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THUNDER IN THE PACIFIC

by Capt. Bill Ladd and Lt. John Higgins



The 154th Composite Group deployed eight F-4C aircraft and 168 personnel to Clark Air Base, Republic of the Philippines. The purpose of this deployment was to increase the combat readiness of the 154th Composite Group by participating in the air combat exercises of Cope Thunder and the USAF Weapons Systems Evaluation Program, Combat Sage.

Members of the advance planning group included Lt. Col. Norman Ault and SMSgt. Kenny Camara, maintenance, Major Mel Asai, logistics, Maj. Mick Melich and Capt. Wayne Wakeman, operations. All planning was culminated at Clark AB with the final planning conference one month before the deployment.

Support logistics included two C141s, one C130 and three KC135 tanker aircraft. The travel plan was for the C141s to travel to Guam, refuel, then continue on to Clark, while the F-4s and the C130 remained overnight at Guam, continuing on to Clark AB the following day. Our first difficulty is that the tankers did not make it the scheduled day, delaying arrival of our F-4s at Clark by one day. Other difficulties were tanker inflight difficulties and a bellows malfunction on an F-4, leading to "stiff" flight controls and a very difficult flight for Lt. Rosehill.

The first three days at Clark were scheduled for Combat Sage missions. The objective of Combat Sage was "to determine the combat capability of the complete weapons system in realistic scenarios while enhancing training." This means that our aircraft were inspected for radar and fire control system condition, and our crews were under realistic training conditions with a two versus one scenario and a maneuvering drone.

At Sage, the 154 CAMS achieved a 100 percent "Sage capable" aircraft status rate, with 100 percent of AIM-7 missile stations and all AIM-9 stations checking good. AIM-7 firing results were unusual compared to our last visit to Sage, with only three out of eight AIM-7s guiding successfully. All failures were missile failures. The AIM-9 tests were much more encouraging, with four successful AIM-9Ls, the first AIM-9Ls ever fired by an operational F-4 unit. Two out of three AIM-9Ps evaluated were successful, the miss attributed jointly to missile problem and aircrew error. A fourth missile fired had telemetry failure and was not evaluated. Because of the late arrival of our aircraft at Clark AB, we completed Combat Sage late Saturday afternoon.

The Cope Thunder portion of the deployment began with a three hour inbrief starring a Rules of Engagement briefing

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ALOHA CE, ALOHA CLINIC

Incoming and outgoing alohas to the 154th Civil Engineering Flight and the 154th USAF Clinic. Our hard-working CE personnel just returned from deployment at Kunsan AB, Korea where they sharpened their rapid runway repair skills. And our equally hard-working Clinic folks head to Yokota AB, Japan, June 21, for a training deployment. Feature stories on all this activity in next month's edition of the Kukailimoku.

Commanders Corner

by

Col. John S.W. Lee



A while back when Colonel Leon Johnson served as our Senior Advisor, he often rallied to the need for more deployments for the Composite Group. Hardships and difficulties experienced during deployments were "opportunities to excel," stated our legendary Advisor. Astute and prophetic, Colonel Johnson felt that the Composite Group and its component units needed to grow fast in order to compete as a viable Fighter Group. Our recent deployment to the Philippines again revealed "opportunities to excel" and our personnel were up to the challenge. Our personnel worked hard, kept their "cool" and worked together...one of the best deployments I've had the opportunity to participate in.

The 154 Civil Engineers packed their bags and left for Kunsan, Korea on the 31st of May. The one week training period will be intensive. The 154 Clinic personnel led by Colonel Chang will be leaving on 21 June for two weeks of cross training in Yokota, Japan.

While people are deploying, the AF Senior Advisor office expects a permanent deployment for Major Fleming (Pitter) who will leave the HANG arena in early July. Pitter has served the Fighter Squadron as a hard working advisor, always interested in maintaining the highest standards in air superiority. He has played a crucial role in keeping the HANG "in touch" with the Air Force while letting the Air Force become aware of HANG. Mahalo and the very best to you, Pitter and to Linda on your future ventures.

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SAFETY NOTES

The problem of drinking and driving has received a large amount of media attention in past months but ways to "defend against a drinking driver" are often ignored. I'd like to share the following suggestions.

