Hawaii Marine



U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific and 3rd Marine Regiment Marines carry caskets holding the remains of 36 Marines, Sunday, during a dignified transfer ceremony at Hangar 35 aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. The remains of 36 Marines who fought and died during the Battle of Tarawa in World War II were discovered and returned to U.S. soil to be identified and returned to their families for burial with full military honors.

Cpl. Matthew J. Bragg

U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific

TARAWA, Kiribati — The 3rd Marine Division conducted a repatriation ceremony Saturday to honor what are believed to be the remains of at least 36 Marines in Tarawa, Kiribati, who fought and died during the Battle of Tarawa in World War II.

The Battle of Tarawa, also known

as the 76-hour battle, took place from Nov. 20 through 23, 1943 on the heavily fortified island of Betio, which was held by 4,500 Japanese troops. More than 18,000 U.S. Marines were sent to secure the island, but the coral reefs surrounding the island acted as a blockade and caused unexpected problems during the amphibious assault.

When the battle finally ended, more

than 1,000 U.S. troops had been killed in action and were left to become a piece of unrecoverable history. However, the Marine Corps has a saying: "Never leave a Marine behind."

"Today provides for us the opportunity to bring home some Marines who were lost here during the Battle of Tarawa (more than) 70 years ago," said Maj. Gen. Richard P. Simcock, 3rd Marine Division commanding general. "Those Marines that gave their lives and ensured our way of life continued here in the Pacific were fully expected to come home, but it didn't work out that way. Today we've filled that obligation for those Marines."

In March 2015, History Flight, a privately owned organization working in cooperation with the Defense POW/

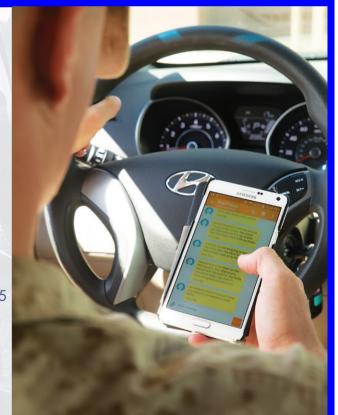
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Medal of Honor recipient speaks at reception

Lance Cpl. Harley Thomas

Marine Corps Base Hawaii

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM — Service members and distinguished guests gathered for a reception hosted by the Honolulu Navy League in honor of retired Marine Corps Cpl. William "Kyle" Carpenter at the Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet Boathouse aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 22.

"Back in 1976, when I was a young second lieutenant, I was assigned to Allan Kellogg's company," said Lt. Gen. John A. Toolan Jr., the commanding general of U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific. "He was a Medal of Honor recipient and I thought to myself, 'Holy mackerel! I'm going to hang around this man and learn a few things. Then, of course, I met Carpenter, one of the youngest Medal of Honor recipients. I don't know if you've heard him speak yet, but this guy is unbelievable — the passion that comes from his heart

about being a Marine and about what he did will bring tears to your eyes. This is the kind of Marine we have in our Corps today, and I'm sure he'll be the first to tell you he is no exception."

According to Toolan, a Brooklyn, N.Y., native, the reception was held in order to recognize Marines, particularly young Marines such as Carpenter, who went above and beyond the call of duty. He said it is important to understand the Medal of Honor is not something one can

"Sgt. Maj. Kellogg already got onto me for not wearing my medal," joked Carpenter, a Jackson, Miss., native. "Not wearing it is something new I've been doing around veterans, active duty service members and those who have sacrificed, served and have given so much for their country."

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JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM — Retired Marine Corps Sgt. Maj. Allan J. Kellogg, left, a Medal of Honor recipient and Bethel, Conn., native, and retired Marine Corps Cpl. William "Kyle" Carpenter, a Medal of Honor recipient and Jackson, Miss., native, share a laugh during a reception hosted by the Honolulu Navy League in Carpenter's honor at the Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet Boathouse aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 22.



Back to school! Mokapu hosts open house for prospective students, **A-6**



Slam dunk! 101 Days of Summer 3-on-3 Basketball Tourney ends, B-1

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NEWS BRIEFS

K-Bay Chinese Garden, Aqua Zone closed for maintenance

K-Bay Chinese Garden and Aqua Zone will be closed for maintenance through Sunday. They are scheduled to re-open for business on Monday. For more information, call Business Operations at 254-7638.

Pyramid Rock Young Marines training recruits

The next recruit training for the Pyramid Rock Young Marines is scheduled for Saturday at 8 a.m. at building 333.

The Young Marines is a youth education and service program for boys and girls, age 8 through completion of high school. The Young Marines promotes the mental, moral, and physical development of its members. The program focuses on character-building, leadership and promotes a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. The Young Marines is the focal point for the U.S. Marine Corps' Youth Drug Demand Reduction efforts. The Pyramid Rock Young Marines drill and meet at building 333 on B Street aboard MCB Hawaii. Email PyramidRockYM@gmail.com for more information.

Click-N-Ship pamphlets available at post office

The Marine Corps Base Hawaii post office has Click-N-Ship pamphlets available for patrons. The pamphlets contain websites and instructions on how to prepare packages at home to ship. Patrons are able save money and print postage from usps.com, as well as order free shipping supplies. For more information, visit the base post office or call 257-2008.

