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### HAWAII MILITARY WEEK

Governor John Waihee, the Hawaii National Guard's commander in chief, proclaimed May 11-17, Hawaii Military Week. The event is a "way to promote an awareness within our community of the many contributions our military neighbors make to the state's economy and way of life," said Governor Waihee.

The Hawaii Chamber of Commerce, Military Affairs Council and the Bank of Hawaii sponsored the "Peace with Freedom" ceremony at the State Capitol.

The Hawaii Air National Guard's Royal Guard participated in the procession, posting/retirement of colors, and escorting of invited guests to Washington Place for the after-ceremony reception.

Armed Forces Day events featured the Army and Air Guard from Barking Sands, Kauai to Hickam Air Force Base, Oahu to the Big Island's General Lyman Field.

On May 9, the Kauai's Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands, featured an F-4C Phantom jet fighter and a control tower display.

The Royal Guard and 11th Army Band, paraded through Hickam Air Force Base to open the all-day, May 16 event. The 154th Composite Group provided the F-4C Phantom and the "new" F-15A Eagle jet fighters as static displays. In Hilo, on May 16, the displays featured the Group's C-130A Hercules cargo aircraft and F-4C. Throughout the Hawaii Military Week's events, the Group shared its best and exemplified this year's theme, "Peace with Freedom."

### NEW COMMANDER



Maj Alan T. Fujita became the Commander of the 154th Combat Support Squadron on May 2, 1987, replacing Lt Col Robert Y. Nakamatsu. As commander of the 154 CSS, he is responsible for the personnel, administration, food service, security, ground communications, base training, religious, education, audiovisual plans, policies, procedures, and program services for the 154th Composite Group.

Major Fujita received his Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Accounting from the University of Hawaii in January 1969. Major Fujita passed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountant's examination and became a Certified Public Accountant of the State of Hawaii in October 1979. He received his Air Force commission through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Hawaii. He served on

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# Commander's Corner

by

Col. John S. W. Lee



(Ed. Note: In the absence of our Commander, Colonel Ritchie K. Kunichika, Deputy Commander for Operations, provided his thoughts for Commander's Corner).

### TO MY FEATHERED FRIENDS

For the past decade we have been in the Phantom era. It was an era that saw us make the biggest advancement in the 154th's combat potential. From the pure interceptor you developed into an effective air superiority team and expanded your horizons to the edges of the Pacific and beyond. Thunder, Sage, North, Red Flag, Tigre and Alps are reminders of some of your fun successes. ORIs, MEIs, Stan/Evals and SAVs are your blood and sweat successes. You grabbed the Pacific Air Forces' attention and made them realize you were a fighting machine they could count on and they did by expanding your mission. The Air Force recognized it and honored you with three consecutive Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards. SH.

You look back and recall it wasn't easy, it was tough...but you loved it. You did it all because you got it, the discipline, the skills and that tenacious will to succeed and win. I salute you.

As we enter the Eagle era its unfortunate that all of you will not be strapping the Eagle on. Good luck in your new duties.

To those that will be strapping the Eagle on, GOOD HUNTING!

## UNIFORM TIPS (Ref: AFR 35-10)

The wear of backpacks while in uniform is authorized only while actually operating or riding as a passenger on motorcycles, mopeds, bicycles, or similar vehicles. The backpack must be removed upon dismounting the vehicle and handcarried in order to be back in proper accordance with AFR 35-10. Backpacks are to be of conservative commercial design and free of emblem, lettering, or other ornamentation. International orange color is recommended. (CBPO, Personal Affairs Section, 449-5669)

## MILITARY WEEK LET'S GO FISHING

Six soldiers and airmen from Hawaii's National Guard joined 34 other military servicemen and women fishing off the Big Island's Kona Coast, for a special edition of KHON's "Let's Go Fishing."

