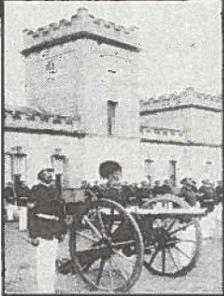


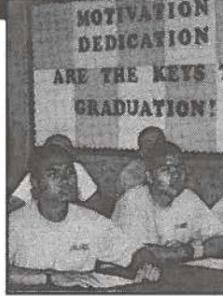
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Calendar

April 8-19

Hawaii State Foodbank Month. DOD and Hawaii National Guard personnel are encouraged to bring nonperishable food items to their office or unit during April.

April 26-28

Volleyball tournament, time and place to be announced.

May 10, Friday

Employer Support of the Guard/ Reserve Golf Tournament. 12:30 p.m. shotgun start at Mamala Bay Golf Course, Hickam Air Force Base.

May 18, Saturday

Armed Forces Day.

May 27, Monday

Memorial Day (observed), federal and state holiday.

Memorial Day service at Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery, Kaneohe. Prelude begins at 1:00 p.m., with the program starting at 1:30 p.m., sponsored by the State of Hawaii Department of Defense.

June 11, Tuesday

Kamehameha Day, state holiday.

July 4, Thursday

Independence Day, federal and state

Hawaii Air Guard returns to Incirlik, Turkey

F-15s enforce Iraqi no-fly zone

Capt. Charles J. Anthony

Members of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Wing are flying daily patrol missions into the northern no-fly zone of Iraq. F-15 "Eagles" and pilots from the 199th Fighter Squadron, are flying defensive counter air cap missions, which

means they are the first coalition aircraft to fly into the northern no-fly zone during patrol

sorties and the last to leave, according to Lt. Col. Gary Peters, the detachment commander. Other coalition aircraft currently flying the northern no-fly zone include British "Tornadoes", French

"Jaguars" and Air National Guard F-16 "Fighting Falcons" from Iowa.

"Patrols so far have been fairly routine," said Peters.

The Hawaii Air National Guard deployed to Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, March 7, for Operation Provide Comfort II. F-15s and pilots from the 199th Fighter Squadron, as well as

support personnel from the 154th Maintenance, 154th Logistics and 154th Aircraft Generation Squadrons, are participating in the operation. All Hawaii Air National Guard units are part of the 154th Wing, headquartered at Hickam Air Force Base.

Peters has a great appreciation for the maintenance personnel. He called the aircraft maintenance "outstanding."

This is the second time that the Hawaii Air Guard has deployed to Turkey for Operation Provide Comfort II. In December 1994, the 199th Fighter Squadron became the first Air National F-15 unit in the nation to patrol the Iraqi northern no-



DAY IS DONE . . .

-- Capt. Wade Oganeku departs his F-15 jetfighter and heads for a debrief following a patrol mission over the northern no-fly zone of Iraq during Operation Provide Comfort II in March. -- Photos by Tech. Sgt. Mark Uenten



DAY HAS JUST BEGUN - Staff Sgt. Byron C. Cristobal, an aircraft maintenance technician with the 154th Generation Squadron checks air pressure gauges.



ON THE MARK -- Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, live-fired their M119A1 howitzers in March, at Schofield Barracks. It marks the first time the Hawaii Guard unit has fired their newly acquired artillery pieces at Schofield. -- Photo

by Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi

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Command notes



Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson
The Adjutant General

There is a proposal currently moving through the State Legislature which will have a major impact on the Hawaii National Guard's future. I'm referring to House Bill 3890, relating to tuition waivers for the National Guard. University of Hawaii tuition waivers are critically important for the Hawaii National Guard to maintain its force structure. As long as we are able to sustain, or better yet, increase our numbers, we will be able to maintain federal recognition of our units. If certain standards are not met, including adequate force structure, federal support can be withdrawn. That would mean the loss of some units and personnel. If that happens, the amount of federal dollars coming in to the state, creating jobs and helping Hawaii's economy, would decrease. Also, a poorly

resourced Hawaii National Guard would clearly diminish the state's capability to respond to hurricanes, floods, tsunamis, high surf, lava flows, prison disruptions and other civil emergencies.

Although tuition waivers were repealed by the State Legislature last year, University officials have graciously extended the benefit through the Spring 1996 semester. For this semester, there are 434 Hawaii Guard soldiers and airmen using the tuition waiver. That's about seven percent of our total strength, and in many ways, represents the future leadership of the Guard. Many of those who earn their degrees using the tuition waiver are now eligible to become commissioned officers. Those who move up in the enlisted ranks are better educated and better qualified to do their military duties after receiving their college diplomas. On the other hand, the loss of tuition waivers would directly impact the development of quality leadership, technical skills and the overall quality of the Hawaii National Guard as a state resource. In short, the tuition waiver supports the state's public safety responsibilities by contributing to the maintenance of a viable state militia.

The state is currently dealing with a difficult financial situation. However, by allowing tuition waivers for the Hawaii National Guard to continue at a

modest expense, the state can take a positive step in ensuring the continued flow of federal funds into the local economy. For instance, federal support for the Hawaii Guard amounted to more than \$141.2 million in fiscal year 1995. The state contributed about \$5.1 million. An important point of interest is that the taxes generated from the federal funds exceeded the amount the state provided.

The challenges ahead are not insurmountable, but if the tuition waiver is no longer available as a recruiting and retention tool, then meeting the challenges of the future would be that much harder. As we go to press, the House tuition waiver bill is still working its way through the legislative process and we continue to work hard for its passage. My thanks go to the members of the special task force on tuition waivers, each and every soldier and airman who has testified at the legislative hearings, many of them for the first time, and to those who have helped in other ways. I am optimistic that our hard work will result in the continuation of a benefit that is so vital to the National Guard and the State of Hawaii.



COMING OF AGE -- Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general and Airman Wendy Durupan untie a maile lei, Feb 3, at the entrance of the new Vehicle Maintenance/Aerospace Ground Equipment Facility at Hickam Air Force Base, during dedication ceremonies. The building is now home to the 154th Vehicle Maintenance & Operations Branch and the 154th Aerospace Ground Equipment Branch of the 154th Logistics Group. -- Hawaii Air National Guard photo

On another matter, Pentagon officials announced last month that 16,000 National Guard and Reserve authorized positions across the nation would be cut by Oct 1, 1996. A few newspaper articles may have given the impression that the Hawaii Guard would be cut back in the future. In fact, all of the reductions in authorized positions in the Hawaii Army National Guard have already occurred. The process began in 1990 with the "Quicksilver" reductions and ended in September 1995 when the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) was reorganized. There are no more programmed reductions in the

HIARNG's authorized strength. The Hawaii Air Guard will be deactivating the 298th Air Traffic Control Flight at Barking Sands on Kauai. The Air Force has reduced the number of aircraft in its inventory, and therefore the number of air controllers is also being reduced. We've known about this inactivation for quite some time, and we've been able to begin transferring those who are affected into other Air Guard units on Kauai. Only a few personnel will have to find positions on other islands. Change can be difficult, but with proper planning, we can minimize any negative impact and magnify the positive aspects.

Departmental news

March of Dimes Walk America campaign begins

The 1996 Oahu Walk America for the March of Dimes is scheduled for April 13 at 7 a.m. The 6.7 mile walk will start and end at the Kapiolani Park bandstand.

The route will take participants from Kapiolani Park to Ala Moana Beach Park through Waikiki and back to Kapiolani Park. Last year, the Department of Defense raised \$2,800 and had 70 walkers.

For more information about the walk-a-thon call Mark Hardisty, State Department of Defense, fiscal office, at 733-4256.

