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# *WOCS Orientation Part 1*



***"The WOCS orientation was a great experience and informative. It provided an opportunity to meet my fellow classmates and candidates. It helped catapult the class into preparing for phase one, getting into a proper 'sight picture' and mindset with the expectations as warrant officer candidates."***

***-Candidate Calamayan***

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# ***WOCS Orientation Part 1***



***"I liked how WOCS orientation gave us the opportunity to get to know our fellow candidates"***

***-Candidate Araki***

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# ***RUCKIN' AWAY***



***To prepare for the demanding 10K foot march, candidates trained to condition their physical and mental capabilities to carry 50 lbs. of gear over a long distance within a set time.***

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# *Team Sync Meetings*



***Candidates participated in team sync meetings at Kalaeloa to ensure administration due outs are actively progressed and completed. Candidates demonstrated effective communication and positive reinforcement which fostered an environment of camaraderie and understanding.***



# ***Class T-shirts***



***"This shirt represents our strength, resilience, and unity as we navigate the hybrid accelerated course. The warrior figure and spearheads symbolize our courage, protection, and perseverance, while the forward motion reflects our determination to lead. More than just a design, it's a statement of our commitment, discipline, and the journey we're conquering together."***

***-Candidate Hose***

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# ***Class T-shirts***



***"My inspiration stem from years of designing unit apparel. This design will foster comradery and Espiritu de corp."***

***-Candidate Metzger***

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# *Class Coin*



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# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**My name is Isaac Araki. I was born in June 2003, raised in Waipahu, and currently living in Aiea. I have a full-time job as a civilian contractor for the Marine Corps as a V-22 Osprey Mechanic. I grew up in a Christian household and love serving in ministries which I've been blessed to serve as the leader for a young adult group. On my free time I enjoy hiking, riding motorcycle, spending time with friends and family, and recently picked up fishing. I am excited to begin this new journey as a Warrant Officer Aviator.**

**Fun Fact: I am a master on the grill, but I still have to ask my dad how to cook rice.**



# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Hardcore from the Nine Four, Marauder pride let's go! I'm Candidate Paul Calamayan, originally from Waipahu and currently residing in Wahiawa. Outside of the HIARNG, I work full time as an aircraft mechanic for Hawaiian Airlines. I'm married and although I don't have kids, I'm definitely looking forward to having a family of my own one day. I enjoy working out, reading, playing guitar (poorly), and spending time with people. Last but not least, I'm a Christian man of faith.**

**Fun Fact: I used to breakdance!**

# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Aloha, my name is Candidate Rhoselle Custodio. Born and raised in Manila, Philippines, I immigrated to Hawaii when I was 13 years old. I joined the military at 17 years old. I completed my BA Degree in Accounting and General Business Administration in 2022 and work as a Cost Accountant at USPFO-HI. I have a 4-year-old son and a 2-year-old daughter. I decided to pursue my goal to be a 920B warrant officer because I want to accomplish much more being in the military. As someone who is dedicated to everything that I do, I will do anything in my power to achieve this goal.**

**Fun Fact: I was a part of a hip-hop dance group in high school. Presently, I participate in running events and love it so far.**



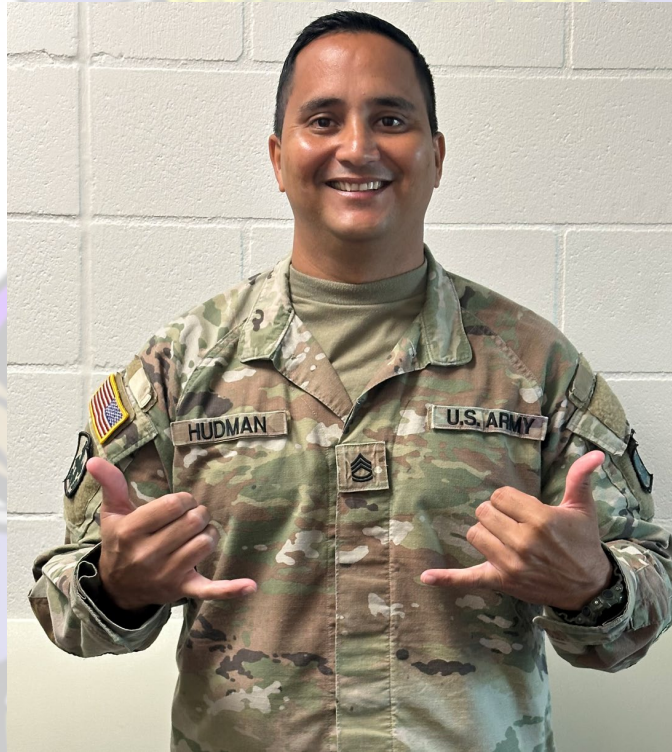
# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Aloha, my name is Candidate Tiana Hose. I was born and raised in Hilo! I come from a military family and have built my career in logistics, IT, and aviation support. Outside of work, I'm a proud mother of 3 who values hard work, resilience, and family. I love spending time shopping, going to the beach, and making the most out of every moment. No matter what I do, I give it my all and always strive to grow, lead, and set an example for those around me.**