The Air Guard's MSgt Robert Davis, 154 Civil Engineering Squadron; MSgt Wayne Soma 154th Combat Support Squadron, and TSgt Glenn Sukanuma, 202nd Combat Communications Flight, participated in the five hour fishing expedition on April 29.

The event was planned and arranged by the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Hawaii Military Week, May 11-17.

The group was joined on the 85-foot "Point Loma" by Hari Kojima, host of "Let's Go Fishing"; producer/director Bob Pritchard and cameraman Bruce Barham.

The edited video was broadcasted on May 24 and proved to be a great venture.



"Let's Go Fishing" Air Guard members, (left to right) TSgt Glenn Sukanuma, MSgt Robert Davis, and MSgt Wayne Soma.

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active duty with assignments to 739th Radar Squadron, Wadena AFS, Minnesota, 649th Radar Squadron, Bedford AFS, Virginia, and 374th Tactical Airlift Wing, Ching Chuan Kang Air Base, Taiwan.

After his active duty tour, Major Fujita joined the Hawaii Air National Guard 154th Supply Squadron as a Supply Officer in July 1973. In July 1979, he transferred to the 154th Combat Support Squadron as the Administrative Management Staff Officer.

Major Fujita is employed as an Internal Revenue Agent with the Internal Revenue Service, Honolulu. He is married to the former Karen K. Honda, resides in Aiea, and has one son in elementary school.

# Pastor's Perspective



by Chaplain  
(1Lt) Robert Nagamine

In a conversation that I once had, I asked a person if he was married or single. His reply was, "I am single again." For a moment I paused to think about what he had meant by the phrase "single again." He then proceeded to clarify himself, "I was married before, but now I am divorced."

In our world today, this man is among the ever increasing number of divorced people. If things do not work out in marriage, many couples find divorce a real option. But when the reality of divorce sets in, couples experience some real pain. So, to avoid the pain and sorrow of divorce, couples must give priority to their marriages. And those who are already divorced must learn to overcome the heartaches of the past.

What are some of the causes of divorce? How can we prevent divorce from entering into our lives? Are we among the next to face this? These are some of the questions that we may have asked along the path of our marriage.

There are a variety of reasons why a person may seek a divorce. A long history of unresolved conflicts. Unfulfilled expectations. Physical/mental spouse abuse. Extramarital affairs. The list goes on.

If a person's marriage is unstable, an investment of much effort is required to prevent a divorce. It will demand much time and attention, and understanding. It will probably require lifestyle changes. Giving beyond the call of duty is par for the course. Both husband and wife must genuinely care enough about what their spouse considers priority and important. Teamwork is important. Setting individual and joint goals (that both partners can agree on) and working together on them to its completion is essential. The investment is great, but so is its reward.

For those of you who are divorced, there is a future for you. In time, the wounds will heal and scar. With wise choices, past mistakes will be avoided. The crises that was brought on by divorce will work toward some good. Someone once mentioned that the Chinese character "crisis" comes from two words: (1) danger and (2) opportunity. So, be keen to see the opportunities that will come your way. May you get to know God in a personal way, for He is in the business of restoring people's lives.

May God's grace and love be ever present in your lives, and may His peace go before you. If you want to talk with me, my office is open to you.



**FATHER'S DAY  
JUNE 21**

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# CAM SQ.

## News & Views



by MSgt Fred M. Higa, Jr.

