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Guard, Active Duty team up in Afghanistan

by Lt. Col. Milt Davis, 204 AS and
Capt. Paul Theriot, 25 ASOS

For the first time, a combined Hawaii aircrew made up of the Hawaii Air National Guard and Active Duty members, flew several missions into Afghanistan supporting Operation Enduring Freedom from August to September.

Flying Hawaii's new C-17 aircraft, the aircrews deployed to Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. The Hawaii contingent was part of a larger effort that included two C-5s from Kelly Air Force Base, Texas, and two other C-17s from McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey, so it was truly a national Total Force effort.

En-route to Diego Garcia, the Hawaii C-17 air crews passed through

Australia and picked up part of the Australian force that was being moved from their home station to Afghanistan. The Australians were contributing troops and equipment to the Afghanistan multi-national force called International Security Assistance Force. On this particular flight, the Hawaii crews transported a CH-47 Chinook helicopter and crew.

Two days after departing Hickam, the C-17 crews arrived at Diego Garcia where they began flying missions in and out of Afghanistan. The flight routes took them just west of Indian airspace and other Southwest Asia areas. Even though the crews only flew one mission a day into Afghanistan, each mission



courtesy photo

Guard/Active crew in Afghanistan.

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201st keeping lines of communication open

by Senior Master Sgt. Nolan Kanekuni, First Sgt.
447th Expeditionary Communications Squadron

SATHER AIR BASE, Iraq – Twenty-seven members of the 201st Combat Communications Group have deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The Airmen hailing from the 291 CBCS, 292 CBCS, 293 CBCS, 297th Air Traffic Control Squadron and



courtesy photo

Members of the 293rd Combat Communications Squadron at Camp Palomino, Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan.

HQ 201 CCG have become a part of the "Tip of the Spear" on the global war on terrorism.

Twenty-three of the members are assigned to the 447th Expeditionary Communications Squadron. They are responsible for all the communication needs for all Air Force functions on Victory Base Complex. This responsibility extends from the satellite system, where connectivity to the outside world is made, to Web-browsing, e-mail,



courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Darilyn Blancaflor hard at work in the Tech Facility during the 293 CBCS deployment in Afghanistan. The members deployed supporting the AEF.

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Commander's Call: 50 years of air defense

by Brig. Gen. Peter S. "Skipper" Pawling, Commander 154 WG

This is definitely a year for anniversaries. Not only are we celebrating the HIANG 60th anniversary coming up in November while the Air Force celebrates their 60th and the KC-135s celebrate their 50th, but we also just passed the 50th anniversary of the Hawaii Air National Guard providing Air Defense in the State of Hawaii.

In July 1956, the HIANG was given the go ahead to begin supporting Air Defense in Hawaii. That mission has continued successfully ever since.

Although we all contribute to the success of the Air Defense mission by performing our jobs, no matter what they are, to the best of our ability, I have to recognize the members of our Fighter Squadron and Aircraft Control Squadrons for maintaining such high standards over the years, leaving no question as to whether or not the HIANG is the best unit for the job. Thank you to all the past and present members who have spent their HIANG years support-

ing this very important mission.

I'm sure that with the HIANG 60th approaching, many of you are finding yourselves with a few additional duties assisting with some of the up coming activities. Although the HIANG 60th is very impor-

tant and a lot of energy is going into it, please don't forget to continue working on UCI preparations. I can't tell you enough how important it is to stay ahead of the game.

I want to congratulate Brig. Gen. Vincent for putting on his first star. Brig. Gen. Vincent was a part of

the HIANG back in the days when we had F-4s. He comes on board with the Hawaii Air National Guard as the acting Chief of Staff.



courtesy photo

Members in formation at Kokee Air Force Station facility June 1964. Air defense operations at Kokee Air Force Station started in March 1961 as Detachment 1 of the 109th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, Punamano Air Force Station, Oahu.



photo by Master Sgt. Kristen Higgins

Gov. Linda Lingle and Mrs. Missy Vincent pin stars on Brig. Gen. Edwin A. (Skip) Vincent, the Hawaii Air National Guard's newest Brigadier General Oct. 11 in the Governor's Ceremonial Room at the Hawaii State Capitol. Brig. Gen. Vincent is assigned to the HQ HIANG as the acting Chief of Staff. He started off in the Hawaii Army National Guard in 1973 before joining the HIANG in 1982 as an F-4 Weapons System Officer.