Try and get out of a drinking driver's way. If the person behind you is driving erratically, turn right at the nearest intersection and let him or her go by. He or she may be drunk, sick or falling asleep. His or her actions are completely unpredictable. Don't hesitate to report the license number and a description of the vehicle to the police.

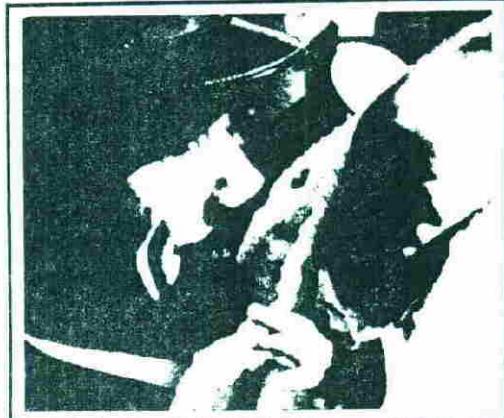
Do everything you can to avoid a head-on collision, which is the deadliest of all accidents. If the other driver is coming right at you, slow down quickly and stop or drive off the road if necessary. Sound your horn or flash your lights but don't try and pass the oncoming car on the left, the driver may recover at the last moment and swerve right into you.

A defensive driver slows down and expects the unexpected when approaching an intersection. Be ready to take evasive action, especially at night.

Make sure your safety belt is fastened at all times as well as those of your passengers. And keep small children secured in approved child safety seats.

Half of all fatal motor-vehicle accidents involve persons who had been drinking. Until we rid our streets of all drinking drivers, we'll have to know how to keep out of their way.

FATHER'S DAY 16 JUNE



PADRE'S PATTER



by Chaplain

(1Lt) Robert Nagamine

Sometime ago I read an article in the Illinois Baptist paper that impressed me. It had a pointed message. Neil Knierim, a pastor, summarized what he read by a fellow by the name of Arthur House Stainback: "He stated that every group, organization, or unit consisted of four kinds of bones. The wishbones: those who spend all their time wishing someone else would do all the work. The jawbones: those that do all the talking but very little else. The knucklebones: those who knock everything that anybody tries to do. And last, the backbones: those who get under the load and do the work".

I can see both positive and negative points of each bone, except only positive of the backbone, of course. For the wishbones, if there were never people to wish, dream and come up with great ideas, for instance like great architects, where would we be? But merely wishing will not accomplish much at all. For the jawbones, we need people to motivate, inspire and encourage us to good works. But sometimes we do get tired of "just talk" and need good examples instead. For the knucklebones, we always need constructive criticism, for without it we would not improve, get better and grow. But if criticism is always negative and destructive, then there is no gain. Finally for the backbones, there is everything positive about people who are the heartbeat, the lifeline, the consistent and sustaining work force of our operation.

Summer has arrived already and it will probably be filled with more wishing, talk and criticism, especially in the area of family life for a number of us. Let us strive to be backbones in our work, family lives or wherever we may go. May the Lord bless you with His richest blessing this summer!

DRINKING AGE POLICY

DRINKING AGE POLICY TAKES EFFECT JUNE 1st

The legal drinking age at almost all military installations in the United States will change June 1st to match the legal age limit in the states where the installations are located. For installations not in the 50 states or the District of Columbia, the current drinking age limits will remain unchanged. As of June 1st, installations will observe state laws except for specific situations. Exceptions will be granted or denied based on the consideration of motor vehicle safety and with the approval of the service secretary.

Military leaders enacted the policy in keeping with federal legislation passed in July 1984 that attempts to raise the drinking age in all states to 21.

The legislation calls for a denial of some highway funds to states not complying with the 21-year age limit, beginning in 1987. "The intent is not to question the motives or actions of individuals," said Maj. Sal Curto of the Air Force Drug-Alcohol Abuse Control Branch in the Pentagon.

"We cannot ignore the number of drinking-related accidents and deaths each year involving drivers under 21. These statistics tell us that we must support actions to reduce or reverse that trend."

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...We want to welcome back home all personnel who deployed to the PI. Mission was accomplished without any incidents, personnel worked hard and played hard and spent lots of time traveling and especially shopping... sorties scheduled 124, flown 126, FMC 92.1% and abort rate for the deployment 2.4%...

