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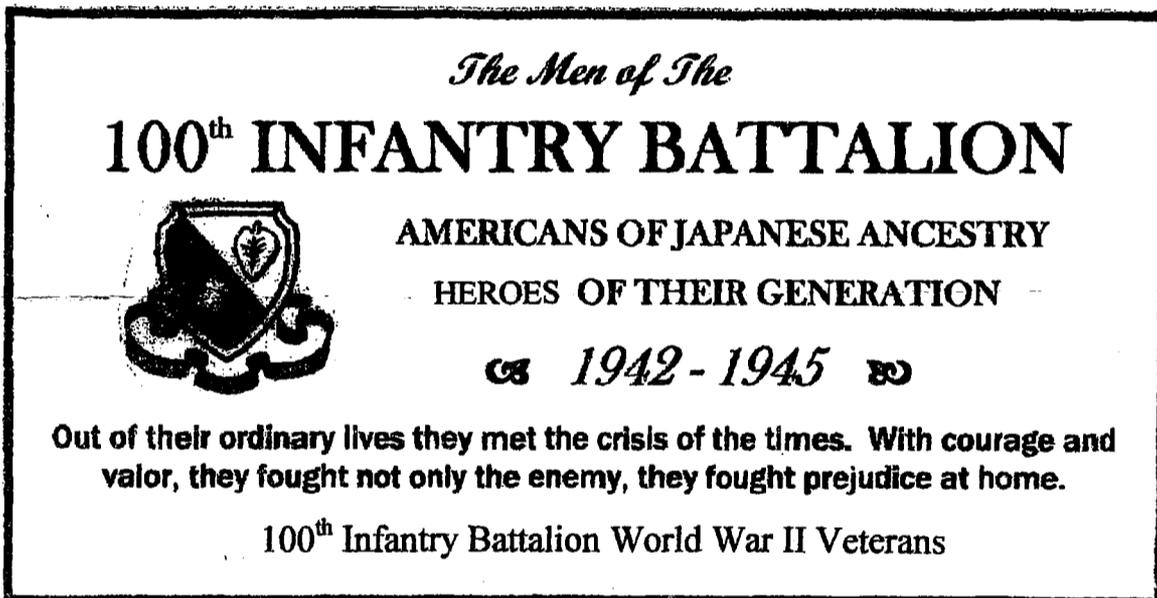
THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Denis Teraoka

Punchbowl Cemetery Memorial Plaque: The final hurdle is to get the approval of the Cemetery Director at Punchbowl to place a group memorial plaque at the Memorial Walk to commemorate the achievements and sacrifices of the 100th Infantry Battalion in their fight for freedom.

We want to honor our buddies who fought alongside us, and who died on the battlefields of Italy and France; that their sacrifices were not in vain and that we the living have not forgotten them.

I'm grateful to Stan Akita for undertaking this project, contacting Donald Jones, a well-known artisan of stone and marble monuments, who will donate the stone boulder upon which the bronze plaque will be placed. The Board has accepted the design and inscription of the bronze plaque as shown:



Christmas Wreaths: The Christmas wreath sale was a joyous story with a happy ending with Amanda at the forefront, promoting the sale of Christmas cheer and good tidings. The sale brought rewards to our Building Fund in the sum of \$2,320.00. Way to go, Amanda!

Hawaii Housekeeping Association Adopts 100th Inf. Bn. Vets: We have formed a beautiful friendship and a great working relationship with Patty M. Kawaoka of the Miramar Hotel and the Hawaii Housekeeping Association, with the help of Bernard Akamine. They have adopted the club as their service project and have replaced all the cushion covers in our lounge with beautiful new custom made covers. Our heartfelt thanks to the Hawaii Housekeeping Association.

Only the Brave To Be Shown: *Only the Brave* will be shown on January 8, 2005, at the Blaisdell Concert Hall at 1 p.m. For details and reservations call the 442nd RCT Veterans clubhouse at ph. 949-7997.

USS Missouri Memorial Service: Stu Tsubota presented a wreath at a ceremony on the *USS Missouri*, December 7, 2004, in remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor and for those who lost their lives in the infamous bombing.

Memorial Service Financial Report: For the Memorial Service at Punchbowl on September 26, 2004, Hiromi Suehiro, chairman, reported that expenses came to \$2,455.11.

2005 Slate of Officers The slate of officers for 2005 was announced by the Nomination and Election Committee as follows:

President	Denis Teraoka
1st Vice President	Robert Arakaki
2nd Vice President	Shigeru Tsubota
Secretary	Al Matsumoto
Treasurer	Bert Turner

Season's Greeting and a Happy New Year to all our readers.

THANKS TO PPP VOLUNTEERS

by Joy Teraoka, Editor

Thanks to our many PPPParade volunteers who collated our last issue. Also, thanks to Hiromi Suehiro for coming early each month to stack the pages on the tables, ready for collators to gather for stapling. Thanks to "Moro" Sato, an "adopted" 100th clubhouse regular, for voluntarily piling the PPPParade bulk mail sacks into his red coupe and delivering them to the airport post office for us. Thanks again to "Moro" and Kiku, another 100th "adoptee" for setting up the collating tables and taking them down each month, and to Amanda, who buys the stamps for our mainland and overseas mailings.

