



January 3, 2022

Aloha AFCAC Members:

Happy New Year!

As we still seem to be in the middle of the COVID era, the year 2021 was another crazy and frustrating one for all of us, and for some, I'm sorry to say, a tragically sad one. Like the year 2020, we were unable to hold many of our usual in-person events, especially larger ones such as the Mahalo Bash or attending the Air Force Ball. At the same time, people are getting tired of online events which make it more difficult for us. Thanks to your continuing membership support, we are fortunate enough to be financially stable, which is rare among non-profit organizations in the community.

As you all know, our duty is to act as a catalyst for community support of Air Force activities in Hawaii and strive to strengthen cooperation, dialogue and understanding between the community and the Pacific Air Forces. Although we started with optimism, tried, and planned some events, with continuously changing COVID restrictions, we ended up postponing, downsizing, then cancelling our events. We did our best and I believe we accomplished our duties with given challenges.

2021 Events and Activities

Here are the highlights of our activities during the last year.

- AFCAC Meet & Greet with General Wilsbach at his residence [June 27]
Due to COVID, it was a small and intimate reception with about 20 people total, with 10 members attending. We were honored to be able to meet and talk with the PACAF commander individually.



- Airmen's Luncheons at the Waikiki Yacht Club [April 9, July 23, September 10, October 29, and December 17]
We started this event in April, inviting 10 to 20 Airmen each time, depending on the restrictions at the time, joining with AFCAC members for lunch to share their stories, getting to know each other. We were also honored to have high ranking PACAF officers



such as Brig. Gen. Tudor and Brig. Gen. Tyler attend every lunch. We plan to continue this as one of our signature events and you are welcome to join us.



- Civil Air Patrol Hickam Composite Squadron Open House [September 18 (Virtual)]
Civil Air Patrol, which is a part of the Air Force, has given us a tour and explained to us what they do.
- 80th Remembrance Ceremony of the Pearl Harbor Attack [December 7]
Due to the storm, the ceremony was postponed by 4 hours and moved to the inside of a hanger. As AFCAC, we presented a flower wreath.



- AFCAC Goodie Bag Giveaway with USO [December 10]
With collected donations from AFCAC members and the community, we bagged and distributed 300 bags with goodies for the children of Airmen. Special thanks to our Vice Chair, Greg Dunn for donating 300 special Hawaii Theater family memberships and tickets to a Disney special show and also Jan Kaeo and Debi Halcro for their time.





- AFCAC Holiday Pau Hana at the Pacific Club [December 14]

This Pau Hana was supposed to be the Fall Pau Hana, however, to maximize the attendance with changing restrictions, we ended up in December. Maj. Gen. Iverson, PACAF Director of the Air and Cyberspace Operations was our keynote with about 70 AFCAC and PACAF ohana members in attendance.



Steering Committee

Although with COVID restrictions, we tried to do our monthly meetings in person, safely and legally, combining Zoom access to maximize the attendance, and we managed to maintain the quorum at every meeting. I would like to thank our committee member, Jan Kao for letting us use her wonderful facility at the Dale Carnegie Training Center for our meetings. I would also like to announce that we have a new committee member, Roger McKeague, who joined us in June.

I would like to thank the following members for continuing to volunteer for our committee:

- Greg Dunn – Vice Chair
- Debi Halco – Secretary
- Charles Au – Treasurer
- Francis Brewer
- Jan Kao
- Mathew Lee
- Peter Luke
- Roger McKeague
- David Miller
- Teddi Anderson – Immediate Past Chair

I also attached the committee members' bios for your information.



PACAF Liaisons

I would also like to recognize following Air Force Liaison members who have been tremendous help for our effort. We will not be able to function without them. Thank you all.

- Tim Cashdollar
- Capt. Kitsana “D-Chan” Dounglomchan
- Capt. Claire Waldo
- Capt. Veronica “Roni” Perez

2022 Events

PACAF staff and we are finalizing the 2022 schedule of events and I am looking forward to sharing this with you soon. One exciting event on January 20th has been already scheduled and the following invitation was sent out to you on December 22nd. Please RSVP by January 7th:

On behalf of the Pacific Air Forces A3/6 Air and Cyberspace Operations and the 19th Fighter Squadron, you are invited to attend a **Cyber Defense Briefing and F-22 Launch** at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Hosts: Major General David Iverson, Director of Air and Cyberspace Operations, Pacific Air Forces Headquarters

Lieutenant Colonel Chuck “Diesel” Bursi, 19th Fighter Squadron Commander, Hawaiian F-22 Raptors

Event: Cyber Defense Briefing, F-22 Launch

Date: Thursday, 20 January 2022

Time: 1130-1300, Cyber Defense Briefing

1300-1315, Bus transportation to F-22 Launch location

1315-1530, F-22 Launch

1530-1545, Bus transportation to HQ PACAF

Guest Speaker: Major General David Iverson, PACAF A3/6

Attire: Business Casual/Aloha Attire

Location: Pacific Air Forces Headquarters, 25 E Street, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Parking: Reserved spots available in the HQ PACAF main parking lot

R.s.v.p.: By 7 January 2022, reply to: claire.waldo.1@us.af.mil

Additional information:

Base Access: If you do not have a DBIDS card, please let me know by 7 January. We will prepare a base access pass for you.

Verification of Vaccine: Please complete the attached form in regard to vaccination status and requirements and return to me by 7 January.



If you are not vaccinated, we will coordinate a rapid test for you to take prior to entering the PACAF headquarters building. Plan to arrive 15 minutes prior to complete the testing process.

Announcements

2022 Dues

Emails with credit card payment link and an invoice were sent to you all early in November. Dues are due now, so please make sure that your dues are paid. Please contact me if you have not received the email.

DIBIDS cards

We should be working with PACAF staff to prepare for renewal of your cards and will be sending out notices out soon.

2022 Member Expectations and Guidelines

Attached is the 2022 version.

Thank you again for all your support for our organization and for our Air Force community.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

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