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Chaplain's Corner: Forgiveness, first step in healing

by Maj. Daniel L. Leatherman, 154 WG

As I sit to write this article, it is Yom Kippur. Yom Kippur (the Day of Atone-ment) is among the holiest days on the Jewish calendar.



Yom Kippur atones only for sins

between man and God, not for sins against another person. To atone for sins against another person, you must first seek reconciliation with that person, righting the wrongs you committed against them if possible. Only then can one hope that your name will be entered into the Book of Life.

Almost simultaneously, the news continues to report on the tragic events of yet another episode of school violence. This time in the Amish community of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 10 Amish

children were taken hostage and subsequently shot. The gunman, Charles Carl Roberts then took his own life. In the end, 5 would die from their injuries while the others were seriously wounded.

The Amish are Christians who set themselves apart and do not use nearly all modern conveniences, even electricity. They refuse government assistance and don't serve in the military. Forgiveness is a core belief.

In the wake of such tragedy, the grandfather of one of the victims who died said to members of his family, "We must not think evil of this man." He also spoke to WGAL-TV, the NBC affiliate in Lancaster.

"Is there anger towards the gunman's family?" asked a reporter.

"No," said the grandfather.

"Have you forgiven?"

"In my heart, yes."

"How is that possible?"

"Through God's help."

Though the Amish do not follow Jewish customs, they share a com-

mon belief in the need for forgiveness. It is only when we can begin to forgive that we can also begin to move past those moments of darkness and sin that hold us back or weigh us down.

In our human frailties, we are limited and our anger, guilt, and shame, will continue to weigh upon us as well. So we cannot be expected to do this alone. But with God's help, we can forgive; forgiving not just our selves, but forgiving those who have wronged us.

It is only when we can begin to forgive that we can also begin to move past those moments of darkness and sin.....

***Chaplain Daniel Leatherman
154 WG***



by Command Chief
Denise Jelinski-Hall, 154WG

This past month I had an opportunity to attend a Tom Hopkins / Matt DelaCruz seminar. The information was not new, but it was presented in a way that allowed me to understand the content in a new

light. If I had to pick one word that stood out that day it would be, CHOICE. What a powerful word...**CHOICE**. If you stop to think about it, every moment of everyday we make choices. We choose what time to get up, what time to go to bed, what foods to eat, if we are going to exercise, listen to music, or wash the car.

Thinking about the word **CHOICE** and our people; we choose daily how we are going to treat our Airmen. Are we choosing to provide the best training and opportunities for them? Do we choose to provide them with vital feedback on job performance and career guidance? Do we choose to follow the rules; even when no-one is looking? As leaders, do we choose to uphold the highest standards of dress, appearance and de-

portment?

We even choose the attitude we display to others. As leaders it is critical we choose to have a positive attitude everyday, no matter what the circumstances. A positive attitude will be emulated in your work space...but so will a negative attitude. Which attitude do you want in your work space...that choice is yours.

Lastly, do we **CHOOSE** to be role models our Airmen can imitate? As Leaders it is one of the most important choices we can make. Ask yourself, have I made good choices to day? If the answer is no - good news...you have another chance tomorrow. If the answer is yes, GREAT. Keep up the excellent work!

***Congratulations to 154th Wing
Command Chief Master Sgt.
Denise Jelinski-Hall for being
selected as the new Hawaii Air
National Guard Command Chief!***

Thinking about life choices

Eagles vs. Falcons during Sentry Aloha exercise

by Tech. Sgt. Shane A. Cuomo
Air Force Print News

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii (AFPN)- Eagles and Falcons, the U.S. Air Force's premier "birds of prey," faced off in a two week air to air exercise called "Sentry Aloha" over the skies of Hawaii.

