

Hawaii Marine



Courtesy photo | Marine Corps Community Services

Seaman Brandon Parran stirs up audience support during the Emcee Maniac contest June 30. He and Kaneohe Bay Marine, Lance Cpl. Isaac Munoz, were among the three winners. Also earning the right to host was Airman First Class Jonathan Leak stationed at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Contest decides BayFest emcees

Christine Cabalo
Photojournalist

Three service members proved they were the hosts with the most, winning the Emcee Maniac contest held by Marine Corps Community Service Hawaii at Kahuna's Enlisted Club June 30.

The winners have earned the prize of meeting and introducing the BayFest Hawaii 2011 bands for each night's performances. Two emcee winners are base service members: Lance Cpl. Isaac Munoz, a calibration technician with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 and Seaman Brandon Parran, a logistics specialist with Patrol Squadron 9. The third winner is Airman First Class Jonathan Leak, a knowledge operations manager from 324th Intelligence Squadron at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Contestants were put through the wringer of challenges, with judges and the Kahuna's crowd weighing in on their performances. After registering for the contest, Munoz said he relied on his natural speaking talent.

"The contest was at the back of my mind besides doing my other duties, so I didn't have too much preparation," Munoz said. "The other guys were awesome and came guns loaded."

When filling out his application, Munoz made sure he wrote "winning" in the comments section as a message to judges. They liked his sense of humor and his enunciation, especially with Hawaiian words.

He'll be introducing Friday night's acts, the Marine Forces Pacific Band and long-time Hawaiian musicians Cecilio and Kapono. Although he's never seen the Hawaiian musicians in person, Munoz said he's eager to hear them live in concert. He was also surprised to hear the MarForPac Band performs pop music in addition to the ceremonial songs they're known for.

"I definitely want to hear them play 'Beat It,'" he said. "And it'd be interesting to see how they play the song 'Poker Face.'"

For Saturday's show, Leak was the winning contestant to introduce Hoobastank and Puddle of Mudd. He said he's promising BayFest attendees a good time during the whole concert.

"I'm really looking forward to interacting with the crowd in between the acts," Leak said. "I'm ready to keep the crowd hyped for the next act and keeping their energy up."

Leak, has toured in Dallas and

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Cpl. Danny Woodall | Hawaii Marine

Marines and sailors with Combat Logistics Battalion 3 held a ceremony aboard base June 30 to recognize their recent deployment to Afghanistan and award Purple Hearts to personnel who sustained injuries during operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. During the ceremony, CLB-3 also recognized the three-year anniversary of their establishment as a logistics battalion.

CLB-3 recognizes battalions' legacy, honors wounded

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Combat Correspondent

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of their establishment as a logistics battalion. CLB-3 remains the youngest logistics battalion in the Marine Corps.

Since June 2008, CLB-3 has deployed

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Cpl. Colby W. Brown | Regimental Combat Team 1

Lava Dogs empower local Afghan soldiers

GARMSIR DISTRICT, Helmand province, Afghanistan — Sgt. Nathaniel McGinness sights in on suspicious activity during a security patrol here, July 1. McGinness, from Omaha, Neb., is the squad leader of 2nd Squad. The partnership between the Marines of 2nd Squad, Weapons Platoon, Alpha Company, and their Afghan brothers-in-arms set the example for the rest of the infantry squads in 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment. The ANA soldiers partnered with 2nd Squad have taken on independent responsibility of the operations in their area to include sweeping for improvised explosive devices and taking part in the planning of the patrols in the area. Read more on page A-4.

Marines fuel dreams for Special Olympics

Kristen Wong
Photojournalist

More than 20 Marines volunteered for Special Olympics Hawaii's sixth annual Fueling Dreams fundraiser July 1.

Each day, from June 27 to July 1, Special Olympics Hawaii chose two undisclosed Tesoro gas stations statewide, offering all grades of gasoline at the same price.

At the Palama Street Tesoro station, Special Olympics staff, members of local law enforcement, community volunteers and the Marines washed windows, pumped gas, and collected money from passersby and drivers on the streets nearby.

This year, 450 community volunteers raised more than \$29,000. Part of the Fueling Dreams campaign also included a competition among Tesoro station employees, who spent a month gathering \$1 donations from customers, and raised more than \$20,000.

According to Nancy Bottelo, the chief executive officer of Special Olympics Hawaii, the campaign was organized differently than last year. While last year the volunteers worked at nine different gas stations for two days, this year, the



Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine

Sgt. Darryl Webb, deployments noncommissioned officer in charge, Installation Personnel Administration Center, waves a Special Olympics Hawaii flag, encouraging drivers to donate to the organization July 1.

volunteers and staff worked at two to three stations a day for more days.

"It was probably harder for the [Special Olympics] staff," Bottelo said. "[But] we're willing to do it."

Bottelo said by spreading out the days, it gave people the opportunity to volunteer for multiple days.

Lance Cpl. Jonathan Jeffries, deployments clerk for the base Installation Personnel Administration Center, and his wife recruited volunteers for the event. Jeffries, of Wake Forest, N.C., spent the morning approaching gas station customers, encouraging them to enter a prize drawing for a small donation.

Jeffries has volunteered in at least eight Special Olympics Hawaii events since last year. He said he likes being able to interact with the athletes, and accepted the organization's offer to be a volunteer coordinator.

"It really brightens their day," Jeffries said of the athletes' response to the volunteers. "It helps boost their morale and have a better time while they're out there."

Jeffries recruited Sgt. Darryl Webb, deployments noncommissioned officer

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Saturday

High — 84
Low — 73

Sunday

High — 83
Low — 75

NEWS BRIEFS

New stars authorized for ICM/ACM

The Defense Department last week announced new phases for the Iraq and Afghanistan Campaign Medals.

The ICM now includes New Dawn from Sept. 1, 2010 until TBD, and the ACM includes Consolidation III from Dec. 1, 2010 until TBD.

See your unit administration section for details.

Free shuttle for active duty service members to Waikiki

Every Friday and Saturday night the base provides a free shuttle from Kahuna's to Fort DeRussy. This shuttle is open to every active duty service member aboard MCB Hawaii.

The following schedule will be followed and published:

8 p.m. - Depart E-Club
8:45 p.m. - Arrive/Depart Fort DeRussy
Midnight - Depart E-Club
12:45 a.m. - Arrive/Depart Fort DeRussy
3 a.m. - Arrive Fort DeRussy

Pacific War Memorial

The Pacific War Memorial located at the front gate is a scale copy of the National Iwo Jima Memorial in Newington, CT near Washington DC. This memorial depicts a moment in time - the flag raising atop Mt. Suribachi on February 23, 1945.

In addition to the above, our Memorial is encircled by a "Walkway of Honor" containing inscribed bricks made possible by donations provided by various individuals in support of this fine tradition.

All hands are encouraged to take time from their busy schedule, stop by the Memorial as you pass thru the gate and enjoy a reflective moment at MCBH's most beautiful site. Additional information can be found at <http://www.pacificwarmemorial.org>.

Road closure update (July 1 to August 5)

There will be a 24-hour partial closure of 3rd Street until Friday, Aug. 5.

The outbound lane of 3rd Street will be completely closed from "F" Street to the "E" Street intersection. Vehicles will be required to use the remaining two lanes for ingress/egress which will be clearly coned and signed.

ALL LANES WILL BE OPEN FOR THE BAYFEST WEEKEND. This will be the first of three phases of 3rd Street closures during which time 3rd Street from "E" Street to "G" Street will be completely reconstructed. For more information call Philip Lum at 257-6900.

Volunteer for BayFest

Be a part of BayFest 2011 by becoming a volunteer! Various shifts are available July 15-17. Military and civilian volunteers are essential to the success of this three-day event.

Opportunities are available in Retail, ticketing, food and beverage, marketing, contest support, or ID and entrance and exit gate control points. Volunteers receive free admission to the general BayFest attractions, t-shirt, meal coupons and more!

Drivers, please contact the Single Marine and Sailor Program at 254-7593. All other volunteers contact Marine and Family Services at 257-7787 or 257-7790.

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Child Protective Service	832-5300
Fraud, Waste, Abuse & EEO	257-8852
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BASE EMPLOYEE'S PAINTINGS FEATURED IN LOCAL ART EXHIBIT

Kristen Wong

Photojournalist

The artwork of one of the base's own civilian employees is currently on display at the Academy Art Center from now until July 31.

Roberto Katekaru, the program manager of the Exceptional Family Member Program, submitted two of his paintings and one of his daughter's charcoal drawings to "The Mind's Eye: Breaking Barriers" exhibition.

"I'm tickled pink that they selected it," Katekaru said with a smile.

This is the eighth year for the juried exhibition, which is sponsored by Vision, Strength, and Artistic access Hawaii and the Adult Mental Health Division of the University of Hawaii Center on Disability studies. Katekaru, 61, and his daughter were selected and featured as part of an exhibit of 30 local artists.

While this was the first art competition Katekaru has entered, his daughter has had her work featured in multiple art shows in the local community, and has handmade jewelry.

"We applaud this important show of work by artists with and without disabilities willing to use their art to dispel negativity to end discrimination against people with mental illness," said Jim Mihalke, VSA Hawaii president of the board in a recent press release.

The exhibit also showcases people who are affected in one way or another by mental illness.

"Art provides for confidence building and an outlet for healthy minds," writes Katekaru about his thoughts on art and its purpose. "People with disabilities who indulge in the arts give themselves a booster of self esteem."

He said he once started a painting of a sea turtle when he met a military spouse in EFMP with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. Though she was skilled in art, she had stopped painting. Katekaru

gave her the unfinished canvas of the sea turtle, and encouraged her to finish.