Participants wanted for school survey

The Marine Corps wants to hear about your permanent change of station experiences with school-age children. Your voice will have an impact on the future K-12 education support services we offer. Participate in a brief survey to provide input related to your children's school experiences. Find the survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/K12MarinePCS.

Rentals available for eligible service members

Homes are available for rent on Marine Corps Base Hawaii for basic housing allowance-eligible single and geo-bachelor service members. Those eligible include active-duty Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guardsmen and reservists. Visit the website at www.fcmarineshawaii.com. Apply now by calling 1-866-340-0122. You may also come to the Forest City office at 1571 Lawrence Road with questions or to apply.

Weed Warriors needed Aug. 8

Join the Sierra Club, community volunteers, and the staff of the Environmental Compliance and Protection Department, Aug. 8, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. to remove invasive trees and shrubs from the historic Nuupia Ponds and wildlife wetland habitats on base. This is a great opportunity to learn about native plants and birds.

Meet at the H-3 Gate pass house parking lot at 8 a.m., from there you will proceed with Environmental personnel to the work site. The base provides cotton gloves and tools. Wear old clothes, close-toed shoes and sunscreen. Bring plenty of water and expect to get dirty. Letters of appreciation will be issued to all military members. For questions, contact Lance Bookless at lance.bookless1@usmc.mil or 257-7000.

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Christine Cabalo | Hawaii Marine

Incoming Mokapu Elementary School students listen to "Welcome to Kindergarten" read aloud by Charles Fradley, the principal of Mokapu Elementary School, at their kindergarten open house, Tuesday. The incoming kindergarteners met with their teachers before their first full day of instruction, Wednesday. Parents also had a chance to speak to their child's teacher about the upcoming school year during the open house.



Photographer: Christine Cabalo

Age: 33

Behind the shot: Mokapu Elementary School hosted two open house sessions for welcoming students and their parents. This year the kindergarteners had their own open house where teachers could speak to both their incoming students and parents. As I was taking photos, I was looking for shots that would capture what going to school in Hawaii can be like. I also wanted to highlight the care I saw each of the staff give to the new students who were experiencing school for the first time. Although I captured a lot of great photos, this is one of the shots I liked the best. This outdoors shot reminded me of all the days I sat on the grass during recess with commonly found Hawaii plants around me. Many children seemed excited. A few were naturally scared of their new surroundings. But all sat down for story time especially when the principal of the school, Charles Fradley, took the time to read to them. I sat down with them, checked my exposure settings and took the shot.

HQBN Marines graduate Lance Corporals Course



Cpl Brittney Vito | Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Lance Corporal Seminar Class 3-15 graduated at the Chaplain Joseph W. Estabrook Chapel aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii, July 18. The seminar ensures a better understanding of Marine Corps ethos, leadership fundamentals and the total Marine amphibious concept. Beginning Oct. 1, lance corporals will be required to complete the seminar prior to promotion to corporal.

CE COMMENTS

COMMENT: My wife just came back from the Marine Mart and had a terrible experience with two employees that worked there. I will refrain from using their names, however, they were commenting back and forth on the appearance of my wife. My wife was wearing proper civilian attire, and these two employees began talking about how "trashy" my wife looked and blatantly pointing and laughing at her. I am severely upset and am having a hard time refraining from using specific words at the moment. My wife had to convince me not to go to the Marine Mart and confront them. (I was not present for the incident; I was still working at the time). I am not asking for anything to be done to the two individuals, however, I would hope that the people who get hired at these installations would practice proper customer service. I am extremely disappointed with what happened, and if the problem persists I will be taking further action.

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- to threaten or to make public announcements. Visit the ICE site at http://ice.disa.mil for more information.



Petty Officer 3rd Class Steven Martinez (left), a corpsman, and Staff Sgt. Joseph Quintanilla, a platoon sergeant, both with Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, brace as a CH-53E Super Stallion with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 366 takes off after inserting the company into a landing zone aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif., Sunday. The Marines were inserted to conduct ground air integration training.

Lava Dogs' go wheels up

Sgt. Owen Kimbrel

I Marine Expeditionary Force

MARINE CORPS AIR GROUND COMBAT **CENTER TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif.** — The sound of CH-53E Super Stallion rotors spinning in the distance could be heard as Marines and Sailors with Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, and Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 366 teamed up to run drills in ground air integration training aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif., Sunday.

Utilizing helicopters, the Marines increased their ability to reach a remote area, insert, and conduct a cordon. Then they searched to locate potential targets housing weapons and drugs.

"This type of training is important because it gives

the Marines the opportunity to conduct (tactical site exploitation) methods and also be able to exploit an actual village to set up an inner and outer cordon," said 1st Lt. Alan Blackburn, a platoon commander with Bravo Co., 1st Bn., 3rd Marines.

The Marines inserted on the outskirts of the village and tactically cleared buildings in search of possible targets, establishing a cordon of the area to not let anyone in or out.