...Also welcome back from the Orient, CMSgt Tom Sato who was invited by the PACAF IG team to assist them in the ORI/MEI in the Far East... Chief Sato was gone for 17 days, he found the trip quite interesting to be on the other side of the inspection instead of being inspected, Chief Sato reported he was not too hard on the people he inspected, a real "Pussy Cat"...

... TDYing: MSgt Sam Saffery to Sheppard AFB attending the aircraft corrosion course and Jet engine accident investigation course; TSgt Caig Arakaki at Dobbins AFB, GA C-130 corrosion prevention course and Captain Darryll Wong Acft Maintenance crse at good old (Ugh) Chanute...

...And how about that Douglas Abe Jr who received the EANGUS scholarship, Right On Jr, smart boy, just like Papa Doug...

...The squadron will present for the first time a new award "154 CAM Certificate of Appreciation" to two individuals for exceeding 85% on CDC/VRE/CE examinations to SSgt Arthur Seto engine shop and Sgt Darren Camara from Maintenance Control...Outstanding...

...Good to see MSgt Sam Afoa again after his major heart surgery. Sam looks really great, Me Ke Aloha Ke Akua Sam...

...Understand while trying to tie up TSgt Gerald Gono's boat to the pier after a fishing trip, TSgt Gary Soma slipped and fell off the pier into the water..Gary indicated the back

side of the boat was drifting away from the pier and he accidentally misstepped, the word we got was either he was woozy from the boat ride or he drank too much beer. SSgt. Neal Nakayama was on the spot and "fished" Gary out...Auwe and Auwe...

...Our congratulations to SSgt Yvette Viernes on her forthcoming marriage to Rowan Escudero ...

Shop talk...One of our reporters reported that the two shops that really worked the hardest were the Electric and Fuel Shop, personnel worked hard played hard and stuck together during the deployment. These shops want to extend their Mahalos to the rest of the maintenance shop for their Kokua on a very successful mission. Seen together most of the time: SSgt Timothy Foo, Sgt Wayne Kadekawa, SSgt Robert Yokono and Sgt Sam Bokoski..SSgt Annette G tagged along to keep all these guys in line.."Yes Sir"...Ask Sam how he got the cuts on his fingers...Some new words learned during the deployment: "IKAW MAGANDANG, BABAE, MAHAL KITA, N SAAN ANG KUBETA? MAGKAMO ITO? MASHIADO, and especially "Billy Boy" ...And speaking of "Billy Boy" Hmmm, wonda who da guy was who spent the weekend with one..and found out later the real truth..Excuse Please...

...Received word also that MSgt Melvin Chock 154 RMS Refueling Section and his men were put in charge of all the refueling of aircraft and did an outstanding job. The Air Force CMSgt who delegated this responsibility to MSgt Chock was certainly impressed and indicated "You guys can work for me any time...No Ka Oi fellas, No Ka Oi...

...And also Mahalo to the following personnel who went to Wake Island to repair aircraft 63-7632: MSgts Val Wong, Charley Calvan, Alex Palama, Ray Bermudez and TSgts Mike Montero, Henry Machado, Gerald Gono and Gary Soma.. Repairs were very successful and aircraft continued to fly back to Hickam...Outstanding support was provided by 15ABW Detachment stationed at Wake...Fishing was great and a message to Charley, "Eh next time no foget da kine milk and sweet bread" Our C-130A flew our people round trip...
...Count down for retirement, SMSgt Bill Austin, after today 40 days, 19 July 1985...Finally, just want to say mahalo to all personnel ...

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENLISTED MEMBERS!

Do you possess a college degree? If you do, you may be qualified for an officer appointment in one of several officer vacancies currently existing in HANG units on the islands of Oahu, Kauai, Hawaii and Maui.

Your college degree makes you officer material and could take you above and beyond your chosen career field and that means opportunities for advancement, leadership, and training.

Several commissioning programs are available to qualified enlisted members interested in applying for an officer appointment. Based on your specific degree and/or civilian work experience, your CBPO can assist you in determining your qualifications and the appropriate commissioning program for you.

Officer vacancies currently available are for Air Weapons Controllers and Comm-Electronics Officers positions. Prerequisites required to apply for these positions are as follows:

Air Weapons Controller: Four (4) year degree.

