

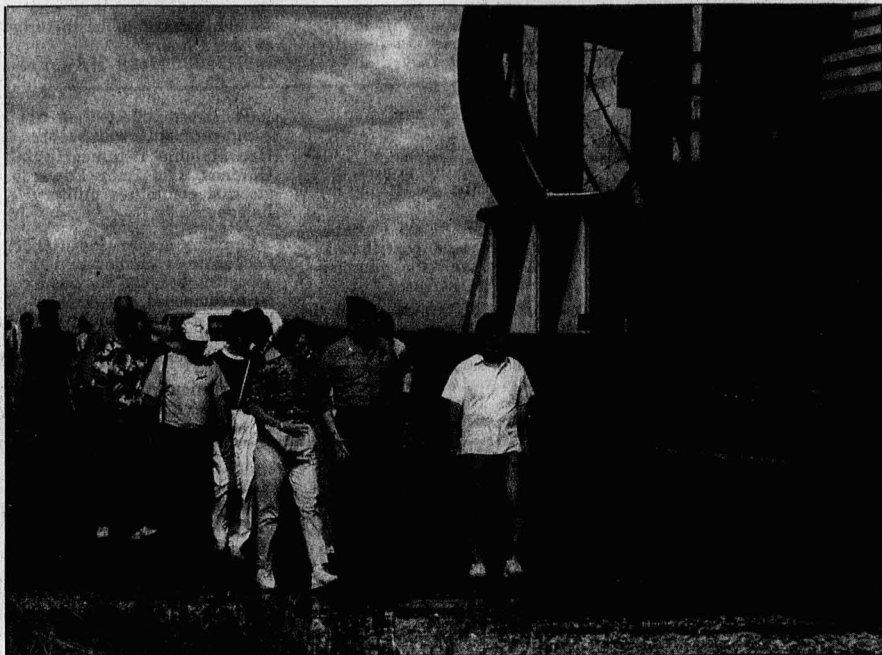
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Demo proves station training capabilities



Station Commander Col. R.R. Crawford escorts local community leaders during an LCAC demonstration at Hale Koa Beach. The group also got a chance to ride the craft over Kaneohe Bay waters.

Joint Public Affairs Office

A landing craft air cushioned (LCAC) stormed ashore here Dec. 8, but not for its usual amphibious assault mission. The LCAC and its crew were under the scrutiny of several Hawaii legislators, community and environmental leaders who were here to learn more about the Navy's newest amphibious assault craft.

The special guests were invited by Station Commander Col. R.R. Crawford, who is currently working with state and federal officials to seek concurrence on use of station beaches as LCAC training areas.

According to 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade unit commanders, Kaneohe Bay Marines need to train with LCACs to retain their combat readiness. More than 70 percent of the earth's beaches are accessible to LCACs, more than tripling the previous amphibious capabilities of Marine expeditionary units.

The group began their visit with a video presentation on the nomenclature and capabilities of the LCAC, the Navy/Marine Corps team's use of the craft and successful operations where the LCAC played an instrumental part. An interview with an LCAC pilot followed. The guests rode

an LCAC over Kaneohe Bay waters and observed beaches where proposed training is to take place.

"Somalia is a perfect example of how LCACs highlight the need for continuous training," Col. Crawford said. "In the last two years, the Marine Corps participated in 12 humanitarian missions and many required the use of LCACs." The station commander also emphasized how LCACs enable an "over-the-horizon" assault and are a key element in surprise landings.

There has been some concern about environmental damage LCACs may inflict during operations here but Col. Crawford and station environmental specialists stressed that impact is minimal because the craft rides on a cushion of air and not in the water or on the ground.

"We foresee using our beaches here only about four times a year for LCAC training," Col. Crawford said, "and this involves probably only one or two on the shore at a time."

Roger Evans, from the state Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Conservation and Environmental Affairs, questioned how much the LCACs would operate on land, if any reef damage could result from their use here and the possible

dangers to marine mammals and turtles.

According to Col. Crawford, predesignated sea lanes would be followed into shore, without damaging coral reefs, and crewmembers are trained to look out for objects in the water, including marine wildlife. The LCAC crewmember present said the common sense thing to do is go around any object in the water. During training in the Persian Gulf for possible amphibious operations, he said, a sailor was accidentally run over on the beach by an LCAC but emerged unhurt, which unexpectedly demonstrated how little damage the craft does to what it moves over.

The craft's impact on shore would be further minimized by careful scouting for wildlife before and during beach landings and departures and designating landing areas away from sensitive cultural resources, said Dr. Diane Drigot, head of the station environmental branch.

Third Marine Regiment Commander Col. W. E. Rollings commented that once his troops were ashore he wouldn't want them to remain on LCACs but would rather disembark them on foot and vehicles through designated zones as soon as possible. This would help prevent

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Merry Christmas Marine

'Twas the night before Christmas, he lived all alone.
In a one-bedroom house made of plaster and stone.
I had come down the chimney with presents to give,
and to see just who in this home did live.

I looked all about, a strange sight did I see
no tinsel, no presents, not even a tree.
No stockings by the fire, just boots filled with sand.
On the wall hung pictures of far distant lands.

With medals and badges, awards of all kind,
a sobering thought soon came through my mind.
For this house was different, unlike any I'd seen.
This was the home of a U.S. Marine.

I'd heard stories about them, I had to see more,
so I walked down the hall and pushed open the door.
And there he lay sleeping, silent, alone.
Curled up on the floor in his one-bedroom home.

He seemed so gentle, his face so serene.
Not how I pictured a U.S. Marine.
Was this the hero, of whom I'd just read?
Curled up in his poncho, a floor for his bed?

His head was clean-shaven, his weathered face tan.
I soon understood, this was more than a man.
For I realized the families that I saw that night,
owed their lives to these men, who were willing to fight.

Soon around the Nation, the children would play,
and grown-ups would celebrate on a bright Christmas day.
They all enjoyed freedom, each month and all year,
because of Marines like this one lying here.

I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone,
on a cold Christmas Eve, in a land far from home.
Just the very thought brought a tear to my eye.
I dropped to my knees and I started to cry.

He must have awoken, for I heard a rough voice,
"Santa don't cry, this life is my choice.
I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more.
My life is my God, my Country, my Corps."

With that he rolled over, drifted off into sleep.
I couldn't control it, I continued to weep.
I watched him for hours, so silent so still.
I noticed he shivered from the cold night's chill.

So I took off my jacket, the one made of red,
and covered this Marine from his toes to his head.
Then I put on his T-shirt of scarlet and gold,
with an eagle, globe and anchor emblazoned so bold.

An although it barely fit me, I began to swell with pride,
and for one shining moment, I was Marine Corps deep inside.
I didn't want to leave him so quiet in the night,
this guardian of honor so willing to fight.

But half asleep he rolled over, and a voice so clean and pure,
said "Carry on Santa, it's Christmas Day, all secure."
One look at my watch and I knew he was right.
Merry Christmas, my friend, Semper Par, and good night.

Cheers greet Marines in Baidoa

Joint Public Affairs Office

Editor's note: The information for this article was compiled from various news reports.

About 700 Marines and French Legionnaires moved into the starving and lawless city of Baidoa, Somalia, Wednesday morning. They were greeted by the cheers of the city's residents as the convoy rolled into the city.

Navy jets screamed overhead and helicopter gunships provided aerial security for the convoy.

There was no resistance to the 530 Marines and 140 Legionnaires as they secured the city which was one of the hardest hit by starvation. Their arrival instantly boosted the hope of the thousands of starving Somalis.

Baidoa, a city 120 miles from Mogadishu, became a magnet for starving people when food began to reach the city earlier this year. The population quickly doubled to about 80,000 but few relief supplies reached the starving in the city since armed gunmen began looting the relief convoys.

Aid workers had been pleading with the military to get Marines into the city since the operation began. More than 150 people a day are dying of starvation in the city.

So far there has been no sign of the gunmen which ruled the city only last week. The gunmen began to disappear from the streets several days ago after they heard the Marines would be coming.



TSgt. Don D'Antonio USAF

Marines from Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station load onto a C-141 aircraft at Hickam Sunday to begin their journey to Somalia to help in Operation Restore Hope.

One of the main objectives of the 70-vehicle convoy was to secure the air field and prepare it for flights to bring in more Marines and eventually food. The next step will be to secure the main road to Baidoa so trucks carrying food can begin to get to the city.

The city will become a crucial staging area for relief efforts to other parts of Somalia's interior which is plagued with starvation.

The push to Baidoa came after more than 600 Marines, soldiers and Air Force personnel took over an air field at Bela Dogle Sunday. The former Soviet air strip is about halfway between

Mogadishu and Baidoa.

Although the operation has met little resistance since it began, Marine helicopters were fired on over the weekend.

Cobra gunships were fired on by three vehicles. The Cobras responded by firing TOW missiles and 20mm cannons. All three vehicles were destroyed.

An UH-1N, Huey gunship was also fired on and hit by ground fire. Two rounds hit the blades of the helicopter, but the helicopter did not fire back because too many civilians were in the area. One of the rounds penetrated the blade, but didn't affect the helicopter's performance.

Meanwhile, food continued to be distributed in Mogadishu and the first supply ship in months was able to unload its supplies at the port there. Four more relief ships are bound for the port.

All has been quiet in the city since a cease-fire was declared Friday by Somalia's two main warlords, Mohamed Farah Aided and Ali Mahdi Mohamed, but their followers are in no rush to give up their weapons. In addition, the cease-fire is only between two of many clans who have been fighting in the civil war.

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Marine squadrons go to sea

Marine Corps News

HQMC, Washington D.C. — A recent decision by the acting secretary of the Navy has set in motion an ongoing initiative to integrate assets of Marine Corps tactical aviation into U.S. Navy carrier air wings. By fiscal year 1995, four Marine Corps squadrons will be incorporated into carrier air wings.

The long-range plan, approved by Acting Secretary of the Navy Sean O'Keefe Nov. 16,

will enhance the air-to-ground capabilities of the carrier air wings, while saving the Navy an estimated \$50 million per year from fiscal years 1994-1999, according to the Department of the Navy. As part of the integration, four Navy squadrons—two F-14 squadrons, one EA-6B Squadron and one A-6E Squadron, will be disestablished.

The integration started in August of this year with the incorporation of VMFA-312 into Carrier Air Wing 8 aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt and VMFA-314 into Carrier Air Wing 11 aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln. In December 1994, VMFA-122 and VMAQ-1 will be incorporated into Carrier Air Wing 1 aboard the USS America.

During the 12 month workup period and six-month deployment at sea, these squadrons will fall under tactical control of the carrier wing commander. When the ships are in port, squadrons will remain stationed at their home air station. The Marine Corps has reserved the option to rotate these squadrons over time.

The integration of Marine Corps tactical aviation assets into carrier air wings continues along the lines of preparation for littoral warfare defined in the Navy/Marine Corps team's blueprint for the 20th century, "...from the sea." Navy and Marine Corps teams working together will enhance their abilities to provide close air support and gain air supremacy.

Sen. Inouye stresses need for strong, flexible forces

By WO Joe Boyer

Press Officer

In a visit to the station Tuesday, U.S. Senator Dan Inouye held a news conference in which he outlined his position on important issues facing the military in Hawaii and Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay in particular.

Inouye, who was just re-elected to a sixth term in the senate, is the chairman of the senate defense appropriations subcommittee. The senator, a decorated World War II veteran himself, has long been a staunch supporter of the military, especially in Hawaii. He reaffirmed his unqualified support for the military and the continuing existence of MCAS Kaneohe Bay.

In his brief to the media, Inouye touched on several

main topics. He addressed the downsizing of the military and the impact a reduction of the Marine Corps' end strength would have on operations here.

The senator discussed the importance of the continued use of Bellows Air Force Station and Pohakalua Training Area.

The senator also addressed the military's use of lands and civilian property issues. He began by clearly stating his position on various downsizing plans circulating through Washington.

"I'm convinced the Marine Corps must remain a strong, flexible force," Inouye said. "I and my colleagues in congress feel the Marine Corps' end strength should remain at the currently set level of 177,500. If the numbers dip below that, the base here at Kaneohe could

be threatened." Inouye added that he feels confident that the station here is too important an asset to close.

"This is not just an air station," he said. "This is a Marine base. Most of the people here are infantrymen." He added that infantrymen require reasonable training areas in which to hone their skills.

"You can't train an infantryman in a classroom," the senator said. "He has to be trained in a sufficient area." Inouye said that he considered the training areas at Bellows Air Force Station and Pohakalua on the island of Hawaii as absolutely necessary. He also realizes the military may need to return some land to the civilian community in the future.

"The military on Oahu controls about 23 percent of

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Letters to the Editor

Formations missing essential ingredient?

Editor, Hawaii Marine

It's 0600, Dec. 11, and our battery is getting ready to step off for a battery formation run. The staff NCOs are ready, the Marines are looking forward to a motivating run around the air station. It's been a long five days and this will cap off a good week.

The road guards have their bright fluorescent vests on and their flash lights are held at the ready. No green tee-shirts can be seen, everyone is wearing white. The battery

gunnery sergeant has briefed us on the use of profanity: there will be none. The route has been specially picked to coincide with the commanding general's policy on formation runs.

Right face and we're off. The pace is just right, everyone is looking good, but something is missing. Nobody is sounding off. The word quickly passes back to the rear of the formation that we are no longer authorized to chant or sing during the hours of darkness.

Chesty Puller has just rolled over in his grave. Dan Daly is having fits and Lou Diamond's cigar just fell out of his mouth.

What has happened to our Corps? Not allowed to chant or sing during the hours of darkness? I must apologize to the folks we offend by our unusual behavior, after all we're only Marines.

CWO-4 Ronald R. Welsh
1st Bn., 12th Marines
1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Editor, Hawaii Marine

I am again trying to address the situation that myself and others in my neighborhood are enduring. I live on O'Neil Street. My quarter's backside faces Mokapu Boulevard next to disbursing. My concern is the troops running in formation on Mokapu.

I know that troops are not permitted to chant while running through the housing areas. According to the Family Housing Manual, Page

11, paragraph 33.b4, quiet hours are in effect from 2200 through 0700. I feel that troops should come under this regulation.

Another reason for my writing this letter is due to the profanity that is used during the chanting. This morning at 0630, a group of approximately 10 Marines ran by chanting such obscenities. I was truly shocked. This is the first time I have heard this type of chanting since I have been staying in my quarters. I tried to identify the group but they didn't

have any insignia on or with them.

I do not feel I am asking for more than a bit of understanding. I would just ask that chanting be curtailed from Disbursing through the main gymnasium. This is not a large area but during these hours when it is quiet outside, 15 or more Marines can make a lot of noise. I am a working wife so I am usually up by 0600, but I do have a three-year-old daughter who shouldn't have to be disturbed at these hours.

Mary M. Johnson

Remember to recycle your Christmas tree

By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

Aluminum, paper and plastic are popular recycling items, but one that often doesn't come to mind is Christmas trees.

No, unless it's fake, you don't take this year's Christmas tree and save it for next year.

The recycled trees are ground-up and turned into mulch. The trees may also be used to make compost, a soil conditioner and soil

builder used to improve the quality of soil.

Hawaii's third annual Christmas Tree-Cycling Project is supported by a number of volunteers and sponsors throughout the state.

The project has been in effect since 1990 and has provided families with an alternative to discarding trees.

"In the past, trees were taken to landfills and they filled them up, which causes a problem because there isn't

enough space," said Keith Nishioka, a civil engineer technician. "Ecologically this alone makes the project a better method of getting rid of the trees."

More than 87,000 Christmas trees have been contributed since 1990 and the numbers continue to increase.

"About 20 percent of all the trees we receive are from military family housing," Nishioka said. "This year we estimate we will receive about 350 trees from Windward family housing."

The trees collected on the Windward side will be used at Hoo Maluhia Botanical Gardens, said Ruby Edwards, steering committee military liaison.

Families are reminded that flocked trees cannot be accepted, because they can't be decomposed, Edwards stressed. Trees should also be fairly clean of tinsel and any other ornaments.

On-station curb-side collection will be available Jan. 2 and 9.

Blotter

Military Police Department
MCAS Kaneohe Bay

Alcohol-Related Incidents

■ A Marine was apprehend for driving under the influence by Honolulu police. The Marine elected to submit to an intoxilyzer test which resulted in a BAC of

.15. He was released on bail and is scheduled to appear in court.