F-15 Eagles from the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Fighter Squadron and F-16 Fighting Falcons from the Texas Air National Guard's 149th Fighter Wing participated in the exercise that brought dissimilar combat assets together to train at Hickam.

"The purpose of Sentry Aloha is to provide the Hawaii Guard F-15 pilot's with training opportunities to fly against different types of fighters," said Chief Master Sgt. Craig Harimoto, Sentry Aloha liaison non-commissioned officer in charge.

Due to the amount of local assets available on the islands, it's difficult for the HIANG to complete all of their required air-to-air training, resulting in the National Guard Bureau and Pacific Air Forces funding units to deploy and support the Hawaii ANG's training.

To fulfill training needs, the 149 FW deployed approximately 75 airmen and six F-16Cs. After their arrival both squadrons began a full flying schedule of training scenarios. Flying over 70 sorties during the two-week exercise, these scenarios were designed not only to test the pilots but hone their skills against aircraft with different capabilities and aircrews trained

in different techniques and tactics.

The training included large adversary air to air threat scenarios incorporating four F-16s two C-17s two KC-135s and two B-52s bombers launched from Guam.

The HIANG's part in the exercise put them in protection scenarios of simulated airdrops and ensuring the delivery of high value assets for the heavy aircraft. The air-to-air exercise also put them "on the front line" hunting B-52s playing the role of simulated adversary bomber formations attacking the island chain.

"The Hawaii Air Guard pilots are doing an outstanding job of scenario management and mission success with overwhelming odds," said Lt. Col. Michael McCoy, 149th Fighter Wing project officer. "In return we are given several mis-

sions where we are getting the Hawaii Air Guard to provide us with adversary support for our instructor pilots to brush up on their air-to-air skills," he said.

"The air space is really a strength to training in Hawaii," said Lt. Col. McCoy. "We train 100 plus miles off shore which allows us to train supersonic and ultra high altitudes which is difficult to do on the mainland," he said.

As host, the Hawaii Air National Guard is the primary means of support during the exercise for visiting Guard and Reserve units. They provide the Aloha Operations building complete with a briefing rooms, life support, maintenance debrief, auditorium and a full kitchen for deployed units to prepare meals for their people working on the flight line.



photo by Tech. Sgt. Shane A. Cuomo

Master Sgt. Carlos Rodriguez marshals an F-16 Fighting Falcon to its parking spot at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, Sept. 6. Six F-16s and crews from the Texas Air National Guard's 149th Fighter Wing participate in Exercise Sentry Aloha. The exercise brings dissimilar combat assets to Hickam to train with the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Fighter Squadron.

154 WG C-17 Maintainers win 15 ALW award

by Lt. Col. William Petti, 154 MXG

Two C-17 154th Maintenance Group maintainers were named as Quarterly Award Winners by the 15th Maintenance Group here at Hickam AFB for the 4th Quarter of Fiscal Year 2006. The 15 MXG made special provisions to their 15

MXG Quarterly Awards program, which ties into the Air Force Annual Awards program, by recognizing Chief Master Sgt. Ed Essman as an outstanding supervisor and Master Sgt. Jason Vierra as an outstanding technician in their quarterly awards program.

Since the C-17 conversion and the stand up of the total force integration here Chief Master Sgt. Essman and Master Sgt. Vierra have spent their time proving that the Active Duty and the National Guard can be effective partners by

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Afghanistan

was almost 24 hours long, including 13 hours in the air and multiple sorties in the Afghanistan combat zone.

The overall flow of cargo began with the Texas C-5s moving cargo out of Australia and into Diego Garcia. As soon as a cargo load was ready to move out of the staging base, a Hickam C-17 crew was alerted to fly the mission. Another unique part of this mission was that the airfield the Hawaii crews were flying into was not made of concrete like most C-17 landing strips are. In fact, the runway was actually carved out of the harsh Afghanistan landscape and made exclusively of dirt and rocks.

For the dirt field operations, or SPRO (Semi Prepared Runway Operations), it was a real learning experience. The active duty counterparts had already flown into similar dirt strips in the C-17, but this was a first for the Guard crewmembers and a great learning experience!



courtesy photo

Combined Guard/Active Duty aircrews from Hickam Air Force Base picked up Australian troops and equipment on their way to Afghanistan.