Comm-Electronics Officer: Four (4) year degree to include 12 semester hours of computer science and 6 semester hours of calculus through differential calculus.

Why not check with your CBPO today, it might be the most rewarding decision you'll make for your future. For more information call 449-5685. On the neighbor islands call Maui 877-6255, Kauai 337-1871 and Hilo 961-6565.

RECRUITING EFFORTS

You can help with recruiting referrals. The recruiters are looking for people to fill four major areas; mechanical, electrical, clerical, and support services. Refer a friend, relative, or anyone interested by contacting the recruiters at 449-5601/9486/9589. Office hours are 6:45 am to 3:15 pm, Monday through Friday and drill weekends.



ATTENTION Combat Sage/ Cope Thunder Participants

Anyone who has taken photographs of the activities during the recent deployment, please bring them to the CCTV room 134, bldg. 3400. They will be used for the sound/slide program being developed for Ancillary Training in August. See TSgt. Ron Biho or call 449-9374. Your Kukua will be greatly appreciated.

ENHANCING PROMOTION

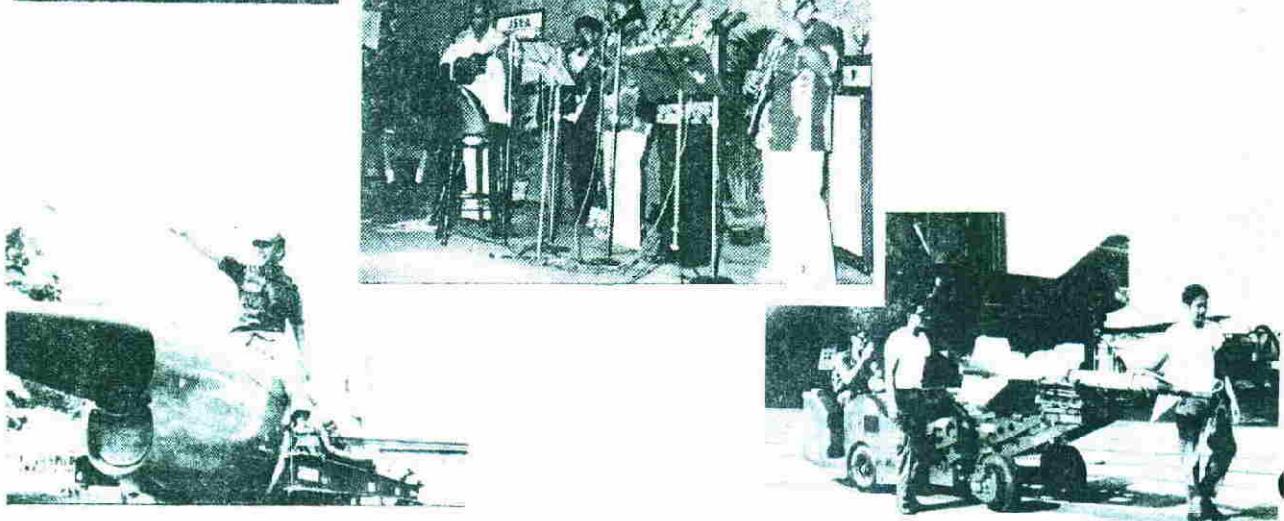
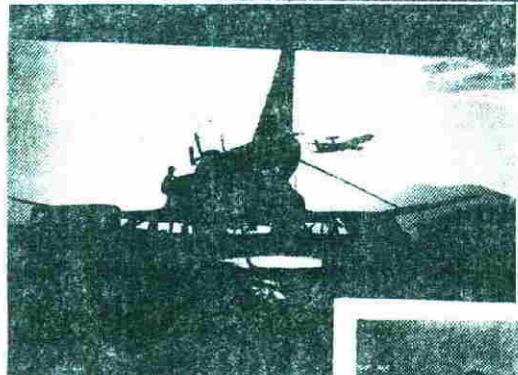
Promotions are never a guarantee. There are several things you can do, however, to enhance your promotion potential. First, and most important, is to perform your current job to the best of your ability. If you do well, and maintain a positive and professional attitude, you will be recognized for it. Supervisors look for top notch performers to take on increasingly more responsible jobs.

Professional Military Education (PME) is an essential factor towards promotion. PME increases knowledge, broadens perspective and helps you prepare for increased responsibilities.