Other Incidents

■ A Marine was shot once in the face when a group of Marines proceeded to Salt Lake to avenge an earlier assault on a fellow Marine. The Marines found the civilian responsible for the earlier assault and assaulted him. Another civilian who witnessed

the assault emerged from his residence and fired six shots into the Marine's vehicle. One round hit a Marine in the face just above the lip. It exited beneath his earlobe. The Marine was transported to Tripler Army Medical Center by his companions where he was treated and admitted for observation.

■ A Marine found two syringes during a patrol of Pyramid Beach.

The beach was closed by the station officer of the day.

■ A Marine was assaulted by an unknown male adjacent to building 1090. The Marine was struck and kicked in the face resulting in a possible broken nose and abrasions to the facial area. The Marine was treated at the Branch Medical Clinic and then transported to Tripler Army Medical Center for further

treatment.

■ A Marine reported that persons unknown had entered his secured barracks room and made 20 unauthorized phone calls to 900 numbers totaling \$835 on his telephone.

■ During the past week, there have been 10 larcenies reported to the military police. Items stolen include two DoD decals, six bikes, clothing, a camera, a

wallet, a license plate and two L-clamps. Of these 10 larcenies, eight were left unsecured and unattended during the theft.

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found custodian has in his possession a Gameboy, keys, a child's purse, a watch and numerous bicycles. If you think any of these items may belong to you, please call Cpl. Dunbar at 257-3110.

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Subway

Subway officially opened Friday. The sandwich shop is located next to the Package Store near the H-3 gate. The hours of operation are Sunday through Thursday 10 a.m.-11 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 a.m.

Amended class schedule

There are class changes to the MCAS Kaneohe Bay term 2-93 schedule for Wayland Baptist University which runs Jan. 11-March 24. The changes are: Mon. Fed/State PS 2301 W; Tues. NT Hist Relgn 1302 W; Wed. Fin Mgmt Fin 3309 W; Thurs. Interper Com Sp 4310 W; Fri. Prin Mkt Mkt 3312 W.

MEB Christian Christmas banquet

The 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade Chaplains Section will sponsor a Christian Christmas banquet at the SNCO Club from 6:30-10 p.m. Dec. 19.

The banquet will feature a holiday menu, live choral groups, and sing-along music. It's a great time for singles and families, Protestants and Catholics, to gather for a holiday dinner and "keep Christ in Christmas."

Tickets can be purchased through unit chaplains or by contacting SSgt. Wallace/Sgt. Shoemate at 257-5716. Tickets can also be purchased at the banquet.

Post office hours

The post office at the Marine Corps Exchange will extend its hours of operation Saturday. The post office will be open for stamps

and parcels from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and for money orders from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Christmas stamps are available at both post offices on the air station.

Shoppers beware

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Hawaii, Inc., has been informed that military personnel are being contacted by "Buying Clubs." The fee to join ranges from \$2,000 to \$2,500.

The bureau warns the claims are appealing, but buying clubs may not always save you money. In fact, when all costs are figured in, the clubs may be more expensive.

Be especially wary of so-called "coupon clubs," which often offer coupons which are only redeemable under very limited circumstances or are just plain phony.

The BBB warns if the buying club offers products through a catalog, find out what brands are available in items that interest you and then compare the costs at the stores you usually shop.

When calculating costs, also consider freight or annual renewal fees.

It's best to avoid clubs which will not let you see their prices, catalogue, or showroom until after you join. A club can save you money should have no reason to hide its offered merchandise and prices.

VITA training dates change

The IRS changed the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) training dates to Jan. 19-22 and 26 instead of Jan. 4-8. The training will be held at the Enlisted Club, building 1629, from 8:30 a.m. - 4:40 p.m. each day.

Major subordinate commanders, battalion, squadron and separate company commanders are required to provide two competent individuals to attend to qualify as VITA representatives. Representative names, ranks and phone numbers are due to Capt. Stewart, legal assistance, by Jan. 7.

Transition assistance

The following are dates and times of the next scheduled transition assistance management program (TAMP) briefings.

Jan. 11-14 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Feb. 8-11 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Mar. 8-11 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

All units must ensure that Marines and sailors scheduled for discharge from active duty attend. The briefings will be held in the station theater. All spouses are encouraged to attend. The commandant of the Marine Corps' policy is that all Marine Corps personnel will be provided transition assistance services through TAMP during the first 90 days of the Marine's final 180 days prior to their separation/discharge from active duty.

Blood drive

During the holiday season, you can give a gift that will truly be appreciated, and it will only cost a little of your time. Tripler Army Medical Center needs blood donors. All donated blood will be used by patients of Tripler or other military facilities.

If you are active duty, family member or civilian, over the age of 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and have not given blood in the past eight weeks, consider giving now.

The holiday blood drive is scheduled for 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Dec. 29 at the gym.

Name change

The Disbursing Office has changed its name to the Finance Office. The name change is part of the integration of all Department of Defense finance operations into the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS).

The current Marine Corps disbursing office still retains responsibility for pay support.

Reserved parking

Marines and sailors are reminded that from 6:30 a.m. - 5

p.m. the reserved parking stall located directly across from Pless Hall at building 215's parking lot are not to be used. Those vehicles found parked in the reserve stalls will be ticketed.

Parking for Pless Hall is limited. Parking spaces are available between the 200 series barracks and the swimming pool.

Closure of SISMO

Due to structural repairs and fumigation occurring in building 268 during the month of December, the station information systems management office (SISMO) will be closed Dec. 14-31 for repairs and pest control purposes. Scheduled use of the

classroom in building 268 should not be affected.

In conjunction with this temporary inconvenience, the station ISMO personnel will be upgrading all station microcomputers to DOS 5.0 and Virscan 97.

Until repairs to building 268 are complete, SISMO will be located in building 208. The telephone number there is 257-1247.

NQLB meeting

The Neighborhood Quality of Life Board will meet tonight to elect the board for 1993. This will be the final meeting of 1992. It will begin at 7 p.m. in building

267, behind the Branch Medical Clinic. There are five positions available and anyone interested is eligible.

New arrivals

The new arrivals/new employees orientation will be held Jan. 5 from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the station theater. It is mandatory for new military arrivals and new civilian employees of the station.

The orientation gives information on the services and facilities available on station and addresses important safety and security issues. Spouses of military personnel are strongly encouraged to attend.



Cpl. Aaron Martin

A look back

Following religious services at the Japanese aircraft impact site, across from the child care center here, members of the World Federation Japan Religious 21st Century Committee stopped by the Station Historical Room.

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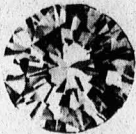
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Sergeants pass on knowledge to corporals

By Sgt. Paul Schneider
Staff Writer

The revamping of the Marine Corps' professional military education (PME) program for noncommissioned and commissioned officers left one rank without a formal school to attend.

Although the instructors of the NCO Basic Course (NCOBC) here agreed with the idea that units should be responsible for the training of their corporals, they also felt it was crucial that corporals get some formalized PME to supplement what is taught in the unit.

It was little more than two months after corporals were eliminated from NCOBC that the instructors ran their first Junior NCO Leadership Seminar, Dec. 7-12.

Even before the seminar began, interest in it reached far beyond Kaneohe Bay. The Marine Corps University is looking at adopting some form of it to make a standard course for corporals in the Marine Corps.

"MCU has been fielding a

lot of questions about what we are going to do for corporals," explained SSgt. Charles Woods, an instructor for NCOBC and the instructor in charge of the seminar. "The seminar was our attempt to get corporals back into a formal school."

The intense five-day course gave corporals instruction in leadership, weapons, general military training, close order drill, uniforms and physical training.

"What we learned from this course was that corporals want and need this," Woods said. "They asked for more; one week wasn't long enough for them to learn what we felt they needed."

The instructors are looking to expand the course to two or three weeks.

Camp Pendleton's NCOBC instructors have been interested in the development of the seminar. They want to put together a five-week corporal course.

One thing which was unique about the seminar was that the NCOBC instructors didn't teach all of the classes. Much of the instruction was

done by sergeants in NCOBC Class 2-93.

"Sergeants currently going through NCOBC conducted inspections, lead some of the guided discussions and taught some periods of instruction," Woods said. "The sergeants were evaluated on being leaders of Marines."

Even though the seminar only lasted five days, the corporals all felt it was very beneficial.

"I enjoyed it although it was pretty hard with everything crammed into five days," Cpl. Scott Dufrene, a combat engineer with Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade. "I learned a lot about how to improve myself as a leader and what I can do to help out with troops in my unit."

Many of the students in the course had already taken the NCO nonresident course, a seven-volume correspondence course given through the Marine Corps Institute, and even though the seminar basically covered what was in the course, the corporals still felt the seminar was crucial.

"The [nonresident course] was book work; here we actually did the work. It was a lot better. With drill, the machine guns and physical training, you can read it in the MCI but not understand it," explained Cpl. John Hargrove, motor transport, Marine Wing Support Squadron-174. "This helped me understand the [nonresident course] a lot more."

Dufrene agreed that although the nonresident course is good, the hands-on instruction of the seminar was important to understanding the material a NCO is required to know.

With the seminar complete, the instructors now have a lot of work to do analyzing every detail of it.

"Before the course it seemed like we were rushing too fast, but the support from the commands and staff helped pull everything together and made it work," Woods said. "There were a few little quirks on our part, but everything else exceeded what I hoped it would be."

One thing which was a little unexpected was the support from all the commands and the interest among corporals in the course.

"A lot of corporals have come up and asked if they can come to this course," Woods said.

More than half of the 30 corporals attending the first course volunteered to go to the course. Most of them are corporals with less than a year in grade.

Woods and the other instructors will now conduct a

detailed review of the course. The student's critique as well as the instructors observations will be used to make the next course better. The report will also be forwarded to MCU for review.

"We are going to conduct a course conduct review board," Woods explained. "For the first course I think we were about as prepared as we could get since we went in blind. There was no Marine Corps order or letter of instruction to go from."

One thing Woods would like to expand is the use of the sergeants in NCOBC in the leadership positions for the corporals. Judging from the comments of several of the sergeants used to teach the corporals during the first seminar, they would have also liked to have done more.

Whatever the final recommendations are for the next course, the instructors who started the seminar here so far are setting the standard for the rest of the Marine Corps.

All the instructors put a lot of effort into developing the new course because of the need they perceived for formalized PME among corporals. But if the comments of the first group of corporals was any indication, developing the seminar was well worth it.

"This was my second time I helped develop a course, ... but this was different, it has to do with the whole idea of Marine Corps leadership," Woods explained. "It's fun to be challenged."



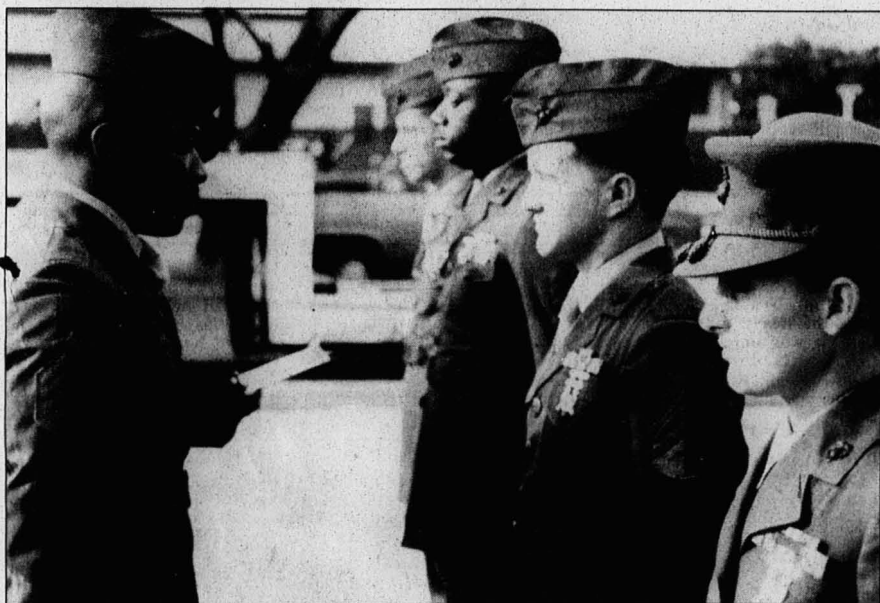
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Cpl. Melissa Martinez, MWSS-174, begins to break-down the M203 grenade launcher attached to an M-16A2 during the weapons instruction for the Junior NCO Leadership Seminar.



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Cpl. James Bustamante, Fox Co., 2/3, drives his foot down on his opponent during line 1 training.



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Sgt. Farand Scott, 1st Radio Bn., who is currently in the NCO Basic Course, conducts an "Alpha" inspection on one squad of corporals in the Junior NCO Leadership Seminar.



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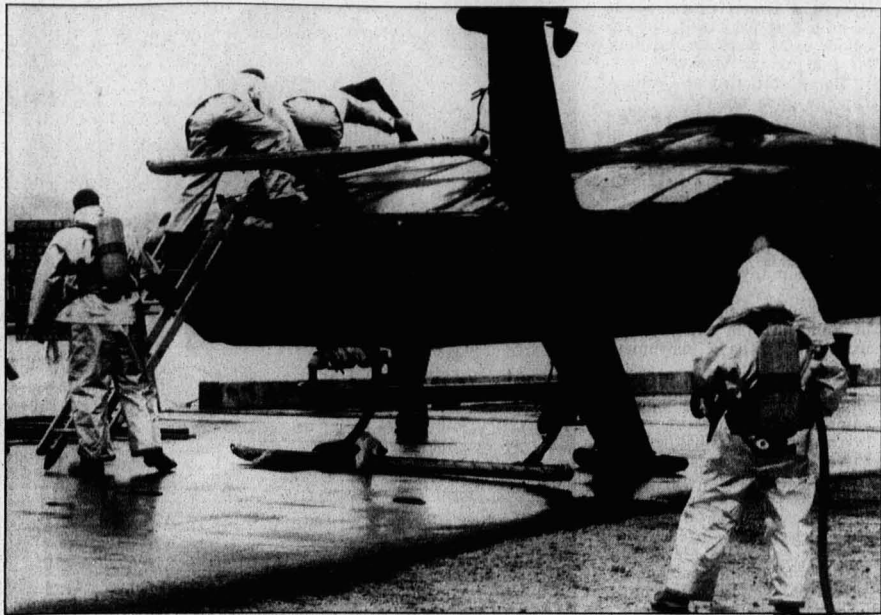
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HM3 Leah Banks, an EMT for the Branch Medical Clinic, cuts a piece of gauze for the dressing of one of the casualties. Behind Banks, Lcpl. Danny Russell, a crash crewman, helps with a casualty.

'I pray all we ever do is drills'

By Sgt. Paul Schneider
Staff Writer

In a matter of seconds, routine helicopter flight operations turned to disaster Dec. 9 when an AH-1 Cobra crashed into the station pier while trying to take off.

Immediately after the loss of the aircraft, Air Traffic Control initiated the rescue efforts using the crash phone system.

When Crash Fire Rescue arrived on the scene they found the Cobra burning, with a two-man crew, at the end of the pier. The explosion had injured eight additional people on the ground and pier and had spread fires to Waterfront Operations area.

To complicate the situation further, the Cobra was carrying 20mm ammunition and missiles were scattered around the wreckage.

Although it was a potentially realistic scenario with the heavy air traffic here, it was only a drill.

To the 11 different station

units, departments and offices who responded to the call though, it was real. Only their section heads knew it was a drill and even they didn't know when the drill would be conducted.

"We developed a scenario that would include everyone," explained Chief Warrant Officer-2 Keith Glavac, the officer-in-charge of CFR. "There is an annual requirement for the air station to conduct a mass-casualty drill to work on coordination with all supporting units."

As the scenario played out, Waterfront Operations and a Search and Rescue helicopter each rescued a victim from the water. In addition, the Waterfront Operations personnel placed a barrier in the water for the station's environmental branch to prevent "fuel" from "contaminating" the bay.

While emergency crews from CFR, the station Fire Department and Branch Medical Clinic arrived and began to battle the blaze and

treat the victims, the military police sealed off the area.

While CFR concentrated on putting out the aircraft fire, the Fire Department was concerned with the Waterfront Operations building and a fuel tank which was near the crashed helicopter.

Perhaps the closest coordination among all the units responding to the call was that of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal and CFR Marines. Dealing with the "unexploded ordnance" which the aircraft was carrying was very tricky and the two units had to work together to ensure each other's safety.