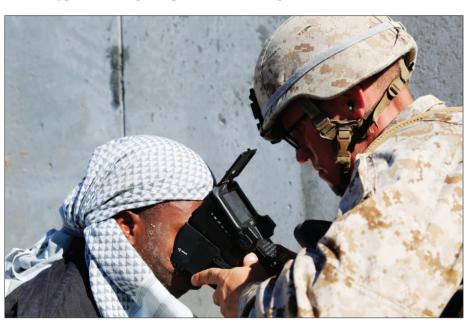
After clearing the buildings, the Marines found five possible targets. Upon further questioning and battling varying combatant attitudes from the role players, the Marines used a biometric scanner to scan each individual's eyes and fingerprints to determine which individuals needed to be detained.

"A good thing to take away from this type of training is that you sometimes are going to have to force people to do what you say, and when they don't speak the same language as you, it makes it that much harder," said Lance Cpl. Arata Young, a team leader with Bravo Co., 1st Bn., 3rd Marines. "So you have to be patient yet assertive in order to make progress.'

After completing the mission, the Marines were able to receive feedback from observers with varying levels of experience from detainee questioning to employment of the biometric scanners.

"It was a good opportunity for us to come out here and perform," Blackburn added. "Everyone likes to conduct (Military Operations in Urban Terrain) towns, so we came in here and had a good time."

This training allows Marines to successfully replicate sectioning off an area in order to search and seize hazardous material or individuals.



Lance Cpl. Michael Anderson, a rifleman with Bravo Co., 1st Bn., 3rd Marines, conducts a biometric scan on a possible high-value target roleplayer during ground air integration training aboard MCAGCC, Calif., Sunday. The training allowed the Marines to employ the technology in a realistic scenario in order to become more familiar with the devices.



Lance Cpl. Alexander Etter, a rifleman with Bravo Co., 1st Bn., 3rd Marines, posts security from a window during ground air integration training aboard MCAGCC, Calif., Sunday.

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Lt. Col. Michael L. Brooks, commanding officer for Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, gives opening remarks to kick off their family day aboard the base, July 24. Family days allow Marines and their families to take a break and learn about the different support services offered on base while participating in friendly sporting events and games.

HQBN CO determined to improve Marines' lives

Cpl. Brittney Vito

Marine Corps Base Hawaii

When asked what his biggest priorities are, Lt. Col. Michael L. Brooks, the commanding officer of Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, immediately answered that his job is to focus on and improve the lives of his Marines.

"The thing I look forward to most is waking up and coming to work," said Brooks, a South Boston, Va., native. "Every day I come in and see the Marines on the quarterdeck conducting their duty change over. I love to greet (them) and find out where they work. That's what I look forward to (the most)."

Brooks took command of the battalion June 22, and is pushing hard to accomplish three short-term goals: lower the battalion's force preservation numbers, further improve the current barracks' conditions and create more leadership opportunities for the battalion's noncommissioned officers.

According to Marine Corps Order 5100.29B, force preservation is defined as an established vibrant and viable safety program that maintains combat readiness but eliminates preventable mishaps, while preserving the Marine Corps' most precious assets: the Marines, Sailors, civilian personnel and equipment.

"(For the) Marines who are in the medium to high category (on the risk management scale), we need to focus on finding out what is stressing them and direct them towards the subject matter experts (who) can help them," Brooks said. "Too often, Marines receive help after it's too late."

Brooks said the Marines' quality of life is important and the quality of the barracks should not be a stressor. He said he's working with the right people to improve the barracks the Marines are currently living in.

"A decade ago everybody was deploying and getting tax-free money with nowhere to spend it," Brooks said. "When they (returned), the younger Marines were going out and buying flat-screen TVs and making their rooms



Service members from Headquarters Battalion greet Brooks during the unit's family day July 24. Brooks, of South Boston, Va., is pushing hard to accomplish three short-term goals: lower the battalion's force preservation numbers, further improve the current barracks conditions and create more leadership opportunities for the battalion's noncommissioned officers.



Brooks addresses the audience during the morning colors ceremony aboard the base, July 24. Brooks took command of the battalion June 22.

look really nice. Today, young Marines haven't had that opportunity. I don't want them to feel forced to put things

on credit to buy things. I want them to feel comfortable (where they live)."

Brooks wants to install TVs and DVD

players in the recreation rooms, grills for each of the barracks and to better equip the laundry rooms. He said he does not want the service members to wait for those upgraded conditions and wants to create a comfortable living environment for his Marines as soon as possible.

Brooks also said he wants to empower the battalion's NCOs and create more leadership opportunities for them.

"Many of our NCOs are completing Sergeants (or) Corporals Course and are immediately returning to their shops after completion," Brooks said. "Our NCOs learn a lot of good information in these courses and (may be) unable to use it. I want to create more opportunities for them to implement what they

have learned." Brooks said he has many ideas for the battalion and is working hard to make these changes happen in the near future.

"As the commanding officer, my whole mission is devoted to taking care of Marines, Sailors and their families,"

VOLUNTEERS WORK HARD, PLAY HARD



ABOVE: KAILUA, Hawaii — Seaman Johnta Minor, a boatswain's mate with Waterfront Operations, applies a fresh coat of paint to the fading parking lot lines during the Jump Start Aikahi clean up at Aikahi Elementary School, July 22.