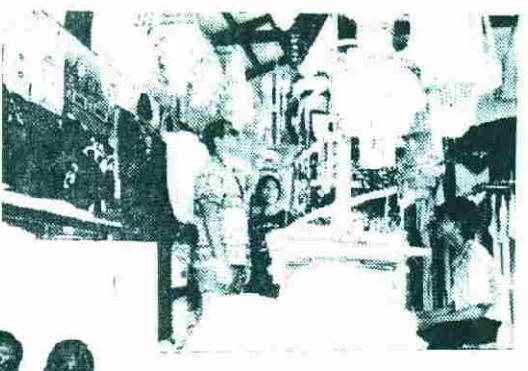
Another thing you can do is seek career counseling from supervisors, commanders and others in positions of leadership. Their guidance can help you develop your HANG career. Get to know the key people in your career field and when opportunity presents itself, seek their advice.

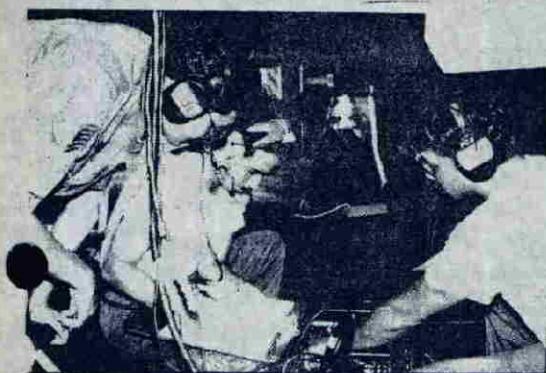
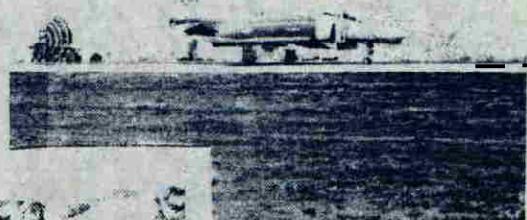
Always be in compliance with AFR 35-10, Dress and Personal Appearance. Looking sharp means feeling sharp. When you feel good about yourself, the job becomes that much easier.

MSgt IRIS T KABAZAWA
Base Career Advisor
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THUNDER IN THE PACIFIC





THUNDER... (continued from Front Page)

by Maj. John "Conan-the-librarian" Corley. Cope Thunder exercise objectives included:

- exercise composite force tactics in the air-to-air arena
- exercise and refine F-4 ship tactics in the OCA and DCA roles
- front aspect defense in both BVR/VID environments

The scenario was modeled after Vietnam situations for the first four days, followed by a hypothetical Soviet scenario for the remaining days. Our missions were all fraged as Defense Counter Air working with the Aggressors (total 12 Red Force players) for the first four days followed by additional Navy and Marine assets (total 20 Red Force players) for the remaining days.

Our crews generally learned to operate in an environment with minimum communications available, limited GCI radar support, and maximum numbers of adversaries, most of whom had all-aspect ordnance. Throughout the deployment, we flew additional sorties against the F-5s in 2 vs. 3 scenarios. During the latter part of the exercise, our scenario was on the order of 28 vs. 38. If we had not been aligned on the Red Force side, we could not possibly have had the large numbers of adversaries and received the same high quality of training.

The exercise was wrapped up with HANG sponsored parties for the Aggressors and one for all participants. Numerous friendships were made and the comradeship was high and spirited throughout the deployment.

The return to Hickam started with a maintenance day of preparation and reloading fuel tanks and travel pods. The support aircraft on the return included the same C130 and tankers, however one C141 was replaced by a chartered DC8, allowing our people to fly directly back to Hickam.

All eight F-4s flew safely to Guam, but one required repair of a cabin pressure problem before making the long leg to Honolulu. Repairs were accomplished by our crew chiefs who followed on the C130. Flying out the next day, seven aircraft finished the flight all the way to Honolulu and one stopped enroute at Wake Island as a result of flight control difficulties.

Overall, our people experienced the challenge of a deployment, many for the first time, and the challenge of preparing nearly all deployed aircraft to fly every day. Our aircrews experienced the opportunities to put tactics to work in a large-scale, realistic training environment, and to fire live missiles in the Weapons

System Evaluation Program. This deployment contributed significantly to the improvement of our tactical operational capability.