As all of the various units helped the casualties, who were actually CFR crewmen, representatives from the Joint Safety Center were watching the rescuers for any signs they were having trouble.

The realism of the drill even went as far as having the SAR helicopter fly three casualties to Tripler to get an idea of how long it would take to get there.

Although it was the emergency and rescue units which were the main players in the drill, the exercise didn't stop once the fire was out and the casualties were treated.

Marines from the station motor pool and the Training and Audiovisual Service Center were involved in beginning the crash investigation. The motor pool provided a crane and TAVSC photographed the crash site and helicopter.

"This was the most detailed drill I've ever seen here," explained GySgt. Philip Plessinger, in charge of training for CFR. "For the troops involved, this is the closest they can get to doing their jobs without any actual injuries."

One problem, which was identified after the drill, was even though all participants only made minor mistakes, mass casualty drills needed to be conducted more often.

"No two emergencies are the same," Plessinger said. I just pray all we ever do is drills."



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SSgt. Richard Shaw, Crash Fire Rescue, the on-scene commander at the crash site, coordinates rescue operations.

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Fine tuning the band

By Cpl. Aaron Martin
Staff Writer

Marching across the field with shoulders back, head held high and eyes straight to the front, a Marine Corps bandsman plays music with full concentration. Suddenly, the bandsman steps into a small hole. The bandsman, unable to maintain his balance, crashes to the ground and causes extensive damage to his instrument.

Unfortunately, the cost of repairing a musical instrument can be expensive, especially in Hawaii. Fortunately, the Marine Forces Pacific Band doesn't have to worry: it has one of only eight instrument repair technicians in the Marine Corps.

Staff Sergeant Paul Bianchi is not only a musician but a qualified instrument repair technician. His present military occupational Specialty (MOS), 5523, is one of the smallest fields an enlisted person can have.

Bianchi initially enlisted in

the Marine Corps as a saxophone player in 1983. Upon completion of boot camp, he attended the School of Music in Norfolk, Va. The school is a tri-service (Army, Navy and Marine) school that most musicians attend for six months prior to being placed out in field bands.

The school teaches instrument proficiency, music writing and knowledge of all field band instruments.

Upon graduation Bianchi was stationed with 3d Marine Aircraft Wing at MCAS El Toro, Calif. There he began working with broken and malfunctioning instruments whenever there were problems with them and hasn't stopped since.

"When I was in high school, I would repair my sax myself," said the South Canaan, Pa., native. "My family seems to have a mechanical background or ability to work with our hands. Two of my brothers work in construction and my father was always working on

trucks and other vehicles."

Musical instruments are precise and detailed pieces of equipment he said. Although parts are mass-produced, the building of a musical instrument is done by hand.

"It's fascinating to take a sheet of brass or metal and produce a instrument that creates music," Bianchi said.

While working with instruments at El Toro, Bianchi was able to receive insight on instrument repair from the repair technicians at San Diego and Camp Pendleton.

Upon completion of his tour in El Toro, Bianchi attended the School of Music Intermediate Course.

The intermediate course, which is required for career musicians, as well as instrument repairmen, is much more detailed in information and instruction to the musician. The knowledge obtained is at a higher level than many college music courses.

It was during this time that

Operation Desert Shield began and he found himself and his fellow band members heading for the Persian Gulf.

"Being stationed at Camp Lejeune gave me the opportunity to be in the field much more than I had at my previous duty stations," Bianchi said. "The field is where it's at. The book knowledge is fine; however, without field experience, Desert Storm could have been very hard for many of us."

It was during the operations in Saudi Arabia that he was utilized most as an instrument repairman.

"When we arrived, we were shuffled off from the base camp and our musical instruments were just left there," said the 9-year veteran. "The instruments were supposed to be stored in conex boxes; unfortunately they never got stored. The weather and sand did severe damage to the instruments."

The band didn't play until one of the generals decided they should entertain the troops. Bianchi was sent back to the camp to work on the instruments so the band could play. Only through Bianchi's ability to work with primitive and makeshift tools was the band able to perform for the troops.

"I have always enjoyed making things from scratch and building things," Bianchi said.

Because of his skills displayed during his deployment to Saudi Arabia, Bianchi was selected to go to the Marine Corps Instrument Repair Technician school in Red Wing, Minn.

The Red Wing Technical College is one of only three in the nation that specialize in instrument repair skills.

The intensive course, which lasts nine months, had students attend from Austria, Japan, Mexico and other countries.

"The school is so specialized, seats are difficult to obtain because of it's world-wide recognition," Bianchi said.

The school taught many aspects of instrument repair. Courses included metal property and uses, chemical composition, silver plating,



SSgt. Paul Bianchi, instrument repairman for the Marine Forces Pacific Band, is attempting to straighten out the bell of a trumpet. His office has more than 500 specialized tools for repairs.

nomenclature of every instrument and the metal lathe and it's use.

Just as a Marine rifleman must know every part of his weapon, Bianchi must know every part of all the instruments.

The school permitted the students to work on instruments from local schools and shops so that each would take great care to do the job correctly.

Another requirement for completion of the school was being able to play all the instruments at a proficient level. The repairman must be able to test the instruments upon completion of the repairs.

Grades at this intensive course were not a problem for Bianchi. He received A's in every aspect of instruction. He was also voted by his peers to serve on the school's advisory board.

His final project before graduation was to totally

recondition an instrument. He remembered that his grandfather was a trumpet player in some of the swing bands years ago. He visited his grandfather's home and took the trumpet that his grandfather used to play.

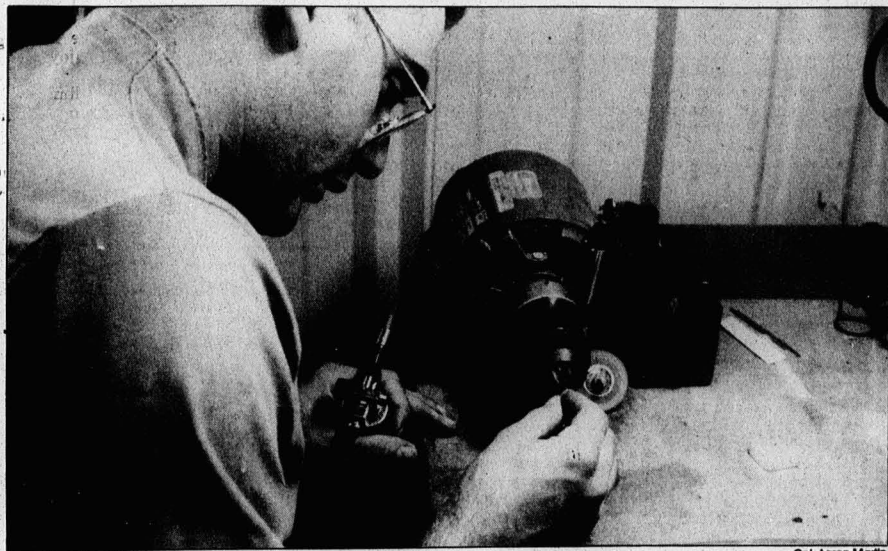
The vintage instrument was badly dented and in need of much repair. Bianchi spent many hours repairing the trumpet but upon completion it looked like new.

"I presented the rebuilt trumpet to my grandfather on his birthday. He could not believe it was the same trumpet," Bianchi said.

Although he enjoyed the school, it was a different environment for Bianchi. Being away from the Marine Corps environment made him miss the structured day-to-day life of a Marine.

"I never realized how much I enjoyed the Marine Corps until I spent nine months away from it," Bianchi said.

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SSgt. Paul Bianchi prepares a very small pad which is vital to the function of a woodwind instrument. Much of the work involved with instruments is detailed work.

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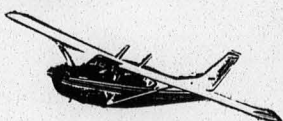
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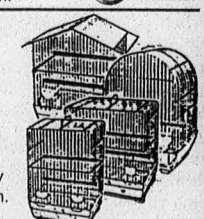
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38-year career begins, ends in Hawaii

By Cpl. Aaron Martin
Staff Writer

Navy personnel are vital to the Marine Corps; unfortunately, the Corps is losing one naval officer Friday after helping sailors and Marines for 38 years.

Beating the odds and surviving as a corpsman during the Vietnam War, Navy Capt. Marcel Iczkowski is wrapping up a successful career in the Navy.

Iczkowski, who serves as the Force Navy Personnel Officer, Marine Forces Pacific, enlisted in 1958 in Milwaukee. His first job was serving as a hospital corpsman.

Thinking he would serve his one enlistment and get out, his feelings changed after the Navy sent him to Hawaii to work at Tripler Army Medical Center.

"I really enjoyed my stay in Hawaii and decided that the Navy wasn't such a bad way to go," Iczkowski said. "The lifestyle of the military was more appealing after Hawaii."

Around this time the Vietnam conflict was beginning to intensify. Iczkowski began to realize he would soon be leaving his wife and children and going to Vietnam.

His first tour in Vietnam was with the 3d Marine Division. He served from Feb. 1966 to March 1967, and he learned the job of a

corpsman was very difficult and often involved great personal risk.

"Only one-third of the medical personnel in the unit I went over with made it out of that tour alive," said the father of five. "I lost many friends and workers on that tour."

After his first tour in Vietnam, consideration for his family caused him to lean towards civilian life. Shortly before he had to decide on reenlistment, he was offered a commission in the Navy.

Upon his commission to lieutenant junior grade, Iczkowski was sent back to Vietnam this time stationed aboard the USS Sanctuary (AH-17) hospital ship where he served his second tour in Vietnam in 1970.

In 1972, he graduated from the Naval School of Health Care Administration. He also has the distinction of being the only member of the Naval medical field to have graduated from the Naval War College in 1985.

His years in the Navy since Vietnam have been relatively quiet but he said much has changed.

"I remember when naval personnel could wear beards and the hairstyle standards were not as strict," said the 38-year veteran.

Some of the accomplishments during his career have included assisting in the development of the

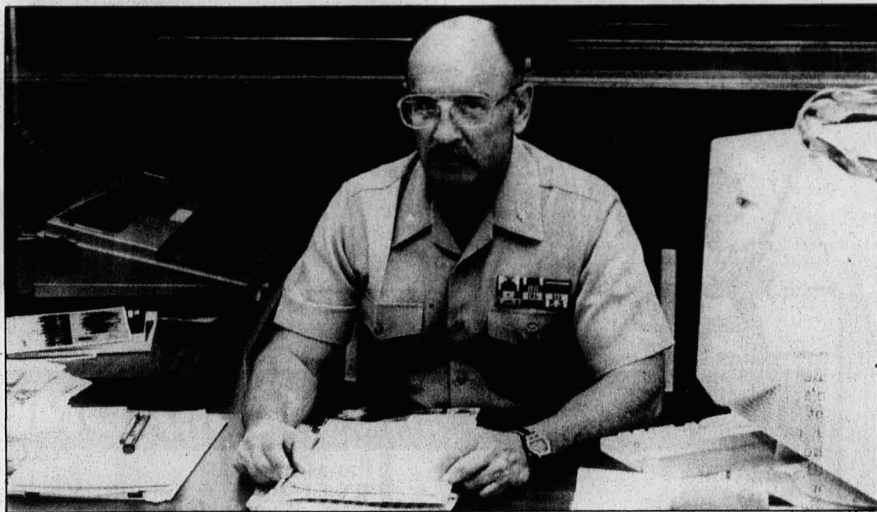
Combat Casualty Care Course. The course is for medical officers and is conducted at the Naval Health Science Education and Training Center at Bethesda Naval Hospital. He also provided assistance in the development of the present-day Navy hospital ships.

The opportunity to further his education while in the Navy has complimented his career. Iczkowski holds a baccalaureate degree in Health Care Administration from Southern Illinois University and a masters degree in Human Resource Management from Pepperdine University. He also holds a masters degree from the Naval War College in National Security and Strategic Studies.

"I never dreamt that I would get the educational opportunities I have had in the military," Iczkowski said. "And the men and women who are enlisting in the military now are more educated than before."

"The military realizes that it must offer people more in order to draw them in," he stressed. "I have seen a drastic turn toward quality of life and quality assurance for our personnel."

During his tenure, the Iczkowski family has lived all over the world. He recalled that two of his daughters told him they would never marry a military person because of



Cpl. Aaron Martin

Captain Marcel Iczkowski, Navy Personnel Officer of Marine Forces Pacific, has served over 38 years of military service including two tours in Vietnam.

the continual moving involved in military life. Not only did his daughters "eat their words," their husbands are both stationed on this island.

"My daughter Deborah is married to a Navy man and my daughter Michelle is married to a Marine," he said. "This is very unique to have two daughters married to military men, and both stationed here in Hawaii."

Regrets about his military

service are almost nonexistent. He only wished that he would have pursued the educational opportunities sooner.

"I hope that anyone who wants to further their education will seek out the opportunities that are offered," he stressed. "I never realized the opportunities I had until later in my career."

The end of his long career will be a short ceremony

following the colors ceremony at Camp H. M. Smith tomorrow.

He and his wife are moving to Clovis, Calif. to enjoy life after the Navy.

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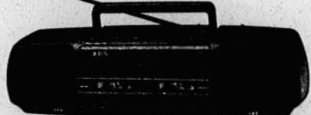
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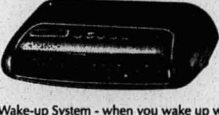
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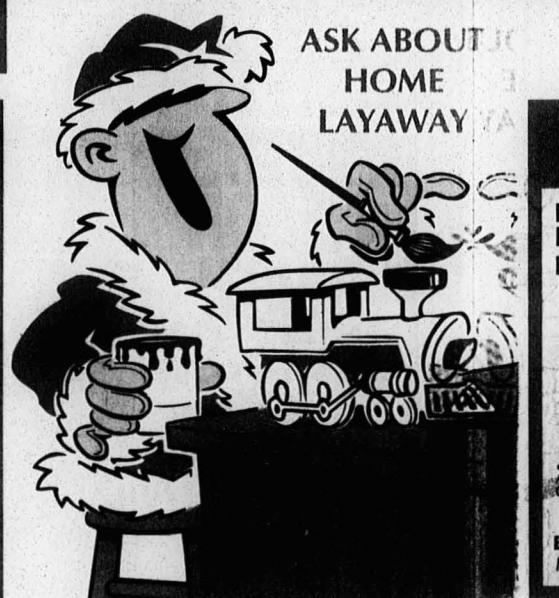
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By Sgt. Paul Schneider
Staff Writer

Would you turn down \$1,650 to \$3,000 every year that had to be used as an investment in your future? Few people would.

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One reason why is because the investment requires some work — it must be used to pay school tuition.

The Tuition Assistance program is a blessing for those military members pursuing a college degree.

Tuition assistance covers 100 percent of the cost of high school completion courses and 75 percent of the cost of undergraduate, vocational and graduate courses.

"Funding for the program is determined each year by Headquarters Marine Corps," explained Loretta Cornett, the

joint education officer for the station.

Current funding for each military member in fiscal year '93 is \$1,650 per fiscal year for undergraduate tuition and \$3,000 per fiscal year for graduate studies for all ranks except sergeants and below. There is no limit for funding to sergeants and below working on graduate courses.

The funding levels apply to all Marines and members of other services who are administratively or operationally attached to Marine units.

Those people who are interested in using the funds only have to attend a half-hour tuition assistance/educational opportunities class given every Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. at the Joint Education Center. Filling out a couple of forms is all that is required to be eligible to begin using the money.

The only limitation is only two courses can be funded under the program per

semester.

In addition to explaining about tuition assistance and what it will pay for, the class also explains the various programs which can be taken through the Joint Education Center or local universities and colleges.

Once the class is completed, a person planning to register for a course must pick up tuition assistance forms from the Joint Education Center or the school and complete it prior to the beginning of the class, Cornett explained.

The only major requirement is that the unit commander must sign the form stating that the Marine will be able to attend class and satisfactorily complete the course.

Permission is required to ensure the limited money is not wasted on someone who doesn't complete a course.

In fiscal year '92, the station spent \$851,000 for tuition assistance. Only

\$430,000 was allocated for the year. Headquarters Marine Corps gave another \$421,000 and Col. R.R. Crawford, station commanding officer, scraped up another \$168,000 to fund the program for the year, Cornett explained.