The volunteers were Bernard Akamine, Akira Akimoto, Otomatsu Aoki, Alfred and Paulette Arakaki, Robert Arakaki, Kunio Fujimoto, Ted Hamasu, Ed Ikuma, Shigeru and Fumi Inouye, Ed Kobata, Arthur Komiyama, Don and Kimi Matsuda, Masanori Moriwake, Joichi Muramatsu, Megan and Natalie Muramatsu, Mitsuo Nagaki, Saburo Nishime, Tom Nishioka, Susumu Ota, Masaharu Saito, Mamoru Sato, Robert Sato, Kazuto Shimizu, Hiromi Suehiro, Goro Sumida, Dot Tamashiro, Denis and Joy Teraoka, Martin Tohara, Evelyn and Ricky Tsuda, Martin Tohara, and Marie Yoneshige. My apologies to anyone I may have missed. We appreciate all who come to lend a helping hand.

We had a "thank you" bento lunch for all our volunteers who were able to join us after collation on December 30.

~~Our next collation will be back to Friday, on January 28, 2005.~~

100TH/442ND RESEARCHERS SEEKING INFO ON FORMER OFFICERS

Jim Yamashita and Roger Eaton are two researchers who have been compiling a book on all who served with the AJA 100th/442nd RCT during World War II. They have succeeded in listing thousands of names, ranks, serial numbers and companies of these men. After 60 years, much of the information has been derived from books, records, and other sources available. They do not dispute that some of the information may not be correct or up-to-date, and they welcome corrections, additions and any other information they can add to the identities of these troops. A preliminary copy of their compilation is available to see at the 100th Inf. office.

In particular, they are asking if anyone can offer information on some of the "haole" officers who served with the troops. Through their searches, they find that the best leads come from knowing the "date of birth" (DOB) or "date of death" (DOD) of the soldiers--also, their hometown, ID number, rank, or company. The following names are a partial list of those officers for whom they are seeking information

Daniel J. Anderson	James Boodry	Cloudy Gary Conner, Jr.
Kenneth E. Eaton	Harold C. Ethridge	

If anyone can contribute information on any of these men, please inform the editor of the PPPParade, Joy Teraoka. Send info to the 100th clubhouse at 520 Kamoku, Honolulu, HI 96826 or call Joy at 734-3842. The information will be relayed to Yamashita and Eaton.

Through Hiroshi Minami's memorial poems published in past PPPParade issues, information on the DOD of Lt. James Boodry has been made available.

RETURN TO ITALY: GEORGIA HILL

By Saburo Nishime

There have been articles written, reporting that the 100th Inf. Bn. easily took Georgia Hill – in 30 minutes. This misconception is also reported in *Remembrances*.

Our Dog Company Machine Gun Section was attached to the attacking company and was in direct support of the attack on Georgia Hill. The 100th Battalion attacked several well established German bunkers; and the area around the bunkers was strewn with personnel land mines. The Battalion also came under heavy German artillery and mortar barrages. It was the greater part of two days before the 100th Battalion finally overcame the German bunkers and cleared out the enemy from the immediate surrounding areas of Georgia Hill. This was on the 5th and 6th of April 1945. The battle to take Georgia Hill was far from a 30-minute “picnic.”

Taken from the KIA listing of the 100th Infantry Battalion are the following members who lost their lives on the 5th and 6th of April 1945 on and in the vicinity of Georgia Hill:

1. Hosoda, Earl.....	Company A.....	5 April 1945
2. Inouye, Minoru.....	Company B.....	5 April 1945
3. Ikeda, Roy Y.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
4. Lt. Maehara, Saburo.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
5. Kanada, James T.....	Company A.....	5 April 1945
6. Miyamoto, Thomas T.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
7. Munemori, Sadao (CMO).....	Company A.....	5 April 1945
8. Moriguchi, Haluto.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
9. Nagano, Hiroshi.....	Company B.....	5 April 1945
10. Nakasaki, Robert.....	Company A.....	5 April 1945
11. Nakama, Shigenori.....	Company B.....	6 April 1945
12. Ninomiya, Takao.....	Company B.....	6 April 1945
13. Ota, Roy.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
14. Sekimura, Koichi.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
15. Sueoka, Sadami.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
16. Nakagawa, Hirao.....	Company B.....	6 April 1945
17. Sumida, Michiru.....	Company C.....	6 April 1945
18. Takao, Thomas T.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
19. Takasugi, Katsumi.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
20. Takehara, Shoichi.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
21. Teshima, Michio.....	Company C.....	5 April 1945
22. Yoshizaki, Tatsuo.....	Company C.....	6 April 1945



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SEEKING INFO ON CAMP MC COY, WISCONSIN

The National Park Service is seeking information on Camp Mc Coy during the period the 100th Infantry Battalion was stationed there. If any veteran (such as Saburo Nishime, Goro Sumida, Martin Tohara or other original 100th vets) can provide some info on the camp, it will be greatly appreciated.

From: Linda M.Fournier, M MCCOY, Public Affairs Officer, *Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5263*
ph. (608) 388-4209; DSN 280-4209

Subject: Fort McCoy Assistance
Date: Sat, 18 Dec 2004 11:36:30 -0600

Dear Veterans of the 100th Battalion:

The National Park Service is researching Japanese Americans in WWII and are trying to find out what buildings the 100th may have occupied during their short stay at Camp McCoy.

