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NOMURA NAMED ONE OF TOP FIVE AIRMEN AMONG U.S. GUARDSMEN

Congrats to SSgt George T. Nomura of the Comptroller Office of 154th Supply Squadron, who recently received Honorable Mention in the Outstanding Airman Competition conducted annually by the National Guard Bureau. Sgt Nomura has the distinction of ranking among the top five Airmen who represent the cream of the crop of all Air Guardsmen throughout the nation.

"SSgt Nomura enlisted in the Hawaii Air National Guard on 12 August 1964. Since then he has maintained perfect attendance in all unit activities and has displayed keen awareness of military ideas in self-study. He was promoted to his present rank on an accelerated basis. SSgt Nomura's proficiency is further exemplified by the HANG Base Accounting Manual which he prepared and compiled. This manual now serves as a guide for the Comptroller and all accounting personnel.

"SSgt Nomura possesses the innate distinctive and learned qualities of a leader. He has continually demonstrated leadership effectiveness beyond his present rank. On the other hand, he is always open to constructive criticism and is adaptable to new goals and techniques. His efforts towards self evaluation mark him as a person whose upward mobility will be enhanced by those around him.

"As a morale builder, SSgt Nomura has provided the impetus that played an important role in his section attaining an outstanding IG inspection rating. He was partially responsible for the formation of the Comptroller Office social club which was established primarily to promote harmonious working conditions among its members as well as to provide a stronger feeling of group unity. Under the leadership of SSgt Nomura as its first president, the club experienced a very successful year."

The above information is a digest of what was submitted to the National Guard Bureau to substantiate his nomination and is based on the criteria set forth in Air National Guard regulations. SSgt Nomura's outstanding qualities and superior performance as a Guardsman is exemplified by these and many other traits and achievements. He is and will continue to be an invaluable member of his section, his unit, the National Guard and his community.

REMINDER

Anyone requiring a replacement of clothing must, repeat must turn in his unserviceable clothing before BEMO will allow you to go to the Clothing Sales Store for resue.

RICK'S TROPHY TO YEN

Maj Mel Yen has been named the recipient of the 1968 Ricks Trophy a most singular accomplishment and a distinct honor for the HANG.

In the release from Gen. I.G. Brown, Assistant Chief, National Guard Bureau, is stated the following: "The selection was based on the most significant achievement by an air force crew member or air crew coping with an inflight emergency during the year. The intent is to choose the most worthy recipient and keep the trophy alive.

Accompanying it was a narrative of the circumstances in which Maj. Yen performed so professionally by safely landing his F-102 at Barber Point following engine trouble and a flameout last July.

Congrats, again, Maj Yen, for a superlative and deserving effort.

AWARDS

Ann Russ T. Ishimaru of 154th CAMRON receives honor graduate recognition today for completion of the Aircraft Maintenance Specialist, Jet Aircraft 1 & 2 Course.

ALC Warren T. Maeda of CAMRON is the recipient of the ANG OJT achievement award.

ECI certificates are being awarded to the following:

Supply Services Sales Officer Course: LtCol Frank Carlos, HQ.

Military Environment and Employment Course: Capt Stanley B. Woolaway, 154 Cmbt Spt Sq.

NCO Leadership Course: SMSgt Toshio Oshiro, 154 CAM Sq, MSgt Gordon Y. Makishima, 154 CAM Sq.

NCO Academic Course: MSgt Thomas S. Araki, TSgts Don Castaneda and Charles M. Yabui, 154th CAM Sq.

CAR REGISTRATION

Effective immediately and until 31 March 1969, all members of this Group and civilian employees of HANG are required to up-date the base vehicle registration date.

The Hickam AFB Decal Number, 1969 State License Plate Number, Effective Date of Insurance Policy Date State Safety Sticker issued, and Duty Phone number are requested and there are verbal questions to be answered. Get the information to CMSgt George Oshiro in the Administrative Section.

Senior NCOs and officers will be issued decals for a period of three years. All other enlisted personnel and civilian employees will be issued a renewal decal for a one-year period.

MISSILEMAN BADGES

The following named officer & Airmen have been awarded Missileman Badges:

Master Missileman Badge: Maj John Beaumont, MSgt Gordon Y. Makishima, TSgt Lloyd T. Seki.

Senior Missileman Badge: SSgt Reginald K.Q. Chun.

Missileman Badge: TSgt Frederico Espina, SSgts Roy I. Kuwahara, Sgt Roy K. Kudo.

All are members of 154th CAMRON.

JOB VACANCIES

Jobs are vacant for a clerk-chauffeur, SR-11, at Fort Ruger Information Office, and an Accounting Supervisor, GS-7, at Hickam.

Interested persons should apply at the Civilian Personnel Office, Building 5, Room 13, Fort Ruger.

HARNG VISIT

HANG was visited this morning by 27 members of the Hawaii Army National Guard OCS.

The orientation session included a welcome by Col. Ashford, a slide presentation and briefing by Capt. Anderson, an inspection of a static display F-102 with briefing and a walk-through visit of Personal Equipment and Fire Control Systems Shops.

PROMOTIONS

Congrats to Amn Roland K.K. Pang, of 154th CAMRON, who has been promoted to A1C.

HOWCUM NO JETS?

If you've noticed the conspicuous absence of F-102s in the sky the past seven or eight days, there's a reason for it. They ain't been there.

Training flights have been halted pending the arrival of a modification in the seat ejection system, which was due last night.

Flights were restricted for the period, but should resume soon.

GUARDSMEN DEMOBILIZED

The Air Force has announced the demobilization schedule of Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard personnel called to active duty in January and May of last year.

Some 16,000 men and more than 370 fighter and transport aircraft were added to the active force by the mobilization under Congressional authority provided in the Department of Defense Appropriation Act of 1967. The Act provides that the president may, when he deems it necessary, order to active duty any unit of the Ready Reserve for a period up to 24 months.

In October, Secretary of Defense Clark M. Clifford announced that the Air Force was starting actions to return all of the mobilized units to inactive status by June 30, 1969. Three Reserve and three Air Guard units, totaling almost 2,400 men, were released in December.

The balance of the reserve forces will be released in seven increments starting April 30 and ending June 18.

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