Hi again, folks. Here we are, the month of June...Time sure flies when its super busy, especially with all the F-15s arriving and a maintenance reporting system which has been computerized to keep our records straight. Its been a hectic year so far, and next year should be just as hectic. This has turned into our most ambitious undertaking so far, and I'm sure with our typical "can-do" attitude, we should do well..Congrats to Yvette and Rowan Escuadro on the birth of their first born daughter on May 29. Many sleepless nites ahead for you, but its fun!! Heard SMS Randy Lum will be a grandpa again. In March came #6, this month comes grandchild #7. Basketball team ready, Randy??? There's a whole lot of people coming and going in CAM Sq. Welcome back goes to Randy Lum, Steve Morita and Norman Eclarin as they return from Kadena AB after being certified as munitions loaders. Now they can train all of our other loaders in their jobs. MSgts George Padilla and Cirilo Valera are also back, but they're back from the cold country of Elmendorf, Alaska after the weapons acceptance inspections on the F-15s. Good luck to TSgt Clayton Chang as he leaves for Holloman AFB for HOTS training. Hope you take your jams and tank tops with you, Clayton..Good luck also goes to MSgts Fred Espina and Sam Pacarro as they go to Clark AB in the PI for the AIM7FM HOTS training. TSgts Roy Kudo and Brian will be leaving shortly for Kadena AB for the same training. The new missile will give us a tremendous edge in fighter power which will certainly be a whole new ballgame for the HANG. Also back from HOTS

training in New Orleans are MSgt Alex Palama, TSgts Ben Lara, Ben Costa, Henry Machado and Joe Salvador. Lots of new insights learned by all while training with the New Orleans ANG unit. Going to New Orleans will be MSgts Tom Araki and George Matsumoto. Still in New Orleans are MSgts Henry Hasuike and George Tokoro and TSgt Bill Pimental. Still in HOTS at Dobbins AFB are TSgts John Yasuhara and Ray Kaneshiro. Tech schoolers back from Lowry AFB are TSgts Gary Fujii and Ron Lee and Sgt Jay Nishimura. Any honor grads, guys?? Good luck to 2Lt Jeff Namihira as he gets ready to go to flight school this month. He just returned from Tennessee after attending AMS school. Back from the cold country of Alaska are Maj Bruce Minato and MSgt Jim Yamamoto. They'll be leaving again in the next few days for another couple weeks for acceptance inspections. Back from Elmendorf are SSgt Mark Uehara and A1C Elwir Kaneshiro of the Engine Shop after their acceptance inspections TDY was completed. No word on what they caught yet. No shame, guys, We've heard many fish stories before, one more won't hurt. Congrats to TSgt Roy Ishibashi as he was awarded a check and certificate for his sustained superior performance this past year. Acting Flightline chief SMS Tom Kato welcomes newcomers SSgt Peter Kwok, formerly of the Admin ofc and Sgt Miles Nakamura, formerly of the Egress Shop. They are the newest members of the flight line aspiring to become crew chiefs. To SSgt Carol Keanini, TSgt Jim Pahukula is a real life saver and hero. One night, she overheard her neighbor beating something in his townhouse unit. His unit had caught fire and he was trying to beat the fire out. Along comes Big Jim with his fire extinguisher and puts out the flames before the fire trucks arrives. Quick thinking and quick action save lives and properties for 4 households. Right on Jim!!! Speaking of Carol, she and TSgt Owen Iha of DE went to Lincoln, Nebraska to run in the 26-mile marathon sponsored by the NGB. Carol received a trophy for

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coming in 3rd in her age group, and Owen came in a strong 4th. However, prizes were only awarded to the top 3 places but Owen did well. Good showing for the only 2 HANG entrants in this event...1st Sgt Jack Uhrig wants to remind everyone that the last chance to take care of your annual physical fitness requirement will be during the August UTA, Sunday, Aug 2. Train now, gang, in earnest...The Annual CAM Sq Awards Banquet has been set for Friday, Sep 4, at the Halekoa Hotel. Tickets are now available thru your supervisors, but better hurry as there are only 500 seats available. First-come, first-served is the rule of thumb for this event SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY so you won't be left out..Finally, from Theodore Maynard, "Originality consists of an ability to give freshness to what is old." Til next issue.....fhiga.

**CAMRON BASKETBALL**

By TSgt Clay Chang

The 154th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron league came to a close on Saturday, May 23 with a winner's and consolation bracket playoff. Final results: consolation bracket winner was FMS, while the winner's bracket had a rematch of Avionics I team versus Munitions. The munitions team was the ultimate victor and champion of this 1st Annual Tournament. A big mahalo to all who made this event possible, it was a joy for all participants and hopefully more players will turn out next year.