I have checked our records and found out that you arrived at Camp McCoy in June 1942 and lived in tents while the buildings were being constructed. In September 1942 you moved into the buildings. We just don't know which ones. The 100th left Camp McCoy in January 1943 for Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Any information you can provide would be greatly appreciated. If anyone can recall what street they were on or what buildings they may have been close to. Were they by the highway or near training areas? Again, any information will be helpful. Thanks.

GEN. JASON KAMIYA TO COMMAND COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE 76

Congratulations to General Jason Kamiya who will receive his second star on January 5, 2005. In March he will be deployed to Afghanistan to become commander of Combined Joint Task Force 76. He is presently commander of the Southern European Task Force (Airborne) based in Vicenza, Italy. Kamiya, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Kamiya (100th Inf. C Co.) is also a member of the 100th Inf. Bn. Vets. How proud we are of this distinguished son.



JAPANESE AMERICAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION NEWS RELEASE

Submitted by Terry Shima & Thomas Mukai

NISEIS AND AFRICAN AMERICANS DISCUSS RACE AND AMERICA'S WARS. PRESIDENT TRUMAN PRAISED FOR ABOLISHING SEGREGATION IN ARMED FORCES.

Washington, D.C. Two African Americans and two Japanese Americans expressed their views during a panel discussion on discrimination in the Armed Forces during WW II and the Korean Conflict at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, Behring Center on November 16, 2004. They agreed they were fighting two wars: the war overseas to preserve the democratic system and the effort at home to fight prejudice and discrimination. The well-attended program was jointly sponsored by the Smithsonian Asia Pacific American Program, the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation and the Japanese American Veterans Association.

Dr. Franklin Odo, Director of Smithsonian's Asia Pacific American Program, served as the moderator. The panel participants included veterans of the segregated 442nd Regimental Combat Team, Colonel Jimmie Kanaya, U.S. Army, Retired, of Gig Harbor, Washington and Yeichi Kelly Kuwayama of Washington, D.C., and of the segregated 92nd Infantry Division, Colonel Lee Archer, U.S. Army, Retired, of the Tuskegee Airmen, and Colonel Harold Montgomery, U.S. Army, Retired.

African Americans have fought in every major conflict in which the United States was involved. Their service included the Revolutionary War, the Civil War in which African Americans made up 12% of the Union army and earned 20 Medals of Honor, the Spanish American War, WW I and WW II. African Americans proved their bravery and patriotism each time to remind those who tended to forget their historic contributions. African Americans were commonly assigned menial jobs because their Caucasian American military leaders perceived they were not motivated and aggressive enough to fight.

"Tuskegee Airmen", the nickname for the 332nd Fighter Group, is the name used to describe 1,000 African American pilots, 445 of whom served as combat pilots in Europe, North Africa and the Mediterranean in WW II. Trained in Tuskegee, Alabama, the Tuskegee airmen flew bomber escorts on over 15,000 sorties between May 1943 and June 1945 and won the distinction of not having lost a single bomber they escorted to enemy fighters. However, the airmen were not content to fly bomber escorts. They lobbied and finally were recognized as fighter pilots. They destroyed 251 enemy aircraft and won over 800 medals.

Sixty-six Tuskegee airmen were killed in action and 32 were shot down and became prisoners of war. The myth that fed segregation, inequity and injustice in the Army Air Corps was broken by the Tuskegee airmen's accomplishments and *esprit de corps*. Earlier, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt interceded with President Franklin D. Roosevelt for equality to African Americans by allowing them to become fighter pilots. The Army Air Corps resisted and this resistance challenged the Tuskegee Airmen to excel both in flying and motivation. The Airmen adopted Mrs. Roosevelt's words as their fighting creed: the double V, victory to defeat the enemy and victory against prejudice and discrimination on the home front.

The four panelists agreed that discrimination in the armed forces against racial minorities during WW II was the beginning of the end of racial segregation in the Armed Forces. The reason for this change was the execution on July 26, 1948 of President Harry S. Truman's Executive Order number 9981, which ordered desegregation in the armed forces. Though the stage to desegregate the Armed Forces was set, it would be years before significant changes took effect.

Truman's recognition of the faults of segregation in the armed forces was reflected in his actions on July 15, 1946 when he reviewed the Nisei troops, after they marched down Constitution Avenue upon their return from Europe. Truman told the Japanese Americans: "you fought the enemy overseas and prejudice at home, and you won ... keep up that fight." Previously, when Truman's aide suggested that he cancel his participation in the review because it was raining, Truman replied, "For what those boys had gone through, I can stand a little rain."

Dr. Odo said that racial status defined how individuals of color were commanded and treated in the military, often reflecting conditions in American society at the time., Minorities were often segregated or performed lower status roles within the military and often received less pay than Caucasians. Odo adeptly questioned the panelists on the nature and extent of discrimination in the Armed Forces and their reactions.