According to Cornett, she doesn't expect to have any additional limits, besides those currently in place under the program, for people using the funds.

"There has been an explosion in enrollment," Cornett said. "There were 4,780 college students and 1,222 basic skills enrollments under tuition assistance in fiscal year '92."

In order to help with the increased demand for courses, the station has provided more classrooms for the growing off-duty student population.

While the station spent more than \$800,000 on the program in fiscal year '92, the return the Marine Corps gets, as well as the Marine, is well worth it. The Marine Corps gets a better educated Marine

and the added education helps that Marine whether he or she stays in or gets out of the Corps.

Although tuition assistance may be used for almost every type of college course, there are some limitations on vocational courses.

Funds are only authorized for courses from which credit is applicable to a recognized diploma, degree or certificate. vocational correspondence courses are not funded, college correspondence courses which are listed in the Defense Activity for Non-traditional Education Support (DANTES) catalog are funded at the same percentage as normal courses.

There are also limits to what tuition assistance covers. It doesn't pay for books, materials, lab fees, etc. — only tuition.

Because the Marine Corps doesn't want to waste any money, Marines who are using tuition assistance funds to go to school have certain obligations to meet to ensure

they will not be stuck paying for everything out of their own pocket.

"If an individual finds it necessary to leave before they complete a class or withdraw from a class, they must know the policy of the school they are attending," Cornett said. "If a student gets an 'F' or an incomplete, the student will be required to pay the Marine Corps back."

If a student has to deploy and doesn't complete a course, the student's commanding officer can submit a letter to the education center, through the station commanding officer, asking to waive the requirement to pay back the Marine Corps.

While there may be a few limitations, the tuition assistance program helps to remove limitations on careers for Marines while in the Corps or making the transition to civilian life.

The college term 2-93 begins here Jan. 11. Registration for classes is currently being accepted.

NCOA protects, promotes rights

By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

The Noncommissioned Officers Association (NCOA) is designed to promote and protect the rights of active duty, reserve, National Guard and veteran noncommissioned officers and petty officers in all five branches of the U.S. armed services.

The association provides its members with the opportunity to join patriotic, fraternal, social and benevolent activities. It also promotes a strong national defense policy by focusing on military

personnel issues.

This nonprofit fraternal organization was chartered in 1960. In 1988, it became one of the 79 organizations which are federally chartered.

Through a network of more than 200 chapters and 175 service centers, NCOA provides its members with a broad range of personalized services, programs, endorsed products and merchant discounts.

The chapters are the fraternal arm of the association; they are the driving force between NCOA's social activities and community outreach projects. On the other hand, service

centers provide members with individual advice and access to NCOA-endorsed products and services. Locally there are six chapters and three service centers, which comprise a significant percentage of the worldwide membership, explained retired Marine SgtMaj. Jim McGuirk, NCOA public relations.

There is currently an inactive chapter aboard the air station called the Windward Warriors. NCOs are being sought to reactivate the chapter.

The main benefit of the association is its protection of military interests.

Important issues and legislative goals to active duty and veteran NCOs/POs are identified by NCOA and are presented to members at an annual convention.

Goals adopted by the membership are pursued through NCOA's National Capitol Office (NATCO). NATCO testifies before Congress on a wide variety of issues, acts as a liaison with Congress, and intercedes with government agencies and departments, and the armed forces on behalf of members.

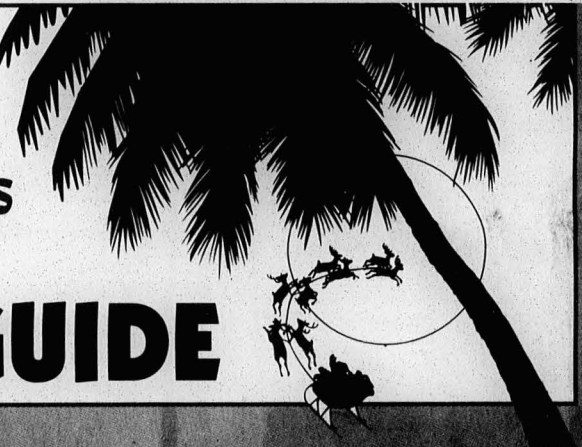
McGuirk represented the NCOA while testifying before the local legislature for

approval of a kamaaina rate in Hawaii, which is a reduced rate for military members with local merchants. The "kamaaina" flower on every military ID card here is the result.

Another issue of importance to its membership, 15,000 locally, was the high insurance rates. McGuirk, taking 15,000 petitions in hand, testified on behalf of NCOA Hawaii in front of the Hawaiian state consumer protection legislative body to get a moratorium on auto insurance rates.

This case was reviewed and changes are being discussed. See NCOA, A-14

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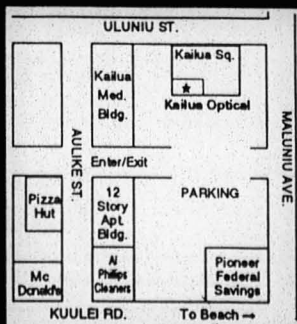
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By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

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gt. Lou Ramirez



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MPs test skill in hostage drill

By Cpl. Aaron Martin
Staff Writer

For the night shift of the station's military police the early hours of Dec 11 were unfolding like any other night until a call came over the radio. Someone was barricaded in a building in the Naval Command and Control Oceanic Surveillance Center complex. Responding to an unknown situation, the patrolmen arrived in the vicinity of the complex and quickly secured the perimeter. Lives were at stake and it had to be handled with wisdom and patience.

Then word came over the radio — there were hostages. The situation intensified.

Fortunately it was only a drill. The station MPs were being tested on how to react to an unknown hostage situation.

The drill began at 1:20 a.m. The emphasis of the drill was realism.

The Special Response Team (SRT) was activated and after being briefed they loaded all the gear and departed for the area of the situation.

Members of the team wore gear that is similar to that worn by a police special weapons and tactics (SWAT) team.

"The exercise was a good learning experience for members of the Provost Marshal's office," said Capt. Martin, deputy provost marshal. "The long exercise created a sense of realism for the personnel involved."

Members from several units aboard the station were

actively involved in assisting the MPs for the drill.

Explosive Ordnance Disposal played a role in the exercise when the radical group gave the location and detonation time of a bomb in exchange for food. In addition Naval Investigative Service assisted in the command post procedures. The overall exercise involved 70 Marines and station personnel.

The programed scenario did have some problems, but, the overall operation went well.

"We made some mistakes and had some problems but their were no major mistakes made," Martin said. "We learned a lot from this situation. The MPs dealt with the reality of the situation well."

Although it was only a drill, the possibility of something like it happening is very real.

Marines are primary targets in many areas of the world. The Marines taken during the Iran hostage crisis were more closely supervised than other hostages during the ordeal.

When terrorists seized the Trans World Airlines flight in 1985 the only person killed was a Navy man who was mistaken for a Marine.

The conclusion to the drill was one not usually preferred. SRT had to use their last option and storm the building to end the ordeal.

The training efforts of the station military police gave them the reassurance they know what to do if the situation should ever arise.



Cpl. Gregory Crew paints his face prior to departure during a recent hostage drill conducted by PMO.



Cpl. Rusty Smith (front), and Sgt. Sean Hagan (middle) head for the van in response to the simulated hostage crisis.

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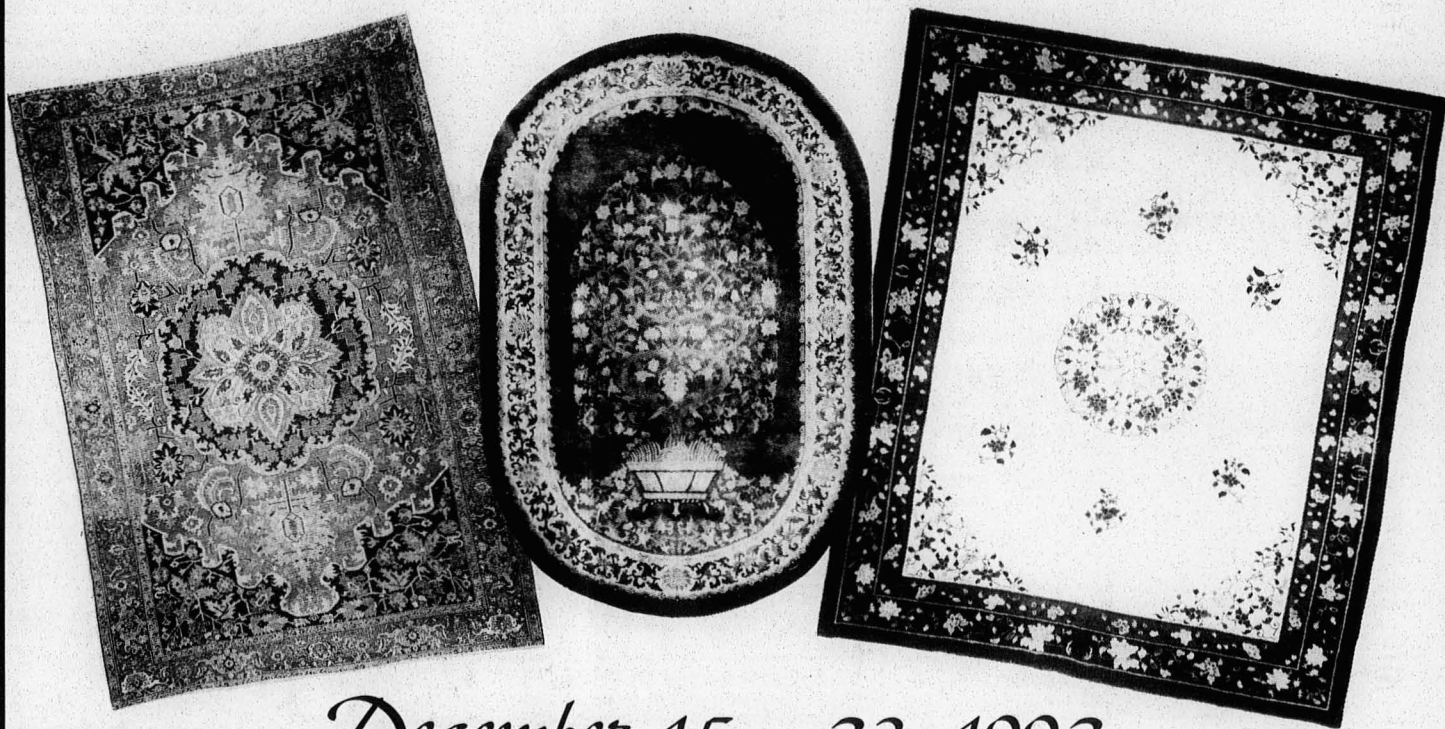
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Demo

from A-1
enemy detection of assaulting troops, thereby further limiting the time and movement of the craft on land.

Colonel Crawford added, "It is absolutely critical to conduct LCAC training here and at Bellows Air Force Station. With the new national strategy for the Navy and Marine Corps ('...From the Sea,') emphasizing

amphibious operations, Bellows AFS provides us the essential training area we need to conduct an amphibious assault, disembark our Marines and allow the Marine units to maneuver ashore and secure assigned objectives."

Mel Yoshinaga, director, Installations and Logistics, explained station and government officials are working to develop plans to minimize or eliminate any potential adverse impact. For example, LCAC landings would

be confined to specific beach corridors below the vegetation line where possible and special protective matings could be used to buffer offloaded wheeled and tracked vehicles, further limiting any impact.

"We're proposing to use very specific sites for controlled training," Col. Crawford explained. "We are proud of our successful environmental accomplishments here and we want to continue these efforts and also conduct the training vital

to our expeditionary readiness."

The guests' 30-minute LCAC ride demonstrated the maneuverability and speed of the craft. State Sen. Stan Koki, was impressed with the LCAC and its capabilities.

"I think it's a great craft," he said. "And I don't think it destroys the environment and has little impact. We can't be housing Marines here and not expect them to train and remain ready when we need them."

Force

from A-1
the land on the island," Inouye said. "The time may come when some of the land will have to be returned to the civilian community."

Inouye explained that the Joint Land Use Board is expected to make recommendations on the issue within the next two years. The board is comprised of major island constituencies who are studying how lands are now being used. The board will make recommendations on land use when the study is completed.

The senator pointed out that although the military controls large portions of state lands, Kaneohe Bay officials are aware of the scarcity issue.

"The Marines here are aware that land is in short supply," he said. "They see the need for more housing and they are looking at high rise units rather than single family dwellings. Even though the high rises are more expensive, they save land." He pointed out that the high rise housing plan is just one of many ways the military works to preserve

scarce property.

The senator also addressed the perception among some that the military should be reduced even further following the demise of the Soviet Union. "The Soviet threat may have gone away, but other areas remain unstable," he said. "We can't predict what may happen on the Korean peninsula, the unrest in India and Pakistan (and) the Middle East is still a powder keg, (like) the ethnic unrest in Bosnia and Somalia." Senator Inouye said that in many ways, security planning is more difficult now than in the past.

"In the past, we had one potential enemy. That was the Soviet Union," the senator said. "Now we need to plan for many contingencies. We need a force that is flexible, well-disciplined, able to go nearly anywhere and do nearly anything. That sounds like a job description for the Marines," he said.

Senator Inouye's news conference can be seen in its entirety on base cable channel 2. The conference will be aired at several different times during the next few days. Watch channel 2 for a complete schedule.

NCOA

from A-10

"In their most recent effort to help military personnel, NCOA is asking for a 15 percent catch-up pay raise," McGuirk said.

The Dec. 14 issue of Navy Times has more on the NCOA proposal for a catch-up raise.

Many members join NCOA because of all the discounts they are able to get on products and services, especially auto insurance.

"I joined NCOA when I arrived in Hawaii because I was told I would save money on auto insurance," said Cpl. Rusty Smith, a member of NCOA.

NCOA provides a broad

range of consumer protection programs that can help members save money.

The Buying Network (TBN) is one of the programs that members can benefit from. TBN is a telephone shopping service that can save members up to 50 percent on nearly 300,00 brand name items.

Some other services available to members are life insurance, a Champus supplemental health plan, travel service and a motor club and many more.

NCOA continues to help its members even after separation or retirement. Aid is given to members by assisting them with making a successful transition to civilian life.

Each year up to 80,000 military personnel and more than 150 major, local and regional companies, participate in 22 NCOA-sponsored job fairs in the United States,

Germany and the Pacific region.

Additionally, NCOA provides assistance through its association with the Employment Transition Service and its database of employers and separating servicemembers.

NCOA is also active in many programs which aid the morale of military members and their families.

Each year the NCOA scholarship foundation awards 25 new student grants to dependents of its members. In addition to the new grants, NCOA supports 65 students annually on an ongoing basis. The scholarship program is supported by individual and chapter donations and two annual Association-wide fund raisers.

"Recently, a scholarship was given to a local member's dependent," McGuirk said. "It

was a Marine gunnery sergeants wife."

In addition, the NCOA has a new Apprentice Division which is available for personnel in grades E-1 through E-3. Members of the Apprentice Division are not eligible for life and auto insurance discounts but all the other discounts are available.

Whether it be scholarships, discounts or representation of the military, NCOA provides it.

"Most importantly, everything NCOA does is done to help its members," said McGuirk.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of NCOA and/or the Windward chapter should contact McGuirk at 254-4477 or retired Marine SgtMaj. John Turner, the area manager of the Kailua office, at 254-5802.

Band

from A-6

"I missed being with the troops on a daily basis."

While attending the school Bianchi also met his future wife, Kerrie.

She was attending the school and specializes in

woodwind instruments. The Bianchi's are a unique family in that they are both repair technician graduates.

After school, Hawaii was in need of a qualified repairman so he received orders here.

He began work right away, though, and has completed many repairs since. He also was able to get the shop in order.

Bianchi since he has been here has also developed several tools which are helpful in instrument repair.

"Many of the tools that are necessary to work on instruments are difficult to order through catalogs, therefore I have made many of them from scratch," Bianchi said.

The shop, which is located

at Camp H. M. Smith, has more than 500 specialized tools. The walls of the shop are lined with trays of small parts for all the instruments, pipes and wood blocks for dent repairs and a metal lathe.