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Defense bill '96 offers Guard benefits

Benefits of the 1996 authorization bill include giving some reservists' MWR privileges to gray area retirees, reservists eligible for retirement but younger than 60, the same priority as those who retire from active duty for using morale, welfare and recreation facilities on military installations.

- Establishes an insurance plan to protect the incomes of reservists who are called to active duty. Reservists will receive from \$1,000 to \$5,000 a month to make up for civilian income lost during a call-up. The cost of the insurance will be set by the defense secretary. In the planning stages, the premiums were expected to be about \$1 a month per \$100 worth of insurance.

- Dental Insurance -- Requires Defense Department to set up a dental insurance plan for reservists that will cover diagnostic services, fillings and emergency oral examinations. They will pay no more than \$25 a month, with the Defense Department picking up the rest of the tab. The premium will be deducted from their military pay. Enlisted members may end up paying a lower premium.
- Joint Disaster Training -- Instructs the Pentagon to help pay participation of the National Guard in Army, Air Force or joint Army and Air Force exercises designed to improve the military's ability to respond to civil emergencies and disasters.

ESGR Golf tournament in May
The Hawaii Commit-

tee for Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve, along with Gov. Benjamin J. Cayetano, are hosting the Tenth Annual Jack Baker ESGR Golf Tournament to honor National Guard and Reserve employers. HING members who want to participate must take vacation leave and are encouraged to invite their bosses.

The tournament will be held at Mamala Bay Golf Course at Hickam Air Force Base. It will begin with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start.

Entry fees for Guard and Reserve members E-1 to E-4 \$40; E-5 to O-3 \$45; W-4 to O-4 and above \$50; and civilians \$65. Mulligans cost only \$5 each, however there is a four person limit. The deadline for registering is April 24. After April 24 a \$10 late registration fee will be accessed.

Make checks payable to ESGR Golf Tournament and mail them to CDR Tony Abbruzzi, N&

MCRRC Honolulu, 530 Peltier Ave., Honolulu, HI 96818 ATTN: ESGR or call , 471-0091.



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Molokai Armory "cannon's" roots rediscovered

By Sgts. 1st Class Aaron R. Pollick and Stephen M. Lum

What appeared to be a piece of corroding junk on the front lawn of the old Hawaii Army National Guard Molokai Armory has turned out to be a unique island treasure. The old cannon, coated in layers of black and olive drab paint, was discovered to be a King David Kalakaua era field piece.

In 1985, on a routine maintenance check at the 1930s built Molokai Armory, Chief Warrant Officer Robert Paoa decided to take a more careful look at the old cannon with broken spoke wheels propped up



Paoa

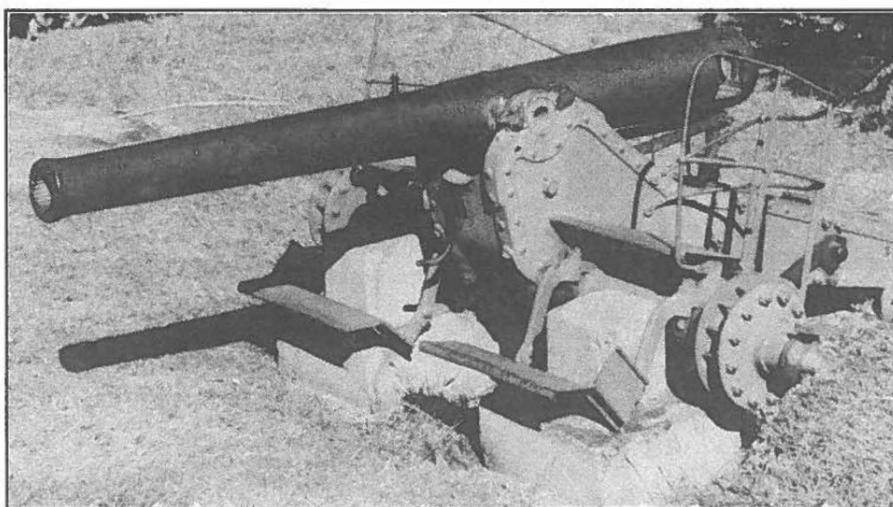
on cement blocks. Paoa, a Hawaiian military history buff, saw something familiar. Through research and with the help of photos, he concluded the cannon may be the last remaining piece of a battery of guns bought in the 1880s by Kalakaua.

Cannon's origins discovered

In 1881, King David Kalakaua, ruler of the Hawaiian kingdom, embarked on a world tour to visit the heads of state from countries in Asia and Europe. When he was in Austria, he visited Emperor Franz Joseph who arranged a tour of the Vienna Arsenal for his majesty. Kalakaua was so impressed with the design and mobility of the Austrian cannons that he purchased a battery consisting of six field pieces and four mountain battery pieces.

The field pieces (cannons) used by the King's Royal Guard were described in an April 22, 1882, Pacific Commercial Advertiser newspaper article as a large gun, about six feet in length, which fires a shot four inches in diameter. The cannon is a very simple but effective breach loaded weapon with a sight range of 6,000 yards of three miles in accuracy.

The cannon used cartridges made



READY TO RESTORE -- The Kalakaua era cannon sitting in front of the old Molokai Armory, protected by coats of black and olive drab paint. -- Hawaii Army National Guard Environmental Engineers photo

of tough water resistant paper filled with gun powder along with single and double walled shells. The single walled shells were merely hollow cylinders rounded off on one end and into a cone shape with a center portion containing the charge. A single walled shell packed with ninety balls about half an inch in diameter was also found to be highly effective. The double walled shell consisted of a series of rings, piled on top of each other within a shell, leaving the center for the charge.

Cannons moved to California

When the United States annexed Hawaii in 1898, the Austrian cannons were considered obsolete and sent to the mainland to be stored at the Benicia Arsenal in Benicia, Calif. In 1930, after more than 30 years in storage, five returned to Hawaii and were once again placed on the palace grounds according to the Honolulu Advertiser's March 27, 1930, edition.

During World War II, the cannons were unsupervised, leaving no records of their fate or whereabouts. The question of when or how this particular cannon ended up at the Molokai Armory remains a mystery. Based on historical events, it is believed that the transfer took place sometime between 1940 and 1950.

Research and restoration

The historical Kalakaua-era cannon, which sat on the grounds of the old armory, was brought to Honolulu for restoration in the summer of 1995 after Chief Paoa's 1985 rediscovery and research confirmed the cannon was part of a battery of field pieces.

The cannon's restoration was part of the master plan to enhance the Jan. 7 dedication of the new Molokai Armory. Bids were submitted ranging from \$5-10,000. High cost stalled the

restoration, but with Paoa's persistence and the Hawaii Guard's higher command's blessing, the maintenance staff took on the task.

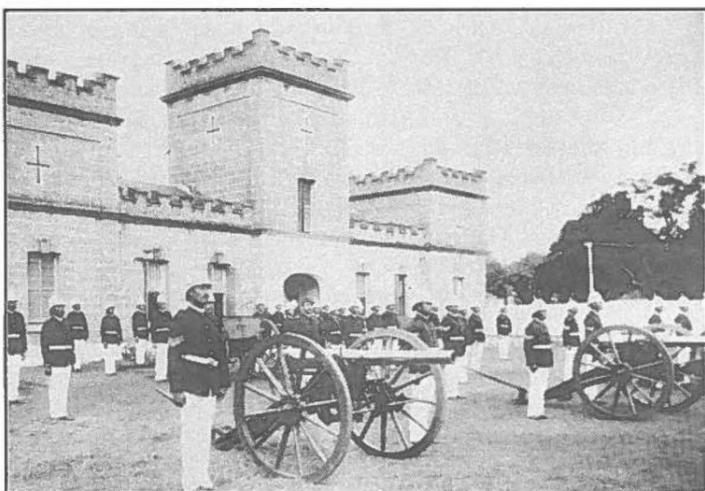
The Austrian-built field piece restored by past and present technicians from the Hawaii Guard's Combined Support Maintenance Shop #1 in Honolulu. The 10 volunteers worked for more than six months, after hours and weekends (more than 225 hours) and spent less than \$200 for varnish and paint. The oak and mahogany hardwoods for reconstruction of the wheels were donated. "After countless hours of sand blasting, welding, painting, and polishing," said Chief Warrant Officer Paul N. Kahunahana, restoration coordinator, "our labor of love was complete."