**GOING TO A MILITARY SCHOOL?**

Individuals who are overweight or currently under the Weight Management Program (WMP) are not authorized to apply or attend PME/technical training schools or any type of training funded by ANGSC/TE. Waivers are not authorized. All personnel will be weighed at the 154 Tactical Hospital prior to departure for training to insure they meet weight standards. If you are overweight, you will not leave for training. If school is in your future, lose those extra pounds before you show up for out processing. (DPMT, 449-5684)

**150TH ACWS HOSTS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

By SSgt Bruce Hara

On May 10, 1987, the "Hoku Aliis" from the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, Kokee AFS, Kauai, won the inaugural Kauai National Guard Basketball Tournament with a 3-0 record.

This first ever, double elimination event included a total of four National Guard teams, two each from the Air and Army National Guard. Rounding out the other finishers were the "Bad Company" from the Army Guard in Kapaa (2-2); "Da Controllers" from the Air's 202nd ATCF, Barking Sands (1-2); and the Hanapepe Army Guard's "A's" (0-2).

Members of the All-Tournament Team are SSgt Don Almodova (Hoku Aliis), SP4 Ken Lum and PFC Billy Cummings (Bad Co.), SSgt Dean Augustin (Da Controllers), and SP4 Manuel Taniguchi (A's).

The Tournament created comraderie of Army and Air Guard members on Kauai in competitive sports. That's terrific.

**HICKAM-WHEELER AERO CLUB GROUND SCHOOL CLASSES**

The Hickam-Wheeler Aero Club announces the next class dates for Private Pilot Ground School. This excellent ground training is open to all individuals interested in obtaining aviation training and/or their Private Pilot Certificate:

Start date: Monday, June 29, 1987

Class nights: Mon-Wed eves,  
6:00-9:00 p.m.

Duration: 8 weeks

Location: Hickam Air Force Base

Start date: Saturday, July 18, 1987

Class days: Saturdays, 9:00-1:00 p.m.

Duration: 8 weeks

Location: Wheeler Air Force Base

All interested individuals may come to the Aero Club to register anytime prior to start date. Books and supplies may be purchased at the Wheeler Aero Club. (Cost is approximately \$65.00). For enrollment call 449-1228 (Hickam) or 655-1855 (Wheeler). For additional information on other ground school courses, call Cristina Plimmer at 488-3965.

**LEGAL BRIEF**

BY CAPT JAMES ITAMURA



Not long ago, I noticed a boy in the church youth group flipping what I recognized to be a butterfly knife, open and shut. This aroused something more than passing interest in me because what most people don't know is that possession of one of these fun type knives is punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$2000 fine because they are considered switch blades. The funny thing is that you can pick one up at any swap meet.

Additionally, weapons designed primarily to injure or immobilize humans are also punishable by a minimum of \$500 and one year in jail. Such things as brass knuckles, billy clubs, daggers (i.e. knives with finger implacements on the handle) are specifically named in the law as being prohibited.

It does not end there however, the law has a "catch-all" phrase; "...or other deadly or dangerous weapons." This has included such things as a sword-cane, a martial arts sword, a bayonet and wooden knuckles with sharks teeth. Interestingly, nunchaku sticks have been found not to be a deadly or dangerous weapon. Such things as blow guns (a popular tourist item from the P.I.) and Kung-Fu throwing stars would most likely be found illegal as would sawed off bats.

As one can plainly see, James Bond types will be frowned upon by law.