"She seemed to be very excited," Katekaru said. "It's coming along very well."

As a child, Katekaru, a Honolulu native, said he sketched animals. He took art classes during high school and college, and has dabbled in other mediums such as jewelry making and photography.

Also a former Navy lieutenant commander, Katekaru was inspired to paint his two acrylic entries, "Parco Lago Allocca Villa Numero 4," and "Singaporean Koi," while stationed abroad. He prefers acrylics because the paint dries fast.

While Katekaru worked in the U.S. Embassy in Singapore, he was inspired and fascinated by the Asian belief that koi fish are good luck and Singapore's numerous tropical fish expos and goldfish and koi farms. After taking a photograph of swimming koi, Katekaru spent a few months recreating it on canvas.

When he was stationed in Naples, Italy, Katekaru worked as the executive officer for Navy Personnel Support Activity Europe. He and his family lived in a six-bedroom villa in Italy. During his last year in Italy, Katekaru was inspired to paint the view of his villa from across the lake. He took photographs and made sketches of the house, and painted the villa.

Katekaru said he has painted about a dozen pieces over his lifetime, and finds it a relaxing hobby. But unlike other artists, Katekaru does not wish to sell them.

"It's more of a memoir of my life," Katekaru said. "[It's] something to pass down to the children."

Though he currently does not have enough time to paint, Katekaru plans to take up his hobby again when he retires.

An artist's reception will be held tonight at 5:30 p.m. at the Academy Art Center, and is open to the public. For more information about the exhibition, call Kathleen O'Bryan, at 469-6651.

KOREA VETS TAKE PART IN JULY 4TH PARADE



Photo by 2nd Lt. Diann M. Olson | Hawaii Marine

Members of the Korean War Veterans Association Hawaii Chapter (Number 1) wait in a 7-ton truck prior to the Kailua Independence Day Parade, July 4. Korean War veterans, Vietnam veterans, veterans of foreign wars and members of the Marine Corps League's Aloha Detachment marched or rode in 7-ton trucks provided by Combat Logistics Battalion 3.

COMMENTARY: Female PFT changes raise bar, eyebrows

Gunnery Sgt. Monica Y. Morgan

Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24

Here we are, once again, with another change to female regulations. First it was the miles ran in a physical fitness test, followed by a change to female grooming standards (with an attempt to try to change our ability to wear makeup) then they changed our vinyl cover and now they're looking into changing the female PFT again from the flexed arm hang to pull ups. What's next?

If we look around our institution, there's no doubt a few select females can do pull ups, some more than our male counterparts. There are females who can do at least the minimum required pull-ups for males without even training for it, while there are some men who cannot, and vice versa for males with respect to the flexed arm hang. But does it make it right to change our regulations simply because some people think that it's not a "true test of strength." I think that all depends on whom you ask.

In my opinion, if it weren't a true test of strength, anyone would be able to get on the bar and attain the maximum score every time. However, this is not the case. Just the same with males, there are some who can get on the bar and knock out 20 pull-ups with no problem, and there are some who struggle to reach the minimum requirement.

The same is true for females. There are some who can get on the bar and max their hang every time, and there are some who cannot. Does this mean that pull-ups are not a true test of strength also? If we want to talk about what's fair and unfair, maybe we should consider not looking at this from a one-sided perspective.

We as females can and will adjust to whatever change comes our way but instead of changing this

standard to be "fair" by forcing females to do pull-ups, there's an alternative. I believe the standard can be changed so female hang times no longer continue once their chin drops below the bar, forcing them to use more strength and remain above. That in itself is not an easy task, and can suffice for change if the institution is looking for something more "fair."

I performed duties as a drill instructor from 2006 to 2009. Prior to going to Parris Island, I conditioned my body to do pull-ups. In training to accomplish this, my body physique completely changed, causing me to become very broad and muscular in my back and shoulder area, taking away much of my feminine appearance. There are some females who can perform pull ups and not have this happen to them, but women with naturally muscular genetic makeup, will begin to look more physically like that of a male.

A majority of us joined the military to do great things for our country, and we do this each and every day we put on this uniform. However, we continue to have to prove ourselves in every facet of our career. It's really humorous to me for individuals to look at female PFT and combat fitness test scoring standards and say it's unfair, and things should be "equal."

Ask a male grunt if they are ready to stand next to a female and fight on the battlefield? Most would say no, they want equality but at the double standard rate. I've been in the Marine Corps for over 15 years and for those females that have stuck around for as long as I have know that if we plan to retire we will have to adapt and overcome to the change. That's just what we do and we excel no matter what the cause. The current system is not broken. Could it be tweaked and fine tuned a bit? Yes. But a complete change does not need to take place in order to show a "true test of strength" for our females Marines.

AROUND THE CORPS

13th MEU Marine receives Silver Star on nation's birthday

Capt. Bradlee Avots

13th Marine Expeditionary Unit

GULF OF ADEN — Sgt. Franklin M. Simmons, Force Reconnaissance Platoon, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, was awarded a Silver Star Medal Monday.

Simmons received the award during a ceremony in the hangar bay aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Boxer. He was awarded the Silver Star for heroic actions during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

On August 8, 2008, while serving as the team leader for Force Reconnaissance Platoon, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, Simmons' platoon was ambushed by enemy fighters.

The intense enemy machine gun and rocket propelled grenade fire disabled a vehicle leaving

Simmons' fellow Marines in the "kill zone" of the ambush.

Without regard for his personal safety, he exposed himself to enemy machine gun and rocket propelled grenade fire, crawled to a nearby berm and opened fire, killing 18 enemy fighters and wounding two more. Simmons' actions were critical in saving the lives of his fellow Marines.

The Silver Star is the third highest military decoration that can be awarded to a member of any branch of the United States armed forces for valor in the face of the enemy.

Simmons is currently deployed with the 13th MEU with the Boxer Amphibious Ready Group as the Central Command Theatre Reserve Force, also providing maritime security operations and theatre security cooperation efforts in the U.S. 5th Fleet Area of Responsibility.



Gunnery Sgt. David G. Smith | 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit

Col. David W. Coffman, commanding officer, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, pins a Silver Star onto Sgt. Franklin M. Simmons, Force Reconnaissance Platoon, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, during a ceremony held in the hangar bay of amphibious assault ship USS Boxer Monday.

Afghan soldiers and Marines rescue bus survivors

1st Lt. Timothy Irish

Regimental Combat Team 8

PATROL BASE DEH MEZONG, Afghanistan — Patrol Base Deh Mezong, in the district of Khash Rud, became a mass casualty triage and treatment facility after a bus full of Afghan civilians struck an improvised explosive device June 30.

Afghan Medics worked hand in hand with U.S. Navy medical providers to treat the steady stream of injured civilians delivered to the base.

A convoy from the Afghan National Army, the 6th Kandak, 2nd Brigade, 215th Corps, was driving on Route 606 when they struck an IED. A bus, traveling the other direction, attempted to drive around the stopped convoy. Afghan soldiers signaled the bus to stop but it continued on triggering another IED.

A quick reaction force of ANA and Marine vehicles, the Marines are part of an advisor team partnered with the 6th Kandak, was dispatched to the scene of the accident once word came back from the convoy.

ANA ambulances and pickup trucks began returning from the bus with the injured moments before the quick reaction force left the small patrol base.

"I didn't know whether there would be more casualties on the site with the

bus or more casualties that had been brought to us," said Capt. Richard Porter, commander of the 6th Kandak Advisor Team, referring to his decision to split up his medical providers.

"As it turned out, more casualties had already been brought to us, so it was all up to an ANA medic, one corpsman, and a bunch of Afghan soldiers and Marines to triage, treat and evacuate [the wounded] to the landing zone."

Yar Mohammed Shinwary, the ANA 6th Kandak commander, stayed at the scene and led the effort to rescue as many survivors as possible, loading them into his trucks after the ambulances were full. He returned to the base with the second wave of casualties.

The two commanders worked with what they had to save as many lives as possible. The Afghan commander worked to pull survivors from the bus while the Marine commander led the triage efforts at the base.

"The ANA medic was working on the people who were injured while the U.S. Navy corpsman was triaging and treating as he could," said Porter, describing the patrol base triage facility. "The ANA soldiers were good about moving people around on stretchers. They were moving quick, getting everyone moved to where they needed to be. The ANA non-commissioned



Photo courtesy of Capt. Richard Porter

A Black Hawk helicopter lands to medically evacuate survivors from a bus that hit an improvised explosive device June 30th.

officers were keeping people out who didn't need to be there."

ANA soldiers sprinted from the triage tents to an open field to secure a landing zone for the medical evacuation flights. U.S. Army Blackhawk helicopters, from nearby "Dustoff" units on Camp Bastion and Forward Operating Base Delaram II, arrived evacuating seven critically wounded civilians with the first flight.

"After we loaded up the first flight, we put seven urgent casualties into it and they took off. Then the second flight started to come in, and we had three that were going to go on to it.

One of them died. CPR was ineffective."

Porter reflected that his Marines would not have been able to complete the rescue by themselves.

"If it hadn't been for [the ANA], we wouldn't have been able to get the injured up to the triage center because they had ambulances and we didn't. They also provided enough muscle for us to move all of the injured. They had more stretcher bearers than we did, and they provided the bulk of the security."

Thirteen bus passengers died from the initial blast and more than 10 were wounded and treated by Afghan National Security Forces.

Horse riding program named after Marine Corps legend

Cpl. Damien Gutierrez

Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — The legacy and tradition of one Camp Pendleton Marine who changed the lives of hundreds of wounded veterans was given new life at the place where it all began.