The restoration team also included Sgt. 1st Class Daniel U. Murakami (wheel fabrication); Staff Sgts. Earl T. Sugai (sandblasting, painting and polishing), Bennett V.L. Labuguen (wheel fabrication) and Ross P. Gilfoy (sandblasting, painting and polishing); Sgts. Edward B. Saringan (carriage welding and body work) and Scott Sheldon (sandblasting, painting and polishing); retirees Masters Sgt. George Tom (full-scale wheel design) and Staff Sgt. David Ogura (wheel fabrication).

Home again

The Kalakaua cannon came home to the Detachment 1, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Dec. 28, 1995, in time for the Jan. 7 dedication of the new Molokai Armory.

Editor's note: Sgt. Pollick is a member of the Hawaii Army National Guard's Historian Section created in 1990 to preserve the rich history of the Hawaii Guard.



HARDWARE DISPLAY -- Kalakaua's Royal Guard stand in formation in front of Iolani Barracks in the 1880s. -- Hawaii State archives



RESTORATION TEAM PRIDE -- Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson joins the cannon restoration team at the new Molokai Armory. (Left to right) Staff Sgt. Earl T. Sugai, Sgt. Scott Sheldon, Maj. Gen. Richardson, Chief Warrant Officer Paul N. Kahunahana, Sgt. Edward B. Saringan, Chief Warrant Officer Robert Paoa, Staff Sgt. Bennett V.L. Labuguen, Sgt. 1st Class Daniel U. Murakami, and Sgt. 1st Class Ross P. Gilfoy. -- Photo by Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi



Molokai Armory dedicated

By Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum

The Hawaii Army National Guard dedicated its new Kaunakakai, Molokai Armory, Jan 7. The facility replaces the old armory which was built in the 1930s.

Because of inclement weather, the ceremony did not go as planned. Hawaii National Guard VIPs, the 111th Army Band, and support personnel were delayed by the rain. After a three-hour delay, two Guard

aircraft were finally able to fly into Kaunakakai Airport.

On hand to make the occasion special were Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, state adjutant general; Ms. Jennifer Goto Sabas, Sen. Daniel Inouye's representative; and a few members of the island's original National Guard unit, Company K. Though delayed by the weather, the (Continued on page 4)

LOCAL TRADITIONS -- Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general and Mrs. Jennifer Goto Sabas untie the maile lei symbolizing the official opening of the new Molokai Armory, Jan. 7. -- Photo by Sgt. Lance M. Kamisugi

Youth ChalleNGe's third class graduates

By Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Lum

Eighty-two at-risk youth took advantage of the opportunity for a second chance at completing their high school education at the Hawaii National Guard's Youth ChalleNGe Program. Class 96-3 ChalleNGe corpsmembers completed the first phase of the program at graduation exercises held at Kamehameha Schools' Princess Ruth Keelikolani Auditorium, Feb. 10.

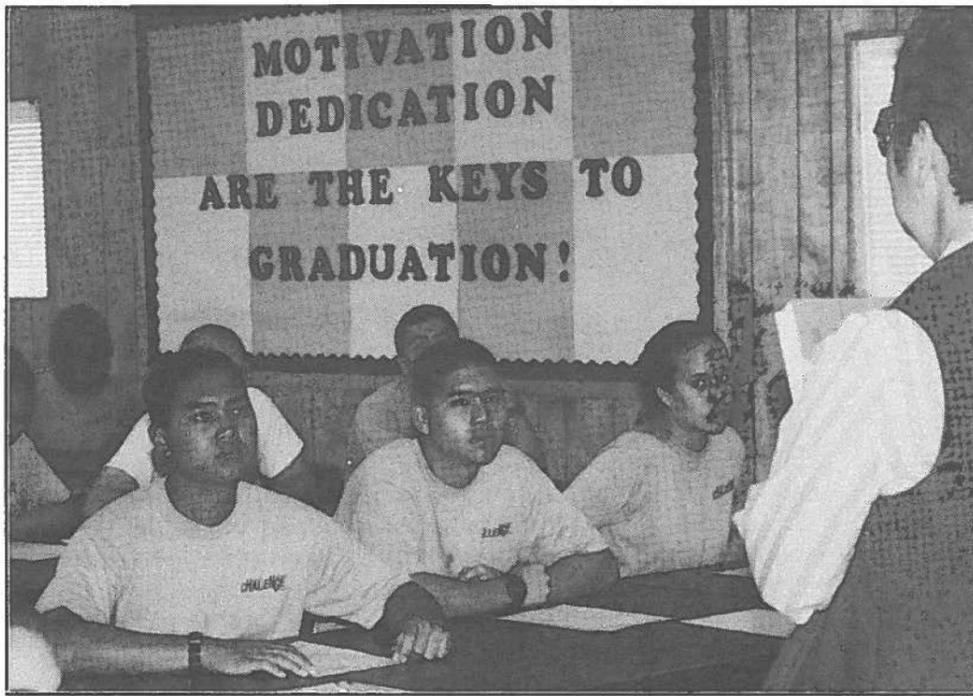
Corpsmembers volunteered to attend the five-month quasi-military residential phase at Barbers Point Naval Air Station. They received 1,500 hours of instruction to earn a high school equivalency certificate (17-18 year old) or were able to earn up to five credits toward graduation (16 year old).

Pre-Challenge

The first two-weeks, called pre-challenge, introduces corpsmembers to disciplinary phase of the quasi-military style school. "The first weeks were the hardest . . . the most challenging," said Patrick W. Canoy Jr., Class 96-3 corpsmember president and former Campbell High School student. He was presented the leadership award by Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, the adjutant general. Said Canoy in his presidential address, "There were times of great happiness, sorrow, aching muscles and brain busting moments. That's all right, because with all that experience, we know that we can take a few lickings and suck it up and drive on, . . . hoo-ah." The corpsmembers responded, "hoo-ah."

The "mini-boot camp" is run by the 21 squad leaders who rotate at drill instructors and live-in dorm managers. Squad leaders, who are Hawaii National Guard soldiers and airmen, provide instruction which includes physical fitness; health, hygiene and sex education; discipline; responsibility; team building; drill and ceremony; leadership and followership; community service; life-coping skills; health, skills training; and community involvement and service projects.

During the first days at ChalleNGe, corpsmembers are shown the importance of grooming. Young women's hair is put up neatly or cut short, while the young men usually get a military-style cut. "The



MOTIVATION AND DEDICATION -- Corpsmembers Patrick W. Canoy Jr. and Dallas J. Cabebe listen intently as Hawaii National Guard Youth ChalleNGe program educator gives instructions. -- Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Stephen M. Lum



Canoy

kids soon realize the value of a short haircut when moving briskly to their next destination," said retired Col. James Y. Iha, the program's director. "Every class ends up with a class member barber."

Zackary E.K. Mercado lead a group of 45 corpsmembers who benefited from the physically conditioning program and earned Presidential Physical Fitness Awards. He was presented the ChalleNGe program's physical fitness award by Col. Michael E. Rawlins, the deputy adjutant general.