ONE SHOWING ONLY - JANUARY 8, 2005 - 1:00 PM

You are invited to a special PRIVATE SCREENING of
LANE NISHIKAWA's new motion picture

ONLY THE BRAVE

Meet the film's stars: LANE NISHIKAWA, JASON SCOTT LEE, MARK DACASCOS,
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Event Sponsor: 100th Battalion Veterans Club and 442nd Veterans Club
All proceeds raised will go towards the film's post-production costs.

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Doors will open at 12:00 noon

Guest MC: Hawaii's Miss Universe, BROOK LEE

Dessert refreshments to follow the screening

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ALL WWII VETERANS ARE OUR GUESTS

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All proceeds raised will go towards the film's post-production costs

A portion of your ticket is tax deductible as allowable by law

Please make checks payable to:

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Mail by **January 5, 2005** to the 442nd Veterans Club (see address above)

or FAX your reservation to: (808) 949-1539 and bring your check
to ticket will-call at the theater.

For any questions, please call (808) 949-7997 .

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR 100TH/442ND TROOPS IN IRAQ

Dear Friends,

As you know, the 100th Battalion 442nd Infantry has been mobilized for duty overseas. There are many individuals & groups willing and anxious to support the unit during their period of active duty. One very active group is *The Family Readiness Group*, composed mainly of family members of the 100/442. The Group raises funds to enable them to mail comfort items to the deployed troops and other forms of support. The Groups fundraising effort is selling the magnetic ribbon (on the right) for five dollars each. The board of directors of the *Go For Broke Association* requests the support of the 100th Infantry Battalion Veterans club, their families and friends. If you are interested in purchasing a car magnet, please make your check payable to:

“Go For Broke Association” and send your payment to:
100th Inf. Bn. Vets.
520 Kamoku Street
Honolulu, HI 96826
(attn: Go For Broke Association)



[OIF-3 on the magnet stands for OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM-3]

SECRETARY'S KODEN REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2004

by Amanda Stevens

A \$40.00 donation has been made to the 100th Infantry Battalion Veterans Scholarship Fund in memory of each of the following member veterans who passed away from September 2003 to September 2004:

Seigi Adaniya
Yoshio Anzai
Eichi Endo
Fred H. Hosokawa
Seiju Ifuku
Kungo Iwai
Melvin Isoji Iwaishi
Dr. Kanemi Kanazawa
Fred Kanemura
Oswald Kawahara

Harumi Mende
Clarence Miyamoto
Kaoru Robert Miyamoto
Takeichi Miyashiro
Tsukasa Muramoto
Richard Y. Nakahara
Mitsuo Nakamura
Masaru Nakano
Isao “Isaac” Nakashima
Robert K. Nakasone

Hideshi Niimi
Harry Nishimura
Larry T. Sakoda
Walter M. Sekiya
Yukio Takehara
Makoto Takiguchi
Ben Tamashiro
Clarence Yamamoto
Hajime Yamane
Masao Yoshioka

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By Ray & Aki Nosaka

Another Thanksgiving Day has come and gone. We just hope and pray that everybody had his share of turkey, stuffing and trimmings - and most importantly, time to think of all the things we have to be grateful for and to say a word of thanks.

On November 21, the Hui Hanele Ukulele Club (Baker Chapter & friends) had the pleasure of entertaining (and partaking of a delicious chicken dinner) at the Seniors' Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by the Nuuanu Y's Men's and Women's Club. This Community Service project is mainly for the seniors residing in the downtown area.

According to President Sam Fujikawa (Mainland Chapter), there will be another mini-reunion next year. The dates are set for October 16 to 20. Perhaps your attendance then will help to determine the continuance of future reunions. We will print a registration form in the March PPP with whatever information we have then.

May we take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you the very best of good health and happiness in the coming year. We believe that health comes first.....prosperity second!

I read the following quotation somewhere and thought it was good advice: "Take each day as it comes and live it in peace. The good thoughts of all who love you will keep you warm. Rest easy, for everything will take care of itself and each new tomorrow will find you feeling better."

KAUAI CHAPTER NEWS

by Ann Yotsuda

Our annual Christmas luncheon was held on 12/12 at the Kauai Lagoon Resort. How nice it was to see so many sons, daughters, and even grandchildren of the veterans attending.

The luncheon was hosted by the ladies in a very festive way. The ladies are: Mildred Iwai, Kazue Kawamoto, Dorothy Matsushige and Doris Shimabukuro. Doris Shimabukuro presented all the ladies with her handmade knitted dish towels. They were so nicely made. Our thanks to you, Doris.

We also want to thank Seichi Hoashi who paid the whole bill for the luncheon.

The new officers for the year 2005 are: President, Kenneth Morikawa, son of Kazuyoshi (Muggsy) Morikawa; Vice President, Susan Honjiyo, daughter of Kungo and Mildred Iwai; Secretary, Janice Miyazaki-Ishibashi, daughter of Fusetsu (Serafin) and Mitsuko Miyazaki; Treasurer, Shimoe Mukai (interim). The directors are: Choichi Shimabukuro, Bunkichi Matsuyoshi and Kazuo Senda.

HEADQUARTERS CHAPTER NEWS

By Ed Ikuma and Jan Sakoda

Headquarters/Medics Chapter's Christmas party on Saturday, December 11, turned out to be one of the best in the many years we have had this function, thanks to the dedicated leadership of our secretary, Jan Sakoda, and her committee. The committee consisted of her husband Ed, sister Vicki, brother Dan and his wife Kathy.