Bianchi is finally beginning to settle in. Now his desire is to have an apprentice to train and share his knowledge

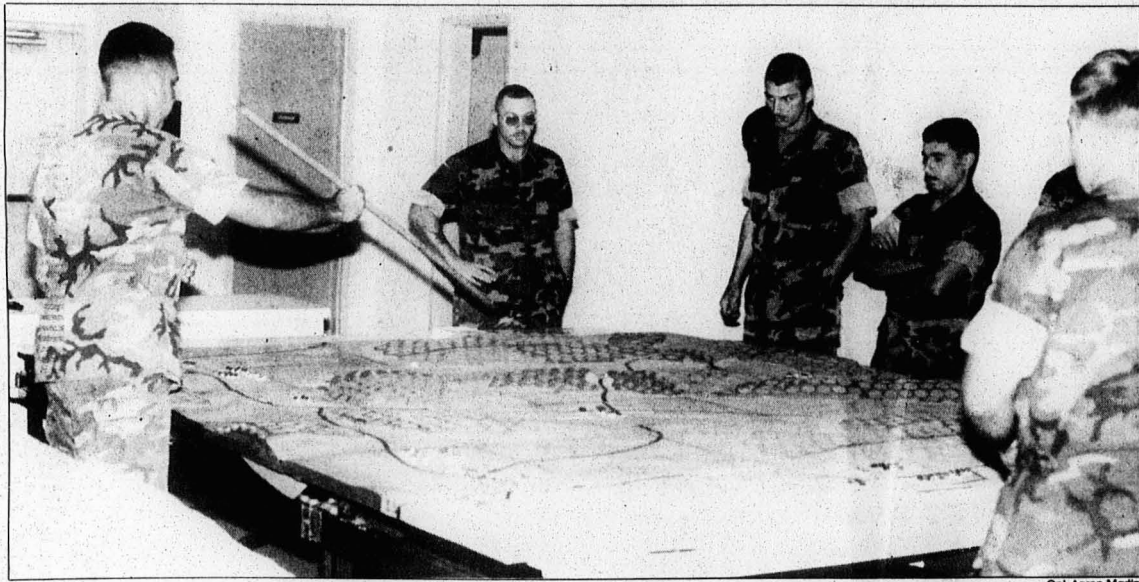
of instrument repair with.

"I get very excited about teaching someone what I have learned. I look forward to passing on the knowledge to other bandsman who are interested in this specialized field," Bianchi stressed.

"SSgt. Bianchi knows his job very well," said GySgt. John Park, enlisted band leader for the Marine Forces

Pacific Band. "He performs his task proficiently and is also a fine example to the troops because of his field knowledge."

With the responsibility of instrument repair on his shoulders, an instrument repairman's job is a continual process. Without good working instruments, the show won't go on.



Cpl. Aaron Martin

Cheers

from A-1

In order to meet the threat, troops continue to pour into the country. Sunday 81 Kaneohe Marines began their journey to the east African country.

As of Monday night, about 12,000 U.S. troops were in the country. There are 2,845 Marines, 7,677 sailors, 175 soldiers and 286 airmen currently in the region. In addition there are 580 military personnel with Joint Task Force Provide Relief and 386 with the combined task force headquarters.

Marines from the I Marine Expeditionary Force, headquartered at Camp Pendleton, are continuing to deploy. An estimated 16,000 Marines and sailors of I MEF will eventually be sent to the country.

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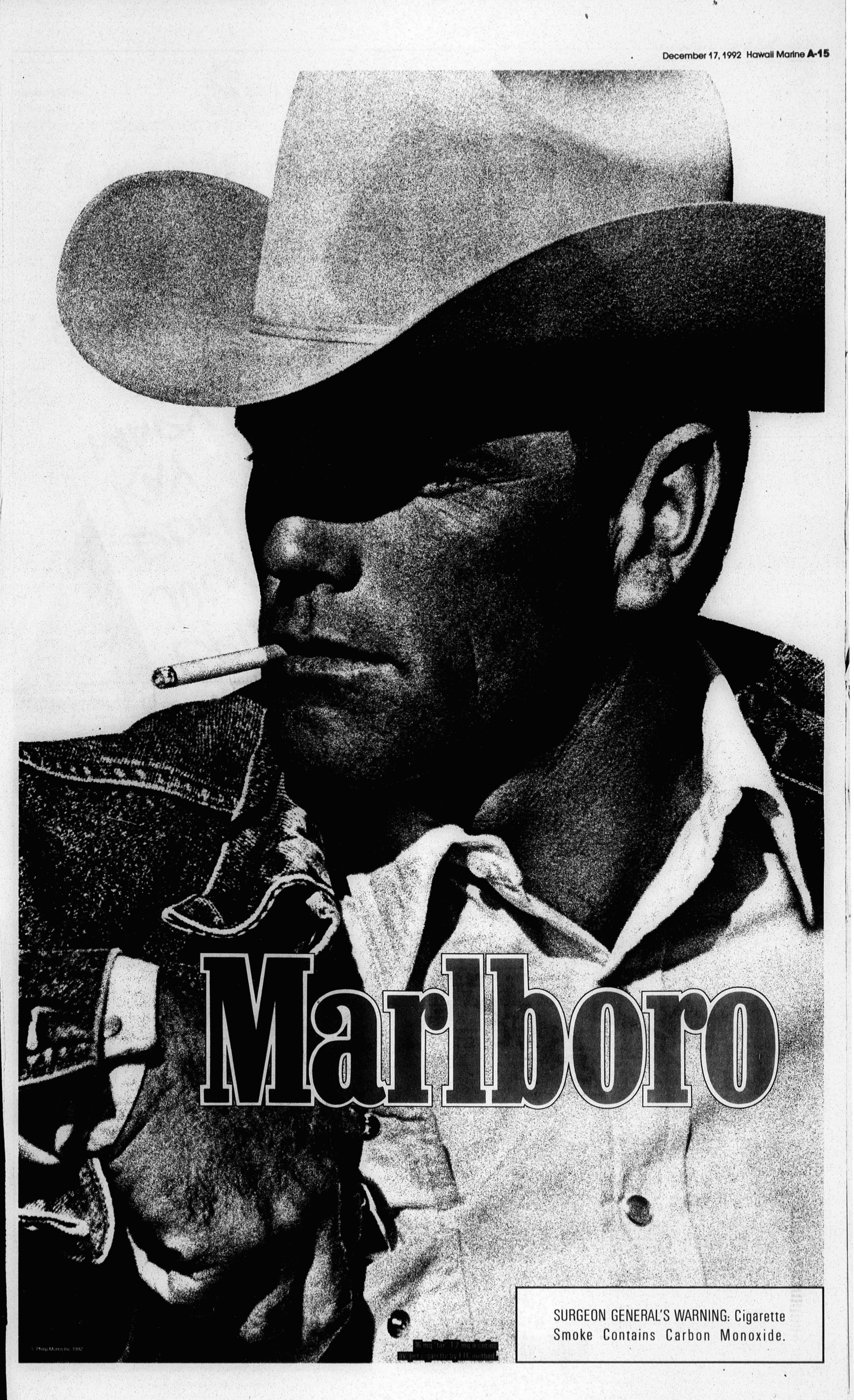
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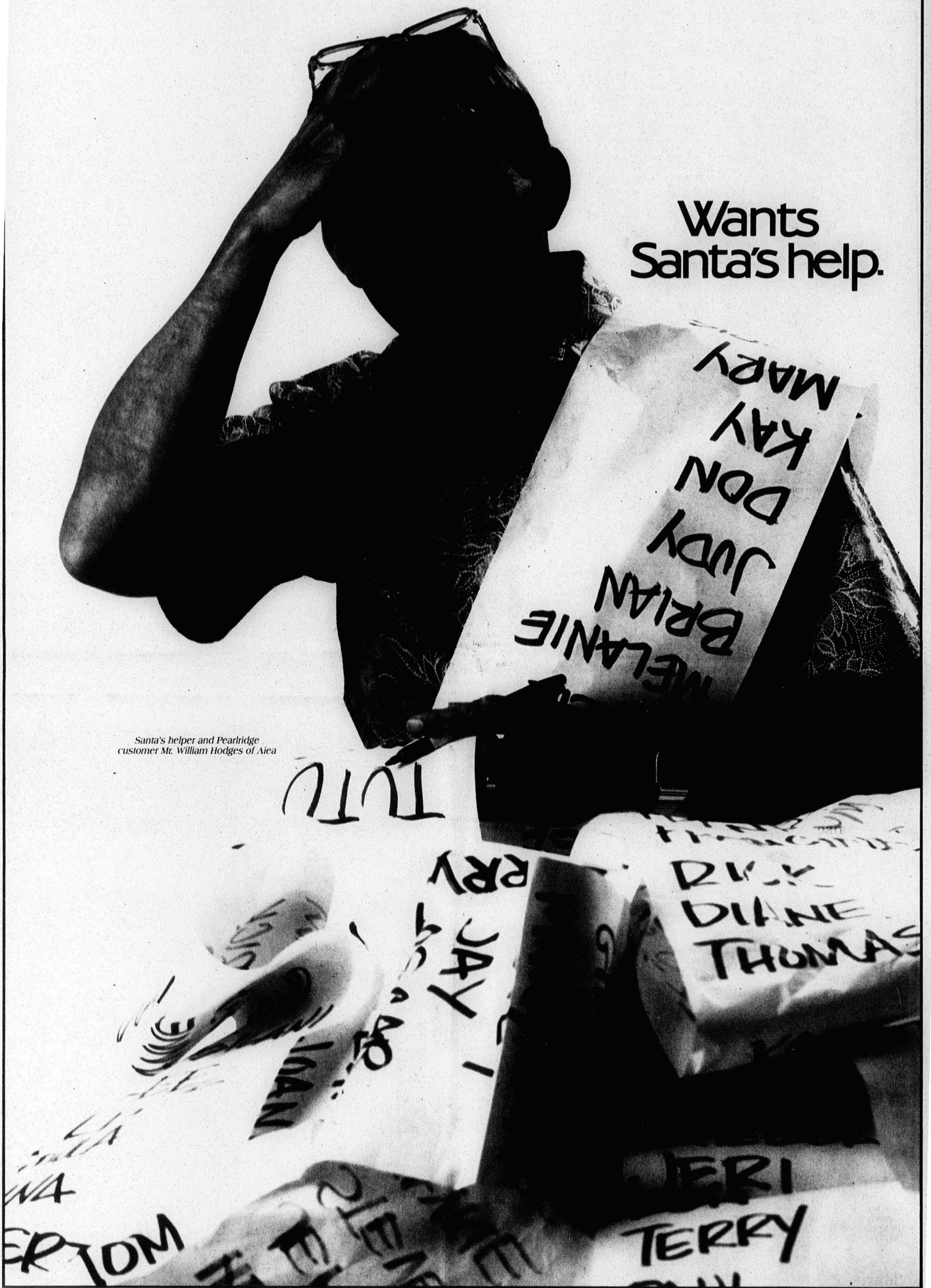
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Volleyball

All active duty women Marines and Navy personnel stationed here are eligible to play on the women's varsity volleyball team. Interested individuals can call the athletic office at 254-2516 or stop by the main gym to sign-up.

10K fun run

The Tropic Lightning Striders will be hosting the Annual Striders Rainbow 10K Run, Saturday, Jan. 9 at 7 a.m. to promote physical fitness. The price is \$4 on race day. No entry form required. Participants will sign-up between 5:45-6:45 a.m. at Stoneman Field, Schofield Barracks. Commemorative medals will be presented to top finishers. For more information, call Jim Tuson at 423-8602 or Steve Kingsley at 624-2443.

Referees wanted

Marine volunteers, who are familiar with basketball rules, are being sought to referee a little league in Kailua. Games are played Saturday mornings. If interested, call Dan at 263-3653.

Aerobics

Semper Fit Aerobics offers morning child care at the Dependent Recreation Center. The cost is \$20 a month for dependents and \$10 for active duty. This includes unlimited aerobics and step classes, beginner to advanced. Classes may be paid for individually at the rate of \$2 for dependents and \$.50 for active duty. For more information, call 254-4157.

Game bird hunting

The annual game bird hunting season is open on the island of Hawaii and continues through Jan. 17, 1993. Hunting days will be Saturday, Sunday and state holidays. All hunters will be required to have a 1992-93 State of Hawaii hunting license and to check in and check out at the hunter checking station for the area to be hunted. Hunter checking stations are located at Kapapala, Puu Waawaa, Kilohana, Puu Huluhulu and the Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) Range Control. Telephone the Division of Forestry and Wildlife in Hilo at 933-4221 or in Honolulu at 587-0166 for further information.

Self defense

There will be a beginning women's self defense course starting January 9. Classes will be Saturdays for four weeks from noon-2 p.m. Enrollment is limited to 20. Future classes will be given for intermediate and advanced women's self defense, but attending the beginner's course is an eligibility criteria. The fee for this event is \$30. Sign up at Dependent Recreation.

Golf tournament

Retired military personnel with established handicaps are invited to play in a series of golf tournaments. Tournaments are scheduled to be held at the Navy-Marine Golf Course, Jan. 8; Kaneohe Marine Corps Golf Course, April 26; Hickam Air Force Base Golf Course, July 9; and Leilehua Army Golf Course, Oct. 22. Check-in time is 11:30 a.m. and shotgun time starts at 12:30 p.m. All military veterans and all adult personnel who are authorized to play at the course will be accepted on a stand-by basis on the date of the tournament at the sign-in table of the golf course. For further information, call 449-9896.

Softball

The women's varsity softball season is right around the corner. Active duty women are being sought to participate in the upcoming season. Point of contact is Cpl. Tracie Brown, 257-7800.

'Marine Team'

Kaneohe Marines are forming a Fleet Marine Force Pacific team to compete in the upcoming Perimeter Run, Feb. 6 & 7. The race course starts and ends at Kapiolani Park, circling 133 miles around the island.

The Pearl Harbor Bike Path 10K Run, scheduled for Jan. 10 at the Lehua Elementary School in Pearl City, will be used as a qualifier and the top eight fastest Marines to finish will be selected to fill a seven-man team with one alternate.

The fee is \$2 and participants can register on race day. For more information, call Keith Johnson at 257-1222.

Marathoners finish strong

By Sgt. Marlon Martin
Staff Writer

Believe it or not, people stampeded the streets of Honolulu Sunday and they didn't come to shop or see the beautiful Christmas decorations. They traveled from all parts of the world to participate in the 20th

Annual Honolulu Marathon, which began at the Ala Moana Mall and 26.2 miles later ended at Kapiolani Park.

The marathon, which attracted nearly 25,000 runners, was said to be the largest Honolulu Marathon - possibly one of the largest in the world. Along with attracting a large

international crowd, it also grabbed the attention of Marine Corps runners.

Danny Pinyerd, 34, was one of the Marines to form a team to compete in the military division. He's not sure how well his team did overall, but he was pleased with his 2:57:50 finish.

Finishing first on his team, this was Pinyerd's fourth time

running the Honolulu Marathon. Considering himself to be a trained and experienced runner, the Crestline, Ohio, native aimed to be smarter on the course this year.

"Running the last five miles is probably the slowest part of the race. Yet, I was still passing people who had started out too fast. I was like that last year. I had a few hot flashes and I'm still sore, but I didn't hurt myself this time. Actually, I feel pretty good," the training chief for Marine Wing Support Squadron-174 said while rubbing his knees.

Unlike Pinyerd, the feeling was indescribable to many runners in the grueling race, such as Benson Masya and Carla Beurskens. Masya repeated his 1991 first-place performance in 2:14:19 and Beurskens captured her sixth title in the female division. Not having run any marathons since 1990, Beurskens surprised the crowd when she finished in 2:32:13.

Masya led the pack of runners, but the Kenyan didn't break the course record of 2:11:43, set by fellow countryman Ibrahim Hussein in 1986. Beurskens came close to breaking her own record of 2:31:01, which she set in 1986.

Jim Tuson was the top local finisher, as well as the first American runner to finish.

Tuson, 31, a technical sergeant in the U.S. Air Force, crossed the finish line at the 2:28:31 mark.

According to race officials, a record 23,515 runners finished in this year's race, 10,000 more than last year's statistics, which recorded 13,038 finishers.

Ideal weather conditions may have had a lot to do with the successful turnout. For more than half of the athletes, it was their first marathon. It was also the first time since 1979 that wheelchair athletes were integrated into the race. Due to concerns of injury, the Honolulu Police Department made the course safer by preventing traffic interference.