Merit system

Corpsmembers learn privileges, such as having the daily paper available, using the phone and weekend passes need to be earned not just given through merit/demerit system. They learn to work together to make positive changes for the good of all.

In his farewell message, Mercado said, "When we walked in the gates . . . it was even worst than we thought. No one knew one another . . . no one cared . . . we were all individuals . . . then we got to know each other, learned how to grow and live with one another. Now we are not only a strong team, but a strong family."

"I was into gangs and drugs, but now I've learned to appreciate my parents, I give them respect and they treat me with respect," said Vincent B. Villaplaza, from Farrington High School. Cabebe said, "My parents have seen me change from bad to good . . . now I give and get respect."

Not everyone makes it through the program. "Some leave on their own, while others are unable to adjust to the program," said retired Maj. Jeffrey M. Nishikawa, ChalleNGe deputy director. Other reasons for dismissal are academic deficiencies or testing positive for drugs during pre-challenge or when returning from weekend passes.

Academics

The academic core, taught by five instructors, includes government and law; health; consumer economics; occupational knowledge; community resources. Classes are held in five trailers serving as classrooms, while a sixth one is utilized at the computer resource center. Corpsmembers are given a diagnostic test at the beginning of the program and a mastery exam at the conclusion of the program to see how they have progressed. Corpsmember

Ivan K.S. Ige was presented the academic award by U.S. Representative Neil S. Abercrombie. Maui corpsmember Byron F.K. Tavares was presented the governor's award by Lt. Gov. Maize Hirono for achieving the highest test scores (all 100 percent), no demerits, and the presidential fitness award.

U.S. Representative Patsy T. Mink; Daniel Donohue, special assistant to the chief of the National Guard Bureau; and Col. Iha joined the other presenters as speakers for the ceremonies.

Post-residential phase begins

Hawaii ChalleNGe graduates now move on to the 12-month post-residential phase.

Forty graduates enrolled at Leeward Community College in a newly created bridge program, designed to transition the graduates into college. The three-college credit course will use \$300 of the \$2,200 stipend earned for completing the ChalleNGe program. The stipend is used only to further education or for job training.

Graduates are also teamed with a mentor, an adult volunteer, committed to keeping the corpsmember on track. The program is always looking for qualified mentors; call Warrant Officer Candidate Antoinette McClain at Youth ChalleNGe for more information at 684-5790 or 684-9350.

The federally funded program, which is in 14 other states, has received funding for four more classes, including the one which started Feb. 25.

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"Friendly Island" visitors took the opportunity to say aloha to the Molokai soldiers, past and present; and community leaders and friends.

The Molokai Armory is the new home of Detachment 1, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry. The Hawaii Guard will continue its close working relationship with the community, making the facility available as the Hawaii National Guard civil defense headquarters, shelter for Molokai citizens in an emergency, and as a meeting place for civic events. The armory also welcomed home the re-

stored King David Kalakaua field piece (cannon).

Old armory built in '30s

The old armory, built in 1939 for \$17,500, reflected the architectural decor of the 1930s. The 5,800-square foot building's basic construction was wood frame on wood post and pier foundation with a 24-gauge corrugated iron roof.

Modern facilities for modern army

The new 5,900 square-foot Kaunakakai armory includes administrative offices, classrooms, training areas, kitchen,

and supply and storage rooms. The state-federal funded armory costing \$1.6 million, including \$970,000 in federal funds.

"There is a rich tradition that links the soldiers who served during the time of the old armory to the soldiers who will drill in this new facility," said Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson. "It is a first class armory for first class soldiers, who will carry on the pride of the islands well into the next century."

History remembered in memorabilia display

Points of interest included

displays featuring the first Molokai Guard unit, and the unit's activation during World War II, King Kalakaua era "cannon" and the old armory.

The original residents of the 1930s armory were the Hawaii Guard's Company K, 299th Infantry Regiment. They served in the South Pacific during World War II. A reorganized Molokai unit was activated in 1968 as part of the 29th Infantry Brigade during the Vietnam war. Thirteen soldiers went on to serve in Vietnam.

The company recently retired its 1st Battalion 299th Infantry colors in a ceremony

held last September and is now part of the 29th's enhanced readiness brigade.

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The rest of the cannon history is covered in the story on page 3.

State Civil Defense

Pacific Disaster Center opens in Kihei, Maui

By Barbara Hendrie

After seven months of installing hardware, software, and interconnection systems, the Pacific Disaster Application Center on Kihei, Maui, was dedicated, Feb. 21.

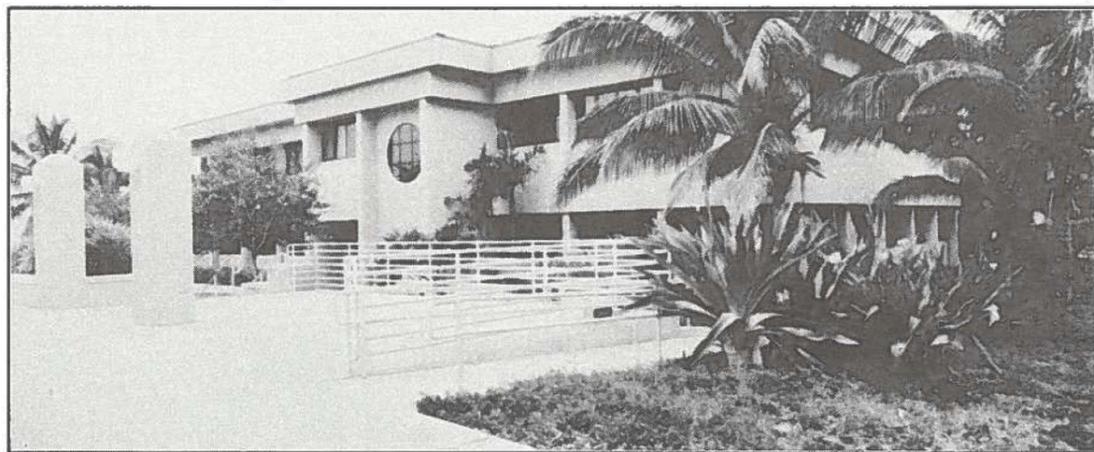
The center, located at the Maui Research & Technology Center, is directly tied to the Maui supercomputer, with its high speed capability to link sky and ground-based resources for disaster management. Resources formerly reserved for military operations are now being put to use for peaceful purposes.

Using the world's most advanced earth monitoring satellites and computing systems, the Pacific Disaster Center is ready to develop products to help improve disaster management in Hawaii and the Pacific Region. Products like high resolution satellite imagery, an integrated geographic information system, and computer modeling an simulation will help develop new and better methods for emergency management.

User needs for Hawaii and the Pacific are currently being developed to tailor information products. The products will then become available through the Pacific Regional Emergency Management Information System located at State Civil Defense (SCD). The system is currently being upgraded to accommodate new services and products. While federal, state and local agencies will remain the responsible parties in the disaster business, the disaster center will be a focal point for integrating resources into products which help these agencies better perform disaster related tasks.