A new Semper Fi Fund program alongside Camp Pendleton's Stepp Stables kicked off the new Jinx McCain Warrior Riding Program with a dedication ceremony, June 22.

The riding program was dedicated in memory of retired Col. Jinx McCain, who passed away May 3, 2003. While stationed at Camp Pendleton in the early 1960s, Jinx would host trail rides for the amputees from Vietnam to help rehabilitate the spirits of those returning home with combat injuries.

To begin the ceremony, a presentation by the Marine Corps' Mounted Color Guard from Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow, Calif., was performed for attendees.

Jinx McCain's daughter, Debbie McCain, began the evening's ceremony by speaking about her father's distinguished military career and shared stories of his triumphs and dedication during his time in and out of the Corps.

McCain was a four-time Purple Heart recipient from Iwo Jima, Korea and the Vietnam War.

"I have so much to be proud of my father for, not just because of his military career and the things he did but for simply just being a dad," said Debbie McCain, who currently works at the Stepp Stables. "This is a



Cpl. Damien Gutierrez | Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton

The Marine Corps' Mounted Color Guard from Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow, Calif., passes by attendees at the Jinx McCain Warrior Riding Program dedication ceremony, June 22, at Camp Pendleton's Stepp Stables. The riding program is being dedicated in memory of retired Col. Jinx McCain on behalf of the Semper Fi Fund. McCain was a four-time Purple Heart recipient from Iwo Jima, Korea and the Vietnam War.

great honor that has been bestowed upon my father from this wonderful group of men and women that ride here at Pendleton and Team Semper Fi."

Team Semper Fi, whose motto is "Recovery Through Sport," is a rehabilitative sports program offered by the Semper Fi Fund comprised of more than 200

injured service members who compete in athletic events throughout the U.S. The team is made up of Marines who have suffered a combat-related injury and refused to let their disability prevent them from doing what they do best — compete.

Col. John Mayer, commanding officer, Wounded Warrior Regiment and Karen Gunther, founder and president of the Semper Fi Fund where also in attendance to welcome in the new riding program.

"The Semper Fi Fund is honored and privileged to have this moment to name this great program after such a legend," said Gunther. "We have a lot of work to do, and have a lot of wonderful people to help us on our way."

Curriculum for the Jinx McCain Warrior Riding Program is currently under development, but is expected to start within a few months.

To conclude the evening ceremony, a plaque presented by the Semper Fi Fund was given to Debbie McCain for her hard work and dedication for making the Jinx McCain Warrior Riding Program possible.

"I have so much to be thankful for from my father and all these Marines that give us that one thing that separates us from every other nation in the world - freedom," said Debbie McCain. "I do this because without their support and help that we have every day, we couldn't be called the greatest nation in the world."

For more information about the Semper Fi Fund, visit <http://semperfund.org/>.

Helmand Marines loosen reigns on local soldiers

Cpl. Colby W. Brown
Regimental Combat Team 1

GARMSIR DISTRICT, Helmand province — Islamic Republic of Afghanistan — Punching bags and jump rope help, but you don't really learn how to fight until you set foot in the ring.

This is the philosophy that shapes Marines' interaction with Afghan National Army soldiers here. While past units essentially told the ANA what to do, the Marines of 2nd Squad, Weapons Platoon, are helping them find their own way forward.

"The ANA soldiers have so much more to contribute than being extra Marines," said, 1st Lt. Charles Eberly, the platoon commander of Weapons Platoon, Alpha Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment. "The more I interact with the people here, the more I realize how essential they are. We are kind of outsiders, but the soldiers are part of the human network here. They know everybody, and they can walk out on any street and communicate effectively."

In early June, Eberly, 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 215th Corps greater responsibility. Eberly, from Albuquerque, N.M., combined soldiers from two different ANA positions to make a complete squad. For about a week, the Marines of 2nd Squad continued to walk them through daily operations. Then, they loosened the reigns, so to speak.

Before the mini transition, Sgt. Nathaniel McGinness, the squad leader of 2nd Squad, headed every patrol and wrote each watch roster for the ANA and Marines. Now, he splits these tasks with ANA Sgt. Sayed Akbar, a 2nd Kandak squad leader. And, instead of having Marines on

point every time, the ANA soldiers now lead, sweeping for improved explosive devices.

"We are teaching ... a mentality that will make them successful in the future," said McGinness, a native of Omaha, Neb.

The Marines of 2nd Squad have handed the initiative to their Afghan counterparts, and along with that initiative, the ANA soldiers have developed a newfound sense of responsibility and pride.

"I like my job of providing security of this area," said Akbar. "After the new improvements, I'm confident my children and my children's children will be able to go to school and continue to build upon Afghanistan."

Local citizens have taken notice of the ANA's increased role. After the ANA squad led their first patrol in late June, local elders mentioned it during a shura the following Sunday.

"The local people are looking to the ANA to hold security," said Lance Cpl. Joshua Greene, a team leader with 2nd Squad and a native of Gainesville, Fla. "For example, if I was back home, I would want my own cops patrolling the streets, not a foreign country's."

More recently, 2nd Squad went on a satellite patrol with the ANA squad. The Afghan soldiers, who outnumbered the Marines 2 to 1, led the patrol and planned their own route. The Marines simply observed how the soldiers operated and providing advice when necessary.

According to McGinness, the local ANA's progress is an encouraging sign.

"The ANA soldiers have good intentions and have a patriotic drive to serve their country," said McGinness. "We're here to set the military example for them and steer them in the right direction, so they can be independently successful."



An Afghanistan National Army soldier with the 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 215th Corps, talks to local children during a momentary halt during a security patrol here, July 1. The partnership between the Marines of 2nd Squad, Weapons Platoon, Alpha Company and their Afghan brothers-in-arms is an example for the rest of the infantry squads in 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, to emulate. The ANA soldiers partnered with 2nd Squad have taken on independent responsibility of the operations in their area to include sweeping for improvised explosive devices and taking part in the planning of the patrols in the area.



Sgt. Nathaniel McGinness, squad leader, speaks to local children during a security patrol, July 1.



An Afghanistan National Army soldier with the 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 215th Corps provides security during a momentary halt during a security patrol, July 1.



An Afghanistan National Army soldier with the 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 215th Corps, waits for the rest of his squad to gear up before a security patrol.



An Afghanistan National Army soldier with the 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 215th Corps walks across a footbridge during a security patrol.

FUEL, from A-1

in charge, IPAC, to participate in Fueling Dreams. Webb volunteered for Special Olympics Hawaii for the first time on Friday.

"I thought I would come out and provide my time, see what it's all about," said Webb, of Detroit.

Webb has also volunteered to help the local youth football team, the Maili Warriors, practice football fundamentals while visiting the base earlier this year.

"We like it, keep coming back, have a blast every time," said Sgt. Victor Wanga, plans and operations chief, Manpower, Personnel and Administration Directorate.

Under the sweltering heat of the Friday sun, Wanga and several other Marines carried fishing nets through traffic, collecting spare change, \$1 bills and even \$20 bills. The Marines took turns holding up a Special Olympics Hawaii flag while approaching drivers on the road.

"We fill up [the net] every ten minutes," Wanga said.

Though this is his first Fueling Dreams fundraiser, Wanga, of Rosemount, Minn., has volunteered for Special Olympics before. During the organization's spring games this year, Wanga helped wave flags for the long jump competition.

Through volunteering, Wanga said he learned about the athletes, who inspired him because they "overcome their disability." Through watching the athletes, Wanga felt "nothing should limit you from what you want to do."

"Some of the athletes were more competitive than some of us," Wanga said.

"I like the idea of giving," said Lance Cpl. Geomary Diaz Negrón, administrative specialist, IPAC. "I'm doing this on my own time because I like giving back to my community."

Diaz Negrón handed coupons for the gas station to drivers. She also volunteered at Special Olympics Hawaii's games during the spring, escorting athletes and setting up for the games.

"Some of the athletes have awesome personalities," said Sgt. Jeremy Beasley, commander's driver, Headquarters Battalion.

Beasley, of Lakewales, La., also volunteered during the long jump competition, measuring the length of the jumps. He remembered watching one athlete who started out losing the long jump competition, but was determined and eventually won. Beasley said it was motivational to watch someone overcome their disabilities and succeed.

Jeffries plans to recruit volunteers for the organization's upcoming bocce ball and bowling tournaments this summer.

To volunteer for Special Olympics Hawaii, email Ujimori at volunteers@specialolympichawaii.org. For more information about Special Olympics Hawaii, visit <http://www.SpecialOlympicsHawaii.org>.

CLB – 3, from A-1

twice to Afghanistan providing logistics and maintenance support to units operating throughout Helmand province. In addition to providing forward support, CLB-3 is also tasked with providing year-round support to units aboard base for day-to-day operations as well as pre-deployment training exercises.

In 2009, the Marine Corps recognized CLB-3 as the Marine Logistics Unit of the Year for their efficiency and high operational tempo.

According to CLB-3's commanding officer, Lt. Col. Henry W. Lutz III, the unit has attained a storied history both prior to the battalion's activation and in the years since due to the diligence and professionalism of their personnel.

"In some ways [this ceremony] is a celebration of where we've been and what we've done, but it's more about recognizing what it means to be a part of this battalion," Lutz said. "I often stress to [CLB-3 personnel] that they have to live up to that impressive standard every day. Though in a relatively short amount of time, we as a battalion must still maintain the same high standards and legacy of those who have gone before us."

During their two deployments, CLB-3 has transported countless tons of supplies, conducted several civil development projects and repaired numerous pieces of equipment. For units operating in Afghanistan, mission readiness necessitates constant logistics support. For a logistics unit in Helmand province, ground transportation is absolutely critical to mission success. Occasionally, this support may be hazardous — something CLB-3's Motor Transport Company knows all too well.