RIGHT: Students participating in the summer Dream Company program work together to hoist a childsized bag of fallen leaves during the Jump Start Aikahi clean-up at Aikahi Elementary School, July 22. This event is a first for the summer cleaning program, put into place by the new temporary principal Keoki Fraser.



Photos by Cpl. Khalil Ross | Marine Corps Base Hawaii

DELIVERING **GOOD SERVICE**

A construction worker saws a board to support repairs completed at the entrance to the base post office, July 24. The office temporarily closed while workers installed a new door and renovated the frame supporting the entrance. The post office re-opened to normal business hours, Monday.



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SHOW AND TELL! MOKAPU



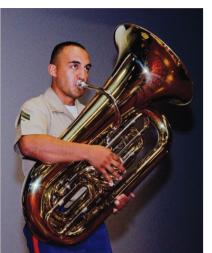
Charles Fradley, the principal of Mokapu Elementary School, holds hands with incoming kindergarten students as they prepare to sit down in a circle for story time at the school, July 28, 2015. Fradley and the rest of Mokapu's staff welcomed families at their kindergarten open house, which was held the day before the first full day of school for students. Mokapu Elementary, located on Marine Corps Base Hawaii, is one of the largest schools on the Windward side of Oahu with an enrollment of more than 800 students.



Christine Cabalo | Hawaii Marine

Anita Robertson, a kindergarten teacher at Mokapu Elementary School chats with her new students about the upcoming school year during kindergarten open house held July 28.

RHYTHM WINDS DOWN FOR THE SUMMER



Photos by Kristine Wong | Hawaii Marine

Cpl. Antonio Rodriguez, a tuba player with the U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific Band, performs during the closing ceremony for the Marine Corps Base Hawaii library's summer reading program, July 25.



Jim Gardner (left), the manager for personal and professional development at Marine Corps Community Services Hawaii, applauds Dulce Euclide (center), a library volunteer, after presenting her with a certificate of appreciation at the base theater during the closing ceremony for the Marine Corps Base Hawaii library's 2015 summer reading program, July 25, 2015. Meri Healey, (right), the base supervisory librarian, thanked the base library's volunteers and staff members for their efforts during the program. Participants received certificates of completion and several received prizes in a raffle at the closing ceremony. With a theme of "Read to the Rhythm," this year's program encouraged eligible readers of all ages to read and log books online for prizes throughout the summer. More than 500 participants logged a total of 9,821 books.

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cpi. Matthew J. Bragg | 0.3. Marine Corps Forces, Facili

Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 152 Marines, based out of Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, stand by to honor the remains of 36 Marines, Sunday, being offloaded from C-130J Hercules aircraft during a dignified transfer ceremony at Hangar 35 aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. The remains of 36 Marines who fought and died during the Battle of Tarawa in World War II were returned to U.S. soil to be identified and returned to their families for burial with full military honors.

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During the reception, Carpenter displayed his medal and citation on a table for guests to inspect, read and hold. He said any veteran, man or woman in uniform was welcome to do so.

"It's not my medal — it is just as much yours," Carpenter said. "Like Lt. Gen. Toolan said, though I wouldn't say I was in the right place at the right time, I had (a choice) and I know that if 100 Marines were put in my position, they would have done the same thing. The Medal of Honor is not for any one person. It is not mine, it is for all those who didn't make it home, for those who bled and died on distant battlefields

around the world. It's for those who are guarded every day at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington. The Medal of Honor represents freedom. It represents our great country. It's an amazing honor that I am so appreciative for, but it is heavy when I wear it. It is hard to wear knowing so many people gave so much more than I did."

Carpenter said he has not gotten where he is by himself, but that his family and fellow service members have helped him every step of the way.

"I'm a firm believer that you don't get anywhere without the great people around you — your family, loved ones, fellow service members and veterans, and great Americans," Carpenter said.

"They have truly helped me get to where I am today. To everyone that came, I thank you."

Carpenter said for one to raise their right hand in service of their country, to take initiative and know they're signing up for a dangerous job to serve their country is a very powerful, amazing and beautiful thing.

"It's truly incredible and I am proud of everyone who does so, but please be proud of yourselves, your service and what you've done for this amazing country," he said. "I feel like it's not enough, but thank you so much. I am just so happy to be here and I am very proud to be a Marine. I am a Marine, first and foremost, above anything, and I am proud to be an American."

MARINES, from A-1

MIA Accounting Agency, discovered a long-lost burial trench and recovered what are believed to be the remains of at least 36 U.S. Marines killed during the battle. One set of those remains is tentatively believed to be those of 1st Lt. Alexander Bonnyman, Jr., who was one of four Medal of Honor recipients for his actions on Tarawa, and the only one whose remains have been unaccounted for.

The remains of the Marines were placed into American flag-draped caskets and loaded onto a C-130J Hercules aircraft during the ceremony.

"This ceremony I could not describe; it is one of the most solemn ceremonies I've had the opportunity to participate in," Simcock said. "Seeing those flag-draped coffins getting on the aircraft and knowing they're going home, it makes me feel good as a Marine. For us it's always about accountability and bringing our Marines home after the fight is over."