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phone services, land mobile radios and the Network Control Center.

Four of the members are assigned to the 447th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron. They are Air Traffic Controllers assigned to tower operations here where they control all military air traffic.

Sather Air Base is known for having one of the busiest Aerial Ports in this theater of operations. They are number one in the amount of cargo transported and number two



courtesy photo

Members of the Network Control Center ready for action.

in the number of passengers moved. Sather is operated by the 447th Air Expeditionary Group which is part of the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing operating out of Balad Air Base. The 332 AEW has a long history as it is born from the 332nd Fighter Group – The Tuskegee Airmen.

Twenty seven 201 CCG personnel along with 50 others from the 201 CCG have deployed in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

They are stationed in UAE, Qatar, Iraq and Afghanistan.

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going above and beyond in support of the C-17 integration.

Chief Master Sgt. Essman successfully organized and implemented seven C-17 Home Station Checks, accomplished over 1,400 inspection areas, and completed an average of just 48 hours with flight control inspections. Under his guidance the 100 percent Guard HSC Team reached AMC standards despite facility shortfalls. He was the first C-17 “Dock Chief” to implement lean initiatives by working with Boeing engineers to design workcards and procedures prior to the first HSC inspection. He and his team also discovered missing flight control hardware which led to worldwide fleet-wide inspections.

Master Sgt. Vierra, a crew chief, performed critical tire inspections and launches, which allowed the 15 AW to fly 12 C-17 sorties into Afghanistan over a period of nine days. He, the training NCOIC for the 15 MXG/154 MXG integration training plan, trained 14 specialists from five different career fields on refueling,



courtesy photo

15 ALW quarterly award winners, Master Sgt. Jason Vierra and Chief Master Sgt. Ed Essman are congratulated by Col. John Lipinski, 15th Maintenance Group commander.

APU servicing, and tire changes which increased squadron war-fighting capability by 25 percent! Master Sgt. Vierra was also key in moving 98 HIANG personnel to the U.S./Mexico border under Operation Jump Start.

Currently the 154 WG makes up 40 percent of the C-17 maintenance workforce.

News Briefs

Soldiers', Sailors', Marines' and Airmen's Club (SSMAC)

For members and dependents planning to visit New York, there is a hotel located in the heart of Manhattan called Soldiers', Sailors', Marines' & Airmen's Club (SSMAC). It is a not-for-profit organization that provides affordable accommodations to the men and women of the military and their dependents. Reservations can be made online at www.ssmacclub.org or call 212-683-4354/4353.

HIANG Sept. AOM



photo by 1st Lt. Regina Berry

Staff Sgt. Adrian K. Matsumoto, 154th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was selected as the Airman of the Month for September. His proactive work ethic ultimately contributed to his being the first C17 qualified Junior NCO, thus setting a benchmark for his peers. He is an outstanding Journeyman/Professional whom played a crucial role in coordinating AD/HIANG teams for crucial short notice operations such as Japan to CONUS MEDEVAC, Philippines mudslide relief, Kauai flood relief. Staff Sgt. Matsumoto's volunteered to be the president and NCOIC of the 154 AMXS Enlisted Advisory Council (EAC) and MWR committees. Moreover, he also plays a key role in programs such as the Great Aloha Run and squadron's keiki fishing derby.

September Promotions

Promoted to SMSgt (E-8)

154 MOF Rafael, Willie P.

Promoted to MSgt (E-7)

154 MOF Leota, Carl F.
293 CBCS Mattimoe, Sean Y.
154 MXS Salangdron, Melvin
154 MXS Tokuda, Robert

Promoted to TSgt (E-6)

154 OSF Barnett, Timothy R.
154 AMXS Hiyama, Daniel T.
154 AMXS Holt, Eric E.
154 MXS Ishikawa, Nelson
203 ARS Lewis, Matthew S.
154 AMXS Maeyoshimoto, Rodd
297 ATCS Mariano, Matthew I.
154 MXS Mills, Jeffery E.
154 OSF Murakami, Sara L.
169 ACWS Okinishi, David T.
154 MXS Ranan, Stanley P. Jr.
154 LRS Santiago, Javier
199 WF Touchi, Shirley C.