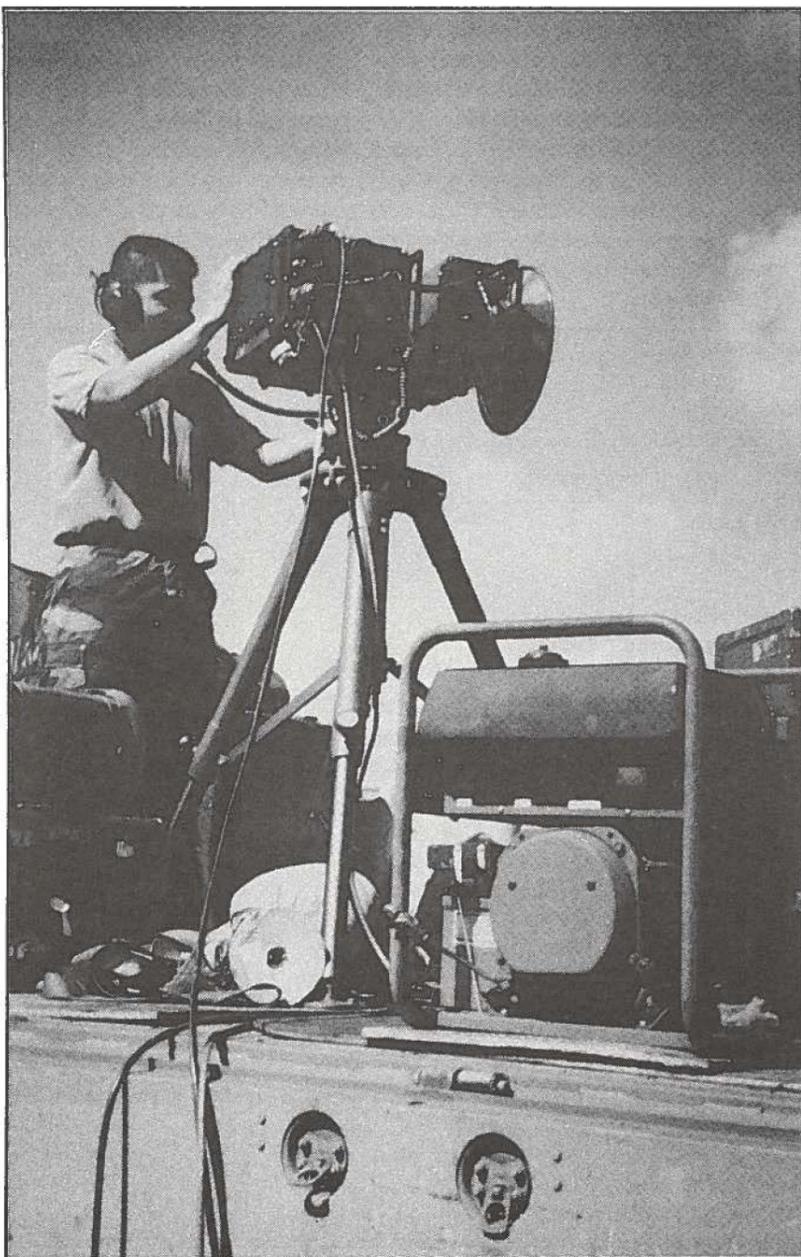
The Pacific Disaster Center is a joint project of the U.S. Department of Defense and the State Department of Defense. The Hawaii Air National Guard's 169th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron is connected to the PDC and SCD via a Local Area Network. The 169th will be part of a 24-hour disaster alert monitoring system. Funding for the project was authored by U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, who believes that Hawaii is an ideal location for a high-tech disaster center. Serving as a central hub in the Pacific Rim and having leading edge technology make Hawaii uniquely suited for a successful venture.

Other states and countries are watching the progress of the Pacific Disaster Center closely. The Hawaii-based project is a prototype for future disaster centers around the nation and the world.



HIGH TECH -- The Pacific Disaster Center (above) is located in the Maui High Technology Park, Kihei, Maui. It is less than a half hour drive from the Kahului Airport. -- Photos by Ron Matsumura

BLESSING -- The Rev. Bill Pifer of Keolahou Church, Maalaea, conducts a traditional Hawaiian blessing for the opening of the Pacific Disaster Center. Among the dignitaries attending the ceremonies are (left to right) Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson, U. S. Rep. Patsy Mink, U.S. Sen. Dan Inouye, Maui Mayor Linda Crockett-Lingle, and Roy Price, civil defense vice-director.



201st CCG units train on Lanai, Molokai

Communications re-established

By Senior Master Sgt. Vincent Dacanay and PAO Staff

Members of the 292nd Combat Communications Squadron from Maui and the 297th Air Traffic Control Flight at Barbers Point, were deployed on Lanai, Feb. 4-8.

Meanwhile, 35 personnel from the 201st Combat Communications Group Headquarters, the 293rd Combat Communications Squadron and the 291st Combat Communications Squadron deployed to Molokai, as part of the civil defense exercise named Silver Sword '96.

The exercise scenario was built around a natural disaster (like Hurricane Iniki), knocking out Maui County's (including Molokai and Lanai) government and commercial communications systems. The 201st was tasked with planning and implementing contingency communications to assist the Maui County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in establishing a contingency network between the three islands and the State EOC in Diamond Head Crater.

In a real disaster, this network would allow the counties to communicate until essential commercial telephone and com-

munications resources could be re-established.

For the exercise, the 292nd deployed seven individuals to Lanai under the leadership of Senior Master Sgt. Vincent Dacanay, operations superintendent. They installed and operated a line-of sight (LOS) microwave system between Lanai City, Lanai Airport, Kanepu'u, and Molokai using Tactical Satellite Support Radios (TSSRs) and an high frequency command and control radio net using a URC-119 HF/SSB radio. Their purpose was to provide telephone services to a satellite EOC in Lanai City and to support the operations of the 297th at the airport. They also established a Communications Focal Point (CFP) at the Lanai High School gym to report and maintain the status of all equipment and personnel for the Communications Squadron and Control Flight. Seventeen members of the 297th, under the leadership of Capt. Reynold Hioki and Senior Master Sgt. Moses Akana, installed and operated a TSW-7 Mobile Control Tower and TRN-26 TACAN at Lanai Airport. The units on Molokai established satellite up link communications to Hickam Air Force Base, and a portable microwave relay to Maui.

SILVER CONNECTION -- Staff Sgt. Arnold Rabacal, wideband maintenance technician, aligns the Tactical Satellite Support Radio to establish a Kanepu'u, Lanai to Molokai line-of-sight link. The Maui-based 292nd Combat Communications Squadron technician was on Lanai testing mobile communications equipment during civil defense exercise Silver Sword '96.

Hawaii Army National Guard



Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Imai
Commander, HIARNG

Challenges ahead

As we start another calendar year, the Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) is facing some very important issues which will have major impacts on our future. It seems that in the past five years, we have had one challenge or other which has tested our ability to organize and meet head-on the tasks before us. We will again need all of your efforts this year to overcome the challenges of retention and recruitment.

The nation's defense organization is continuing its downsizing, and the Hawaii Army Guard is a part of that downsizing. As all of you are aware, downsizing is not always neat and orderly, and some states will lose more units than others. The overriding criteria used by the decision makers in Washington, D.C., is a unit's ability to maintain readiness. The readiness of a unit is dependent on personnel strength and qualifications; the train-

ing level; and equipment status. Our units are currently better equipped than they have ever been with state-of-the-art aircraft, vehicles, and equipment. Our training has involved increasingly complex tasks in both the field as well as command post environments. Our units have trained a variety of in state and out of state areas to test their ability to adjust to a variety of conditions. Our personnel strength is currently above 99 percent of authorized, however, we continue to lose too many valuable soldiers too early in their military careers. We vitally need to retain the soldiers we currently have, and recruit additional soldiers to fill the vacancies we have to attain 100 percent.

All of you have responded in an outstanding fashion during past challenges, and we will need all of your help in meeting this latest and most critical threat.