Hats off to the following people who were promoted to the ranks shown on the dates indicated:

154 COMPG

TSgt Thomas S. Howerton May 18, 1987

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SSgt Apolinario Ilagan May 18, 1987  
 Sgt Jeffery P. Buss May 16, 1987  
 Sgt Lilinoe T. Grube June 1, 1987  
 SrA Gerald S. Oshiro May 30, 1987  
 SrA Bret M. Foster June 15, 1987  
 SrA Robert A. Dongon June 15, 1987  
 SrA Peter M. Liu June 15, 1987  
 A1C Brian J. Takafuji May 30, 1987  
 A1C Geoff V. Davis June 9, 1987  
 A1C Devin M. Fukunaga, June 4, 1987

154 CSS

TSgt George Galasinao May 18, 1987  
 Sgt Stephen C. Lee May 15, 1987  
 SrA Tamah-lani S. Nakamoto May 2, 1987

154 RMS

TSgt Craig T. Iwase May 18, 1987

150 ACW Sq

Maj Patrick J. Casey Aug 12, 1987  
 A1C Susan S. Kashiwabara Jun 2, 1987  
 Sgt Rodney J. Pascua Jun 5, 1987

154 CES

Sgt Nicholas Muragin Jr May 14, 1987  
 SrA Darren R. Tominaga May 14, 1987  
 A1C Rochelle L.K. Flores May 14, 1987

169 ACW Sq

SrA James M. Casinas Jr. May 27, 1987  
 SrA Melvin T. Murakami May 9, 1987  
 A1C Henry C. Hope Jr. May 27, 1987

154 Tac Hosp

SrA Raymond A. Dongon May 15, 1987  
 AMN Jamie A. Harada June 10, 1987  
 AMN Irene A. Higashioona May 25, 1987

**SAFETY NOTES -****before you doze...**

I'm quite sure you agree that one of the scariest things that can happen to you while you are driving is to suddenly snap to and realize that just for a split second you nodded off.

Of course, nothing happened. That's why you have time to think about it and get scared and maybe start singing or screaming to yourself to keep awake. Or if you're wise, maybe stop, get out of the car for some fresh air before proceeding any farther.

It's another thing though, when you snap to and realize that you've been lost in your thoughts. Maybe it was how to make ends meet, problems with your spouse or maybe vacation thoughts. Whatever, for just a second or two you were out of it.

Trouble is, fresh air and a stretch or two won't necessarily set your mind straight. It won't wipe out life's puzzles and problems. They're hard to shake. Only other thoughts can crowd out the distracting thoughts.

So...THINK SAFE!! If you're thinking about your driving, what the other driver is doing and might do, the road, the weather, visibility, you don't have room to think about anything else.



CAPT JAMES HIKITA  
2LT MELISSA ZEN  
SSGT CARSWELL ROSS JR.

## Open Letter on Drug Abuse

As of October 1, 1987, 338 guard members were tested for cocaine and marijuana use. To date 14 individuals or 4.1% tested positive. As stated by E. C. Aldridge Jr., Secretary of the Air Force in an open letter on Drug Abuse, "The Air Force policy on drug abuse remains unchanged. The illegal or improper use of drugs by Air Force members is a serious breach of discipline. It is not compatible with service in the AF. And furthermore, such use automatically places the AF member's continued service in jeopardy." The letter continues, "such conduct will not be tolerated and can lead to criminal prosecution and to discharge under other than Honorable Conditions." The letter concluded by stating, "This policy reflects the fact that drug abusers jeopardize the AF mission. As well as the health and safety of themselves and others. This is especially true of those few who furnish illegal drugs to others, or otherwise promote and encourage drug abuse among AF members. It is, and will remain, AF policy to prevent these activities and to identify and discipline those who engage in them." For the 14 positively identified drug users these words come too late. For us who remain, let's continue to "Say No" to drug use.

## Driving and Alcohol Survey

Dr. Karl E. Kim, Assistant Professor at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, had his undergraduate urban planning class conduct a Driving and Alcohol survey. A

total of 563 individuals responded to the survey. The majority (58%) were between the ages of 21 and 30. Slightly more females (56%) responded to the survey than males.