"The course was a lot better than the one last year. The weather was great. Because of it, Keith Johnson and I were able to maintain a 6:30-per-mile pace for the first 12 miles," Pinyerd said. "We hung pretty good between miles 13 and 21, but we started losing time. We later dropped to a 6:45-per-mile pace. In this type of race, it is hard to keep a good pace. Even top runners lose their pace."

Johnson was the next member of the Marine team to finish. Although he fell back on the pace around the 21st mile, he finished less than two minutes behind Pinyerd with a 2:59:56 time.



Sgt. Marlon Martin

The 20th Annual Honolulu Marathon, which is one of the largest marathons in the world, hosted nearly 25,000 runners, Sunday. After the race started, marathoners stampeded through the streets of Honolulu on a 26.2 mile long course, which began at the Ala Moana Mall and ended at Kapiolani Park.

LSC robs BSSG in final second

By Sgt. Marlon J. Martin
Staff Writer

Headquarters and Service Company, Brigade Service Support Group-1 screamed in protest claiming they had been robbed in a recent match-up with fellow BSSG team, Landing Support Company.

Headquarters and Service Company complained that time had run off the clock, but the refs saw it differently.

After watching his team score with one second on the clock to put them on top by one, 43-42, and win the game, LSC coach Kenneth Waldhour said, "They did it like it was cool."

Waldhour continued, "The fellows didn't get down on themselves. They never lost their composure and they didn't quit. They kept their heads in the game and did what they needed to do."

Both teams played hard throughout the game and sought to find a weakness in the other's defense. According to guard Bohn Hamilton, the match-up between the two BSSG teams was an 'intergroup rival.'

The H&S Hawks flew into the gymnasium to attack LSC, only to have their wings clipped at the end. They jumped on the scoreboard with a 5-0 lead, but LSC quickly turned the game around with good offensive

rebounding and scoring. They tied the game and then took the lead, 7-5.

Guard Tyrone Thomas led the Hawks' attack early in the first half with back-to-back three-pointers. He renewed their offensive confidence by boosting the lead to six, 13-7.

Nevertheless, the Hawks' dreams of running all over LSC were abruptly shattered. Once again, LSC would form a hasty defense and make a comeback. As a result of crashing the defensive boards, they drew within two points, 15-13.

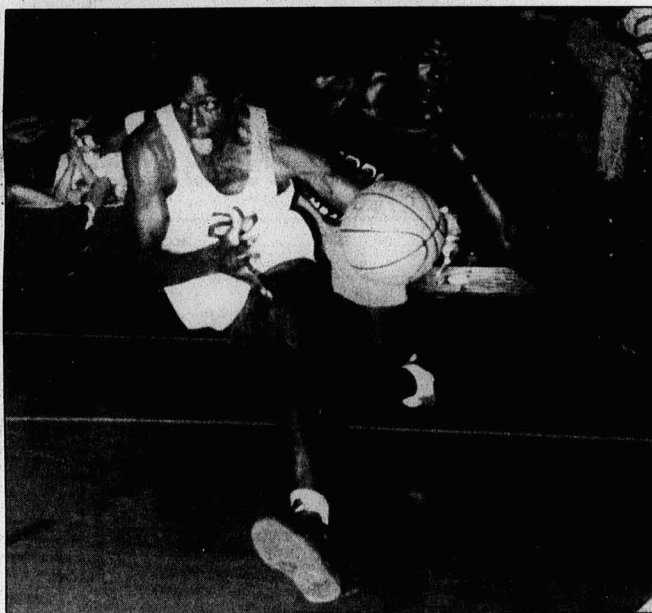
In a valiant effort to motivate his team into scoring, Thomas canned another basket. The four-point H&S lead did not last long, though. A LSC basket and a three-point play by George Fitts put LSC back in charge, 18-17.

Dazzling the fans with quick moves and fancy dribbling, Mac regained the lead for the Hawks with a short jumper from the free throw line. His basket, and a layup by Lee Smith, kept the Hawks up by one-point.

The lead, however, shifted back and forth until Alan Reid got warmed up. He netted six consecutive points to give LSC a three-point lead, 24-21.

When the clock ticked its last second of the first half, LSC was

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Sgt. Marlon Martin

Haven Rucker of the H&S Co., BSSG "Hawks" causes LSC's George Fitts to change his shot. Fitts scored the final basket with one second on the timeclock.

'174 remains undefeated

By Sgt. Marlon Martin
Staff Writer

The Marine Wing Support Squadron-174 hoopsters, winners of the intramural basketball championships last year, are successfully defending their title. They recently maintained an unblemished record, 4-0, by defeating Supply Company, Brigade Service Support Group-1, 58-41.

"Everyone else has something to prove. They want to dethrone us, because we're the defending champs. All we have to do is fight them off," said coach Norris Chappell, who was pleased with his team's win over the BSSG team.

Within the first few minutes of the game, MWSS-174 skyrocketed to a 10-point lead. BSSG had no defense against the wingers' brutal first-half attack. An armory filled with lay-up artists, skilled shooters and three-point specialists enabled '174 to maintain a big lead early in the game.

A basket from guard Jeff Riggins boosted the lead to 16 points, 27-11. Immediately after a foul called against BSSG, the wingers were awarded possession of the 'rock' and a chance to score again. They did.

An inside lay-up by forward Gearon Blevins, who ended the night with 12 points, upped the lead to 18 with 1:39 remaining in the first half.

The MWSS-174 players

continued fine-tuning a scoring drive that wouldn't quit. Their lead gradually increased to 21 when Larry Williams grabbed an offensive rebound, and put it back up for two more MWSS-174 points.

Scoring soon became monotonous for MWSS-174 and time seemed to be jetting off the clock. For BSSG, it couldn't tick fast enough. They trailed the wingers 33-12, going into halftime.

"Everyone was trying to score and they weren't working together," said BSSG coach Darryl Cameron. He spent the entire halftime break discussing a counter-attack. According to him, the main strategy was to calm down and play a good defensive game.

The BSSG team knew what it needed to do, but they were slow in going about it. Meanwhile, the MWSS-174 pistols were still smoking. The players went on a 12-6 scoring run in the opening minutes of the second half, which increased the score to 45-18.

MWSS-174's armory of talented shooters had the game in complete control until turnovers got the best of them. BSSG's defense and offense finally began to come together.

Tired of seeing MWSS-174 continually rack up points on the scoreboard, BSSG guard Marc Ely took charge of the unstable offense. Along with some inside help from Stacey Young and David Riley, BSSG stopped the wingers

from scoring and went on a run of 11 straight points themselves.

Fouls began to take their toll on MWSS-174. Back-to-back three-point plays helped BSSG reduce a 27-point lead to 16 points, leaving the score 45-29.

Riley, who was fouled twice while attempting to shoot, and Young, who crashed the boards down low, sparked the comeback. But the wingers weren't having it.

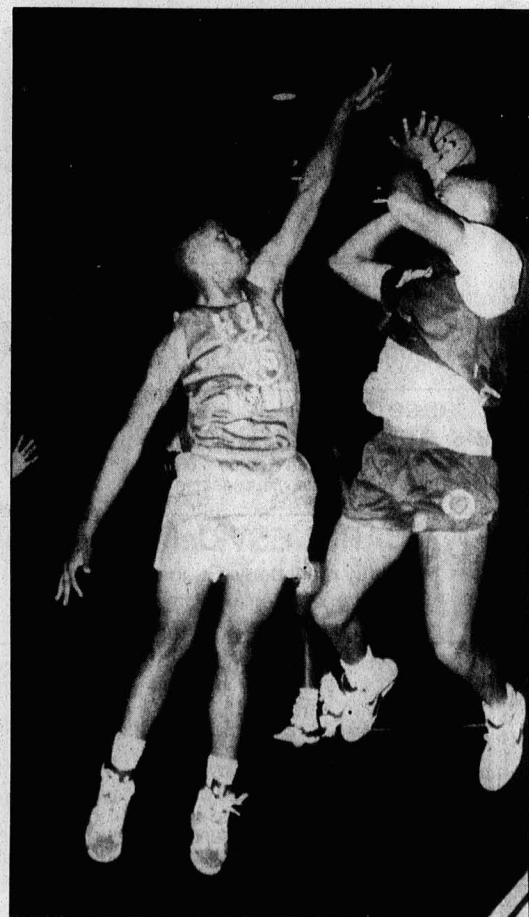
Forward Steve Burton ended '174's dry streak with a quick spin-move to the hole. Unfortunately, he didn't get to see if the ball would go in the basket or not, because Young skyed above the rim to swat the ball down. The basket counted due to a goaltending call against the BSSG center.

Young, upset over the call, frowned at the referee and spoke his mind as he jogged back to the other end. His brief moment of frustration was reflected in his determination to stop '174 from scoring inside the paint again.

MWSS-174 didn't need to shoot inside, though. Equipped with a full roster of skilled shooters, they restarted their offensive and defensive attack.

Simon Brown shook up the BSSG offense with quick hands, causing several BSSG turnovers. Key baskets and a last-minute steal erased thoughts of come back from the minds of BSSG players.

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Sgt. Marlon Martin

Stacey Young attempted to strip Simon Brown of the ball, but he and the Supply BSSG team found themselves to be too slow to keep up with the MWSS-174 pace.

Tripler hospital patients 'in the dog house'

Joint Public Affairs Office

Patient care at Tripler Army Medical Center has gone to the dogs. But the patients aren't complaining. In fact, they're enjoying it immensely.

The Human-Animal Bond (HAB) Program is in its fourth year and its goal is to improve patient health through their interaction with domestic animals.

According to Sally Gale, Tripler pediatric social worker and HAB Program chairperson, the joint cooperative effort between Tripler, the Army Veterinary Service and the American Red

Cross is a huge success. There are presently 10 dogs and one cat in the program.

There are three different aspects of the HAB Program, including pet facilitated therapy, the animal visitation program, and patient pet visits.

Pet-facilitated therapy uses animals in the recovery of human patients and requires a trained therapist, such as a social worker or nurse, to improve patient health by using animals as co-therapists in a planned course of therapy.

The animal visitation program is a visit to a patient for companionship and

distraction. The goal is to improve the attitude of the patient in one visit.

Patient pet visits permit the patient's pet to visit during lengthy hospitalization.

The pets in the program are privately owned and handled by either their owners or volunteers. The owners and their pets visit approximately once a week and can come in contact with as many as 50 patients.

Animals and their handlers must both be certified to become part of the program. Pets must pass a health exam and a veterinarian's evaluation of its temperament to ensure it is not excessively shy,

aggressive or nervous. Animals must be re-certified every six months.

Upon certification, animals receive their own identification badge complete with photo. The Tripler medical and nursing staff also identifies patients who shouldn't be exposed to the animal visits due to fear or allergy problems.

Fourteen-year-old Amy McCrea, a patient from Misawa Air Base, Japan, eagerly awaits her animal visits. Lacy, a golden retriever, is her favorite pet.

"I think its nice of the people who let their pets come to visit," she told Gale during

a recent visit. "I like it when the dogs go to sleep at my feet."

Sandy Anderson and her 5-year-old mixed breed poodle Molly have been involved in the program for about a year visiting pediatrics. A former Army animal care specialist, she believes the program is good.

"Molly craves attention so she's perfect for the program," Anderson said. "Her visits last about 1-2 hours."

During one of Molly's recent visits, kids from all over the ward flocked to see her. Problems temporarily forgotten, all that mattered was their furry friend as she was

smothered in a wave of pats and scratches.

"We use the animals in pediatrics, the maternity ward, the surgical ward and the cancer clinics," she said. "With the patients who like animals, you can tell a definite change in their attitude when they receive a visit."

As shown by the program, the patients benefit by having their spirits lifted by the animal visits and doctors benefit by having happier patients. Perhaps the animals benefit the most of all, being the center of attention and an outpouring of unconditional love.

Improving self-esteem focus of seminar

Joint Public Affairs Office

Station parents attended a seminar at Mokapu Elementary School here Dec. 7 to gain insight on how they and their children's self-esteem can be a deciding factor not only in their individual and family happiness, but in their work productivity as well.

Author Gail S. Dusa explained what self-esteem is at the meeting and what she considers the five building blocks needed to improve children's sense of self-worth. Dusa is also an education and business consultant who has traveled around the world lecturing on the importance of self-esteem.

"Self-esteem is a process, not a product," according to the 20-year veteran of high school teaching. "You can't give children self-esteem but you can help them cultivate their own."

The first building block children need is a sense of security, both physical and emotional. This includes a safe environment and clear rules governing their discipline and responsibilities.

"Some military members want to take the structure and discipline of their job and

apply it at home," said the San Jose, Calif., native. "However, this can stifle growth and not feed it."

Instead, she suggested, set down a number of clear rules to be followed and stick to them. Parents should talk about the consequences or punishments resulting from breaking these rules.

"Kids need a lot of second chances," Dusa said. "You only need to have a few that, if broken, are enough to be 'court-martialed' for."

She gave an example in her own family of such an offense. If any of her children had been caught drinking and driving, their driving privileges, while still living at home, would have been revoked permanently - with no second chance whatsoever.

A problem peculiar to military families is the difference in family rules as applied by the mother and father.

Dusa explained that although Mom may be enforcing certain rules while Dad is away on deployment, these rules often change or stop being enforced when Dad returns.

Dusa warned this can give children a sense of no one

being in control and can even affect their sense of security.

The second step to improving a child's self-esteem is to allow them their own sense of identity. Parents can help begin this process by teaching them pride in their family name. Using a one or two word description that defines what all family members with that last name are empowered with can help create a sense family identity.

Dusa said children are easily influenced by any derogatory names their parents may call them and this can adversely affect their sense of identity.

She suggested when children make mistakes, instead of calling them names, discuss the problem, emphasize that you dislike it and the unpleasant results that can occur if it continues.

For example, Dusa said, if your child lies, don't call them a liar but explain that they can lose the trust of others if they continue to lie.

"We have to accept kids as they are," she said. "We can teach them and discipline them, but they grow in stages. We have to let them develop and treat them according to their own unique needs."

A sense of belonging, Dusa said, is the third building block of healthy self-esteem.

"The single most destructive force human beings face is alienation," she said. "Military families often feel alienated because of their frequent moves."

Parents should first establish in their children a sense of belonging to the family. A sense of belonging to their church, school or military service could be the next stage, followed by the local community, country and then the world.

Dusa gave examples of how military parents could create a sense of belonging in their children, including keeping a number of photos of extended family members in the home to remind kids of their far-away relatives. Keeping in touch with these relatives and friends at former duty stations also enhances a feeling of belonging.

"It's very important for children to be assigned chores that matter to family life," Dusa said. "An allowance could also be given to help them learn about the importance of saving money."

Being asked for input on family decisions can also make a child feel his ideas

and feelings are important.

Setting and achieving goals is the next part of building self-esteem; it creates a sense of purpose. Dusa explained a child's perception of the importance of goals is influenced by their parents.

According to Dusa, only three percent of Americans have written down their goals, another 11 percent have goals and the remaining 86 percent live day-to-day.

"Children need to hear their parent's dreams, how they're trying to achieve them and if they fail," she said. "This way, kids learn goals are important and that failure happens sometimes."

The final building block in self-esteem is a sense of personal competence. This is accomplished by maintaining self-confidence and identifying and accepting strengths and weaknesses.

Parents, Dusa said, sometimes only see the negative traits of their children but should praise their children on their accomplishments also.

"Military families are lucky because they have free counseling services that can help them improve their self-esteem or solve other problems which can affect it," she said.

Dusa warned about the trappings of some self-esteem philosophies that can fail to allow the acceptance of personal responsibility. They can magnify a person's strengths and hide their shortcomings. This, she said, can be just as damaging or ineffective as relentlessly downgrading a person.

'Self esteem is a process not a product.'

Gail S. Dusa
Author

"Media coverage has given kids a 'canned image' of how they should look and feel," Dusa said. "This is bad because it can cause problems if they don't fit that stereotype."

"Today's parents often do too much for their children, instead of letting them learn the hard way sometimes," she said. "They need to keep them away from the big things, like drugs, but allow them to be more self-sufficient. Parents can't be there all the time."