Promoted to SSgt (E-5)

154 SFS Avilla, Christy-Lynn
154 MXS Cabingabang, Arnel
293 CBCS Fimbres, Marques
154 MXS Kaawaloa, Kealoha
199 FS Kang, Mugungha
169 ACWS Kona, Rita L.
169 ACWS Manula, John K.
293 CBCS Mefford, Ricky
201 CCG Morales, Hollie L.
154 MSG Robles, EllenMarie
154 AMXS Simon, Geoffrey

Bowling tournament

Feb. 2007 marks the 30th Anniversary of the Annual Western Regional Military Bowling Tournament. The tournament will be held in Reno Feb. 16-18 at the Grand Sierra Resort Bowling Center, previously the Reno Hilton.

If you are interested in participating please see the HIANG sports page for more information.

Pacific Aviation Museum looking for volunteers

The Pacific Aviation museum Volunteer orientation meeting is Oct. 21 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on the Bowfin Lanai next to the Arizona Memorial. Help is needed in all areas from administrative helpers to assistance in assembling the aircraft to errand runners as well as education docents and reenactors to portray WWII pilots, ground crew, nurses, and USO in the museum. If you're interested, please call KT Budde-Jones at 690-0169 or email kt@pacificaviationmuseum.org.

The Pacific Aviation Museum president is Hawaii Air National Guard retiree Clinton Churchill.

Combined Federal Campaign

The **Combined Federal Campaign** for 2006 has already begun! This year's Hawaii-Pacific CFC runs from Sept. 19 – Oct. 31. The theme for this year's campaign is "**Your Gift Changes Lives.**" Unit CFC Key Persons have been busy preparing for a successful campaign. Your generosity and support are instrumental in achieving our goal. The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the annual fund-raising drive conducted by Federal employees in their workplace each fall.

Each year Federal employees and military personnel

raise millions of dollars through the CFC that benefits thousands of non-profit charities.



Your Gift Changes Lives!

Kalakaua Middle School teacher enlists in HIANG

by Tech. Sgt. Kristen Higgins

With deafening screams and cheers from Kalakaua Middle School students, faculty and staff, Isaiah L. Mabazza, a math teacher at Kalakaua Middle School was enlisted into the Hawaii Air National Guard Sept. 20 by Col Joseph Kim.

Col. Kim administered the oath of enlistment to Isaiah L. Mabazza on stage in the middle school cafeteria in front of more than one hundred people.

In addition to the enlistment of Senior Airman Mabazza, the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve representative, Mr. Ken Wilson, presented Principal Tanaka with a Patriotic Employer Certificate. This recognizes the sacrifice the school will make and thanks them for their support to Senior Airman Mabazza as he fulfills his commitment to the Hawaii Air National Guard.

Senior Airman Mabazza is a former member of the Guam Air National Guard. He is looking forward to getting back into uniform and making a contribution



photo by Master Sgt. Kristen Higgins

Col. Joseph Kim administers the oath of enlistment to Isaiah L. Mabazza, a teacher at Kalakaua Middle School.

to the mission of the HIANG. He is scheduled to fill an Intel Specialist position with the 154th Wing.

Making a good first impression

by Master Sgt. Luke K. Sakanashi
154 CES



It's been another great year for the Hawaii Air National Guard, with the C-17s up and running, the additional tankers on there way, and the opportunity to get the newest fighter aircraft to date.

What really makes the last fiscal year great is the people who gave up their normal lifestyle to support our active duty brothers and sisters down range and for all to come back safe. Thank you and your families for understanding.

With the new fiscal year upon us the focus is on the upcoming inspections.

During a visit from the M5 in September, Brig. Gen. Peter S. Pawling and the rest of the M5 mentioned that when preparing for the inspection making a good first impression is important for each individual. It shows that you have discipline and respect to yourself and to the people around you.

Here are a few items from the 97th

Air Force Uniform Board that will help us make an outstanding first impression:

Standardize cummerbund wear (pleats will face up for both men and women).

