable for both students

and facilitators, as an added incentive for volunteers who want to become more informed and involved.

Contact the Family Program office at 732-1823 for more information on how you can get your unit and family members on the road to readiness and self-sufficiency as part of the Hawaii National Guard Team!

Working to meet the needs of the family member through the Family Program is a high priority of our adjutant general. One program in progress is the Hawaii National Guard Financial Readiness Council. Its mission is to provide each Guard member and their family the highest level of education and information relating to financial readiness. The intent is to present workshops that inform members and their families of their existing benefits and the ability to participate in present, as well as future benefit programs. This in turn will work to enhance each member's awareness of the Hawaii National Guard Associations (officer and enlisted) and the Family Support Program. Contact the Family Program office for more information for your unit or FSG.

All these programs and events planned for this coming fiscal year can work to accomplish a better quality of life for the troops of the Hawaii National Guard. Families are such key part of the Hawaii National Guard Team! If you haven't already checked out your unit's Family Support Group or if you need help in getting your family support program energized, call the State Family Program Coordinator at 732-1823 or from the neighbor islands at 1-800-732-6964. Be a part of the Hawaii National Guard's Hui Laulima, Family of Helping Hands!

**1998 Family Program
Annual Conference, April
25-26 at Turtle Bay Hotel**

Awards and Recognition

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

Meritorious Service Medal

Col. Norberto Baysa, HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard
 Lt. Col. Gary S. Nitta, 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron
 Lt. Col. Lincoln C. Yamashita, HQ, 103rd Troop Command
 Lt. Col. Eugene H.B. Young, HQ, State Area Command
 Maj. Bruce E. Olivera, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion
 Capt. Ernesto Ribucan, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion
 1st Sgt. David L. Sonognini, HQ & HQ Company, 193rd Aviation
 Master Sgt. Herberto Quintana, HQ State Area Command
 Sgt. 1st Class Calvin K. Naipo Jr., HQ, State Area Command (1st Oak Leaf)
 Sgt. 1st Class Richard T. Tanaka, 25th Infantry Division (Light), Det.-Rear Operations Cell
 Master Sgt. Norman K.S. Kawamoto, HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard
 Master Sgt. Wallace S. Yara, 154th Maintenance Squadron

Army Commendation Medal

Maj. Judith A. Mullens, Det. 4, Medical Detachment (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Capt. Brooks T. Akana, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Capt. Woodrow L. Arakawa, 29th Support Battalion (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Capt. Willie L. Casey, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Capt. Tom. Y. Madeira, 227th Engineer Company
 Capt. Edward E. Tanguy III, F Troop, Cavalry, Oregon Army National Guard
 Capt. Courtney B. Vares-Lum, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 1st Lt. Mark B. Young, Company C (Medical), 29th Support Battalion (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 2nd Lt. Ronald L. Sykora Jr., HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Sgt. 1st Class Ilaisa S. Taito, HQ STARC (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. 1st Class Randall D. Mau, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Jamie V. Dolores, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Richard A. Hargrave, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Lemuel C. Mangyam, Company B, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry
 Staff Sgt. Charles S. McDowell, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Staff Sgt. Domingo T. Tubana, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Kevin K. Becera, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion
 Sgt. Kevin K. Kane, HQ & HQ

Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Sgt. William Liboy, Company D, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry
 Sgt. Wilfredo R. Limos, Company D, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Robert L. Shuford, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Naea K. Straus, Company B, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry
 Sgt. Lance P. Winters, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion
 Spc. Philomel G. Abellera, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Sgt. Augustine Akiu Jr., Company B, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Achievement Medal

Capt. William R. Spray, Counterdrug Support Program (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Chief Warrant Officer Edwin G. Parubrub, HQ, State Area Command (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Master Sgt. Timothy R. Morrill, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. 1st Class Mark M. Dela Cruz, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. 1st Class Tommy Hirai, HQ, State Area Command (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. 1st Class Ivan K. Huelsman, HQ, State Area Command
 Sgt. 1st Class Ronald J. Yi, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion, (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Joseph Kauwale III, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Staff Sgt. Antonio Lopez-Perez, HQ, State Area Command (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Frank Lunasco, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Joseph Kauwale III, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Staff Sgt. Michael A. Ramirez, HQ, State Area Command (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Richard D. Santos, HQ, State Area Command (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Leonard H. Ventura, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Staff Sgt. Jerry T. Yuen, 229th Military Intelligence Company
 Sgt. Jack A. Carlisle, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Sgt. Rodney S. Alesnal, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Benjamin Buford, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Gilroy A. Butler, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Fernando S. Constantino, Battery B, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (4th Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Keoki W. Epps, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Lufa Fomai, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Roberto P. Galdiano, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Artemio V. Gaoiran Jr.,

Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Edmundo L. Gascon, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Daniel P. Halemano, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. John N. Kaina, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Alan J. Kahanu, HQ, State Area Command (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Mark S. Kubota, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Martin L. Lagazo, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Frank Lonnon, Battery B, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Richshell C. Lott, Company C, 29th Support Battalion
 Sgt. Juanito M.G. Manibog, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Patrick T. Polson, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. Arnold Rabanal, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Chris K. Rabanes, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (4th Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Sgt. Gary L.T. Yani, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Cpl. Roberto F. Razon, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Alan B. Acierito Jr., HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Arnel D. Aguada, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Alfredo Buccat, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Richard K. Ancheta, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Gilroy A. Buller, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Dane R. Calvan, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Clark Anthony E. Cuadro, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Nomer T. Gamiao, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Cyrus Y. Goto, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Richard F. Gudoy, Battery B, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (initial & 1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Jojo S. Guzman, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (initial & 1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Gaylan I. Haywood, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Brandon N.M. Kasaoka, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Persian R. Lardizabal, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Frank L. Lessary, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Joel C. Lomibao, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Cyrel R. Lozano, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery

Spc. Domingo F. Manog Jr., HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (initial & 1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Jerome Marquez Jr., Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Jesse L. Mene, Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Lando Millare, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Cyrel R. Lozano, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Daniel B. Miranda, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Glenn H. Nishimura, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Donn P.T. Ojiri, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Sherwin F. Parel, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Wilson Robert III, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Spc. Gary V. Rodrigues, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Subia M. Rolly, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Ernesto Serna Jr., HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Kenneth E. Siilata, HQ & HQ, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Spc. Gary W. Silva, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Spc. Franklin A. Suela, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Mickey J. Barnes, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Roel R. Beldineza, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Gary E. Cabacongan Jr., Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Manuel K.R. Caspillian, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Emily Hamberg, Company C (Medical), 29th Support Battalion

Pfc. Damien K. Hina, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Jared S. Hurley, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Frederick W. Irons Jr., HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Tiai Matau, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Arwin P. Tumaneng, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pfc. Stoddard F. Binder, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pfc. Laymomi J. Kaahu, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pfc. Christian M. Kealohanui, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pfc. Tae R. Kim, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pfc. Salvare D.E. Tumaneng, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pvt. Richard L. Valenzuela, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pvt. Chad T. Yamanaka, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pvt. Jessie M. Domingo Jr., HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pvt. Damien P. Lariosa, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade
 Pvt. Joseph K. Lee, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pvt. Eric C. Nicolas, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Pvt. Henry Pilanca Jr., Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery

Air Force Achievement Medal

Col. Walter K. Kaneakua Jr., 154th Wing

Hawaii National Guard Medal for Merit

Lt. Col. James W. Munday Jr., U.S. Army Pacific

Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal

Maj. Michael Wong, HQ, State Area Command (1st Bronze Kahi)
 Capt. Courtney B. Vares-Lum, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Support Battalion

1st Sgt. Justin M. Pagador, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. 1st Class Eugene J. Calabreses, HQ, State Area Command
 Staff Sgt. Henry H. Foster III, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery

The following 1st Battalion, 109th Aviation, Iowa Army National Guard members were recently recognized for their outstanding assistance to the Hawaii Army National Guard.
 Lt. Col. Eddie L. Newman
 Maj. Michael S. Stabler
 Maj. Randy H. Warm
 Capt. Rickey L. Ely
 Capt. Andrew K. Watson
 1st Lt. Michael A. Waechte
 Chief Warrant Officer Jeffrey E. Prouty
 Chief Warrant Officer Michael G. Van Maaren
 Chief Warrant Officer John C. West
 Chief Warrant Officer David R. Morse
 Chief Warrant Officer Charles E. Hora
 Warrant Officer Therill L. Stufflebeem
 Master Sgt. David E. Carlson
 Master Sgt. David E. Osborn, Iowa Army National Guard
 Master Sgt. James C. Trask
 Sgt. 1st Class Bobby E. Duncan
 Sgt. 1st Class Craig A. Fulton
 Sgt. 1st Class Karl A. Grabau
 Sgt. 1st Class Douglas G. Kratz
 Sgt. 1st Class Dennis P. Savits
 Sgt. 1st Class William E. Thayer
 Sgt. 1st Class Collin R. Williams
 Staff Sgt. Annette M. Clarke
 Staff Sgt. Forrest J. Grabau
 Staff Sgt. Karen J. Jones
 Staff Sgt. Lee O. Whitmer
 Staff Sgt. Kimberly J. Waterbury
 Staff Sgt. Mikal G. Young
 Sgt. Tonya R. Beckman
 Sgt. Matthew A. Jones
 Sgt. Brenda L. Petrie
 Sgt. David R. Rickard
 Sgt. Patricia A. Rockwell
 Sgt. Thomas L. Rockwell
 Spc. Judy M. Holzmer
 Spc. Kevin T. Minzo
 Spc. Nicki L. Stansberry
 Spc. James P. Witcraft
 Spc. Michael D. Kathman

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.

Hawaii Army National Guard	Feb	Mar	Apr
HQ, STARC, HIARNG	7-8	7-8	4-5
29th Infantry Brigade (Separate)	7-8	7-8	4-5
2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry	7-8	6-8	3-5
Company A, C & D	6-8	7-8	4-5
1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery	21-22	6-8	17-19
Battery B	20-22	7-8	11, 18-19
103rd Troop Command	7-8	7-8	4-5
Co. B (AVIM), 193rd Aviation	7-8	7-8	4-5
Medical, CECAT	7-8	7-8	4-5
RAID	7-8	7-8	4-5
Hawaii Air National Guard			
HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard	7-8	7-8	4-5
154th Wing	7-8	7-8	4-5
201st Combat Communications Group	7-8	7-8	4-5