After the final casket was loaded onto the aircraft, the audience remained still in a moment of silence as a bugler performed ceremonial taps.

Once the caskets were loaded aboard the aircraft, the C-130 departed from Tarawa to begin the transportation of the remains back to the U.S.

The Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. Joseph F. Dunford, Jr. had this to say upon the initial discovery: "I was very pleased to learn of the discovery of the remains of our Marines on the island of Tarawa (...) This battle demonstrated the indomitable fighting spirit of our Marines (...) The lessons learned there paved the way for our success in the Pacific campaign and eventual end to the war. We look forward to their return home."

After transportation back to the U.S. has been completed, the remains will undergo DNA testing to confirm the identities of the Marines and will then be turned over to their respective families for burial with full military honors.



Lance Cpl. Harley Thomas | Marine Corps Base Hawai

Retired Marine Corps Cpl. William "Kyle" Carpenter's Medal of Honor and citation were displayed on a table for guests to inspect, read and hold, during a reception hosted by the Honolulu Navy League in Carpenter's honor at the Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet Boathouse aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 22.

Sports & Lifestyle

MALS-24 dunks 3rd Marines in 101 Days B-Ball

Kristen Wong

Hawaii Marine

The Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Warriors defeated the 3rd Marine Regiment Super Splash Brothers in the championship game of the 101 Days of Summer 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at the Semper Fit Center, July 24.

Eight units aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii entered more than a dozen teams in the double-elimination tournament, which ran for two weeks, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The game officially ended at 15 minutes or as soon as one team earned 21 points. The Warriors were undefeated throughout the entire tournament.

Beckie Page, the acting Health Promotions coordinator, said she enjoyed watching the tournament. Through timing the event and helping the teams keep score, Page said she also learned a great deal about basketball, which she never played before.

"It was just great to see the way the teams come together," Page said. "I'm glad they participated."

Petty Officer 3rd Class Hakeem Jones, an avionics technician with MALS-24 and Lake City, Fla., native, said he participated to help benefit his unit and because he is a fan of basketball.

"They were good games," Jones said. "All in all, it's a good, fun time."

Petty Officer 1st Class Jasen Franklin, an aviation ordnanceman with MALS-24, and native of Swainsboro, Ga., said he was looking forward to playing volleyball, the next event in the program.

"It was fun, competitive," said Petty



Lance Cpl. Deondrae Spencer (left), a radio operator with 3rd Marine Regiment and Inglewood, Calif., native, and Petty Officer 1st Class Joshua McClelland, a maintenance administrative lead petty officer, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24, and Siloam Springs, Ark., native, both jump for the ball during the championship game of the 101 Days of Summer 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at the Semper Fit Center, July 24.

Officer 1st Class Joshua McClelland, a maintenance administrative lead petty officer for MALS-24.

McClelland, a Siloam Springs, Ark., native, said he hoped that there will be more competitions next year. Still, he said the tournament was a way to "bring all the squadrons together" and get to know new people.

As of July 23, MALS-24 is in the lead with 2,280 points in the program's large unit category. As for the small unit category, 21st Dental Company is in the lead with 3,375 points.

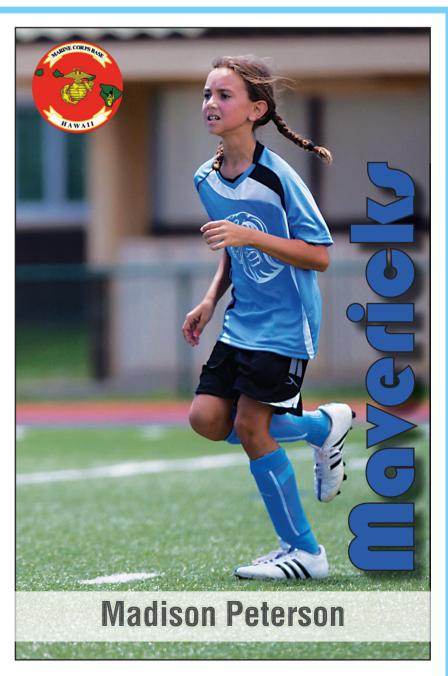
The next event in the 101 Days of Summer Program is the Sand Volleyball Tournament, scheduled from Aug. 4 through 17 at the Riseley Field sand volleyball courts during lunch. Units can also earn points by attending classes offered by the Health Promotion Office.

The tournament was part of the 101 Days of Summer Program, which provides various events throughout the summer for service members aboard MCB Hawaii. The goal of the program is to encourage inter-unit activities, responsible alcohol consumption and ending the use of illegal drugs. Service members participating in the tournament could earn points for their unit.

For more information about the 101 Days of Summer Program, visit www. mccshawaii.com/101Days, or call the Health Promotion Office at 254-7636.

The soccer superstar is the player chosen by the coach as the one who really brought their "A" game to the field in a single match. This player exemplified sportsmanship, teamwork and showed their teammates the path to success.