Prohibit wear of scrunchy as hair accessory for women.

Hair pins and bands will match hair color (reverses 96th AFUB).

No shaved head or flat top hairstyles for women.

Reduce bracelet size to ½ inch. Bracelets that support a cause, philosophy, individual or group are not authorized. Traditional POW/MIA metal bracelets are still authorized. Gemstone/Tennis bracelets are only authorized when wearing mess dress uniform.

In addition to clutch style purse, wear of a carry type purse with no more than two straps is authorized with mess dress.

Eyeglasses will not be worn around the neck; on top or back of head; or exposed/hanging on uniform.

Authorize optional epoxy blue name tag, worn on blue shirt.

Discontinue award of the AF good conduct medal. May continue to wear those previously earned and a

matter or record.

PT uniform-Mandatory wear date set as Oct. 1, 2006 and Oct. 1, 2005 in the area of responsibility. Specific wear instructions released on message dated Nov. 17, 2005.

Cell phone, pagers and PDA must be solid or covered in black, silver, dark blue or gray and must be conservative.

Any of the items directly above may be clipped to the left side of waist band or purse or carried in the left hand. Only one of these items may be worn on the uniform belt. Members will not walk in uniform while using cell phones, radios and hands-free headsets unless required in the performance of official duties using a government issued device.

154 WG Drill Dates

Nov. 4-11, 2006

Dec. 2-3, 2006

Jan. 6-7, 2007

Feb. 10-11, 2007

March 3-4, 2007

154 Wing takes golf championship

by Lt. Col. Gregory Woodrow

In its quest for excellence, the 154th Wing Intramural golf team went 11-0 during the regular season, and swept the Oct. 3, post-season championship 3-0 to dominate the entire league. Maj Taison Tanaka played a decisive role in the post-season matches. He won all three matches, twice defeating two opposing players without a partner. Team members include: Senior Master Sgt. Colosse Eliapo (coach), Chief Master Sgt. Alwyn Yoshimura, Chief Master Sgt. Brian Tom, Maj. Scott Oka, Maj. Taison Tanaka, Maj. Duke Ota, Lt. Col. Gregory Woodrow, Lt. Col. Neil Cleveland, Lt. Col. Irving Higa, Capt. Ben Murata, and Tech. Sgt. Mark Crabbe.



photos by Master Sgt. Kristen Higgins

(Left) Maj. Tanaka, Chief Master Sgt. Yoshimura, Lt. Col. Woodrow and Maj. Ota on championship game day.
(Right) Lt. Col. Woodrow sinks a putt during warm-ups.

Black Widow



photo by Master Sgt. Kristen Higgins

Snaring 9-ball

Chief Master Sgt. Gary Pang, 203rd Air Refueling Squadron, gets his 9-ball signed by Jeanette Lee, the Black Widow billiard champion. The Black Widow of Billiards visited the 154th Maintenance Squadron F-15 Engine shop and signed autographs for members of the Hawaii Air National Guard on Sept. 28. Ms. Lee was visiting Hickam Air Force Base to perform a trick shot demonstration at the Community Center.

Getting to know your Judge Advocate General

by 1st Lt. Mason Martin

JAG. You have heard of the term but what does it stand for? JAG stands for Judge Advocate General and is a fancy acronym for "lawyer." Your JAG section consists of two JAGs and two paralegals. Currently, Lt. Col. Chris Thomas and 1st Lt. Mason Martin sit in the two JAG positions. Master Sgt. Joyce Hanabusa and Tech. Sgt. Blaine Osato fill the paralegal positions. Ensuring deploying Airmen receive personal readiness briefings, providing ancillary training, and providing legal advice to Commanders are just a few of the many tasks the JAG office must accomplish.

As many of you know, the JAG office prepares wills and powers of attorney.

These documents are offered for the personal benefit for deploying

Airmen, and the price is right – Free! These services equate to approximately \$500 to \$1500 in the civilian world. We also provide briefings on two important federal laws: the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) and the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA). Annually we take these briefs to the geographically separated units on Maui, Kauai, and the Big Island.