Guard serves local community

Congratulations to the staff of Hawaii Youth Challenge Program. I had the privilege of attending the graduation of the third class of this new program, Feb. 10, 1996, at the Kamehameha School Auditorium, and I share the pride which the graduates, families, and friends felt. Much of the staff of the program come from the HIARNG, and it is through their hard work, dedication, and serving as role models, that the program has been so successful in such a short time.



HOME RUN -- Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery carried their battalion colors 26 miles from their former home in Fort Ruger, to the Wahiawa Armory, Dec. 16. The run started at 5:15 a.m. and ended at 9:30 a.m. A volunteer group of soldiers supported the team by shuttling runners and ensuring that the route was clear and safe. -- 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery photo

Eighty-two young adults graduated with a qualified mentor to continue their education through either main streaming or going to higher education, or to secure a job.

That is a side of the National Guard which the community is often not fully aware of. The Guard, as an integral part of the community, does not simply do periodic community projects (which we do), but also takes an active role in trying to improve the community through daily participation in drug demand reduction programs, drug interdiction programs, customs inspection, training and civilian law en-

forcement personnel in disaster relief efforts, and the Youth Challenge program.

The "value added" to the community to have a viable National Guard is directly linked to the fact that it has a state mission. The Guard is the only trained and disciplined force of its size which has as its mission the protection of the lives and property the protection of the people of Hawaii. While the Guard was most visible before, during, and following Hurricane Iniki, deploying within hours following the hurricane; more impressive is the fact that we prepare for a response to every natural disaster or civil distur-

bance threat. When a county opens its Emergency Operations Center (EOC), a Guard member is either physically present or readily accessible. The Guard has responded to numerous floods, high winds, fires, and even emergency transportation to move World War II veterans to safety. When civil disturbance threats are of such magnitude that the law enforcement authorities require assistance, the Guard is there. The Guard was prepared following the Rodney King verdict, during anticipated problems in the prisons, and during other large demonstrations. The community benefits because the "Guard is there."

Sports

Great Aloha Run:

Hawaii Guard family volunteers support

More than 100 Hawaii National Guard, DOD and family members assisted in this year's Great Aloha Run, Feb. 19.

From the starting guns at Aloha Tower to the medical stations throughout the route to the ohana stations at the Aloha Stadium, volunteers from the Hawaii Guard family assisted.

The Army Guard's G3 shop handled much of the behind the scenes logistical support, while the 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate) units provided the starting gun, ambulances, and trucks.

1st Battalion, 487th

Field Artillery got the show on the road, with the six o'clock in the morning boom. Medical personnel from the Air Guard's 154th Medical Squadron and Company C (Medical), 29th Support Battalion, treated runners for minor cuts, bruises, sprains and heat exhaustion. Soldiers from the Company B (Supply and Transportation), 29th Support Battalion, provided movement of supplies and personnel to locations on the route.

Other Hawaii Guard personnel, family, and friends ran the Family Support Group ohana stations with food and beverages for Guard runners and volunteers.

Air Guard took the vol-

unteer mission as part of their quality of life program's community service project. Personnel with ties to Headquarters, Hawaii Air National Guard; the 154th Wing and 201st Combat Communications Group were among the list of volunteers.

Guard teams run

Once again the Army Guard's 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery, soldiers joined a field of military organizations to run in the Sounds of Freedom.

Hawaii National Guard Fun Run:

Lt. Col. James Mundy, attached to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate), and Connie Abrams, of the 154th Maintenance Squadron, both captured first place finishes as overall winners of the Annual Hawaii National Guard (HING) Fun Run/Walk, at Bellows Air Station, Jan. 14.

Mundy, the first male finisher, captured the best overall time with 18:40.



Mundy



Abrams

Abrams, the first female finisher, was next, clocking in at 24:07. Mundy also placed as the top male finisher in the 39-48 age category.

The event, hosted by the Hawaii Army National Guard, was open to employees of the HING and State Department of Defense and their families.

They competed for the top male and female slots in six categories. The winners of each category were: Kelse Tachihata and William Cruz in the 12 years and under category; Justin Pritle and Samantha Tachihata in the 13-17 age category; Melanie Gaspro and James Barros in the 18-29 category; Robert Myint and Connie Abrams in the 29-38 age category; Donna Usagawa first female in the 39-48 age category; and Norman Uyechi and Jean Compton in the 49 and over category.

In Memorium

Funeral Services were held for Staff Sgt. Edmund Yong, who died Jan. 14, during the HING Fun Walk/Run, at Bellows Air Station. Yong was assigned to the 154th Aircraft Generation Squadron.

Hawaii Air National Guard



Brig. Gen. Dwight M. Kealoha
Commander, HIANG

After two months at the controls, it feels good to be a member of the Hawaii Air National Guard and great also to be working with a superb team of Guard members. I have not visited every unit yet, but it's on my schedule. It's obvious that our people are busy trying to keep up with the changes that are a common part of today's operating environment. During my visits I am often asked what my priorities are, and where I see the HIANG going. So, I'll share my views with you in this column:

- First, to continue to build on the great work done by my predecessors, Col. Clinton R. Churchill and Brig. Gen. David M. Rodrigues. They had the HIANG on the right course.
- Ensure that we can accomplish our federal and state missions -- from peacetime contingencies like Provide Comfort II or the Iniki relief/cleanup to wartime operations as part of the total force.
- Plan for the future of the HIANG by keeping it relevant to the changing environment. This might mean new or changed missions, taking on additional tasks, maximizing current opportunities, or reengineering our organization.
- Recruit, train and retain the best people. Our strength is our people and our future success is dependent on how our people can adapt to changes on a continuous basis. Increased involvement, empowerment, working smarter, and incorporating technology are requisites for our future success. Each Guard member can make a difference, as part of our team, and with their individual ideas. We must provide good and innovative ideas!
- Create an environment where our people can be successful and produce to their potential. This means focusing on human dignity--free from racial or gender prejudice; providing the best facilities and equipment possible; and focusing on teamwork and the spirit of aloha--that is characteristic of the HIANG Ohana.

- Work as part of the overall HING team, in close coordination with the Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG), State Civil Defense (SCD) and Office of Veterans Services (OVS).

- Lastly, to have fun doing our work and being part of the HIANG! If you're not having fun, you're in the wrong business.

Kudos

Congratulations to the individuals and units who were honored at our annual awards banquet in February, as being the best in the HIANG:

Airman of the Year, Senior Airman Timothy L. Archer, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron; NCO of the Year, Tech. Sgt. Robert J. Santos, 154th Aircraft Generation Squadron; Senior NCO of the Year, Master Sgt. Colosse Eliapo, 154th Wing; Company Grade Officer of the Year, Capt. Reynold T. Hioki, 297th Air Traffic Control Flight; Maj. Mary Ooka, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron; Community Service Award, 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron; facilities improvement, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron; Outstanding Unit Award, 292nd Combat Communications Squadron. Senior Archer, Tech. Sgt. Santos and Master Sgt. Eliapo will represent the HIANG in the 1996 Air Force 12 Outstanding Airman of the Year program.

The 169th ACWS sent a five-member team to Tyndall Air Force Base to participate in the first time in TOPSCOPE, a competition for weapons controllers. Our team finished with 11,110 points out of a possible 14,600--and only 800 points behind the winner. Well done, to the 169th's team of Capt. Jeffrey Waethcher, Capt. Peter W. Ching, Senior Master Sgt.

Kealoha new Hawaii Air Guard commander

Brig. Gen. Dwight M. Kealoha became the new commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard, Feb. 1.

In January, Kealoha completed duty as the active duty Air Force commander of the 15th Air Base Wing, Hickam Air Force Base, and previously served as commander of 375th Airlift Wing, Scott AFB, Ill. He is a highly decorated command pilot with more than 29 years of military service. The general has flown more than 3,600 hours, principally as a fighter pilot.