**Fun Fact: I'm obsessed with Korean and Chinese dramas and can binge-watch a whole series in one night-just "one more" episode always turns into five! LOL.**

# ***Meeting The Candidates***

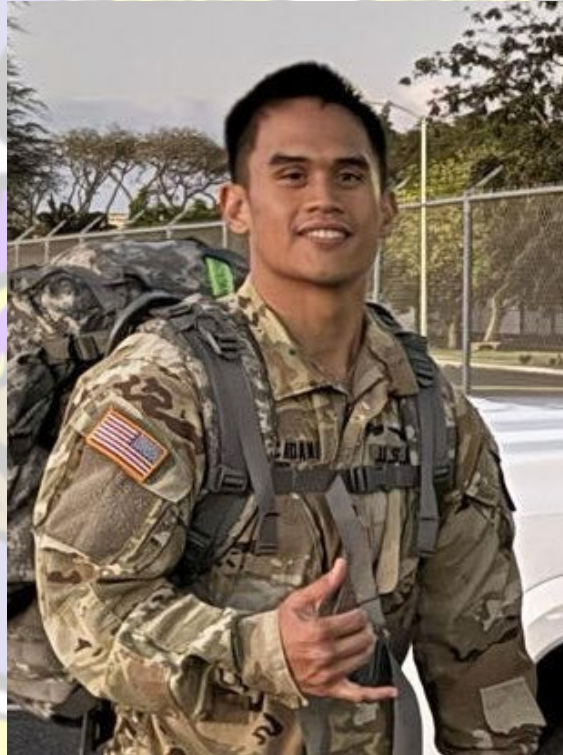


**My name is Candidate Alan Hudman. I was born and raised on the east side of the Big Island in Keaukaha. I spent most of my childhood beach surfing, spearfishing, go-carting, camping, and doing everything outdoors. Unfortunately, good things sometimes come to an end which have led me to join the Hawaii Army National Guard, serving 23 years. When not in uniform, I love to scuba dive and spending time with my family. I enjoy watching my kids play competitive soccer and traveling with my family. I look forward to someday become a Hawaii Army National Guard Maintenance Warrant Officer.**

**Fun Fact: I have competed as a canoe paddler for over 16yrs.**



# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Aloha, my name is Candidate Alexander Macadamia. Coming from the land of gushing waters known as Waipahu, I graduated from Waipahu High School in 2009 and attained a Bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering at UH Manoa in 2015. In the civilian sector, I am a Naval Nuclear Test Engineer at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. I enjoy powerlifting and being outdoors. Throughout my lifetime, I hope to travel to at least 100 out of the 195 countries in the world while trying different cuisines and visiting the "New 7 Wonders of the World."**

**Fun Fact: As an island boy and aircrew member, I can't swim.**

# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Aloha, my name is Candidate Rosalie Madarang. I hail from the west side on the Island of O’ahu where I am alumnus of Waipahu High School – Go Marauders! By day, I am a ‘Chairborne Ranger’ navigating the world of Human Resources. On my free time, I enjoy creating memories with family and friends, whether it's through an adventure, sharing a meal, or just making the best of every moment. Life’s all about possibilities, and I’m here to embrace every one of them!**

**Fun Fact: I never watched LOTR, Harry Potter, or Game of Thrones (Please still be my friend).**



# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**Aloha, my name is Candidate Stat Brent B. Taripe. I was born and raised in the Philippines and moved to the United States when I was 14. I attended Mckinley High School (Go Tigers!) where my recruiter, SFC Kazama approached me. SFC Kazama helped me pave the way to join the Hawaii Army National Guard. In turn, being a part of the HIARNG helped me pay for my college tuition and presented many opportunities in my career. I have served more than 15 years and currently working as a full-time technician in the cybersecurity field.**

**Fun Fact: I have a twin brother.**

# ***Meeting The Candidates***



**My name is Candidate Clement Zhang. Born and raised on Oahu, I graduated from Moanalua High School in 2008, and UH Manoa with my B.Ed. (2015) and M.A. (2019). I've been a band director for 10 years and I am currently employed at Highlands Intermediate School. My wife and I have a beautiful little girl who is 18 months old. In general, I love to experience new things. I chose the path to be a Warrant Officer in order to become the future commander of my unit, the 111th Army Band.**

**Fun Fact: I like to eat, travel, and rock climb!**



# ***Meeting The Candidates***



I am Candidate Seth Shen, born and raised on Oahu. I graduated from McKinley High School where I met my recruiter and enlisted in the Hawaii Army National Guard. I didn't have any plans after graduating and enlisted at 17 years old. I have been loving my decision since. I have two daughters, Kaylyn age three and Kaila age one. I have a fiancé, Kelly and a five-year-old dog. My hobbies include playing any kinds of games, working on my evo, and coaching/training judo.

**Fun Fact:** I was born with a crooked pinky and so were my daughters!

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# **ON THE NEXT ISSUE OF RISE UP!**



- CANDIDATES HEADING TO THE COLD AT CAMP ATTERBURY, INDIANA FOR PHASE 1
- MENTORSHIP DINNER
- 10K FOOT MARCH ASSESSMENT

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