Clark Air Base - Past and PRESENT

When I speak with someone about being assigned in the Philippines, one question is always asked: "whatever happened to Clark, Subic Bay, and the other US military bases after Mt. Pinatubo erupted?"

My purpose in producing this video is to show the many facets of life as it moves on after the Mt. Pinatubo event. This feature was produced in a way that will help viewers links Past and Present memorable on-base scenes.

If you've spent time in the Philippines, or planning a visit soon, I Hope this presentation will offer the many fine points to look forward to. Of the 7-thousand or so islands that make up Philippines, the main island of Luzon is a great place to start.

Enjoy this video treasure, as you view the richness of a Pacific paradise that is very much alive and well. Many of us who have departed are quite envious of fellow expats who have remained near Clark, Subic Bay, John Hay/ Baguio, and other jewels of the Pacific.

In the words of World War II's General Douglas MacArthur, who remarked on the subject of supporting the war effort in the Philippines: "Yes! I certainly will return..."

Virgil Hopper

Clark Air Base Philippines ~ Before Mt. Pinatubo Evacuation

This video quickie offers great views of some of the special features of Clark Air Base that were available to many who enjoyed her comforts through what seemed the endless years prior to Mt. Pinatubo.

Many who view these scenes may have lived in homes picture here, or used services of facilities captured in view tape; or maybe you participated in the many activities enjoyed by staff and families alike.

In other video shorts to come, I hope to include more "PRE-PINATUBO" travel-log features of Subic Bay, Wallace Air Station, Camp John Hay/Baguio, San Fernando, LaUnion, Easter (holy week) flagalations near San Fernando, Pampanga, scenes of Manila, with the Embassy area and more.

Also, modern-day scenes of former US bases will surprise and delight you...
Stay tuned!

Virgil Hopper