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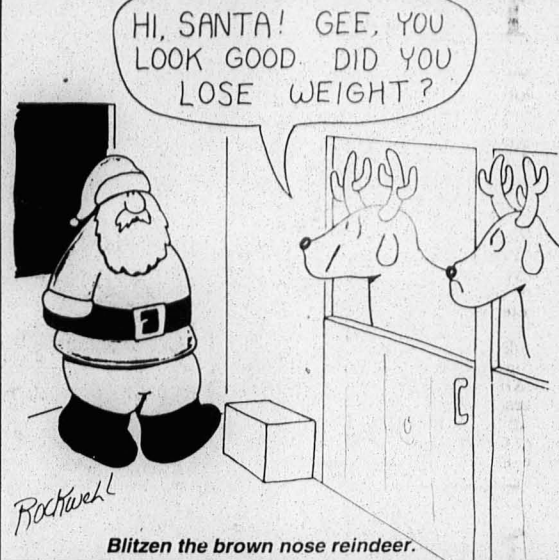
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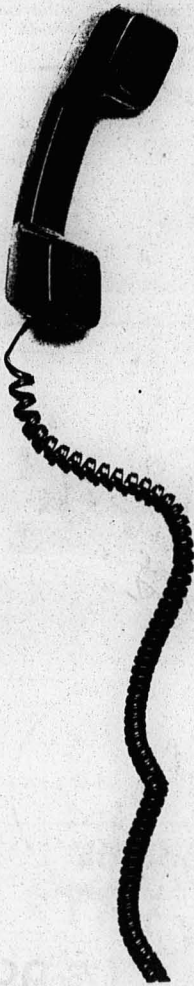
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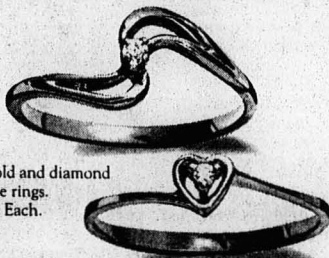
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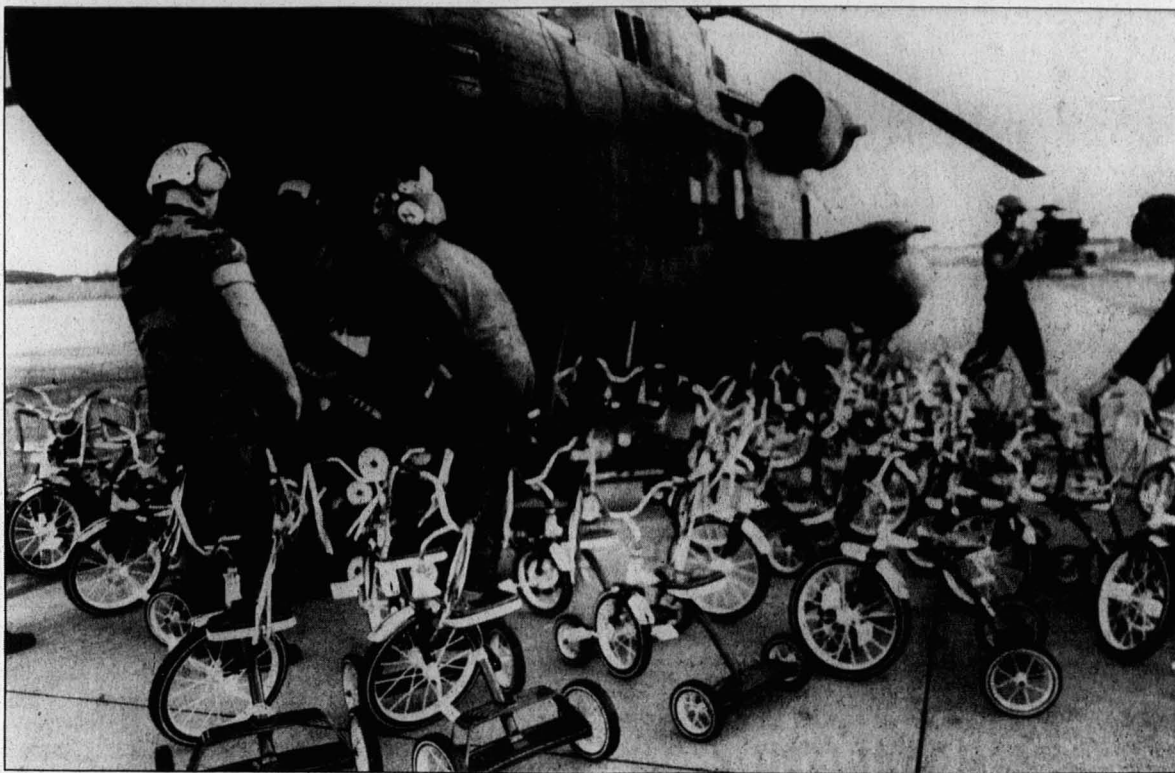
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Toys for Tots drive fulfills Christmas dreams

By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

Only half way through their campaign, Marines from 4th Force Reconnaissance Company have already collected more than 800 toys for the 1992 Toys for Tots Campaign.

Santa delivered three CH-53 helicopter loads to children in

Kauai. The more than 3,000 pounds of assorted toys were flown over Friday by Marines from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron-463.

The majority of the toys flown to Kauai were collected at a benefit party held Dec. 6 by Coopers and Lybrand, a Certified Public Accountant partnership based in Honolulu.

The party generated a large amount of assorted toys

including 100 tricycles and 30 wagons donated by Coopers and Lybrand.

This is just one example of the many events held on behalf of Toys for Tots.

"Many companies and individuals have donated large amounts of Toys," explained GySgt. Mike Morris, 4th Force Recon. Co.

"We have already received requests from the Department

of Mental Health for 7,000 toys and from Parents Anonymous for 13,000 toys," said Petty Officer 1st Class Thomas Jenkins, president of the 1st Class Association. He has requested help from all the military on the other islands because of the overwhelming need created by Hurricane Iniki.

Toys for Tots started in

1945 and has continued to bring Christmas joy to unfortunate children who otherwise would receive little, if anything, at Christmas time.

It has been through the efforts of many people that the campaign has been successful, Morris explained.

"All of our reservists volunteer to help in at least

one event," Morris said. "Helping others is just something that gives everyone a good feeling."

The Family Service Center and the Armed Forces YMCA here are providing drop boxes at the exchange for the Toys for Tots Campaign.

"Toys collected at this location will go to unfortunate children on the Windward side," said Morris.

Celebrating with Mexican flair

By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

The station chapel became an old Mexican city Dec. 12 in celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

A noble Indian, named Juan Diego, awoke at early dawn Dec. 9 1531 to attend mass, which was 15 miles from what is now called Mexico City. The simple Indian farmer was a baptized Christian who was very faithful to his church.

He was walking rapidly next to a hill called "Tepeyac" when suddenly he heard soft music. Looking up he saw a bright cloud with a rainbow surrounding it.

He heard a soft woman's voice talking to him in his own language, which was Nahuatl, and then he saw a beautiful woman. Diego instantly fell to his knees.

The beautiful woman told him "Son, you must know

that I truly am Virgin Mary, mother of our true God."

"And my wish is that on this site a sanctuary be constructed to let everybody know about my love, compassion and protection towards all people."

She told him he must let the bishop know her wish.

That evening a very sad Indian returned to "Tepeyac hill." The bishop had not believed his words and wanted proof of what he was saying.

Juan Diego asked Mary to send someone who was more distinguished amongst the community, someone who would be believed.

Mary then said "I want you and only you to deliver my message."

The next day, after much difficulty, Juan Diego again talked to the bishop. But he was again told he needed proof.

Juan Diego returned to the

hill the next day and Mary told him to come back the next day and she would give him the proof he needed.

The next morning when he returned the virgin told him to cut roses that were growing on the rocks and take them to the bishop.

Juan Diego, doing as he was told, once again went to see the bishop.

As he let the roses fall to the ground the Virgin's image was imprinted on part of his clothing.

The bishop finally believed him and told him that the Virgin's wishes would be carried out.

Mexicans throughout the world continue to celebrate this day and Dec. 12 a mass was held at the station chapel in honor of the event. A reenactment of that day in 1531 was held at the chapel with Sergio Carrasco acting as Juan Diego.

He carried flowers and roses to the altar on a sheet with a drawing of the virgin attached to his clothing.

Attendees dressed in traditional Mexican clothing gathered outside the chapel to sing Spanish religious hymns to the virgin.

Tears were on many of their eyes as memories of home and their traditions seemed so close yet so far away.

"I feel so much emotion just from being here and celebrating our religious heritage," said a misty eyed attendant at the celebration.

Following the reception was a potluck dinner at the 19th Puka.

Guests were able to savor the spicy flavors of Mexico such as Menudo (chitterlings soup), Virria (Mexican barbecue) as well as traditional Mexican rice.



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Rene Vallareal and Antonio Rael hold a picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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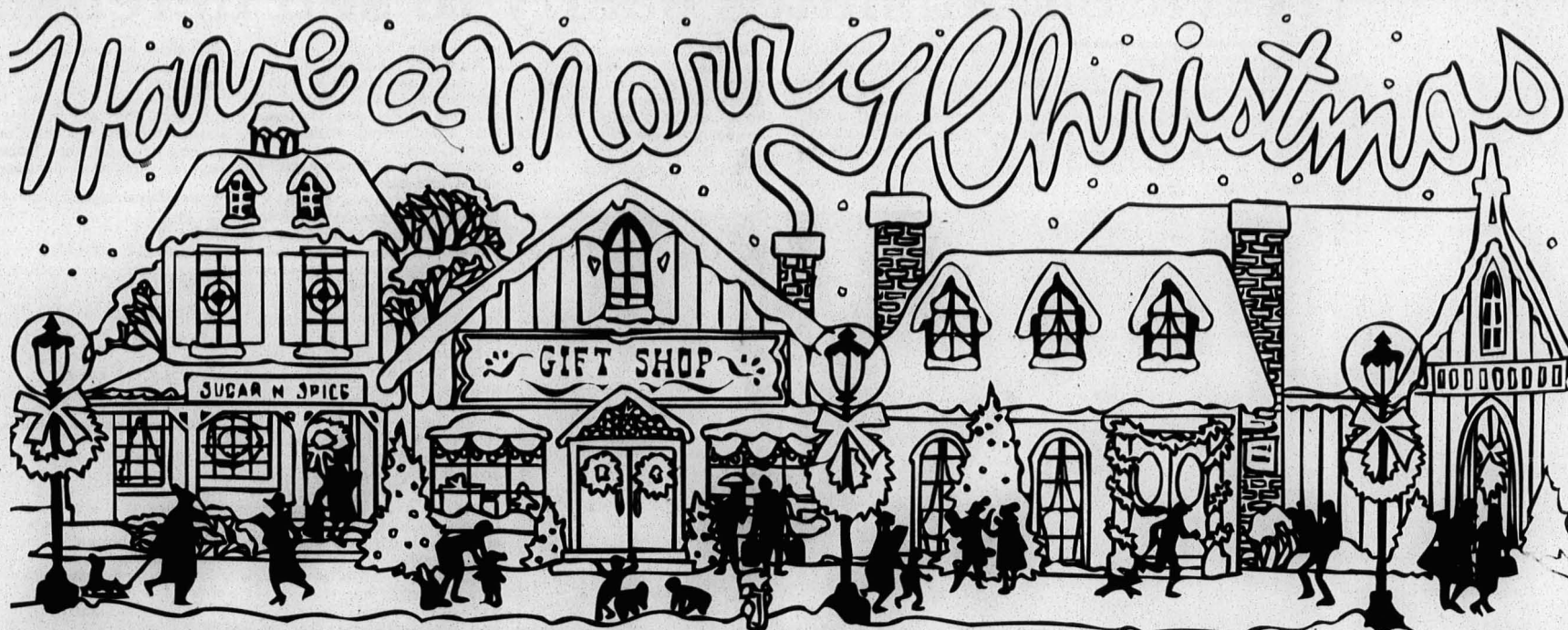
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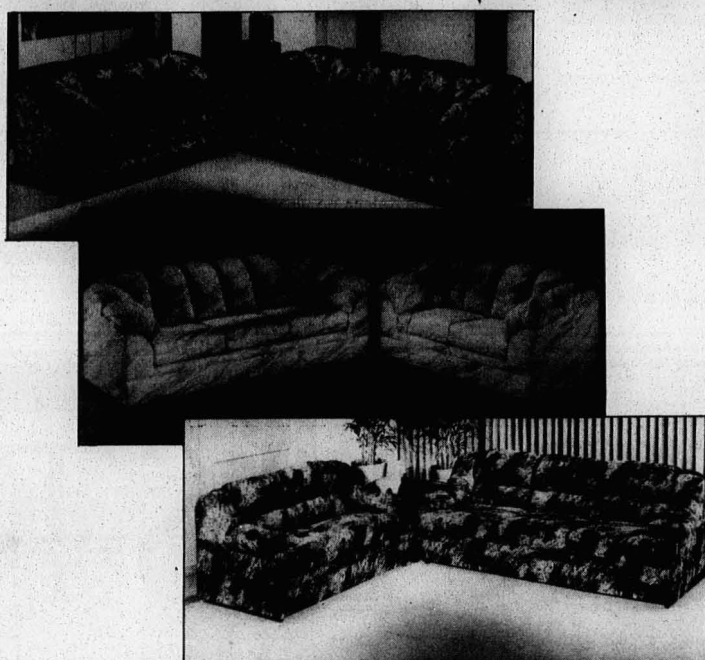
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LSC

from 8-1 LSC was ahead, 27-23. But a four-point lead was not very big, especially with Thomas nailing three-pointers left and right.

Waldhour realized this and told his men to play aggressive and crash the boards. "They took the long shots, which allowed us to grab the long rebounds," he said.

With Reid and Fitts both standing well over six feet, carrying out the coach's strategy was no problem. He wanted them to dominate the boards, take advantage of the fast breaks and drive to the hole more.

The H&S strategy was a little different. Coach Rich Sheffield believed bad positioning on defense was the reason for his team's four-point deficit.

"The guards were making the calls, but the men were out of position," he said. Sheffield wanted his team to build an offensive overload, which would allow players to be open off the screen.

In the second half, the scoring alternated between H&S and LSC. It wasn't until Haven Rucker swished a three-pointer that the Hawks came within striking distance. They cut the four-point lead down to one, but the score remained close, 35-34.

Rucker's three-point shot brought cheers from the crowd, but they got even louder when Christopher Warren regained the Hawks lead again with another three-pointer.

With under two minutes to play and the clock steadily ticking, LSC came back. They regain the lead, 41-39. The excitement built as the crowd watched to see which team would get the last laugh. That is, the last score.

The Hawks bench jumped to their feet when Rucker netted another three-pointer. Time is usually said to "fly by," unfortunately for the Hawks, the last seconds didn't tick as fast as they wanted them to.

LSC had the ball with 33 seconds on the clock. Luther Brooks, who had controlled the offense all night, did what he was supposed to do—fed the ball to one of his big men—Reid or Fitts. He did.

After seeing Fitts set a post down low, Brooks passed him the ball. He couldn't believe it when the Hawks took the ball away from Fitts with only eight seconds remaining. LSC quickly called a timeout.

Upon throwing the ball into play, LSC fought hard to steal the inbound pass. They deflected the inbound pass, but it headed out-of-bounds. Fitts raced in the direction the ball was traveling and made an incredible save. The ball ended up in the hands of Moses Thomas who quickly put up a shot. Thomas missed, but Fitts was there to make the "play of the day."

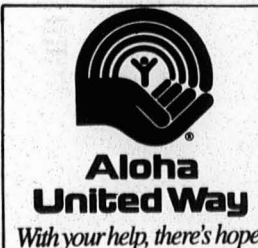
The clock had ticked down to one second when Fitts put the missed shot back into the cylinder to give LSC the win, 43-42. The basket upped LSC's season record to 4-1, while H&S fell to a 2-4 record.

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Karate translates easily to self defense

By Sgt. Marion J. Martin
Staff Writer

As early as the 1600s, martial arts has been recognized as a form of self defense. It is still prevalent in today's society throughout the

world, especially in Hawaii. "Students are attracted to the mixture of cultures Hawaii has to offer. It's the melting pot of a lot of martial arts studies," said Sensei (teacher) Greg Johnson of the Okinawa Shorin-Ryu Kenshin-Kan Karate Kobudo Association.

Known to karate students as the "Home of the Silent Warrior," classes are offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Family Gymnasium year round. A course is available for beginners from 5-6 p.m., advanced from 6-7 p.m. and

adults from 7-8 p.m. According to sensei, "students are taught a solid foundation of the basic kicks, punches, blocks and courtesies that are universal within all martial arts."