Photos by Cpl. Brittney Vito | Marine Corps Base Hawaii



Wyatt Peterson, 6, a member of the Stingrays youth soccer team, was chosen by his coach to be their team's "Soccer Superstar" because of how well he has been playing on defense.



Madison Peterson, 10, a member of the Mavericks youth soccer team, was chosen by her coach to be their team's "Soccer Superstar" for her intensity and performance on defense.

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Life's a beach when you dig deep

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Reclining my beach chair to the third notch, I sink deeply into the brightly striped canvas. Blinded by the sun, I grope for my cold beverage, safely ensconced in its Huggie, and dislodge it from the cup holder at the end of the armrest. I draw a long icy sip, letting the cold carbonation fizzle for a moment on my tongue before swallowing. My heels wiggle to create two cool ditches for my feet, the sand sifting softly through my

Eyes closed, I soak up the sun, hear the rhythmic splashing of the surf and feel the gentle ocean breeze.

"Hey Lisa! Are you ready to get beat?" I hear 20 minutes into a deliciously sweaty pseudo nap.

It's Ralph. He and his wife Pam are under their beach umbrella, and he's goading me to play ladderball. The day before, I paired up with a fellow

vacationer named Grace and somehow, we managed to win the ladderball championship for the day. Not bad for two middle-aged mothers.

While I try to think of an excuse to stay in my beach chair, Ralph makes his way down to the ocean for a dip. Although Ralph spends most of the day under his umbrella, he gets up occasionally to "go for a swim" (we all know to stay upcurrent) or play a quick game of ladderball or cornhole before going back to his drink.

I can't remember which summer it was that our family met Ralph and his wife Pam but we see them every year, along with other folks who vacation at the same beach. There's Grace and Steve, Pete and Luanne, Eddie and Nancy, Bobbie and Dan, Al and Gwon, Keith and Laura and others.

We've all been renting beach houses on Hickory Trail for many years and met eventually, chatting from umbrella to umbrella. Playing beach games. Sharing cold beverages. Watching each others'

We didn't need to know much about our beach buddies' lives away from Hickory Trail. We already know that Ralph is hilarious. Grace is happy-golucky. Eddie brings fireworks. Pete reads books. Bobbie wears cute hats. Al's a great volleyball player. Pam makes awesome sandwiches.

Nothing else seemed to matter.

But this summer, while lounging under our respective umbrellas, conversations stretch with the shadows into the late afternoon. While telling stories to avoid the hassle of cooking dinner, we learn new things about each other.

Ralph has seven siblings, three of which were in the Army. Pam and Ralph's son is stationed at Ft. Bragg. Pete served in Army intelligence for several years before taking over his family's bakery business. Eddie's son works as a civilian contractor for the military. Keith is a retired Marine.

Like toes wiggling in the sand, we dig a little deeper and are pleasantly surprised to find a common reverence for military life.

"C'mon Lisa," Ralph chides on his way back from the water, "Are you and Grace ready to defend your title?"

I peel myself out of the comfy canvas nest and wave at Grace to join me on the ladderball court. While Ralph and the gang heckle us mercilessly, Grace and I surprise ourselves with our third straight win.

After some awkward middle-aged high fives, we circle our chairs around to share more laughs and stories with this random cluster of eclectic personalities. The press and political pundits say there is a "gap of understanding" between military and civilians, and that we need to worry about the increasing "militarycivilian divide." But on this Carolina beach, there is only camaraderie and mutual respect.

As the sun dips low in the sky, I'm hopeful the tides are changing.

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'Genisys' adds new chapter to Terminator story

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Hawaii Marine

"Old — not obsolete." That quote, coming straight from the cyborg itself, pretty much sums up "Terminator Genisys," the latest installment in the Terminator franchise, which

came out July 1.

The original "Terminator" was available online, and I happened to be able to get a refresher watch of at least the last half before I headed for the theaters. I wouldn't call myself a huge fan, but I wanted some closure. Little did I know, I would get so much more.

In "Terminator Sal-John Connor (Christian Bale) was still struggling with the decision

Terminator fans knew all along he would have to make to save his own life.

"Terminator Genisys" ushers us into a future where civilization lies in ruins and John (Jason Clarke) leads the surviving humans to fight against the rogue artificial intelligence, Skynet, and its deadly machines. John saves a young boy named Kyle Reese from a termina-

tor, and Reese (Jai Courtney) grows up to join the resistance, fighting alongside John. Skynet, the artificial intelligence system controlling the machines, sends its humanoid cyborg, the T-800, back in time to kill John's mother, Sarah (Emilia Clarke). While numerous soldiers volunteer to follow the T-800, Reese insists that he knows Sarah better than anyone, and tells John he will go. He enters

the adventure begins.

What I appreciate about this film is it's a feel-good movie with a larger message, and the idea that we're slaves to technology is not new. We do need to put down the smartphone every now and then to smell the roses. I liked how they set up the beginning of the movie from Reese's perspective, evoking a melancholy feeling by showing the simple pleasure of children playing on a beach one moment, then stealing that moment and replacing it with desolation and ash-caked toys. Luckily, the movie is also lightly sprinkled with bits of humor, like "What part of 'kills humans' is confusing to you?"

