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### Local NWS CO-OP Observers Receive Prestigious Award



Pictured from left to right: Derek Leeloy (NWS-PRH), Mrs. Fowler, Kevin Kodama (NWS Honolulu Hydrologist), Mr. Fowler, Jeff LaDouce (Director, NWS Pacific Region), Ray Tanabe (NWS Honolulu Meteorologist in Charge). In front...the Fowler's dog, Tigger.

On November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 the Fowler family received the prestigious John Campanius Holm award for their 30 years of dedicated service. The Fowler family is part of the National Weather Service's Cooperative Observer Program (CO-OP). CO-OP observers take daily observations of precipitation and temperature. These data are then made part of the national climatic database. Local CO-OP observations, like those taken by the Fowler family, are a critical component of the NWS Honolulu forecast office's mission to protect lives and property and build a weather-ready nation. To see a list of the most current CO-OP observations go to this link on our webpage...<http://www.crh.noaa.gov/data/HFO/RRMHFO>.

The John Campanius Holm Award was named in honor of John Campanius Holm, a Lutheran minister who was the first person recognized to have taken systematic weather observations in the American Colonies (1644-1645). Each year, 25 cooperative observers nationwide are honored with the John Campanius Holm Award for outstanding accomplishments in the field of cooperative observations.

