

severe wind gusts; performance of mission while under enemy gunfire. Almost without exception, several of these adverse factors must be present in those missions for which a Scroll of Honor will be awarded. The copilot will also be awarded the pilot Scroll if it is determined that he was as necessary to the success of the mission, in the role of pilot, as was the pilot, himself. Otherwise he will receive the crew Scroll, along with the other members of the crew.

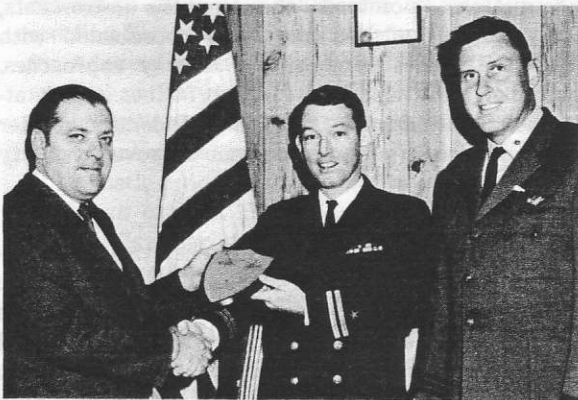
Kaman Mission Award

The KAMAN MISSION AWARD is issued in recognition of the humanitarian service performed when any rescue or missions of mercy are accomplished that do not qualify for the Scroll of Honor. Pilots and airborne crew members participating in these rescues or missions of mercy receive a plasticized wallet certificate. This certificate verifies that the named individual "has served meritoriously in a Kaman helicopter participating in a mission of mercy." In addition, he will receive a rescue lapel pin for his first, tenth and twentieth mission citation. Similar to the Scroll of Honor awards, the pins for the fifth and tenth missions differ from the first pin in that a gold star is added for the fifth mission, and a silver star for the tenth; the pin for the twentieth mission is the same as that for the tenth except that a small ruby inset is added.

To date more than 2,000 Scrolls of Honor and 7,000 Mission Awards have been presented to pilots and crewmen of Kaman helicopters.

One-Thousand-Hour Pilot Award

The ONE-THOUSAND-HOUR-PILOT AWARD is presented to pilots who have logged 1,000 hours in helicopters produced by Kaman. Commemorating this milestone in a pilot's professional career, 340 of these awards have been presented to date. In addition, Two-Thousand-Hour Pilot Awards have been presented to the first Air Force pilot and to the first Navy pilot to reach this milestone in Kaman helicopters. This award is made available only to the first pilot of each service to achieve this total. And finally, as announced last year, a Three-Thousand-Hour Pilot Award has been designed for presentation to all pilots reaching this particularly distinctive level during their flying career.



Pilot Award—Edward F. Noe, left, KAC service representative, presents a 1,000-hour plaque to Lt G. Clifford Houser, HC-2, NAS Lakehurst, N. J. On right is Cdr James F. Mozley, commanding officer of the squadron. (USN photo by PH2 P. J. Anerine) In right photo, Mr. Noe presents a plaque to Lt William L. Gsand, III, of HC-2. (USN photo by PH2 Perisse) LCdr Harley A. Backstrom, another UH-2 pilot from the squadron, also received one of the KAC plaques recently. Similar awards were made to Lt Carl E. Matyas, SAR Operations Dept., NAS Pensacola, Fla., and Lt Dennis H. Christian, HC-5, NAS Imperial Beach. Latest HH-43 pilots to log 1,000 hours in HH-43's are: Maj Robert R. Reeves, Det 25, 44th ARRSq, Eglin AFB, Fla.; Maj D. E. Longnecker, Det 14, 42nd ARRSq, Nellis AFB, Nev.; Capt James R. Murtha, Det 9, 38th ARRSq, Nakhon Phanom AB, Thailand.



Rescue Record—William H. Weaver, left, who is responsible for management of the Awards Program, reviews rescue data with A. Lee Burton, Service Records group leader, and Pauline Branda. All rescue missions are logged into the record system; key information is fed into a computer with print-outs available for use in the development of future design and operational concepts. With reports in file of more than 3,000 lives saved by Kaman helicopter crews, it is estimated that the actual number is closer to 6,000 as there is no military requirement to report rescues to Kaman.

Only one pilot has earned this award to date. All three of these awards are shield-shaped plaques, suitable for wall-mounting, and bear the name, rank and branch of service of the recipient.

At Kaman Aerospace, we have received many expressions of appreciation from the military services for the recognition we give to aircrews who fly company-produced helicopters. Let it be known, we regard as a privilege this opportunity to acknowledge through our awards program, the courage, and dedication to the saving of lives and reduction of suffering exemplified by the men who fly Kaman's rescue helicopters—those professionals whose "business" is rescue.