The visual appeal is not only limited to the scenes. I could appreciate the choices made to the characters' appearances. Emilia Clarke's appearance is simple, with her hair pulled back into a ponytail, her lips a nod to '80s flair, with an easy-on-the-eyes light pink. Her black ensemble is a perfect homage to Linda Hamilton, the original Sarah Connor, the time machine and from "Terminator 2." Speaking of homages, it was nice to see Arnold Schwarzenegger reprise his role as the guardian T-800, and no, he did not overdo

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his catchphrases. They even explained why he would appear to have aged, even though he is a cyborg. Despite the warm and fuzzy moments and the occasional laughter, I was also disappointed in sev-

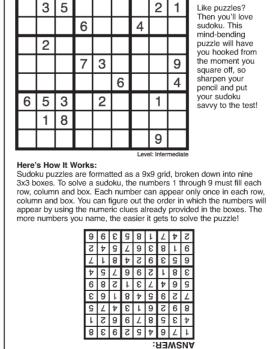
eral aspects of the film. First of all, according to "Terminator Salvation," John first met and saved Reese, who appeared older, and was not alone, from Skynet's headquarters. Yet in this version, he is alone in a sewer, and looks more like he is 6, when John saves him from a random terminator.

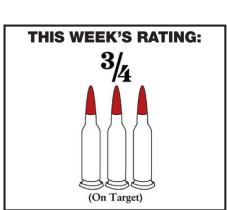
Second, why is the T-1000 played by Byung-hun Lee and not Robert Patrick? Lee played the role well, but he ought to have another model number, or there should be at least an explanation as to why the T-1000 suddenly looks completely different. If all the T-800s look like Arnold Schwarzenegger, then logic would tell you that all T-1000s look like Robert Patrick, all the T-Xs look like Kristanna Loken and so on. You get the idea.

Third, there is something very un-John Connor about Jason Clarke. They just did not cast him right. He did the best performance he could, but I don't think he was meant to be John Connor. It's like putting Jason Statham in a romantic comedy or Steve Carell in "Lord of the Rings." I saw Clarke play an unhappy drunkard in "The Great Gatsby" and a frightening terrorist in "White House Down" — both much more convincing roles than this.

Bottom line, I am giving it a three out of four. It is worth at least one view in the movie theater. Genisys gave me the closure I wanted, and a satisfying ending.









"Max" PG Today | 6:30 p.m. "Magic Mike XXL" R "Inside Out" PG "Ted 2" R "Inside Out" (in 3D) PG "Max" PG

Today | 9:15 p.m. Saturday | 6:30 p.m. **Saturday** | 9:15 p.m. Sunday | 2 p.m. Sunday | 6:30 p.m. "Ted 2" R Wednesday | 6:30 p.m.

Prices: All shows are \$5 for adults and \$3.25 for children. All 3-D shows are \$8 for adults and \$6 for children. For ticket pricing, the base theater box office defines an adult as a patron 12 years and older and defines a child as a patron from 6 to 11 years old. 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.

HITT me: Athletes win, invited to finals in California

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Hawaii Marine

Marines competed for a chance at the top title for the High Intensity Tactical Training Tactical Athlete Competition at Riseley Field, Wednesday.

Sgt. David Williams, of Indianapolis, claimed the most points for first place. He is invited to join other top athletes chosen from every participating Marine Corps installation. Those who win the preliminary match for their installation are invited to compete in the finals scheduled Sept. 16 at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms Calif

"I kept up my regular routine to prep for this," said Williams, a noncommissioned officer in charge of the administration section at Headquarters and Service Battalion at Camp H.M. Smith. "Our unit does a lot of CrossFit (exercise) with our unit commander (Col. Darric Knight). We do things like medicine ball runs."

Those skills helped Williams take first place after competing in several events including a kneeling medicine ball throw, standing broad jump and a kettlebell/burpee challenge. Each participant was awarded points based on how fast or far they traveled, with Williams' score adding up to a first-place win. The events tested power, speed, agility and other physical qualities brought out by a good HITT regimen.

"All of the events (in the competition) require skill," said Jon Shiota, the manager of Semper Fit Center at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, who helped officiate the match. "It's a matter of who can do it the (best)."

The best from Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Headquarters Marine Corps and all other Corps installations are in the process of competing so their top representatives to go to the finals, said Edmundo Rangel Jr., the HITT coordinator at MCAGCC Twentynine Palms. His installation has scheduled three preliminaries for choosing their top athletes.

"We have a lot of training exercises," he said. "We've got Marines who are out in the field who won't be in at certain times we're hosting a prelim. So we've scheduled extra time for them."

Although both male and female athletes could sign up, only male contestants came to compete at Kaneohe Bay this year. Each event tested a different



Cpl. Aliye Nyoka makes his attempt in the kneeling medicine ball throw event of High Intensity Tactical Training Tactical Athlete Competition held at Riseley Field, Wednesday. Nyoka is a landing support red patcher with Combat Logistics Battalion 3.

aspect of fitness, but Shiota said one contest event in particular stood out.

"The 400-yard tactical course is I think the most challenging of all the events," he said. "It is really physically demanding."