As usual, the gingerbread house was a big hit. Even some of the "big kids" got into the spirit and made their own houses. Thank you to Kathy Uchida and Midori Hirano who oversaw this event.

Also contributing vital services were Dot Tamashiro, Art Komiyama, Pat Akimoto, Doris Aimoto, Alicia and Rodney Robello (Pat and Aki Akimoto's daughter and son-in-law) and numerous other volunteers. Pat's son, Brian Akimoto, did an outstanding job as M.C.

Our "thank you" to Seisaburo Taba for donating his painting of hibiscus flowers and several other hand-painted works. The hibiscus painting was presented to Gary and Edna Uchida for the role of encouraging daughters Jan and Vicki and son Danny in planning and carrying out our yearly Christmas party for the past five years, as well as other Headquarter Chapter activities. Vicki's miso soup was an excellent gourmet feature at the party. We also say "thank you" to Bessie Nakasone for her renditions of Christmas songs and leading us in the Christmas carols with piano played by Janice Trubitt, daughter of Medic's Albert Yokoyama.

We say a special "thank you" to all of you who donated so generously in goodies as well as monetarily for this occasion. And a special, special thank you to those who were unable to attend this year's Christmas party but still sent in a donation.

Another special thanks to Pat Akimoto for donating all those potted Kalanchoes for the table decoration that came fresh from the Pat Akimoto nursery.

There were so many other people who willingly helped pull this party together. For those of you whose names are not mentioned because of space (and because I'm afraid if I tried to mention everyone, I'd forget someone...getting makule, you know!), thank you all for your willingness to help out. Remember, *many hands make light work!*

Message from President Ed Ikuma: *I hope all of you had an enjoyable time at this year's Christmas party. It was good to see some of you whom we haven't seen for some time. I also hope that this past Christmas Season was a memorable one and that you will be ushering in the 2005 New Year looking forward to continued good health.*

Looking forward to 2005, we'll have to start planning another chapter outing. Our last get together, not counting the Christmas party, was at The Willows Restaurant, where we had a record number in attendance. Come to our next meeting to give your input of where and when our next function should be

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you all then!

MAINLAND CHAPTER

by Sam Fujikawa

Attending our monthly club meeting on November 20 were Ben and Jean Tagami, Ed and Amy Nakazawa, Chuckie Seki, Fumi Sakato, May Fujita, Wayne Fujita, Stephen Sato, Harrison Hamasaki, Henry and Elsie Hayashi, Yeiki Matsui, Ken and Hisa Miya, Ted Ohira, Mas Takahashi, Toke Yoshihashi, Harry Fukasawa, Sam and Teri Fujikawa.

It was determined that present officers will carry on for the next year - President, Sam Fujikawa; Vice President, Ben Tagami; Treasurer, Harry Fukasawa; Secretary, Amy Nakazawa. Installation/Valentine luncheon will be held in February with Beverly Picazo in charge of making arrangements. Location and date to be announced at a later date.

The 100/442 Association Installation luncheon will be held on January 15, 2005, at the Proud Bird Restaurant at Aviation and 111th Street, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. The guest speaker will be Dr. Sammy Lee, legendary Olympic diving champion and coach. The phone committee will be calling to get a head count.

Plans for the next mini-reunion are underway. It will be our 19th one to be held October 16 - 20, 2005, at the California Hotel and Casino. We will keep everyone posted as planning progresses.

Saturday, December 11, the Go For Broke Educational Foundation's Volunteer Appreciation Event was held at the Paradise Restaurant in Gardena. A festive and sumptuous lunch was served as all volunteers were acknowledged and thanked by Christine Sato-Yamazaki, Executive President, and Bill Seki, Chairman of the Board of Directors. The enthusiastic gathering cheered the recognition of various groups of volunteers and generally enjoyed the warm camaraderie of the occasion. 100th members attending were Mas Takahashi, Toke Yoshihashi, May Fujita, Wayne Fujita, Ken and Hisa Miya, James and Yuri Ogawa, Kiyoshi and Bonnie Horino, Sam and Teri Fujikawa. It is noted that Henry and Elsie Hayashi continue to see that fresh flowers are regularly replenished at the monument site.

We note that Baker Co. "Fat" Hamakido passed away recently. Sadly, Gram Shunji Noriyuki, also Baker Co., passed away on December 7. Spotted at the funeral at the Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Church were Harry Fukasawa, Toke Yoshihashi, Al Takahashi, Hank and Elsie Hayashi, Yeiki Matsui, and Sam Fujikawa. Our sincere condolences to the Hamakido and Noriyuki families.

There will be no meeting in December. We wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and good wishes for the coming year.

RURAL CHAPTER CHATTER

by Ted Hamasu

Our meeting was held at the LCC (Leeward Community College) in the Language Arts Building, through the kindness of Ms. MaryAnn Nakano with five members present. They were Bull Saito, Susumu Ota, Mitsuo Nagaki, Shizuya Hayashi, Ted Hamasu and Ms. Nakano.