The majority of the respondents supported raising the drinking age to 21. They also tend to drink more on Fridays and weekends, claim to not drive after drinking three alcoholic beverages, and would ask someone else to drive them home if they had too much to drink. On the other side the majority do not drink less since the legal drinking age became 21, they have no difficulty obtaining alcoholic beverages and for quite a number (one out of three) consuming alcoholic beverages in cars.

Raising the legal drinking age to 21 has not had a real effect on where alcohol is consumed. Those surveyed report the two most likely places to drink alcohol were at bars and nightclubs or restaurants and at home. The least likely place to consume alcohol were in cars and at parks and beaches.

Since the majority of the survey respondents were over 21, their night life or party life was not adversely affected by the new law. See gang life is sweet after 21.

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\* 154 COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON FAMILY DAY \*  
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\* Saturday, July 25, 1987 \*  
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\* 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. \*  
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\* Bellows Air Force Station Picnic Area 5A \*  
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\* Free Food and Beverage \*  
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\* Family Agenda Items: \*  
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\* Safety \*  
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\* Alcohol and Drug Abuse \*  
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\* Child/Spouse Abuse \*  
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\* Commander's Comments \*  
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\* See your unit enlisted advisors for more \*  
\* details. \*  
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# TO ALL NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED MEMBERS



## TIDBITS ...

I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize the following individuals for their outstanding dedicated services rendered to HNGEA, CSM Tom Sato, SMS's Donald Hashimoto, Norman Uyechi, Richard DeVeas, MSG's Wayne Soma, Al Frias, Harvey Maeda, Ken Enoki, TSG Geri Heatherly, Steven Morita, Bert Narita, Al DeRego, SSG's Sherry Torres, Jean Burrell, Donna Kuroda, Robert DeCoster, MSG's Rudy Luat, Mel Takai, SSG Brum. I appreciate you and your supporting effort to HNGEA.

I'd like to give you a few legislative update.

NEW GI BILL - On 8 May 1987, the full Senate passed S. 12 (Cranston, CA) to make the New GI Bill permanent by an overwhelming majority. Minor differences in the House and Senate versions are expected to be ironed out shortly, and the final bill sent to the President for his signature by the end of May. Please write your representatives and thank them for their support of a permanent ne GI Bill.

OVERSEAS TRAINING OF THE NG - The Exon Amendment (Exon, NE) at this time is expected to pass the full Senate vote according to our information. The battle between that amendment and the Montgomery Amendment (the current law) is expected to continue into the conference committee. BANGUS is in opposition to the Exon Amendment.

WITHHOLDING OF STATE AND LOCAL INCOME TAX FROM DRILL PAY - This too will be a matter decided in conference. The Senate Bill does not address this issue. Please contact your Senators and ask for their support for withholding.

MILITARY EDUCATION PROGRAM (MEP) - H.R. 1808 (Moakley, MA) now has eleven (11) cosponsors.

## SCHOLARSHIPS -

Applications for the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association Educational \$1,000 Scholarships for the 1987-88 school year closed on May 31. There were two applicants, one from the Army Guard and one from the Air Guard. The Army Guard's applicant was Joey S. Barros Jr., dependent of Manuel J.S. Barros, HHD, 297 S&S Battalion, Hawaii Army National Guard. The Air Guard applicant was Sgt Colin K. Beal 199 Weather Flight. Applicants are currently under consideration by Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association. The information contained in this update is to keep the membership informed of the progress of legislation of interest to HNGEA/EANGUS.

Look forward for next quarter's Pualii Koa newsletter. It will contain EANGUS '87 Conference update.

Everyone of you are important to me and to HNGEA. HNGEA a proud name and dedicated purpose "only" for the betterment of the Guard.

Mahalo,  
Jan K.N. DeRego, SSGT, HANG  
HNGEA President



## TODAY'S MENU



- SWEET & SOUR SPARE RIBS
- BUTTERED PEAS
- POTATO/MACARONI SALAD
- RICE
- SALAD BAR