Shorin-Ryu is one of the oldest and most renowned forms of Okinawan karate. Kenshin-kan, which means a place to study karate for the essence of human nature and humanities, is only one of its many different styles.

The stances are high and relaxed, not unnatural. Rather than funneling energy into every strike or block, the student attempts to react quickly, maneuver freely and remain flexible.

"The whole idea is to conserve your energy and fight efficiently, not sporadically," sensei said. He added that Shorin-Ryu stances are short and quick, making it easy to adapt to any situation which may call for self defense.

Johnson, a third-degree black belt instructor, has two assistants, senseis Richard and Rialde Poland. Both are first-degree black belt.

Along with instilling discipline and motivation, they help prepare the students for participation in various competitions, such as the International Karate Federation, the Hawaii Karate Congress and other international tournaments.

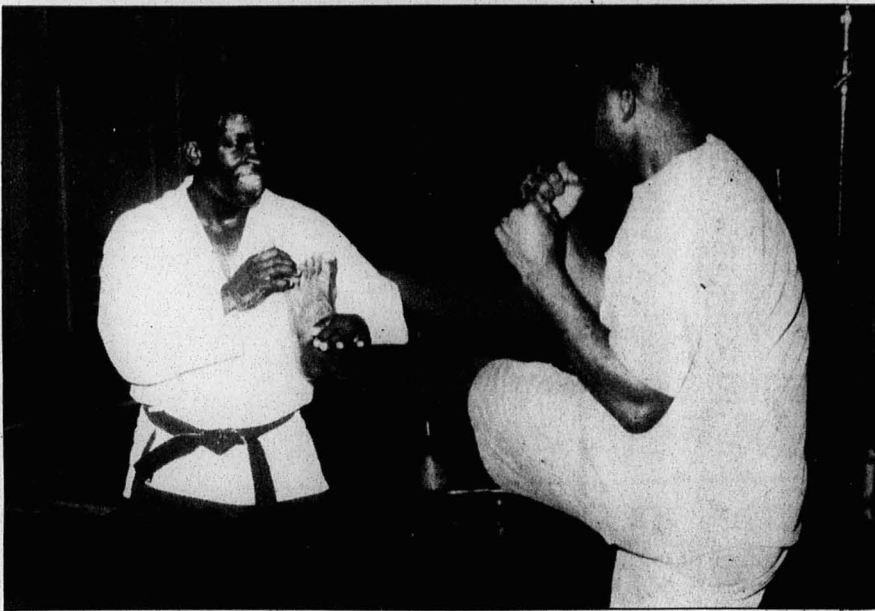
Students spar against other students under the guidance

and strict supervision of Johnson and his two assistants.

"Karate is more or less an individual and self-gratifying sport. Students feel their many tedious hours of hard work pay off when they do their

'One must learn art of healing before the art of destroying.'

Sensei Greg Johnson



Cpt. Marion J. Martin

During a sparring session, sensei Greg Johnson demonstrates to one of his students the technique of blocking an opponent's kick.

'174

from B-1

Riley jacked a few three-pointers in the closing seconds of the game, but it was far too late. Riley

finished with nine points. Ely, BSSG's top scorer, finished with 14.

Although BSSG dropped to a 2-3 season record, they left the wingers with something to think about—a one-handed dunk by Stacey Young.

"They took advantage of my bench," Chappell said, who commented on BSSG's comeback efforts. "Still, we maintained a 10-15 point lead over them."

A 10-15 point lead would be

satisfying to most, but not guard Jeff Ellis. He felt with the amount of talent on the MWSS-174 team, his team should be playing a lot better than they have been.

"We're winning, but we should be blowing these

teams out by at least 20 or 30 points," Ellis said.

If MWSS-174 gets better than they are with more practice, the defending champions will most certainly remain a team to reckon with in the end.

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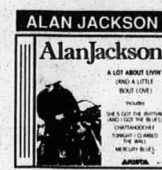
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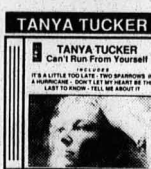
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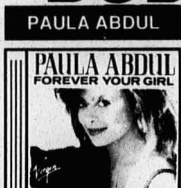


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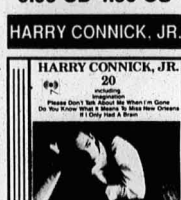
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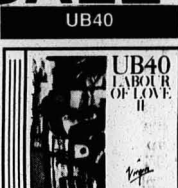
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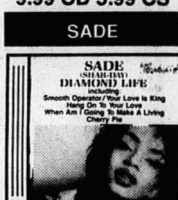
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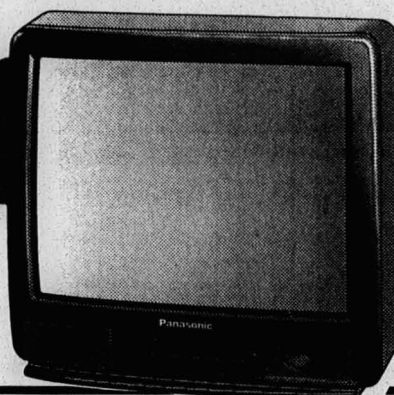
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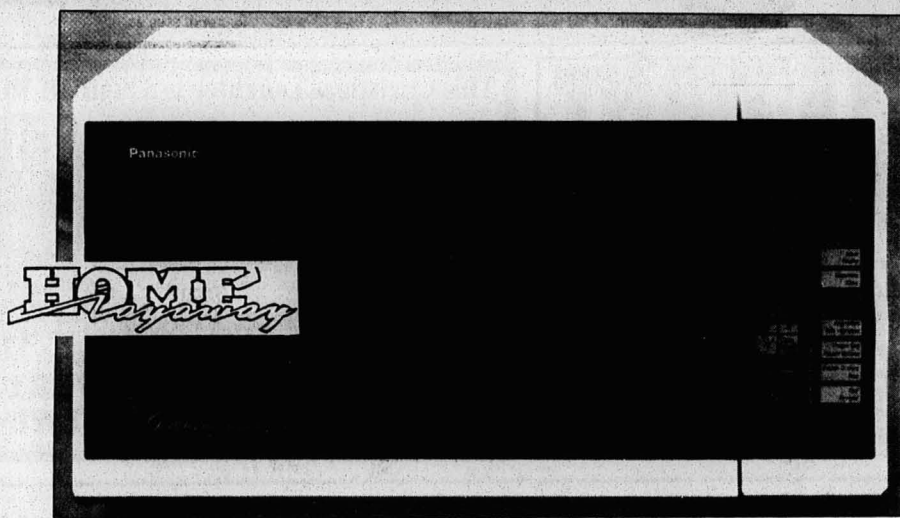


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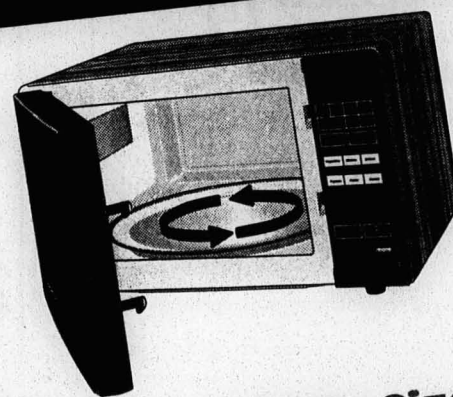
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A dose of Christmas spirit

By Sgt. Lou Ramirez
Staff Writer

The spirit of Christmas is in the air but it was also on the ground here Saturday as Santa and his reindeer touched down at hangar 105.

Station children were able to visit Santa and Rudolph at the fourth annual Santa's Village.

The celebration, sponsored by Subway and Cajun Joes, brought smiles to the faces of hundreds of children.

The hangar was filled with events for children of all ages, from the very young to the very old. Live entertainment by the young girls of Leis gymnastics left everyone amazed at their gymnastic

ability. Of course, the clowns left the crowd rolling in laughter.

In the booths children were able to get involved in the spirit of Christmas. They made Christmas cards, painted Christmas ornaments, colored Christmas pictures and even colored Christmas pictures on themselves.

All these events not only made the children happy, but also made parents happy because everything was free.

One of the booths that children were both attracted to and fearful of, was the one that told them whether they had been naughty or nice. In this booth, children put their hands on a machine and wait for the results. Either the naughty or nice sign

would light up. Children would sigh in relief as the nice sign would light up.

Even though there wasn't any chestnuts roasting over an open fire, the smell of buttery popcorn and juicy hotdogs was enough to make anybody hungry.

While the lines were long to get a picture with Santa or Rudolph, nobody seemed to mind as they patiently waited with smiles on their faces. The free pictures with Santa or Rudolph were provided by GTE Hawaiian Tel.

At the end of the day the children went home reassured Santa now knew what they wanted for Christmas. Now they just had to wait for his appearance again on Christmas Day.

Throwing hoops at reindeer is not some thing done on a regular basis but at Santa's Village patrons were able to practice their aim on Rudolph's antlers.



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Movies

All movies shown at the theater, building 219, begin at 7:15 p.m. unless otherwise noted. For more information, call the theater at 254-2113.

"A River Runs Through It" (Drama — PG; 83 minutes) will play Friday, and Saturday. Robert Redford directs this film as we follow two brothers, one thoughtful and scholarly, the other prone to drinking and gambling. The movie is set in Montana.

"Candy Man" (Horror — R; 61 minutes) will play Sunday and Monday. Virginia Madsen stars in this violent, tension filled story of a hooked-hand killer in Chicago.

No movies Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.



Be alcohol-free New Year's Eve

"First Night Honolulu" has announced the artists and sites for its third annual New Year's Eve culture-and-arts community festival. The mammoth alcohol-free celebration will take place along — and beyond — the route of Honolulu City Lights downtown, from Thomas Square to Chinatown, the afternoon and evening of Dec. 31. "We're inviting all Oahu to come together for a New Year's Eve of great fun and aloha," said Merry Lee Corwin, First Night Honolulu president.

At a recent news conference, a sampling of First Night performers and artists provided a peek at what is in store for the public on New Year's Eve, when the community will be treated to a smorgasboard of 250 performances, featuring 1,000 artists at 75 sites all

across the downtown area. "There will be something for everyone — teens and seniors, singles and couples, kama'ainas, malihinis and people of every ethnic background," said Linda Ryan, First Night executive director. The evening will abound with acrobats, jugglers, clowns, fencers, psychics, poets, storytellers and all manner of talent spread throughout downtown. Music lovers can tap their toes to rock or Bach — plus Hawaiian, gospel, music of the Andes and more. There will be dance from Tahiti, Latin America, the Middle East and lots of places in between. Theater lovers can pick and choose from revues — or musicals, improvisation and other dramatics magic. Artists of every description will dazzle the public with paintings and sculpture in progress,

temporary tattoo art, caricatures, origami and more. Individual events will take place in theaters, storefronts, building lobbies and dozens of unexpected places downtown.

At midnight, a spectacular fireworks display — visible to First Night strollers from the entire length of Bishop Street — will light up the waterfront to ring in the new year. KSSK will broadcast music synchronized to the exploding pyrotechnics.

All First Night events are on a first-come, first-accommodated basis for all First Night button wearers. Each \$5 button opens doors to dance, music, art, theatre, participatory arts and crafts, variety shows, processions, exhibits, clowns, vaudeville, opera, storytelling and other delights. Buttons can be purchased at the ITT office at the exchange complex here.

Briefly

Remedial education

Scholastic Aptitude Test review classes will begin Jan. 9. Classes will be conducted on six consecutive Saturdays from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Classes are open to dependent spouses on a space-available basis.

A reading enhancement class is scheduled to begin Jan. 11. Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 8-11 a.m. for five weeks.

Armed Forces Classification Test review classes will also start Jan. 11 and will be conducted Mondays through Thursdays from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. for five weeks.

Registration for the above classes is being held at the Joint Education Center through Jan. 6. There is no cost for any of these classes.

New Year's festivities

The Hale Koa Hotel is offering three different New Year's Eve spectacles.

Ring out the old and bring in the new at the gala party in the Banyan Tree Showroom. An elegant prime rib dinner will kick off the evening at 7 p.m. followed by dancing until 1 a.m. Cost per person is \$55.95.

Remember old acquaintances at

the New Year's Nostalgia party. The evening begins with a international buffet at 7 p.m. and the fun continues until 1 a.m. Cost is \$49.95 per person.

A Disco, Manhattan-Style will begin at 9 p.m. with a DJ spinning 1992's top 40 hits. There is an \$8 cover charge and doors open at 8 p.m.

For more information on these gala festivities call the Hale Koa Hotel at 955-0555.

Anger management

The Family Service Center is offering an anger management workshop with the emphasis on understanding and accepting responsibility for aggressive behavior and its consequences Jan. 5 from 1-4 p.m. For reservations, call 257-3655.

Parents support group

Do you ever feel the job of parenting is more than you bargained for, or find yourself yelling at your children when you lose patience? A weekly parent's group will meet to discuss self-esteem, anger management with children, marital communication for parents and generations. A children's group will focus on happiness, sadness and personal safety. Both groups meet from 6-8 p.m. at the Family Service

Center. For more information, call 257-3655.

Stress management

Feeling overwhelmed? Maxed out? Learn to handle stress effectively at home and at work, Jan. 20 from 1-4 p.m. Call the Family Service Center at 257-3655 for reservations.

Theatre auditions

Director/choreographer John Ramage is looking for two men and three women for "2 x 5" a musical cabaret set to open Jan. 28 at the Boondocker Theatre here.

The Windward Theatre Guild production requires singer/actors capable of strong solo and ensemble performance. Auditioners should bring sheet music in their key. An accompanist will be provided.

Auditions will be held Friday at the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu, 2500 Pali Highway, at 7 p.m. and Sunday at the Boondocker Theatre. "2 x 5" will be performed Jan. 28 through Feb. 14.

For further information, call 254-1751.

Evening tours of Pearl Harbor

With the holiday spirit in the air, Naval Station Pearl Harbor will provide shuttle boat evening

tours of Pearl Harbor lights Sunday from 7-9 p.m. Tours will originate at the Arizona Memorial Visitor's Center with boats departing at 15 to 20 minute intervals.

Pearl Harbor ships and shore commands will decorate their commands with lighted and unlighted decorations this year. Ships will include dress lights which will be illuminated between sunset and 10 p.m. through Jan. 3.

For more information, call the Pearl Harbor public affairs officer at 471-0281.

Scholarships

Attention graduating seniors. Awa Lau Wahine Officers Wives Club is offering four \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors living in Hawaii.

The applicant must be a dependent of an active duty, active-duty retired or deceased Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard serviceperson.

The scholarship selection is based upon scholastic/vocational aptitude, college test scores, school and community involvement, faculty recommendations and student profile.

To obtain an application form, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Marcia Smith-White, 1308 Tampa Drive, Honolulu, 96819 or Judy Brown, 5618 Dovekie Ave., Ewa Beach, HI 96706.

The deadline for receipt of the completed application form is March 15, 1993.

Christmas Eve luau

Experience the exciting Hale Koa luau Christmas Eve. The beauty and pageantry of Hawaii's most time-honored event begins at 5 p.m. with cocktails, lei-making, coconut frond-weaving and entertainment. For more information call the hotel at 955-0555.

Lamaze class

The ASYMCA is offering a six-week series of lamaze classes. The class instructor was trained by Dr. LaMaze. Sessions are set up based on your baby's projected birth date. Husbands/coaches are included. Classes are held Mondays from 6-8 p.m. For more information, call 254-4719.

Toddler survival skills

A workshop for parents of children 18 months to 3 years will be held Jan. 8 9:30-11 a.m. Playmorning teacher, Kathy Judge, will give tips about typical toddler issues. Inappropriate discipline and blocked communication can frustrate both you and your child. Learn to be a more effective parent. Call the Family Service Center, 257-3655, for reservations.

Circus tickets

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Cold seminar

The Kaneohe Branch Medical Clinic is offering a health maintenance seminar on the "Common Cold." Learn to treat the common cold at home. Cold medications will be prescribed after successful completion of the seminar with refills for six months. No need to make an appointment every time you or your family members have a cold. Classes are offered to groups of six or more. Bring a friend. Call 257-2131 to sign up for the class.

Differences

Increase your self awareness and understand how you related to others Jan. 20 from 8-11:30 a.m. at the Family Service Center. Discover your personality preferences using the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator. Take a look at how you perceive your surroundings, how you make decisions and how you shape your life-style. Call 257-3655 for reservations.

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