UNITS CHANGE DESIGNATIONS

Effective July 1, the following units will change their unit designations:

<u>OLD</u>	<u>NEW</u>
154 USAF Clinic	154 TAC Hospital
201st CMBTCG	201 CISG (Combat Information System Group)
201st CMBTCG	201 CISS (Combat Information System Squadron)
201st CMBTCF	201 CISF (Combat Information System Flight)
202nd CMBTCF	202 CISF (Combat Information System Flight)

PROMOTIONS



Congratulations to the following people who have been promoted to the ranks indicated:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
LT. COL. Kenneth P. Wicks	Jun 3, 1985
TSGT. Anthony Silva	May 16, 1985
TSGT. Andres Emayo	May 16, 1985
TSGT. Henry Y. Wakumoto	May 16, 1985
SSGT. Mark M.K. Taketa	May 16, 1985
SGT. Darin Y. Tomi	May 15, 1985
SGT. Allan K. Kawamura	May 15, 1985
SGT. Russell C.Y. Chang	May 7, 1985
SGT. William C. Denham	Jun 1, 1985
SRA. Charles W.M. Griep	May 16, 1985
SRA. Gary K. Hema	Jun 8, 1985
SRA. Nathan Q.C. Higa	Jun 1, 1985
AC1 Russell J. Clear	Jun 8, 1985
AMN. Jamie L. Coffey	May 14, 1985
AC1 James Zarriello Jr.	May 30, 1985
AMN. Paul W. Schrader	Jun 7, 1985
AMN. Rowan K.N. Escuadro	May 16, 1985
AMN. Hans R.K. Tandal	May 14, 1985

150th ACW Sq**THE SUPERKIDS – 1985**

On a clear sunny day on May 11, 90

fficers and enlisted personnel of the 150 ACW Sq assisted the Kauai American Lung Association in their annual Superkids track and field events at the Vidinha Stadium in Lihue.

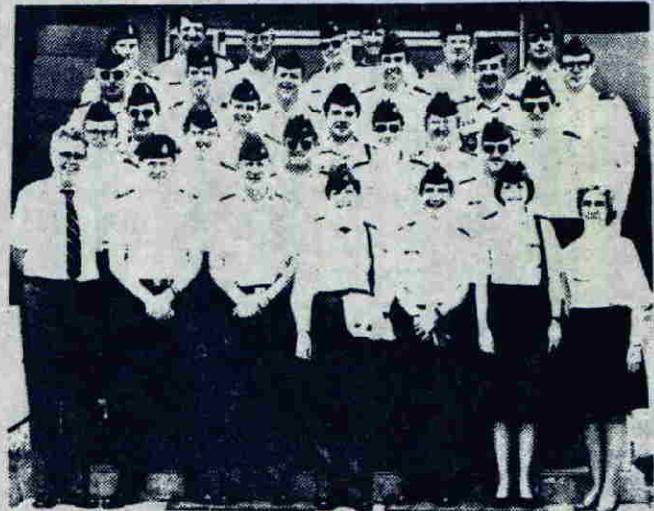
166 Children between 6-12 years of age turned out to compete in the 50 yards race, potato sack race and in the obstacle course events. Under the leadership of Lt Col Owen Ota, Commander, 150 ACW Sq, this year's Superkids was the best ever and the guard support was outstanding.

Opening ceremony included a mini-parade, led by the 150th ACW Sq Color Guard; and the singing of the National Anthem.

Superkids is an annual event in which the men and women of the 150th ACW Sq "get involved". The unit "gets involved" in other activities to support the community such as, the Senior Citizens Field Events; Warner Jamboree, Memorial Day Ceremony, Armed Forces Day and King Kamehameha Celebration parade and numerous color guard participation by security personnel.