During the ceremony, CLB-3 recognized three vehicle operators for wounds received in southern Afghanistan. In April, just a few weeks from their redeployment home, the Marines' vehicle struck an IED en route to a forward operating base.

Sgt. Dinero Ciardelli, one of the Marines injured in the blast, said recalling exact details proves difficult but the memory of how well members of his convoy responded to



Cpl. Danny Woodall | Hawaii Marine

From left to right, Lance Cpls. Jarid Baker, Bryce Etten and Sgt. Dinero Ciardelli, vehicle operators with Combat Logistics Battalion 3's Motor Transport Company, display their Purple Heart Medals during a ceremony aboard MCB Hawaii, June 30. The Marines sustained injuries when their vehicle struck an improvised explosive device earlier this year during operations in Afghanistan.

the incident is extremely clear.

"I wouldn't be here today if it weren't for my fellow [Marines and sailors] as well as our training," said Ciardelli, a 25-year-old native of Bellaire, Ohio. "Every step of the way — from the 'kill zone' to the medical evacuation — was evidence of how well we work together. We look out for each other because we're a family."

Until their next Afghanistan deployment, the Marines and sailors with CLB-3 will continue to provide support to several local and visiting units.

"The support we provide is not subject to our judgment alone, but also by the judgment of our 'customers,'" Lutz said. "Our success in Afghanistan is a testament to how well our personnel planned and executed in an environment with limited resources and limited time. I'm proud of each and every one of the Marines and sailors in this battalion. Each and everyday they show their professionalism and dedication by performing phenomenally."

EMCEE, from A-1

Fort Worth, Texas, as a singer said he's always wanted to be a show emcee. To prove he had stage presence and could think on his feet, Leak also had to act out a surprise scenario at the contest.

"My scenario was that Puddle of Mudd was not able to show up on schedule. So I had to fill up the time," he said. "I could sing, act out a movie or dance. Me being a singer, I thought this was perfect, so I sang and kept the crowd rolling."

His rendition of J Holiday's "Don't Wanna Lose" not only filled time, but kept the judges and crowd thrilled in

their seats.

For many emcee hopefuls, it was their first time competing to host an event as large as BayFest. Parran, a Baltimore resident, said his only previous speaking performances were narrating student films for his friends at the Maryland Institute College of Arts. For him, the contest tested more than just his skills working a large crowd.

"There was one section that was improvisation," he said. "They gave me the subject of clouds, and I had to just run with it."

His aim for entertaining country music lovers on Sunday is to make them forget about the heat and crowds.

He hopes that when he introduces Joe Nichols and the other country talent show acts appearing, the audience forgets their cares.

"It's the last day and usually the day people remember the most," Parran said. "So I'm hoping people remember me the most for keeping them entertained."

BayFest Hawaii 2011 begins July 15 at 3 p.m., with concerts and events happening through July 17. The three-day event is open to the public with admission.

**Editor's Note: Don't miss the "Hawaii Marine" exclusive interview with Puddle of Mudd on page C-3.*

Sports & Health

IN THE RUNNING

"In the Running" is a two-part series about families of 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment doing healthy physical activities including running. The "Kings of Battle" are currently deployed to Afghanistan. Part Two features family members of 1/12 who've used running to help in the healing process.



Christine Cabalo | Hawaii Marine

Lauren Kjornes is running 535 miles from now until the fall in honor of those deployed with 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment. Kjornes, whose husband is also deployed, said she has so far made 117 miles by running approximately five miles a day.

Heal and run

Christine Cabalo
Photojournalist

For every person deployed with 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, Lauren Kjornes is running a mile.

It totals up to 535 miles, which she intends to finish before the unit returns in the fall. Despite previous running injuries or ailments, she and other relatives of 1/12 members are using running to help in healing.

"I've done 117 miles so far," she said. "I'm not doing it to challenge anyone else, but I'm doing it to honor the people who are out there."

An avid soccer player and runner, Kjornes suffered an injury during a Dallas marathon in March 2010. Since then, she's been caring for her knee and hadn't taken up running again until she heard about the "We Ran to Afghanistan Challenge" from the unit's Family Readiness Office. When she decided to dedicate one mile for each deployed person with 1/12, including her husband, the goal seemed within her reach.

The pair have talked about Kjornes's progress, and she said he's joked she should do the run complete with heavy Marine Corps field gear.

"I figured, if my husband is carrying so much stuff on his back, then I can run here at home," she said. "You feel that motivation to do more."

The motivation to run also hit Michelle Brezina when she and fellow 1/12 spouse Erikah Messamer decided

See RUN, B-3



Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine

Lance Cpl. Aaron Halford, rifleman, India Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, takes his turn at the 101 Days of Summer bowling tournament June 29.

Pin Stars

Wounded Warrior Battalion West – Detachment Hawaii takes first place in the 101 Days of Summer bowling tournament

Kristen Wong
Photojournalist

The ground rumbled and pins crashed as more than 100 participants competed at the 101 Days of Summer bowling tournament at K-Bay Lanes June 29.

"This is the best turn out we've ever had," said Dan Dufrene, Marine Corps Community Services Health Promotions coordinator. "It's huge."

Dufrene said the program is progressing well this year, with much support from the commands, the base's Drug Demand Reduction Coordinator and the Substance Abuse Counseling Center.

The tournament was a nine-pin, no-tap format, which means if nine pins are knocked down on the first turn, it counts as a strike.

As competitors started their practice runs, many loaded up on various snacks from the bowling alley's Striker's Grill and Tap.

"We've got some [refreshments], now we just need to concentrate and have fun," said Master Sgt. Samuel Dean, operations chief, Bravo Company, 3rd Radio Battalion.

The group had to finish bowling quickly because they were also due to play in two softball games that same night.

"We're here to make 3rd Radio Battalion some points," said Capt. Tyson Ackermann, company commander, Bravo Company, 3rd Radio Bn.

"Young kids can do it but us old guys can do it too," said 1st Sgt. Fredrick Smith, company first sergeant, Bravo Company, 3rd Radio Bn. "I don't bowl that often. [It's] good to get out, hang out."

Petty Officer 1st Class Tracy Clark, aircrew survival equipment man, Fleet Logistics Support Squadron 51, preferred to call it "participating" rather than "competing," because, like Smith, he hasn't bowled very often. He said the main reason for participating was for his command.

"[101 Days of Summer] promotes fitness and a healthy lifestyle," Clark said. "I think it's good for camaraderie [between commands]."

Clark also plans to compete in the upcoming golf tournament and is considering playing horseshoes.

"It's good to get out and do something besides being in the barracks all day," said Lance Cpl. Christopher Gazley, radio operator, Kilo Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment. "Seven dollars for three games is a good deal!"

All four Marines from Headquarters Battalion on the

See BOWLING, B-3

HEAD FIRST



Cpl. Reece E. Lodder | Hawaii Marine

Third baseman Richard Benavides, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Black Knights, places a tag on outfielder Quentin Carritt, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, during an Intramural Softball League game at Annex Field Tuesday. The Black Knights won the game 15-6, improving their record to 18-2 and bringing MCAS to 23-6. After winning their next game against the Ohana Blues, MCAS stood at 23-7. See B3 for more photos

Tiger is still Grrrrreat!

Sgt. Victor Wang

Special to the Hawaii Marine

Does Tiger Woods still have what it takes to compete? That's the question that was recently brought to my attention. Many believe that the future of golf, as far as a dominating figure is concerned, is in the hands of a new up and coming competitor, Rory McIlroy. Tiger's fire is still burning strong and I think his newest rival will only bring out the best in him.

McIlroy has had a pretty impressive career so far. At 22, his resume already includes a 2006 European Amateur Championship, a record-shattering 2011 U.S. Open Championship performance, and he is currently ranked eighth in the world — not bad at all. By any other standard I would concede this young man has hit the ground running, and has the potential to be the best ever.

However, we're not



With 14 majors victories and more than \$87 million in earnings, I think it's easy to say it's not a bad time for him to be in a slump."

comparing him to any old standard, or your average young amateur turned pro. He's compared to the legend himself ... Tiger Woods. If you were even slightly surprised by McIlroy's performance I've got something for you.

What if at 22 years old your resume looked like this: three consecutive Amateur championships, an NCAA championship, and to top it off, a check in the box for the grand daddy of titles, a masters victory. Sound tough? Tiger did it, and he was the number one golfer in the world when he did. Now some folks contest that based on his current performance, McIlroy is on pace to out-golf the greatest of golfers by the end of his career.

They believe the era of Tiger Woods is dead. With the utmost sincerity, and

respect, I think they are wrong. First of all, Rory's young but impressive career doesn't amount much to the 'Tiger Show' of the '90s, and he has a long ways to go if he ever expects to have a show titled after him. With 14 majors victories and more than \$87 million in earnings, I think it's easy to say it's not a bad time for him to be in a slump.

At 36 years old, Tiger has plenty of gas in his tank. Even if he took the next three years off to re-discover himself, I doubt this is the end of his career. For those who prefer to jump on the McIlroy bandwagon, I'd only ask that you keep your fingers crossed since he's going to need some serious luck!

There's no doubt that Tiger hit a rough patch in his career, but the irony is that folks aren't calling him bad, they are not saying his game is terrible. People are saying he's "mortal", and that's only a possibility. This man is so good that it takes two years of personal hardships for us to have enough confidence to proclaim his peers may be capable of fair competition. I guess our short attention span has led us to forget the taste "TigerAde."