The JAG office has prepared PowerPoint presentations that fulfill the annual training requirement for Commanders on the Law of Armed Conflict, the DoD Homosexuality Policy, Professional Relationships, and Title 10 vs. Title 32 Status, which will soon be available on the Wing website.

The JA section also advises Com-

manders regarding legal issues that arise in several areas of law including Environmental Law, Operational Law, Administrative Law and Fiscal Law. The deployments in Operation Jump Start and Cope Tiger are examples of JAG involvement in Operational Law.

Military justice issues that occasionally arise within the Wing are also a part of our responsibilities.

Any Airman notified of an involuntary separation for violating the Hawaii Code of Military Justice is entitled to consult with a JAG confidentially.

If you have additional questions, we encourage you to make an appointment with our office or come visit us at the HQ WG/JA office on Hickam in building 3400B (attached to F-15 Hangar) on the second floor or call 448-7279.

History

Celebrating 50 years of Air Defense

In early Fiscal Year 1955, the Pacific Air Forces Commander (Rear) proposed that the Hawaii Air National Guard provide the total air defense capability for the Hawaiian islands geographic area. The proposition was to have fighters on alert at Hickam, similar to the air defense augmentation programs of Air National Guard fighter units in the continental United States. In addition, the 109th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron would provide ground air defense control capabilities, the first active support mission of this type for the Air National Guard.

July 1, 1956 – The Hawaii Air Guard commences active air defense of Hawaii under the control of 7th Air Force. The 199th and the 8199th were to provide two combat ready pilots and fully armed F-86E Sabre Jets on Alert during the daylight hours. The 109th was to provide round the clock radar surveillance and ground controlled intercept (GCI) capability at the deactivated Punamano AFS.

Oct. 7, 1956 – The 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron forms from a 109th cadre with headquarters at Sand island and operational facility at Kokohead Crater AFS.

The 169 ACWS installs a new Search Radar (FPS-8)

at Kokohead Crater AFS.

Dec. 15, 1957 – the Sand Island facility was abandoned and the station of the 169th became solely Kokohead Crater AFS.

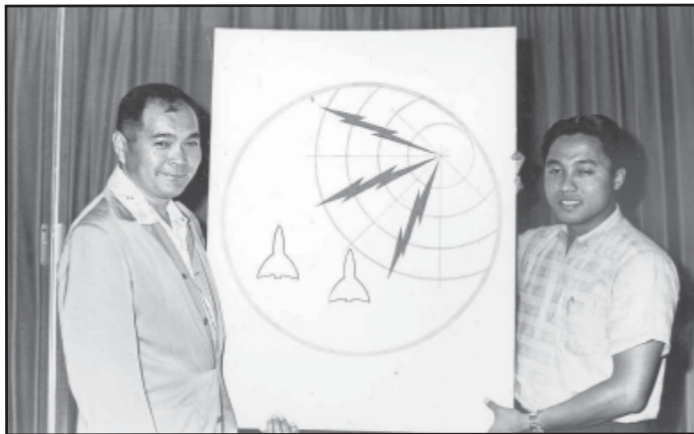
Oct. 23, 1958 – F-86L all weather interceptor aircraft comes to the HIANG and the air defense mission goes from a daylight operation to a 24-hour air defense alert commitment.

Feb. 1, 1958 – The 169th commences 24-hour active air defense.

Oct. 21, 1961 – The 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron was activated at Kokee Air Force Station, Kauai.



courtesy photo



L - top: 169 Goya 5211 – Lt. Col. Goya and Staff Sgt. Emmerick Bosuego hold the 169 ACWS Squadron emblem at the units 6th Anniversary.

L - bottom: Capt Bob Hinkley (running) and Capt Hal Nagai (climbing into flight deck) scramble to get airborne.

R - top: A Tiki is put in place by its creator, Airman Michael Nakaahiki with Airman Larry Primacio assisting.

R- bottom: Capt. Kimura, Lt.Col Chang, Capt. Nakajo, Tech. Sgt. Artiaga and Sgt Ishii in the 169 ACWS Operations Room.