One of the agenda items of the meeting was to find a different site for our 2006 Installation and New

Year's Banquet and Ms. Nakano volunteered to try to locate a couple so we can pick our location. She received one menu list from the Hale Ikena Officers Club at Fort Shafter and the other may be from the Officers Club in Schofield Barracks.

We are looking for good people to become members of the Rural Chapter. We promise to do everything in our power to accommodate you and make you feel at home. Sons and Daughters, wives and widows are welcome to join. If interested, call Mr. Tanji at 621-8949 or call this scribe at 455-3341 preferably after 2:00 PM.

The present officers of the Chapter agreed to serve for another term in office.

President	Ted Hamasu
Vice President	Vacant
Secretary	Masaharu Saito
Treasury	Susumu Ota
Auditors	Mitsuo Nagaki Kiyomi Kaneshige

Our Installation and New Year's Banquet will be held at Dot's of Wahiawa on 16 Jan. 05 from 10:00 AM. Let us all be there, OK?

Our next meeting will be on 20 Mar. 05 from 11:00 AM at the LCC (Leeward Community College) Language Arts Building in the room next to the Security Office.. Thanks to Ms. Nakano. See you all there.

This scribe and family wishes the Rural Chapter Ohana and the 100th Veterans Ohana a very Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year. *RAINEN MO YOROSHIKU.*

CHARLIE CHAPTER NEWS

by Skip Tomiyama

Snowbird Toshimi Sodetani attended our meeting. Bob Sato from Seattle donated \$100.00 to C Chapter. C Chapter donated \$200.00 to the Sons & Daughters club in appreciation of their wonderful kokua throughout the year. Next anniversary celebration will be on June 18, 2005, at the Ala Moana Hotel.

Christmas party co-chair Skip Tomiyama and Warren Yamamoto put on a great evening. Some 102 attended. Noreen Hung manned a children's craft corner making sugar cones frosted Christmas trees. Warren Yamamoto and chef assistants put on a fabulous feast centered on prime rib and smoked salmon with dill sauce. Chefs included Gary Mizushima and Arleen Sato.

Natural fruit punch by the Ishitani family is always a welcome addition. Desserts were in multitude and each one was onolicious. Entertainment was provided by slack key protege Danny Carvalho; members of the Makiki Christian Church Halau led by Mrs. Schaefer performed three hula numbers and songstress Doris Kimura gave a candlelight rendition of "O Holy Night."

Warmest thanks to the sons and daughters who helped set up and clean up. May we enjoy your kokua in 2005.

A membership drive was conducted and registrar Lorraine Miyashiro recruited 12 new members, spouses and grown children. We now have a member directory including our own sons and daughters. 2005 promises a progressive year for Charlie. --

DOG CHAPTER NEWS

by Joy Teraoka

Dog Chapter enjoyed a good turnout for its Christmas Party on Sunday, December 19. Besides the little children, we were delighted to have so many teenagers join us and liven up the afternoon. To our surprise and enjoyment we had some wonderful entertainment. Thanks to all those who shared their talents with us.

Quinton Nishime opened our program with a jazzy piano rendition of Dave Brubeck's "Take 5." His younger brother, Scuppy, followed with the classical "Wedding March" and "Swan Lake." Patty Tsutsui graced us with a lovely hula, and her mother Ruth sang a Japanese karaoke number. Tiffany Yoshida brought her beautiful guitar and strummed "Silent Night" and "Jingle Bells," while Sandy and Irma Kinoshita led the audience in singing these two familiar songs. Then, donned in colorful Santa

Claus caps, we had our D Company line dancers comprised of both teenages and adults perform the lively, swinging "Electric Slide" to Neil Diamond's "Jingle Bell Rock." That brought the house down. Thanks so much to all who made our Christmas event special. We are discovering more hidden talent among our Doggies--next year we're counting on more to entertain us.

For our special door prize we wish to thank Mr. Bob Ogata of Salt Lake (Oahu) who donated his own handcrafted ukulele in memory of his uncle, D Company's Sgt. Masayoshi "Bunta" Ogata of Hakalau, Hawaii. The lucky winner was Joan Nakayama.

Our thanks to: Mary Tsukayama for conducting the craft corner where little decorations were being made; to Rhoda Kawamata who always brings tons of *oama* she caught and has them fried crisp for pupus; to all those who brought pupus, desserts, drinks, *otsukemono* and other morsels to add to our bounty of food; to Cline Ardo for giving an inspiring invocation; to Helen Nikaido who arranged for the catered buffet; to the Harada family--Annette, Kay and Mike and their helpers--for the children's portion of games, prizes and Santa; to Jits and Mildred Yoshida for taking care of the attendance and financial side of the party; to all for their door prize contributions; to Saburo Nishime, Moriso Teraoka and Doc Hosaka for the lucky number drawing; to all those who helped with kitchen and food table duties; and to Joy Teraoka for arranging the entertainment portion of the event.

The next D Company meeting will be Saturday, January 15, 9:00 am, in the board room.