It's alright though, I suspect those who agree with my other side of the page will spend the next few years scouring the shelf of the commissary looking for "McIlAde" ... Let's wish them luck.



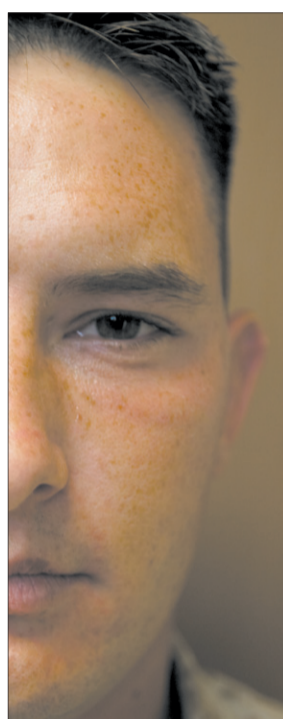
Has Tiger's time run out?

VS is a recurring column tackling debatable issues in the sports world. Hawaii Marine readers can submit a subject for future columns by e-mailing their ideas to HMeditor@hawaiimarine.com.

If there's a topic you would like to discuss/defend or if you think we missed the mark, let us know and you could see your "opinion," regardless of how wrong it is, featured below. Suit up, ladies ... it's game time.



WANGA



CONNOLLY

It's time to retire, Tiger

Sgt. Sean M. Connolly

Special to the Hawaii Marine

The days of plaid knickers, stupid hats and old boring golfers are over. Everything about the game of golf these days is changing, including the top golfers. We recently witnessed a 22-year-old kid named Rory McIlroy win the U.S. Open, while breaking multiple records in the process. A feat that has not been accomplished since the infamous win at the 1997 Masters Golf Tournament when a 21-year-old Tiger Woods blew golf fans away with his impressive skills and changed the game forever.

Woods is a golf legend; he first broke 70 under par on a regulation golf course at age 12 and has since become the highest-paid professional athlete in the world. Woods has 14 major championships, the second highest of any male player (Jack Nicklaus leads with 18), and 71 Professional Golfer's Association tour events — third all time behind Sam Snead and Nicklaus. He has more career major wins and career PGA tour wins than any golfer still swinging a club. Only a fool would deny that Tiger Woods is (despite PGA rankings) one of the best golfers in the world. With that said, all good things must come to an end, and only that same fool would deny that Woods is quickly approaching the end of his career.

Rory McIlroy's victory at age 22 at the U.S. Open (while record breaking) was not all that surprising. In today's golf game, the players are getting younger and younger each year. When Tiger won in 1997 he was the youngest player on the PGA tour. Today, McIlroy is accompanied by guys like 22-year-old Ricky Fowler and 23-year-old Jayson Day, just to name a few. And these guys aren't just on the PGA tour; they are players who are consistently on the top of the leader board every Sunday afternoon. Fowler became the first U.S. rookie ever chosen as a captain's pick for the Ryder Cup team last year. The game of golf is being flooded by young, amazingly talented players like never before. Which begs the question: can Woods match that



Coupled with multiple injuries and a personal life that is — to put it lightly — in shambles, many golf experts say Woods many never again be the Tiger we once new."

level of competition in golf today?

Every golf article and every golfer who is interviewed shares a very similar view when asked about Woods. The common recurring phrase out there is "he's in his prime." Woods is most definitely not in his prime. Coupled with multiple injuries and a personal life that is — to put it lightly — in shambles, many golf experts say Woods many never again be the Tiger we once new. Woods' last win at a major championship was four years ago at the 2008 Masters.

Let's be honest, Woods' golf game has been downright lousy in the past few years! He is dropping out of tournaments claiming injuries, not even making the cuts at some events. Woods has definitely hit rock bottom. Comebacks are something that all sports fans love, but sorry to say that next time you see Woods in that iconic red jacket charging up to the 18th green of Pebble Beach, you will more than likely be holding a video game controller.

SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

SPRING INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL STANDINGS

TEAM	WIN	LOSS	TIE
SHAKE DOWN "HSL-37"	23	1	
NAVY CHIEFS	19	1	
BLACK KNIGHTS "MALS-24"	17	2	
MCAS	22	6	
OHANA BLUES "HQBN"	11	10	
VP-4	9	10	
CPRW-2	9	11	
BEER NUTS	9	11	
PMO	7	11	
7000 1ST "3RD MAR REG"	6	11	1
3RD RADIO BN	10	14	
VP-9	8	14	
WOUNDED WARRIORS	8	13	
VP-47	6	14	
COULSON	12	14	1
CLB-3	4	16	
MALS ORDNANCE	3	16	

Standings as of July 5

SPRING INTRAMURAL SOCCER STANDINGS

TEAM	WIN	LOSS	TIE	PTS
VP-47	8	1	2	26
HQBN	6	3	2	20
VP-9	5	2	2	17
CLB-3	5	4	1	16
MALS-24	3	5	1	10
MCAS	2	7	0	6
3RD RADIO BN	2	8	0	6

Standings as of June 29

Sports and Health Events

Semper Fit Center Repairs and Improvements

Contractors are also working on repairing a roof gutter at the Semper Fit Center. They will be working until July 16. During that period, racquetball courts 2 and 3 will not be available for use from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition, the racquetball court viewing area will be closed and there will be periodic times where sections of the basketball court may need to be closed off. Thank you for your patience as we improve our facilities for everyone's enjoyment! For more information, call 254-7597.

SWINGING for the FENCES



Photos by Cpl. Reece E. Lodder | Hawaii Marine

Outfielder Quentin Carritt, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, sends a towering fly ball into the outfield during an Intramural Softball League game against the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Black Knights at Annex Field Tuesday. The Black Knights won the game 15-6, improving their record to 18-2 and bringing MCAS to 23-6. After winning their next game against the Ohana Blues, MCAS stood at 23-7.

Black Knights reign over MCAS, 15-6

Cpl. Reece E. Lodder

Combat Correspondent

Taking to the dirt for one of their last chances at improving their regular season record, the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Black Knights clashed with Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay in an Intramural Softball League game at Annex Field Tuesday. Despite strong defensive play from both dugouts, the Black Knights' strong, consistent batting drove them to defeat MCAS, 15-6.

Nearing the chance to defend their title as league champions, the Black Knights had high expectations for their remaining games and the ensuing playoffs.

"I expect nothing but getting to the championship game," Black Knights outfielder Eric Stoffers said. "We're the team to beat — we have the experience, quality of players and we're the defending champions."

Building off of victories over the Provost Marshal Office and Patrol Squadron Nine in their July 1 doubleheader, MCAS entered the game poised to finish strong in their last two games.

"Other teams might like to start running their mouths on the field, but we just want to play our game and let our playing do the talking," MCAS outfielder Quentin Carritt said. "We're really looking forward to ending the season on two wins, and then practicing and taking some time off while we wait for the playoffs."

Even with high hopes, Carritt acknowledged his concern with MCAS's shortened roster.

"We're a little concerned tonight because we're missing a couple of key players — our games are going to be tough," Carritt said, in light of his team's doubleheader. "If we get behind early, our main concern will be keeping our players calm, staying patient at the plate, and playing fundamental defense."

Capitalizing on two base runners, MCAS outfielder Brad Rosati pounded out a stand-up double to put his team on the scoreboard in the top of the first inning. In his team's turn to defend, however, they dropped four runs, leaving the first inning down 4-2.

"Relax, gents," Carritt said, as MCAS returned to the dugout for their at-bat. "We're playing with nine players, just like them. Believe it or not, we're better than this team."

Though they surrendered two runs to MCAS in the third inning, the Black Knights struck back with two of their own, beginning with third baseman Richard Benavides' lofty triple off the center field fence. Continuing his power streak, Benavides blasted an in-park home run in the fourth inning to score three runs, bringing the Black Knights' lead to 9-4.

Despite gaining two runs on Carritt's fifth inning double, MCAS remained quiet in their final two at-bats. In their last two chances, the Black Knights capitalized on a flood of base hits, scoring six more runs and securing a 15-6 victory.

"They've been hot, but we've beat them before — so we figured we'd beat them again tonight," Black Knights pitcher Wesley Armstrong said, about MCAS. "Our games are always competitive since some of the MCAS players [and our players] play on our base team. It's so sweet when you beat somebody you play and practice with."

After defeating MCAS, the Black Knights stood at 18-2. Following their Tuesday win over the Blues, MCAS held a 23-7 record.

Moving into the playoff pool in third place, Armstrong said the Black Knights were ready to defend their title, but acknowledged their regular season success didn't guarantee a repeat.

"These [playoff] games are the ones that count," Armstrong said. "You have a whole year to think about a loss in the playoffs."



Outfielder Justin Grantham, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, pivots as he smashes a ball into the outfield during a game against the Black Knights.



Outfielder Adam Hudson, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Black Knights, knocks a hard hit into the infield during a game against Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay.

Outfielder Justin Grantham, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, drives a pitch toward the outfield fence during a game against the Black Knights.