Kealoha graduated in 1966 with a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Hawaii, and received this commission through the Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He joined the Air Force in 1966 and completed undergraduate pilot training in 1967. He received his masters degree in business from the University of Utah in 1976 and completed Air War College at Maxwell AFB, Ala., in 1985.

His career has taken him all over the world including two 1960s tours in Southeast Asia, six tours in England, one in Belgium and two in Germany. During Kealoha's European tours, he worked with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and as a special assistant to the chief of staff of the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers. His assignments included A-10 squadron commander, combat support group commander, wing vice commander, a major command staff officer, air staff officer and combined command staff officer.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Distinguished Flying Cross with oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, and Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters.

He is married to the former Ann Mitchell of Phoenix, Ariz.

Deogracias Agbayani Jr., Staff Sgt. Obed Sniffen Jr., and Staff Sgt. Selwyn Valenciano. In addition, Sniffen placed first in target tracker!

Congratulations to our winning volleyball teams and good luck in the HING tournament!

Provide Comfort II

Provide Comfort II is going well with members of our 199th deployed to Turkey to support United Nations sanctions and operations over Northern Iraq. This is the second deployment for the squadron to support PC II, the first coming during the Christmas period of '94. This deployment is indicative of the increased operations tempo occurring in the Guard as the active force is downsized, but still expected to meet an increased number of commitments. This increased operations tempo is evident in all our units as the Guard takes on more tasking in the total force concept. Our KC-135 and C-130

squadrons are flying operational missions throughout the western Pacific, the CONUS, Iceland and Europe. Our 201st Combat Communications Group is supporting operations in Europe and exercises throughout the Pacific. As long as the US is committed to operations like Provide Comfort and Deny Flight, the Guard will be asked to assume a greater share of the tasking. In the HIANG, it changes the way we do business. Involved Leadership, improved recruitment and retention, increased participation by our traditional guardspeople, trained personnel, and operational equipment are critical to our ability to handle this changed and increased OPTEMPO.

Working with HIARNG

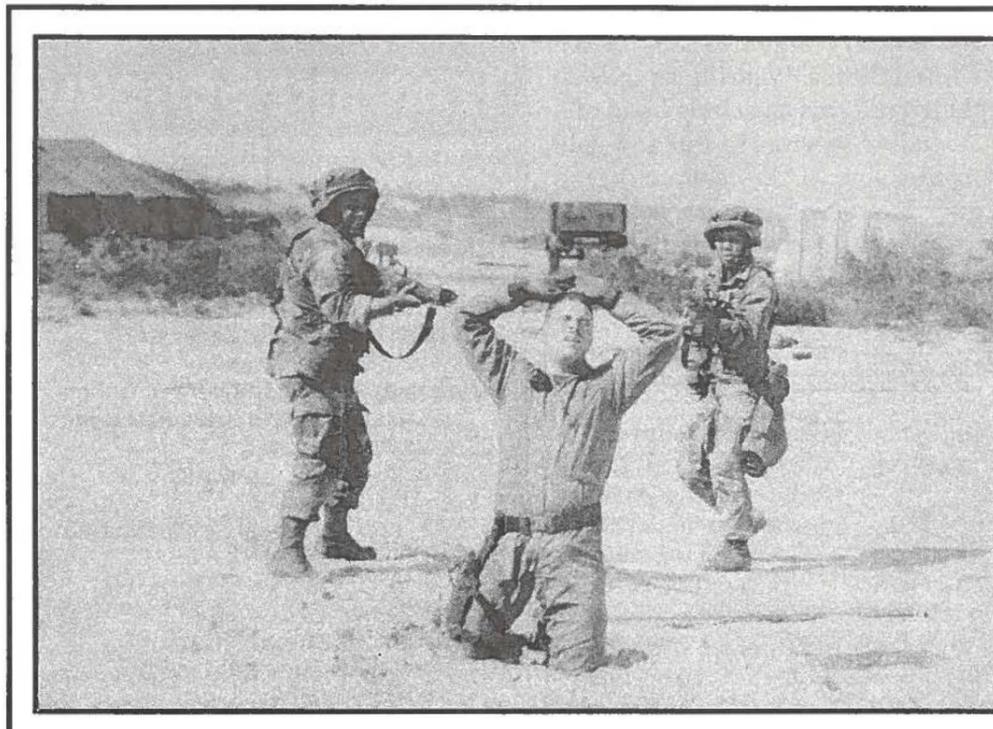
One of our goals is to operate in close coordination with the HIARNG. According to the 204th Airlift Squadron, they will airlift elements of the 29th Infan-

try Brigade to the West coast, in June, to support their annual training program.

Recruiting

Recruiting--its the lifeblood of our organization. As we stand up the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron and the 204th, assume the air sovereignty mission for the active force, and fill critical manning needs in our units, we looked at our recruiting efforts and set-up to see if we were as effective as we need to be. We involved the recruiters in the assessment and determined that some changes were needed if we are going to be successful. Some of the changes we are examining include:

- Consolidating operations;
- Regular training sessions for the recruiters;
- Involving our squadrons and people in recruiting--its everyone's responsibility;
- Increased planning of recruiting efforts;
- Reduce redundant functions.



MOBILITY TRAINING

Senior Airman James Pacheco (left) and Airman Basic Scott K. Matsumoto, "capture" aggressor Staff Sgt. William E. "Woody" Woods Jr., during the 201st Combat Communications Group Mobility/Survivability Training course held at Hickam Air Force Base in January. Pacheco is from Hilo's 291st Combat Communications Squadron, while Matsumoto is from 293rd Combat Communications Squadron at Hickam and Woods is from the 297th Air Traffic Control Flight located at Barbers Point Naval Air Station. -- 15th Air Base Wing public affairs photo

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

Lt. Col. Richard C. Hastings Jr., 154th Support Group
 1st Sgt. Steven R. Abe, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery
 Sgt. 1st Class Antonio Baldogo, Company A (S&T) 29th Support Battalion
 Master Sgt. Wayne C.K. Lewis, HQ & HQ Company, 29th Infantry Brigade (Separate)
 Master Sgt. Herbert S. Okamoto, 154th Maintenance Squadron
 Sgt. 1st Class Adelino C. Vares, 103rd Troop Command
 Sgt. 1st Class Gerald C. Wade, 103rd Troop Command (1st oak leaf cluster)

Army Commendation Medal

Capt. Curtis H. Matsushige, 117th Public Affairs Team (3rd oak leaf cluster)

Sgt. 1st Class Craig T. Ikeda, HQ & HQ Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery,

Air Force Commendation Medal
 Senior Master Sgt. Delos W.H. Chow (1st Oak Leaf Cluster)

Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medal

Lt. Col. Emerick Y. Kaneshi, HQ State Area Command (Dets 2 & 3) (2nd Bronze Kahili)
 Lt. Col. Richard S.W. Young, HQ State Area Command, (Det. 2 & 3)
 Lt. Col. Keith H. Tanouye, HQ State Area Command (Dets 2 & 3) (1st Bronze Kahili)
 Maj. Edward K. Chun Fat Jr., HQ & HQ Company 29th Support Battalion
 Maj. Stanley R. Keolanui Jr., HQ State Area Command (-Dets 2 & 3)
 Maj. Blane O. Ogata, HQ State Area Command (Dets 2 & 3) (1st Bronze Kahili)
 Maj. Michael C. K. Wong, HQ State Area Command (Dets 2 & 3)
 Capt. Bradley V. Higgins, HQ & HQ Company 29th Support Battalion

