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## CHOUP AIRMEN TABBED OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

A3C Steven S. Sumida, who joined the 154th Combat Support Squadron last June, was cited for "Outstanding performance of academic duties while attending the Plumbing Specialist Course at the Sheppard Technical Training Center."

A student from August through October Sumida received a final course grade of 91 and was the outstanding student in his class. His accomplishment was noted by the Air Training Command's technical school and resulted in a special certificate award and a letter of commendation.

Similarly cited for outstanding work while at service school are A3C Melvin Nishimoto, Honor Graduate of the Organizational Supply Specialist Course at Amarillo Air Force Base, and A3C Ronald Izutsu, Honor Graduate of the Inventory Management Specialist Course at the same base.

Nishimoto joined HANG in January and completed school in April. Izutsu enlisted in February, and graduated in July. Both are assigned to supply work with 154th Materiel Squadron.

The outstanding records of the above airmen reflect well on their attitude as well as their "can-do" spirit. The 154th joins their families in taking pride in their achievements.

We understand that there are others and will report them next month.

# 154TH FIGHTER GROUP FIRE PROGRAM-HONORED

In recognition of continuing efforts in fire prevention, the 154th Fighter Group was singled out from among Hickam units and honored for the second year as recipient of the PACAF Base Commander's Fire Prevention Awards.

Brig. Gen. John A. Rouse, PACAF Base Commander, presented the permanent and perpetual trophies last month during Fire Prevention Week observance. Accepting the awards were Col. James Ashford Group Commander, and MSgt Simanu Afoa, Group Chief Fire Warden.

Brig. Gen. Valentine A. Siefermann, HANG Commander, participated in the award ceremonies held in the HANG ares. Also present were the hand-picked Fire Wardens and Assistant Fire Wardens of the Group whose work throughout the year accounted for the outstanding achievement. They are:

#### Fire Wardens

MSgt Wesley Lazarus
MSgt George Ah Chong
MSgt Jose Rivera
MSgt George Wela
MSgt Raymond Loo
AlC Raymond Ching

#### Assistant Fire Wardens

SMSgt Toshio Oshiro TSgt Ray Takahashi
MSgt Wilmer Baptiste TSgt E. L. Rawlins
MSgt Kenneth Camara TSgt H. Hironaka
MSgt George Moss SSgt Melvin Wong
TSgt George Meyer SSgt Don Castaneda
TSgt Lloyd Seki SSgt Harry Nakasone

# NOTES FROM 154th MATERIEL SQUADRON (AD) GROUP PERSONNEL ADD NEW STRIPES

(Mahalo to Reporter SMSgt A: Mizumoto)

Maintenance Shooting for 95% SKT Goal! Since March 1964, 33 out of 36 persons taking the SKT have passed - a better than 90% passing rate. Since July 1964 22 persons have been tested and 19 are known to have passed. The goal of 95% SKT passing rate is in sight!

The following sections have achieved a 100% passing rate over the last twelve Standardization/Training Shop; Quality Control 1, Engine Shop, Instrument Shop, Sheetmetal Shop, and Weapons Chop.

# People to People Program

SSgt Theodore T. S. Geo of the Engine Shop left the Group recently to participate in the International Farm Youth Exchange Program in India, as a USA deleite. Sponsored by Four-H. the six to eight months tour is a people to people program for better world understanding. We look forward to having Ted back again.

# All Work and No Play, etc ....

The first quarterly party of Field Maintenance Section was so successful that another fone is being planned for this month. The last affair was at the Matsumoya Tea House (stag-type); the next will include the wahines -- nine course dinner at Hilton Hawaiian Village.

A warm aloha to Mr. Lucas Lineberry, Senior Engineer from Hughes Aircraft. Assigned to Fire Control Section, Mr. Lineberry arrived in July from Goose Bay Labrador, his last duty assignment, and was married in August. As the kamaainas say: "He no waste time."

AIC Reginald Chun (Missile Section); AlC Herbert Okamoto (Fire Control), and A2C Raymond Choy (Radio), all tied the lot recently. We don't know which is est to have on a honeymoon -- Missile r Fire Control? With Radio you can call for help.

NEXT DRILL DATES: 1 13 DECEMBER

Congratulations to those earning new chevrons last month! The list includes:

To Technical Sergeant (154 Mat Sq)

Jose P. Aquino Richard Mau Frank Montizor Hisao Yasunaka Norman Tkachenko

## To Staff Sergeant

Joseph Englino (154 Mat Sq) Charles Pokipala, Jr (154 Mat Sq) Winston Healy, Jr. (154 Cmbt Spt)

To Airman First Class (154 Mat Sq)

Valentine P. K. Kalos James T. Takemoto

To Airman Second Class

Leslie K. Y. L. Ing (154 Mat Sq)

# ECI DIFLOMA LIST CONTINUES TO GROW

The list of Group personnel complet-ECI courses gets bigger and bigger and reflects the keen desire of our personnel to keep current with AF skills and developments. Latest list includes:

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1Lt Roland Hamilton	199 Wea Flt
2Lt James Markey	154 Mat Sq
-MSgt Jose Rivera	154 Mat Sq
TSgt Leonard Camacho	154 Mat Sq
TSgt Harold Kepsa	154 Cmbt Spt Sq
TSgt Paulino Youting	154 Mat Sq
SSgt Raymond W. M. Chun	-154 Cmbt Spt Sq
SSgt Adriano Mendoza	154 Mat Sq
SSgt Samuel Saffery III	154 Mat Sq
SSgt Frank Yamamoto	154 Mat Sq
AlC Daniel K. L. Wong	154 Cmbt Spt Sq
A2C Rodney Chang	154 Mat Sq
A2C Howard DeCosta	154 Mat Sq
A2C Robert Kahalewai	Hq 154 Ftr Gp
A2C William Kealoha	154 Mat Sq
A2C Urban Caires	154 Mat Sq
A2C Franklin Lau	154 Mat Sq
A2C Glendon Nunes	154 Cmbt Spt Sq
A2C David Paahana	154 Mat Sq
A2C George Shibata	154 Mat Sq
A2C Edgar Takamoto	154 Mat 8q
A.C Edwin Timihoma	154 Mat Sq
A3C Noel Murat	154 Mat Sq