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2014 EANGUS Conference in Phoenix, AZ, August 9-13.



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Members of the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association attended the 43rd Annual EANGUS Conference in Phoenix, AZ. Soldiers and Airmen from all 50 states and territories were present. Guest speakers such as CNGB General Frank J. Grass, Director Air National Guard Lt Gen Stanley E. Clarke III, Army National Guard CSM Brunk W. Conley, Air National Guard CCMSgt James Hotaling, NGB SEA CMSqt Mitchell O. Brush, and OSD-RA SEA, SGM Mike Shultz were in the attendance. A total of 15 proamendments were discussed



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at the conference. Executive council and delegates gained vast information from the conference, reports from the conference will be presented at our 2014 Annual General Membership Meeting. Date for AGMM is set for the Fall, location is still TBD. This is a election year and nominations are

HNGEA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

President—SMSgt Maui Quizon VP (Army) - SSG Barry Asberry VP (Air) - TSgt Priscilla Bastatas Secretary—SSG Ray Yamane Treasurer—MSgt Annette Gagarin Past President—CMSgt (ret) Ethan Toyama

Oahu Council Representative Army—1SG Vickie Kozel Air—MSgt Lennard Knutson

Hawaii Council Representative Army—MSG Ha Chi Air—SMSgt Mark Taketa

Kauai Council Representative Army—SFC Phillip Kamakea Air—VACANT

Maui Council Representative Army—1SG Brandon Cabanilla Air—VACANT



GRANTHAM University awards MSgt Damon Nakatani



Grantham University and EANGUS have partnered in presenting a full four-year scholarship to a deserving EANGUS member or dependent. This scholarship can be applied to either an undergraduate or graduate degree. This is an online university. The potential value is close to \$38,600. EANGUS and HNGEA would like to congratulate MSgt Damon Nakatani from the 297 ATCS, HIANG.

A Message from our President

Aloha HING Enlisted Members:

Your Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association continues to advocate on your behalf as your number #1 professional association whose main objective is to promote and advance the status, welfare and professionalism of the enlisted members of the Hawaii National Guard, Army and Air, to promote and maintain adequate national security, and to further the interests of the Hawaii National Guard.

Throughout the year when we provide unit briefings (by your council offers and/or unit POCs) we reiterate the two most important elements of what your HNGEA stands for ~ legislation first, and membership ALWAYS. Membership in the HNGEA enables legislative representatives, both State and National, to promote new benefits and to maintain our current benefits, for the betterment of the enlisted core. Without representatives (MEMBERSHIP) many of these benefits wouldn't have been achieved or would have been lost.

Please feel free to email rmquizon82@gmailcom or call (808) 228-0915 if you have any questions on HNGEA, and remember ... BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

R.MAUI QUIZON, President, HNGEA



New HNGEA Website coming soon...



https://hngea.org

Like us on FACEBOOK, daily information posted



Thanks to our Vice President's Priscilla Bastatas and Barry Asberry, our NEW HNGEA website will be complete very soon. Our new website will be very user friendly and Soldiers/Airmen can sign-up or renew their membership with a click of the button. It will also show Unit Membership Goals to challenge other units in improving membership. A calendar function will also show our monthly Executive Council meetings and Legislative news alerts from Capitol Hill & HI State Legislature. We will let you know when the final installments are made with the website, so stay tuned!

Annual General Membership Meeting 2014

The 2014 HNGEA Annual General Membership Meeting was held on the 22nd of November at the 154W Dining Facility. Every committee submitted their report and briefed to our Enlisted members. Annual Outstanding Membership awards went to the 1st BN, 487th FA for the Army and the 154W LRS for the Air. Great Job to these units and continue pushing to strengthen your enlisted membership. This was a election year and we will have some new faces as our Executive Council. Below are the names who were voted into council:

President: CSM Thomas Odoardi VP-Air: MSgt (R) Glenda Buis VP-Army: SFC Eujin Chang Secretary: SPC Charmaine Reyes Treasurer: SPC Angelica Sunio

Congratulations to the new HNGEA Executive Council. They will swear into off at the first meeting in January 2015. HING.



HNGEA President Maui Quizon briefs his Annual President's report to the Soldiers and Airmen in attendance.