Capt. Douglas K. Jackson, 103rd Troop Command
 Master Sgt. William E. Anana, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Master Sgt. Scott E. Duffield, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Master Sgt. Charlene H.M. Takesue, HQ State Area Command (Dets-2 & 3)
 Master Sgt. Gary L. Witt, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Tech. Sgt. Ray G. Duropan, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Tech. Sgt. William Makaneole III,

154th Security Police Squadron
 Tech. Sgt. William A. Ramos, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Tech. Sgt. Francis T.G. Shen, 154th Communications Flight
 Tech. Sgt. Mark M. Ueunten, 154th Communications Flight
 Staff Sgt. Charles A. Baker, 154th Communications Flight
 Staff Sgt. Darren H. Eko, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Delmar F. Galiciano, 154th Communications Flight
 Staff Sgt. Rex C. Hadlich, 154th

Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Bobby D. Harrison, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Christina N. Luna, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Steven H. Matsuda, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Ruben C. Mesinas, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Robert R. Onekea, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Lemuel Palakiko, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Gregory J. Pelayre, 154th

Communications Flight
 Staff Sgt. Kenneth W. Taipin, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Staff Sgt. Gary M. Oshiro, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Senior Airman Raymond N. Choy Jr., 154th Communications Flight
 Senior Airman Eric R. Daido, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Senior Airman Damian L. Loo, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Senior Airman Dwayne A.K. Moniz, 154th Security Police Squadron
 Senior Airman Jonathan A.K. Silva, 154th Security Police Squadron

Hawai Air National Guard Annual Awards

Airman of the Year - Senior Airman Timothy L. Archer, 293rd Combat Communications Squadron
 NCO of the Year - Tech. Sgt. Robert J. Santos, 154th Aircraft Generation Squadron
 Senior NCO of the Year - Master Sgt. Colosse Eliapo, 154th Wing
 Company Grade Officer - Capt. Reynold T. Hioki, 297th Air Traffic Control Flight
 Field Grade Officer - Maj. Mary Ooka, 169th Air Control and Warning Squadron
 Community Service Award - 150th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron
 Facilities Improvement - 169th Aircraft Control & Warning Squadron
 Outstanding Unit Award - 292nd Combat Communications Squadron
 Archer, Santos, Eliapo are HIANG's nominees for the 1996 Air Force's 12 outstanding airmen of the year program.



Hawaii National Guard History

Warrior patch origins explained

By Sgt. 1st Class Aaron Pollick

Hawaii Army National Guard, assistant historian

One of the most misunderstood and misinterpreted items on the Hawaii Army National Guard uniform is a round disk shoulder sleeve insignia or patch worn by soldiers assigned to the State Area Command (STARC) and 103rd Troop Command.

From time to time, a few soldiers have asked if the patch could be changed. When asked if they understand what it represents, they would respond, "Yeah! King Kamehameha." They are right, however, many soldiers do not understand the significance or know the history of the patch.

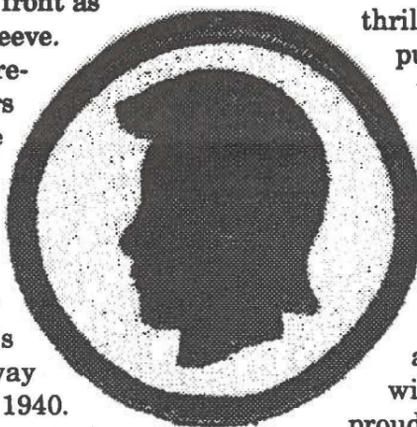
Today, the insignia is known as the Kamehameha patch, the Aku head patch, and has even been interpreted as a silhouette figure of Elvis Presley!

The patch was designed in 1925 by Sgt. John K.S. Char of Company C, 298th Infantry Regiment, to honor the true spirit of Hawaii's Warriors. The shapes and colors were: a golden yellow circle uniformly superimposed upon a medium green circle; evenly placed in the yellow circle is the silhouette of a Hawaiian warrior monarch of me-

dium brown color, wearing a medium red (feathered) helmet; the Hawaiian warrior figure will be facing toward the front as worn on the left sleeve.

Red and gold represent the royal colors of Hawaii and the green symbolizes the ever verdant Hawaiian landscape.

The Army Guard wore this proudly all the way into activation of 1940. Here is a brief excerpt of a story written by Harry Albright in the Star Bulletin, March 1940: "With its roots deep in the colorful and action crammed past of the islands, the Hawaii National Guard today can boast not only a modern military unit with top ranking efficiency but a history unique amongst the military organizations of the United States. Wearing as they do their uniforms the circle head of a Hawaiian warrior in red and gold royal colors of the monarchy, the guards of the Territory trace the lineage of their organization back to the feathered helmeted soldiers of the olden time.



From the time King Kamehameha the first organized the Island warriors into their first semblance of a modern military machine, down through the splendor of the monarchy and into the thrilling days of the Republic, and finally to the taking of the oath of allegiance to the United States, the military establishment of Hawaii has had a history replete with thrills and shot through with tradition of a proud devotion to duty."

The Hawaii Territorial Guard (HTG) was activated by the governor of Hawaii, in 1943, after the absence of the original Guard left Hawaii without a home defense in the event of an invasion. Up until 1944 the Hawaii Territorial Guard wore a white arm band with the

letters "HTG" in purple. It decided to retire the arm band and adopted the same design of the former Guard of Hawaii with the word "HAWAII" added below.

On March 1949, the National Guard Bureau approved the shoulder sleeve insignia that we wear today with the exception that the word "HAWAII" be removed.

Since that time the patch has been documented as the silhouette of King Kamehameha the First.

The wearers of the patch should feel proud knowing its rich lineage. The citizen soldiers of Hawaii are maintaining the fine record handed down to them by the guardsmen of the past. Just like the elite warriors of Hawaiian antiquity very few people wear this patch.

Now when you wear this coat of arms, feel proud, be honored and walk with pride knowing that you're a part of an organization with a distinguished history, I do! So now you know the rest of the story.

Army Guard needs Rangers

The Army National Guard (ARNG) has 180 training seats per year for the National Guard Bureau Pre-Ranger Course conducted at Fort Benning, Ga. The two-week prep course and the eight-week Ranger

course are funded by the NGB on a reimbursement basis to states.

There are 41 Ranger coded positions available in Hawaii. Male commissioned and non-commissioned officers are eligible to apply. Specific physical and mental aptitude criteria is available from

your unit orderly room or via the Army Training Resources and Requirements System (ATRRS).

For more information write to: Pre-Ranger Course, National Guard Bureau, ATTN: NGB-ARO-TI, 111 South George Mason Dr., Arlington, VA 22204.

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.

	April	May	June
Hawaii Army National Guard			
HQ, STARC, HIARNG	13-14	4-5	1-2, 29-30
29th Infantry Brigade (Separate)	6-7	4-5	1-2
227th Engineer Company	6-7	3-5	1-2
Company B, 29th Support Battalion	6-7	3-5	1-2
1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery	12-14	4-5	--
103rd Troop Command	6-7	4-5	1-2
298th Engineer Detachment	--	3-5, 31	1-2
25th ID (L), D-RTOC	13-14	4-5	1-2
HHD, 12th Personnel Service Battalion	6-7	4-5, 18-19	--
193rd Aviation	6-7	4-5	1-2
Medical, CECAT	13-14	3-5	8-9
RAID	6-7	4-5	1-2
Hawaii Air National Guard			
HQ, Hawaii Air National Guard	13-14	4-5	1-2
154th Wing	13-14	4-5	1-2
201st Combat Communications Group	13-14	4-5	1-2