Spring 2011 Intramural Softball Schedule

July 8 - ANNEX

6 p.m. VP-4 v. Ohana Blues
 7 p.m. VP-4 v. Black Knights
 8 p.m. Wounded Warriors v. Navy Chiefs

July 20 - ANNEX

6 p.m. 7000 1st v. Navy Chiefs
 7 p.m. 7000 1st v. PMO

July 8 - RISELEY

6 p.m. Beer Nuts v. Shake Down
 7 p.m. VP-9 v. 7000 1st
 8 p.m. VP-47 v. CLB-3

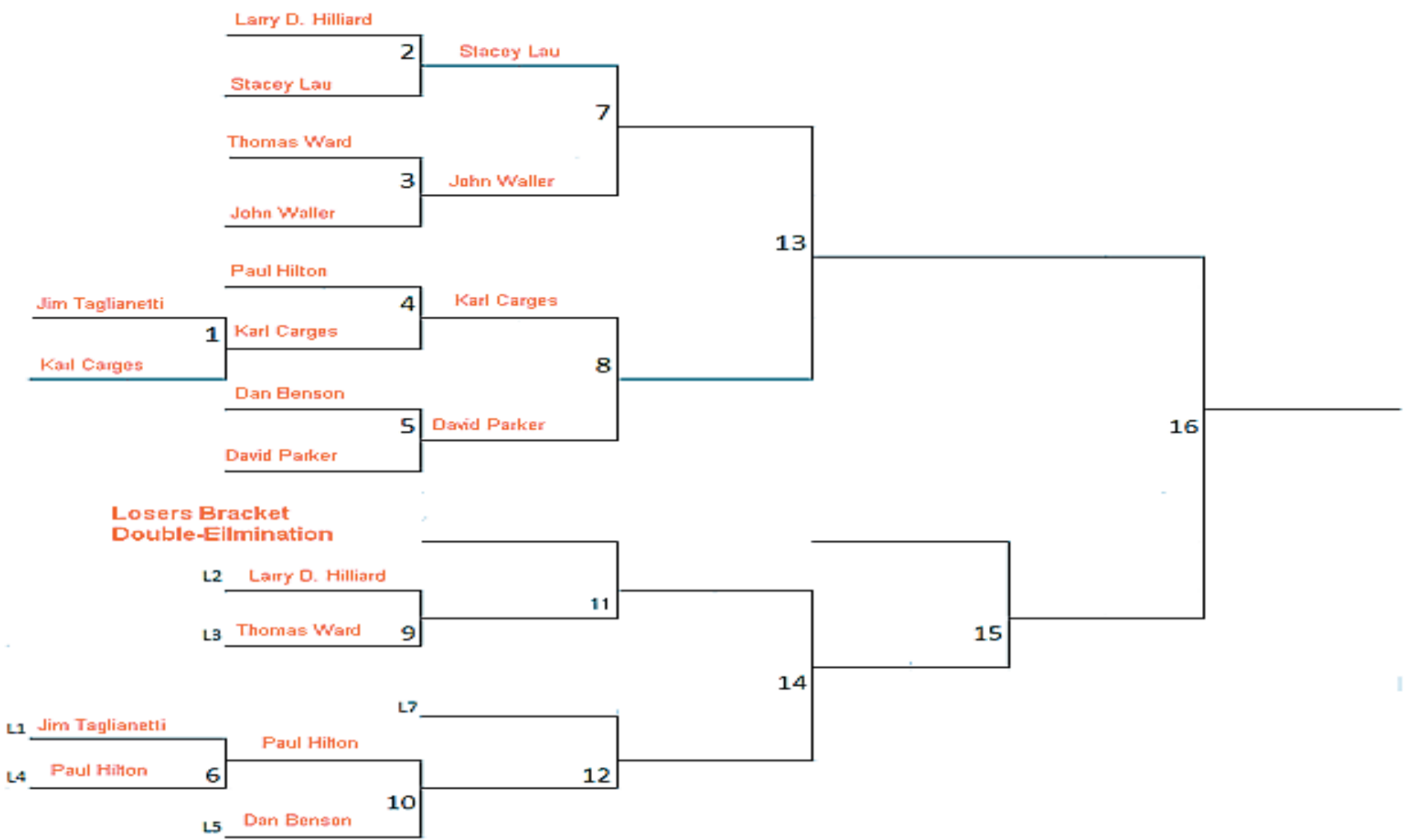
July 20 - RISELEY

6 p.m. Ohana Blues v. 3rd Radio Bn.
 7 p.m. Ohana Blues v. MALS-24 Ordnance

There will be no games from July 8 - 19 due to BayFest set up and tear down. The double-elimination tournament starts July 20. All teams get into the playoffs.

Racquetball Singles tournament

MCBH Camp Smith Semper Fit Intramural Sports 2011





Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine

Lance Cpl. Jacob Kaspar, rifleman, Kilo Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, sends his bowling ball rolling during the 101 Days of Summer bowling tournament June 29. More than 100 participants attended the nine-pin, no-tap format tournament. Wounded Warrior Battalion West — Detachment Hawaii took first place in the tournament with a score of 2,537 pins.

BOWLING, from B-1

“Honey Badgers” team were forced to wear incorrect shoe sizes because by the time they arrived the right sizes were already taken.

“The secret is wear the wrong shoes,” said Staff Sgt. Robert Jones, operations chief, Headquarters Battalion, as he bowled a strike wearing a women’s size 10 bowling shoes.

As it grew later, the bowling alley began to empty, while several teams lingered to play extra games.

Dufrene and the remaining teams gathered for a small ceremony for the tournament winners.

The Wounded Warrior Battalion West - Detachment Hawaii team took first place with an overall score of 2,537 pins. In second place came VR-51 with a score of 2,452 pins, and in third place came 3rd Radio Bn. with 2,243 pins.

For the individual awards, Sgt. Anthony Mannino, administrative clerk, Wounded Warrior Det., took first place with a score of 264 pins. In second place, base resident Anna Chaffee earned a score of 252,

and her husband earned third place with a score of 241.

“We’re just trying to get max participation,” Mannino said.

Mannino said the wounded warriors made up three full teams and one team of three, including some of the detachment staff.

The 101 Days of Summer basketball tournament is scheduled for tonight, July 9 and 16, and July 11 to 15. For more information about the program, call Dufrene at 254-7636.

RUN, from B-1

to take on the July 4 Runway Run. The friends trained for two weeks, despite Brezina having broken toes and other physical concerns. Last year, she was diagnosed with scoliosis, a condition when the spine begins to curve. Before getting into running, she had suffered from years of back pain.

“I was told that I should not be running or doing any high-impact activities at all,” Brezina said. “However, the more active I became, the less back pain I seemed to experience and the less often I needed to resort to medication for relief.”

As a Kailua High School teacher, Brezina said she has access to the gym during the school year but is thankful to have the base races and 1/12’s challenge to motivate her. Logging in her miles regularly, she said she’s amazed at how much progress she’s made.

“I now work out five to six times a week and have dropped a couple of sizes,” she said. “The 5K was a fun



Courtesy photo | MCCS Hawaii

Runners rush through the course during the July 4 Runway Run at Marine Corps Base Hawaii. Among the runners were several families of 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment members, including Michelle Brezina. Diagnosed with a curved spine, Brezina said she’s able to overcome back pain with increased running.

experience, mostly because I was able to run with my friend Erikah who kept me laughing most of the time.”

Encouragement from her friends and her deployed husband is what Brezina said is motivating her to look into future challenges like the

Tradewind Triathlon in August.

Both Brezina and Kjornes suggest beginners should try to build up their running abilities and not get discouraged. The two said running has been a stress reliever, and those who are new to the activity, or have injuries, just need the

motivation to take the first step.

“What helped me at first was that I’d run for a minute, then walk for a minute,” Kjornes said. “It gets your stamina built up, and you just keep pushing yourself further and further. You just need to try take a step further each time.”

Hawaii Marine Lifestyles



Photos by Christine Cabalo | Hawaii Marine

Fireworks from a weekly show in Waikiki light up the night sky over the grounds of the Kakaako Makai Marketplace July 1. The new marketplace offers fresh locally made products like passion fruit scones and hibiscus mint tea.

MEET UP AT THE MARKET

Christine Cabalo

Photojournalist

HONOLULU — The new Kakaako Makai Marketplace has a bounty of fresh fruits and local goodies, but coordinators said it's also where to go if you're hungry for community.

"The market sets aside another gathering place where our community can teach Hawaiian values and culture in a comfortable setting," said Juanita Kawamoto-Brown, founding market manager. "People can come and relax."

Visitors learn about Hawaii as soon as they step onto the marketplace lot, seeing the information booth with the date in English and Hawaiian.

All sellers offer local non-genetically modified food and use sustainable packaging made from biodegradable materials. Inside those packages are goodies made from locally produced ingredients. It's only at Hawaii farmer's markets can customers find crepe makers Mehdi and Crystal Mdourai frying up hot sweet or savory treats.

"It's great creating new things and meeting new people," he said. "And I get to be with my wife all the time."

The duo is part of the marketplace regulars who run a family business making local products. Brown offers her family company's produce weekly, including beets and open-range eggs. Other sellers, like Charlotte Tanaka and her son Kian Atabaki, have homemade cookies and sell a long-held family recipe of eggplant relish.

When people visit the marketplace, they can expect unique products no matter what vendor they meet, Brown said. The marketplace allows small business owners the chance to introduce new customers to their high-quality Hawaii-made products. For Aikane Plantation Coffee Company workers, the marketplace helps them meet with their customers and gives them a chance to share their farm's history of growing coffee since the 1800s. The company's high-rated Kau district coffee is served hot, iced or in bags.

"More people come to farmer's markets because it's a cheaper means of getting quality," said coffee grower Scott Halsted. "It's different here than at other stores. You have fresh produce for a cheaper price."

With free live music and a view of Friday night fireworks from Waikiki, the marketplace has a relaxing atmosphere. Gourmet plate lunch makers at Kiba Cafe said they've made great friends with other sellers.

"Everyone's cool," said chef Janason Park. "There's no drama here. It's such a friendly environment."

Open since June, the weekly farmer's market hosts vegetable growers and other local vendors alongside Hawaii outreach groups. Part of market profits also go to other non-profit organizations like Next Step Shelter, helping the homeless.