BAKER CHAPTER NEWS

by Bernard Akamine and Evelyn Tsuda

Despite the absence of Robert Aoki, our perennial chairman and chief cook, our Xmas party went off without a hitch, thanks to the efforts of the last-minute chairman-designate Bernard Akamine and his able and willing assistant, Ann Kabasawa. Eighty-seven adults, 14 children 7 to 18 years of age, and 10 little kiddies, 111 in all, enjoyed the *kaukau* and entertainment. (Thank you to the 95% of the attendees who had called in their reservations -- a record breaking response!) Besides Bernard and Ann, we have to thank many others for their part in the success of the event. Drusilla Tanaka was emcee and also producer/director/narrator/costumer/props manager of a Nativity skit. The "actors" for the skit were selected at random and acted out their roles in fine style without a single rehearsal. They were:

Star: Scott (Hiroshi Shimazu's grandson)

Angel: Mari Galiher (Tokuji Ono's granddaughter)

Joseph, Mary and Jesus: Gordon and Faith Nakayama and their infant son Dylan (Hiroshi Shimazu's family)

Shepherds: Richard Nakamura (Sonsei Nakamura's son)

Brad Nadamoto-Beller (Isao Nadamoto's grandson) & Mike Beller

Cecilee Tanaka (Bernard Akamine's granddaughter)

Lamb: Abby (great granddog of Bernard Akamine)

Wise Men: Hajime Kodama, Robert Arakaki, Lefty Tanigawa

Piano Accompanist: Marie Yoneshige

What's a Christmas party without Santa -- and as usual, Bernard did a splendid job as St. Nick. As expected, the kids were excited to receive gifts from Santa and to pose with him. Photographers Clyde Sugimoto and Wayne Iha were there to capture the excitement. Jan Nadamoto again supervised the craft table where nice Christmasy things were created by the young and old alike.

A big Mahalo to Ann Kabasawa for purchasing all the door prizes and also to Sophie Hatakenaka who helped in dishing them out. Everyone went home with at least one prize. Also thanks to the following who man the reception table at every Baker function: Elaine and Sonsei Nakamura, Nancy Arakaki, and Riki and Evelyn Tsuda. And we can't thank enough for the following donations: cash from Jessie Nakayama, Mark Arakaki, Bryan Kimura, Tokuji Ono and Maryann Tanabe; door prizes from Bernard, Lefty Tanigawa, Sonsei Nakamura, Jessie Nakayama, Riki Tsuda, Humi Iha, Oscar Miyashiro, Faith Nakayama, Tom Tsubota, Maryann Tanabe, Kay Katahara; desserts and pupus from Henry Hayashi (who sent pistachio nuts and dried persimmon all the way from Pasadena); Humi Iha, Faith Nakayama, Lisa and Lori (Hiroshi Shimazu's daughters), Marie Yoneshige, Tokuji Ono, Maryann Tanabe. (Note: If we omitted your name, it means that you did not let our "registrar" know about your donation. Sorry.)

Next year's chapter officers are as follows: **President:** Joe Muramatsu; **1st Vice-President:** Ann Kabasawa; **2nd Vice-President:** Robert Arakaki; and **Treasurer:** Rikio Tsuda. Robert Aoki, who served as secretary for many years, declined to serve so the chapter is in dire need of a new secretary.

(HELP!) Please call Joe if you are willing to help out. In the meantime, Evelyn Tsuda has been asked to pitch in.

We have learned that Robert Aoki is not as energetic as he used to be so he has to curtail his activities. In addition, his wife Janet recently suffered a stroke and Robert is now her caregiver. We send our wishes for a speedy recovery to Janet. Take care, Robert. We look forward to seeing you and Janet at the Clubhouse in the near future.

We want to thank Fred Kurisu and Mrs. Humi Iha for their generous donations to the chapter. It was wonderful to see them and their families at the Christmas party. We have learned that Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Nishida, who were guests of the Akamines at our Xmas party, sent a check for \$100 to the mother club through Bernard. The donation was made in memory of Mrs. Nishida's uncle, Tokuichi Nakano, who fought with Able Company.



Family Support Group

Featured Speaker

Grant Murakami

(Nephew of Robert Arakaki)

will share his personal experiences and insights

as primary caregiver for his mother,

who suffers from dementia*

Sunday, January 23, 2005

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

100th Inf. Bn. Clubhouse

Bento lunch - \$6.00/person

Parking at Ala Wai School

To RSVP, please call:

Bernard Akamine - 734-8738; Robert Arakaki - 737-5244

Ethel Takahashi - 247-2458; or Marie Yoneshige - 536-9921

*Since statistics suggest that one out of every five elders over the age of 85 years will suffer from some kind of dementia, this topic should be of great concern for sons and daughters. Most of our parents are now in their late seventies or eighties.



In Memoriam

Katsumi Horihata

Company C

Passed away December 5, 2004

Our deepest sympathy to his family

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Craft Class	\$50	
Edgar & Helen Hamasu	\$100	
Sayoko Kawasaki	\$100	In memory of Roger Kawasaki
James & Susan Kawashima	\$100	In memory of Fred Kanemura, Masami Hamakado & Hideshi Niimi
Kay & Yoshio Nishida	\$100	
Wallace T. Onuma	\$100	
Tendai Educational Foundation	\$100	
Takeshi Teshima	\$200	In memory of Fred Kanemura & Masami Hamakado
Thursday Karaoke Class	\$200	

Building Maintenance Fund

Susan Ching	\$20
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Puka Puka Parade

Sayoko Kawasaki	\$50	In memory of Roger Kawasaki
Wallace T. Onuma	\$50	
Robert & Ruby Takei	\$50	
Roy T. Terada	\$100	In memory of Masami Hamakado

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Tsutomu Honda	In memory of Fred Kanemura
Sayoko Kawasaki	In memory of Roger Kawasaki

To \$99

Alfred & Paulette Arakaki	
Humi Iha	In memory of Fred Kanemura
Takeichi & Lorraine Miyashiro	
Edna Yamane	In memory of Fred Kanemura

Miscellaneous:

Many thanks to our friend, Harold J. Dias, Jr., for his generous donation of an HP printer. Our old printer is about to give-out any day now. Harold, you have perfect timing.