ALOHA PARTY (open to all ranks)**Maj.Gen. Haeffner & Maj.Gen. McInerney**

two great friends of the HANG

**JSS/ROCC-CPCS_B
CONFERENCE**

The Joint Surveillance System Region Operations Control Center (JSS/ROCC) Computer Program Configuration Sub-Board (CPCS_B) held its meeting at Hickam AFB from April 16 - 18, 1985. The CPCS_B is convened approximately once per quarter to act upon Computer Software Change Proposals (CSCP's) and discuss other ROCC-related topics. During the April meeting, the board evaluated 64 CSCP's, prioritized previously-approved CSCP's, were presented with briefings on future plans, and went on a tour of the HIROCC. Even though the strenuous meeting agenda allowed little free time to enjoy Hawaii, attendees expressed their pleasure in being here and their gratitude to the HANG for hosting the meeting.

INFLATION HITS VENDING MACHINE

As with everything else, soft drink prices have gone up; but in this case, only a nickel. In a recent letter, the vendor cited increased costs of aluminum cans, raw materials, and labor. The price of soft drinks has changed to 45¢ per can in the vending machines located in buildings 3415, 3416, 3422, and 3440.



HNGEA MEETING RESCHEDULED

The HNGEA's Annual General Membership meeting scheduled for May 17-19 was postponed due to unavailable air transportation. New dates - June 14-16 (next weekend). Members are encouraged to attend. Our C130 will be transporting conferees to the site in Hilo.

Contact TSgt. Alfred DeRego- 449-1928 or MSgt. James Andrade- 449-5589 - for air reservations. Hotel accomadations must be made with SCM George Cho, HARNG at 737-7216. See you dere...

CONGRATULATIONS!!

AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL - By direction of the Secretary of the Air Force, each of the following is awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal for outstanding achievement during the period indicated:

LT. COL. Jerald K. Aoki, Mar. 1, 1984 - Jan. 15, 1985

LT. COL. Paul H. Hashimoto, Aug. 16, 1984 - Jan. 15, 1985

LT. COL. Tai Sung Hong, May 1, 1984 - Jan. 15, 1985

AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL - By direction of the Secretary of the Air Force, each of the following is awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service during the period indicated:

LT. COL. Clinton R. Churchill, July 1, 1980 - Mar. 25, 1985

MAJ. Richard O. Tsuchiya, Mar. 1, 1985 - Jan. 15, 1985

SMSGT. Stanley S. Kodama, Jan. 1, 1982 - Jan. 29, 1985

TSGT. George Ginoza, July 12, 1960 - Jan. 8, 1985

UP IN ARMS

The Wheeler Firing Range will be open to HANG members for recreational shooting June 15 and 29. All personnel wishing to take advantage of this opportunity must attend the Range Safety Class at 8:00 a.m. on those respective mornings. The range will be open for shooting between 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. All participants must provide their own pistols, rifles, ammunition and gun registration.

NEW WEAPONS & TACTICS OFFICER

Capt. Phil Skains has begun his new duties as Weapons and Tactics Officer for the 199th Tactical Fighter Squadron.

Captain Skains assumed the post June 1st.

The position was previously held by Maj. Ed Pickering, who has returned to fly full time for Hawaiian Airlines.

Captain Skains hails from Colorado. He graduated from the University of Northern Colorado with a journalism degree in 1978.

Captain Skains' flying career includes a stint with the 18th Tactical Fighter Squadron in Alaska, where he flew the F-4E. The Captain then made the transition to the F-15 in 1982 with the 43rd Tactical Fighter Squadron, also in Alaska.

Captain Skains joined the Hawaii Air National Guard in Aug. '84. He serves part of his time with the Guard while working full time at the University of Hawaii to attain an MBA.

Captain Skains' new duties as Weapons and Tactics Officer will be to research and update aircrews on the latest F-4 operational weapons and tactics.

Captain Skains says, "I look forward to flying fighters full-time with the HANG. It's an excellent opportunity. I feel really lucky to have this chance."

Congratulations to Captain Skains on behalf of the 199th TFS, the 154 COMPG and the HANG.



CAPT. SKAINS

PHYSICAL FITNESS COURSE

FYI, the course begins outside the turnstile gate behind the PDO trailer adjacent to building 3400. A yellow paint mark marks the spot. The course proceeds around by the Sea Breeze, Soma Field, over the canal, under the Reef Runway taxiway and on. Just past the taxiway overpass, at the end of the median strip is the three-quarter mile mark...also a yellow paint mark. Further down, across is the mile-and-a-half marker.

This is the course used in the tests and makes an excellent training route. And don't forget...warm up and cool down before and after running, jogging or walking.