"We're really about community," said Kauai Lucas, market manager. "If someone has an idea that can help create more sustainability and encourage Hawaii culture, then it's what we're here for."

The marketplace meets Fridays from 4:30 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. near Ahui Street. For more, see <http://www.kakaakomakaimarket.com/>.



Customers can sink their teeth into gourmet plate lunches from Kiba Cafe cooked up by Janason Park. The cafe cooks with local ingredients in generous portions. Menu items change and may include Arabic chicken with garlic yogurt and Bulgogi or Korean marinated ribeye beef.



Sammy Walton pours a sample from one of the four types of sugar cane juice he sells. Walton said he's developed each flavor based on suggestions from friends of different cultural backgrounds, as well as his own recipes from childhood.



Serafin Palomares arranges organic baked goods at his stall for The Baker Dudes, which offers gluten-free baked goods and unique local items like lilikoi bread. Palomares said having the chance to sell food at the marketplace has been great, especially since the only place customers can buy their food is at farmer's markets.



Juanita Kawamoto-Brown, founding market manager, holds up one of the largest beets found at the Kakaako Makai Marketplace July 1. Newly picked greens are for sale each week. Customers can also purchase fresh fish and homemade baked goods.

PASS IN REVIEW

Your weekly guide to the best aspects of entertainment

Welcome to the Pass In Review, your number one source for cinema, music, videogame, book and product reviews. The Pass In Review crew consists of more than 10 critics, each with their own idea of what makes a movie, album, game, product or book great. So be sure to take advantage of the Better Know A Critic section, which spotlights this week's critics to better help you choose the critic with opinions most like your own. Using our breakthrough four-point scale system you can quickly decipher what is worth your time and what isn't, or read the full review for an in-depth analysis and explanation of the rating. The rating system uses ammunition and range terminology, so if you're not familiar, here's a quick breakdown of the ratings ...

1/4 — No Impact, No Idea

Horrendous. Among the worst of the worst in its genre. Dedicating time to this is not only wasteful, but unforgivable. Avoid at all costs.



2/4 — High And To The Right

Mediocrity at its best. Lacks a few things that might have made it really good. A decent time waster, partake only if you have nothing better to do.



3/4 — On Target

Praiseworthy. A great endeavor, not quite an instant classic but still very entertaining. This is a sound investment of your time.



4/4 — Confirmed Kill

Genius. In the top 10 percent of its genre. This is the stuff legends are made of. Missing out on it would be a disservice to yourself.



So, there you have it and we hope you enjoy our weekly reviews. Don't forget, The Hawaii Marine accepts submissions from its readers so if you consider yourself a film buff, music aficionado, gaming geek or bookworm feel free to submit your own reviews.

Better Know A Critic



MAIN

Cpl. Tyler L. Main has a long history of casual gaming. From the time "Sonic the Hedgehog" was released for Sega Genesis to the now popular 'Halo: Reach,' he has been a faithful follower of the gaming community. He likes a game with a plot that is as entertaining to watch as it is to play in his eyes.



CALLAHAN

Lance Cpl. Matthew Callahan knows that a good video game is about a lot more than good graphics and stellar physics engines. A phenomenal game encompasses an excellent plot, visceral game play, and outstanding sound all used in support of rendering an immersive atmosphere that creates a lasting impression on him. Some of his favorite games are 'Shadow of the Colossus,' and 'Resident Evil.'

Relive your childhood, with 'Zelda: Ocarina of Time'

Cpl. Tyler L. Main

Combat Correspondent

Nintendo recently released the Nintendo 3DS, a handheld gaming console, but didn't release many high-quality games with it. Finally, after waiting nearly three months, Nintendo released a remake of "Zelda: Ocarina of Time" for the console.

"Zelda: OOT" was originally released for the Nintendo 64 console in 1998 and has since been considered one of the greatest games of all time by many gaming magazines and websites. The remake is even better than the original.

In the remake, Nintendo enhanced the graphics, streamlined the controls and added a few new game modes.

The graphic enhancements aren't as good as they could have been seeing as there are already games out on the system that look much better than "Zelda: OOT," but they're a major improvement in comparison to outdated N64 graphics.

Some of the graphic enhancements

include more vivid colors and a clearer crisper display as well as more detailed textures and environments.

Nintendo's control upgrades are what made the game so much better than the original for me. Back in the N64 days, a gamer would have to pause the game and change Link's inventory on a "start" menu, ultimately wasting time that could be spent playing.

Now, since the 3DS has two screens, you can make your inventory and weapon adjustments on the lower touch screen while still traveling and watching your surroundings on the top display. Your map also appears on the bottom screen. All of the controls and buttons are used only for ma-

nipulating Link's actions.

Nintendo also added a Boss Mode that's playable after you beat the main quest. It allows you to go back and face the boss of your choice while keeping track of the time and life it takes you to beat him. Now, players can post their record times beating, say, Phantom Gannon in the Boss Mode.

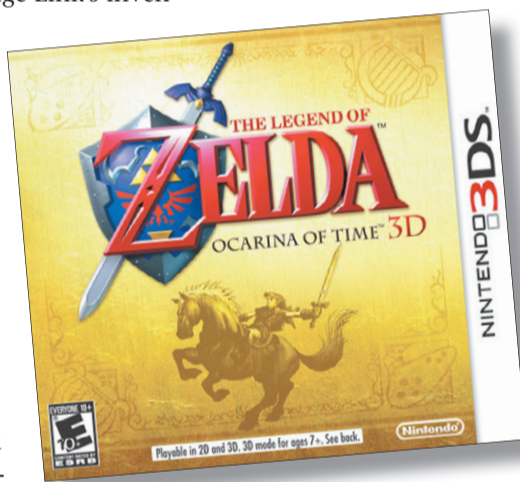
There is also a Master Quest, which isn't new but is definitely cool. The Master Quest is a longer and more difficult version of the main quest. The Master Quest flips the normal map backwards so that what landmarks and destinations were once east are now west. Same goes for

north and south. The Master Quest also doubles the damage that enemies do to Link. Now, when you're facing Gannon in the final battle, he can chop away at your health in no time at all.

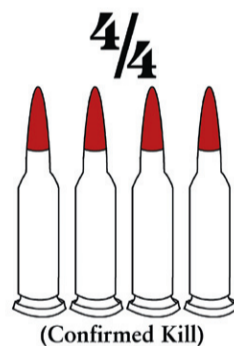
I played "Zelda: OOT" for the first time when I was 9 years old, so I forgot most of the details about the game by the time I started playing it again. I feel like I'm reliving my childhood in a way. I remember my buddies and I having game nights and staying up until morning to discover the secrets of the Kingdom of Hyrule.

If you were a "Zelda: OOT" fan at one point in life, it's time to revisit your N64 glory days again.

If you have never played "Zelda: OOT," then your world has most likely been a dark and gloomy place since you were born. Let the light in, play some Zelda.



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Little demon girls aren't scary anymore in 'F.E.A.R. 3'

Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Callahan

Special to the Hawaii Marine

All too often I find myself eagerly anticipating the release of any promising video game in the horror survival horror genre. And all too often the games released with a "horror" theme fall completely short. This is also true in "First Encounter Assault Recon 3."

You start off as a point man, who is a genetically enhanced super soldier turned renegade, caught in a whirlwind of conspiracy and deceit involving the Armacham Corporation. The corporation is attempting to control the psychic abilities of a girl named Alma who bears a striking resemblance to Samara from the Japanese horror film, "The Ring." Accompanying you is the mysterious ghost of your brother Paxton Fettel, who you were suppose to kill in "F.E.A.R. 2," who acts as both your rival and savior throughout the storyline. He helps you unfold the plot in interesting and extremely gory ways.



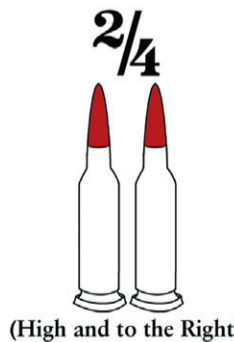
With this game being the third installment in a series of games known for their ability to send chills down your spine, all the while enveloping you in visceral first person combat, I felt like the boys behind the development of "F.E.A.R. 3" forgot what it's like to be scared and horrified. Without the scares that made the first and second games memorable, "F.E.A.R. 3" becomes a run-of-the-mill, graphically dated, and completely linear shooter that is competent, but lacking in originality.

One of my biggest complaints with the game is the sheer volume of redundancy. Sure there were "mech" combat sequences (walking around in a mechanized suit of armor) that attempted to divvy up the gameplay, but it really only took away from the eerie atmosphere the game was looking to recapture. And as far as enemies are concerned, you're still blowing through hordes of the same faceless Delta Team operators as the previous

two games for almost the entirety of the campaign.

That said, "F.E.A.R. 3" is not without its good sides. As a shooter alone, it does provide the satisfaction in that every bullet does feel impactful, and it keeps the pace at one setting: fast. The chills are few and far between, but I did have a few good jumps myself, particularly when a deformed human scurried across the floor and choke slammed me into a wall. The aiming and cover system are utilized effectively, shaving off a lot of frustration I've had with some previous shooters. And last but not least, my favorite part was when I looked down to the floor in the game I could see my feet. This is something largely overlooked in the first person scenario genre.

Overall, the game fell on its butt a few times, and it really was disappointing how un-frightening it was. But if you're sick of shooting faceless soldiers in a combat zone and would like to try your hand at shooting faceless soldiers in a paranormal combat zone, it is definitely worth renting or borrowing from a buddy.