A note from Amanda

We have truly been blessed this holiday season at the 100th Infantry Battalion Veterans Club and have much to be thankful for.

The Building Maintenance Fundraiser was a total success. Because of everyone's help and hard work, we have made a net profit of \$2,320. I am confident that we can easily sell twice as many wreaths next year.

With the help and assistance of Bernard Akamine, we have been fortunate to have formed a new friendship and great working relationship with Patty M. Kawaoka of the Miramar Hotel and the Hawaii Housekeeping Association. They have decided to adopt the club as their service project and have graciously donated beautiful new custom-made cushion covers to the club. Everyone who has stopped by the clubhouse has been pleasantly surprised at what a difference it has made.

The date was set for decorating the clubhouse for the holidays, Dec. 3, 2004. More than 20 volunteers showed up, including Sons & Daughters, members, family & friends. It was great to have so many volunteers; and because of their hard work, the place looks fantastic.

By partnering with Hawaii's labor unions, we were able to provide candies for children of deployed soldiers at a holiday event (Dec. 11, '04) sponsored by "Hawaii Supports Our Troops." They were estimating that more than 1,000 children would take part in this activity. The Club was glad to be a part of an event that brought joy to families of deployed soldiers.

I am so honored to work for such amazing men who have done so much for our country and for our community. Mahalo, Amanda

HOW TO STAY YOUNG

Remember, there is no way you can look as bad as that person on your drivers license.

1. Throw out nonessential numbers. This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctors worry about them. That is why you pay them.

2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.

3. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever.

Never let the brain idle. " An idle mind is the devil's workshop." And the devil's name is Alzheimer's.

4. Enjoy the simple things.

5. Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath.

6. The tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on.

The only person who is with us our entire life, is ourselves. Be ALIVE while you are alive.

7. Surround yourself with what you love, whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever. Your home is your refuge.

8. Cherish your health: If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.

9. Don't take guilt trips. Take a trip to the mall, to the next county, to a foreign country, but NOT to where the guilt is.

10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.

11. Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things.

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER:

Humpty Dumpty was pushed!

If you don't send this to at least 8 people... who gives a flip??



SUBJECT: USEFUL IDEAS

(1) Bothered by telemarketers?

These three little words will help eliminate telephone soliciting: "Hold On, Please..." Say this, while putting down your phone and walking off (instead of hanging-up immediately). It would make each telemarketing call so much more time-consuming that boiler room sales would grind to a halt.

When you eventually hear the phone company's "beep-beep-beep" tone, you know it's time to go back and hang up your handset, which has efficiently completed its task.



STANLEY'S CORNER

Submitted by Stan Akita

After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept

it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral-----

When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft.

Today, it is called golf.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2005

ABLE.....	Saturday, Jan. 22.....	Clubhouse poker room.....	8:00 am
BAKER.....	Saturday, Jan 15.....		1:00 pm
CHARLIE.....	Monday, Jan. 17.....		10:00 am
DOG.....	Saturday, Jan. 15.....	Board room.....	9:00 am
HQ/MEDICS.....	Saturday, Jan. 15.....		10:00 am
RURAL...New Year's and Install. Party...	Sunday, Jan 16.....	Dot's Wahiawa.....	10:00 am
BOARD MEETING.....	Friday, Jan. 14.....		10:00 am
GOLF CLUB.....	Wednesday, Jan. 19.....	Olomana.....	9:45 am
GREEN THUMBS.....	Monday, Jan. 3.....	Lounge.....	10:00 am
LINE DANCING.....	Wednesday, Jan. 5, 19, 26.....	Clubhouse.....	Jan 12 no class.....9:00 am
TAI CHI.....	Wednesday, same dates as line dancing.....		10:30 am
CRAFT/CROCHET CLASS.....	Tuesday, Jan. 11, 18, 25.....		9:00 am
ONLY THE BRAVE MOVIE.....	Saturday, Jan. 8.....	Blaisdell Concert Theater.....	1:00 pm
FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP.....	Sunday, Jan. 23.....	Clubhouse.....	10:30 am

Deadline for articles will be January 18, 2005. (Please submit articles on time or they will not be included in the issue.) Collating will be on FRIDAY, January 28, 2005, 8:30 a.m. Charlie/Able chapters are responsible for providing manpower and refreshments, but everyone is welcome to kookua.

For PPP chapter news and articles: joykiku@hawaii.rr.com (no attachments to joykiku, please) or vetsofthe100thbn@yahoo.com (attachments okay.)

IMPORTANT **New e-mail address** for club business, questions or correspondence:
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