Prices: All shows are \$3.25 for adults and \$2.25 for children. For ticket pricing, the Base Theater Box Office defines an adult as a patron 12 and older and defines a child as a patron from 6 to 11. Children 5 and younger are admitted free of charge. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 and younger. Patrons must present their military identification card when purchasing tickets. Call 254-7642 for recorded information.



- "Thor" PG13 Today | 7:15 p.m.
- "Jumping the Broom" PG13 Today | 9:45 p.m.
- "Priest" PG13 Saturday | 7:15 p.m.
- "Bridesmaids" R Saturday | 9:45 p.m.
- "Pirates: On Stranger Tides" PG13 Sunday | 2 p.m.
- "Jumping the Broom" PG13 Sunday | 6:30 p.m.
- "Priest" PG13 Wednesday | 6:30 p.m.

Puddle of Mudd eager for BayFest

Kristen Wong

Photojournalist

The BayFest stage lies in wait for a muddy good time as Puddle of Mudd comes to jam at Marine Corps Base Hawaii July 16.

Band mates Doug Ardito, Shannon Boone, Paul Phillips and Wes Scantlin of Puddle of Mudd are among the entertainers scheduled to perform at the event, coordinated by Marine Corps Community Services.

"Now in our 22nd year, BayFest has become well-known for bringing in nationally-recognized talent for our annual summer festival," said Debbie Bookatz, marketing director, MCCA. "I believe this is Puddle of Mudd's first concert appearance in Hawaii and we're excited to have them bring their unique brand of energy and rock to the BayFest stage."

Phillips, of Jacksonville, joined the band in 1999, briefly left and reunited with them in 2009. The 36-year-old guitarist has been to Hawaii before on vacation and looks forward to surfing during the band's down time on the islands.

"We're very excited," Phillips said. "We've never played [in Hawaii]...it's always great to have days off at the beach, too."

This, however, will not be the first concert the band has performed for the military. Phillips said Puddle of Mudd has performed in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as military bases in Germany.

"We're big supporters of the troops. Whether for or against the war, it's not

the troops' fault they're going to war," Phillips said. "We're always ready and willing to do whatever we can to make life a little bit brighter."

Named after the 1993 Missouri River flood, the band was originally formed in 1992 by Scantlin, lead vocalist and guitarist. The flood literally turned the band's rehearsal room into a "puddle of mud." Since then, the group has produced five studio albums including "Come Clean" and "Volume 4: Songs in the Key of Love and Hate."

According to Phillips, BayFest attendees can expect a few songs from each of their albums, and perhaps a cover song. There may be even some songs from the band's newest album, "Re:[disc]covered," coming out in August.

"Re:[disc]covered" consists of the band's rendition of well-known songs by bands including Led Zeppelin, The Rolling Stones and Elton John, Phillips said.

"We wanted to choose not only songs that we're fans of and inspired by but take on songs that would push us as artists to do different things," Phillips said.

Phillips was especially excited about performing Elton John's "Rocket Man." The original song is performed as a piano piece, which is not the band's traditional style.

"I was just amazed that it was even possible for a grungy rockband like us to be respectful of ["Rocket Man"] and not murder it," Phillips said.



Courtesy Photo

Rock band Puddle of Mudd will perform at BayFest this year on July 16. This will be the band's first-ever performance in Hawaii, although some of the band members have visited the islands before. The group has performed around the world in support of military personnel, including Iraq, Afghanistan and Germany.

Reflecting on the band's growth over the years, Phillips said the members get along with each other better, and are fortunate that they can continue to perform music for a living. He said the band hopes to work on another album for next year.

So how does MCCA choose its bands each year? According to Bookatz, MCCA seeks feedback partially from service members through focus groups and surveys.

"We seek bands that offer a broad appeal and that

provide a good draw at similar concerts where they've performed," Bookatz said. "We've done a couple of repeat performers over the years, specifically Joan Jett and Everclear, but mostly we have focused on bringing in bands that folks may not have seen here before."

Also featured in BayFest 2011 will be Cecilio and Kapono, Joe Nichols, and Hoobastank. For more information about Puddle of Mudd, visit <http://www.facebook.com/puddleofmudd>. For more information about BayFest, visit <http://www.bayfesthawaii.com>.

USO Hawaii annual backpack drive underway

Back to School Backpack and School Supply Drive in need of supplies for kids

Press Release

USO Hawaii

School age dependents of E-5 and below service members will once again be treated to a backpack filled with school supplies when school starts later this month. The drive began July 1 and will continue through July 15. Last year, USO Hawaii was able to help more than 200 children with their back to school supplies. This year's goal is to help more than 250 children.

USO Hawaii and community partners are busy gathering donations. Items in need are new backpacks, pens, pencils, crayons, markers, folders, notebooks, paper and other various school supplies.

In support of military family morale programs, this year's drive has received assistance from the Joint Base

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Officers' Spouses Club, Kiwanis Club of Pearl Harbor, Naval Submarine Training Center on Ford Island, and the Chevron Corporation, to list a few.

Donations are being collected at the Aloha Reception Desk NEX Mall Rotunda, the Hickam BXtra and Schofield Exchange between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. until July 16.

To register on a first-come, first-served basis, parents need to email sponsor's name, rank, branch of service as well as their school age dependent's name and age. Please email the info to: rsvpusohawaii@gmail.com.

Distribution will be on Sunday, July 17 at Hickam's Makai Recreation Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Parents need to show their military ID when they come to pick up the backpacks.



Courtesy Photo

KEEP RECYCLABLES OUT OF THE TRASH

Trash disposal is expensive on this small island and bad for our environment. On the flip side, the sale of recyclables generates income used for new bins and services to make recycling easier for all of us. Too often inspectors find recyclable items in dumpsters around the base. According to Base Order 5500.15B, dumpsters with recyclables in it will not be emptied until the violation is corrected. The unit assigned that dumpster must correct the problem. So let's do the right thing and turn in recyclable items properly. Common items include white paper, newspaper, glass, aluminum cans, plastic beverage bottles, corrugated

cardboard, metals, wood and pallets. Housing residents may bring recyclables to the Recycling Center during open hours or if after hours, drop them in the recycling trailers located outside the center's gate. The Recycling Center is located at Bldg. 132 on base at the intersection of 1st and D Streets and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., except Wednesdays from noon to 3 p.m. We can help with providing recycling education, signs, stickers, and indoor/outdoor bins. Tell us what your needs are and we'll accommodate you. Call the Recycling Center site manager at 257-4300 with questions.



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GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

Show Tunes for a Cause

July 9

See the Honolulu Broadway Babies performs live at Windward Mall in Kaneohe Saturday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. Their concerts inspire and support higher education for people with developmental disabilities. Featuring many of Hawaii's up-and-coming stars, the HB Babies shine for a good cause.

L.I.N.K.S. for tweens and teens

July 9

The Marine Corps Family Team Building's Lifestyle, Insights, Networking, Knowledge and Skills program, is hosting a L.I.N.K.S. for tweens and teens July 9 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The class will teach them about the Marine Corps culture, help them connect with others their age and discover fun and positive ways of dealing with challenges and learn to thrive in this lifestyle.

Class will be held at Waikulu Community Center. For more information, call 257-2657.

Relay for Life of Kailua/Kaneohe

July 9

Come celebrate life in the honorary first lap at Relay for Life of Kailua and Kaneohe on July 9 at 5 p.m. at Kailua High School. Join other survivors, fighters and caregivers in a celebratory first lap. You can walk, skip, be wheelchair-pushed, or simply stand along the track to honor those who are winning the fight against cancer. Then stay

for dinner and the candle-lighting ceremony at nightfall. It's free and we'd love to see you. Relay for Life is the nationwide signature event of the American Cancer Society.

Proceeds benefit local families and cancer prevention programs. To register call Amy Thompson at 432-9163 or visit <http://www.relayforlife.org/KailuaHI>.

Art and Poetry Show

July 11-22

An art and poetry show begins July 11 and goes until July 22, with submissions displayed on weekdays at Windward Mall.

Explore the inspirational display of award-winning art and poetry from the Board of Water Supply's Poetry and Poster Contest.

This year's theme, "Me He Ahupua'a - Mai Uka I Kai, E Malama Wai (As an Ahupua'a - from Mountain to Sea, Conserve Water)," aimed to raise awareness about water conservation.

Volunteers needed for BayFest 2011

July 15-17

Both military and civilian volunteers are needed for BayFest 2011, from July 15 to July 17.

Drivers, retail tent assistants, food and beverage service, ticketing, entry point security, marketing and contest support are all needed. Various shifts are available. All volunteers receive admission to the general BayFest attractions, t-shirt, meal coupon and more. For more information, call 257-7787.

Hooked on Fiction

July 19, Ongoing

Book lovers can meet at the MCB Hawaii Library to discuss all genres of fiction. The group meets every other Tuesday at 6 p.m. For more information, call the library at 254-7624.

"The Wizard of Oz" at Paliku Theater

July 21-23

Join the Hawaii Education of the ARTS with their summer youth stage production of the famous childhood tale. Curtains are up at Paliku Theater July 21-23 for four performances. For more information about the show or organization, call 741-2787 or see <http://heartshawaii.org>.

Snorkel at Haunama Bay

July 31

Explore the mysteries of the famous reef with the Single Marine and Sailor Program. Bring your own snorkeling gear or rent it. Open for sergeants and petty officers second class or lower ranking. Sign up by July 28. For more information, call 254-7593 or email peteronko@usmc-mccs.org.

Catch a wave with Na Koa Lani Canoe Club

Ongoing

Open to all base employees, service members and their families, the club practices at several locations including Hale Koa Beach. Members can also join to race with the team in contests all around the state. For more information, call 254-7666.