Participants needed to complete four tasks, each 100 yards, back-to-back at the fastest time. In 100-yard increments they needed to run a sprint, flip a heavy tire, complete a fireman's carry and take a sandbag weighing more than 60 pounds across the field.

Flipping a heavy tire for 100 yards was one of the most challenging events for competitor Sgt. Devon Moore, a euphonium player for the U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific Band.

"I was thinking 'Don't stop,'" said Moore of Indianapolis. "I set a pace to keep consistently and remembered to breathe."

Although he's done several similar challenges, the competition was the first time Williams had flipped a tire so big and for that long of a distance.

"This was the most challenging because you really needed to use your legs more to flip it, doing a lot of squats," Williams said.



The top three winners of the base's preliminary match for the High Intensity Tactical Training Tactical Athlete Competition pose with their medals. Sgt. David Williams, of Indianapolis, (center) won first place. Coming in second place was Cpl. Colin Burlison, of Norwhich, N.Y., (left) and in third was Sgt. Devon Moore of Indianapolis.

All participants pushed their limits, but each still found time to support and cheer for each other between events. Both Moore and Williams knew each other and played football together back in their hometown, giving

each other encouragement throughout the contest.

After receiving his first place medal, Williams offered a friendly warning to his potential competitors in September

his potential competitors in September. "Watch out for Hawaii," he said.

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Wounded Warriors take aim, participate in WARP



Lance Cpl. Harley Thomas | Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Staff Sgt. Charles Amerson (left), a section leader with the Wounded Warrior **Battalion West-De**tachment Hawaii and Tampa, Fla., native, familiarizes Staff Sgt. Terry Hicks, a service member recovering with the Wounded **Warrior Detachment** and a Washington, D.C., native, with shooting a bow at the archery range aboard **Marine Corps Base** Hawaii, July 23. Every Tuesday and Thursday, service members with the detachment participate in activities such as archery, swimming, track, shooting and cycling as part of the Warrior **Athletic Recondition**ing Program. The purpose of WARP is to help service members find hobbies and help maintain mental and physical fitness as they go through treatment and recovery.

EDUCATE YOURSELF: MCB HAWAII COMMUNITY ATTENDS EDUCATION EXPO

Lance Cpls. Jeffrey Sickmeier (left), and Steven Williams, both legal clerks with the Legal Services Center, visit resource tables during the Education Expo at Mokapu Mall, July 23. More than 180 attendees visited nearly 20 resource tables, many featuring colleges and universities, to share information with the Marines and Sailors of MCB Hawaii about Marine Corps Community Services, education opportunities and more. In addition, Marines were given the opportunity to receive credit for the College 101 Education Brief by attending the expo, provided they met certain requirements, such as correctly completing a series of written questions at the Education Center tent and visiting at least five schools during the expo. The questions included information about tuition assistance policies and procedures. The College 101 Education Brief is held Wednesdays from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. at the Education Center. Per Marine Corps Order 1560.25, Marines must attend the brief to be eligible for TA.



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MALS-24 'Warriors' KEEP FIT TOGETHER





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ABOVE: The Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 Marines and Sailors run as a squadron out of the parking lot in front of Hangar 375. The "Warriors" conducted morning physical training with a formation run.

LEFT: Lance Cpl. Jonathan Giner (left), an aviation technician calibrator with MALS-24, and an El Paso, Texas native, holds the unit guidon.

Working on financial fitness



Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine

(From left to right:) Cpl. Tyler Clark, a ground radio repairman with 3rd Radio Battalion; Cpl. Cody Carpenter, an airframes mechanic with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 367; and Cpl. Daniel Rocoff, the operations noncommissioned officer in charge of 3rd Radio Battalion; attend the Corporals for Financial Fitness Program class at the Education Center, July 23. The two-day class is held semi-annually aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii, and is taught by the Personal Financial Management Program staff. The Marine Corps' version of the Million Dollar Sailor Program, the course was established by Headquarters Marine Corps last year, and Marine Corps Order 1700.37 outlines the eligibility requirements for the class. Materials will be provided for this hands-on class, including colorful "fidgeting" toys, which aid in kinesthetic learning, a type of learning gained through physical activity. Marines are asked to bring their financial paperwork, such as their leave and earnings statement and their bank statements. Among the requirements, students must undergo an interview with a PFMP staff member, be endorsed by their command and meet Marine Corps physical fitness standards. Jacqueline Walker, the PFMP manager, said the purpose of the class is to prepare corporals for "financial readiness" and to support their fellow Marines in the same.

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COMMUNITY, BASE BRIEFS/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Feeding stray animals on base prohibited

As a reminder to all base personnel, per Base Order P5233.2 Base Pet and Wildlife Regulations, feeding of any feral/stray animals aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii is prohibited. Feeding habituates feral animals to humans and encourages them to hunt for food in the urbanized environment. Feeding also artificially supports a larger population of animals; once feeding stops, they will search for food in areas where they used to be fed. Bringing feral animals into close contact with base personnel poses risk of injury to individuals and pets. Additionally, it is illegal to tamper with, damage or destroy any traps or bait stations, or to release animals captured in traps used in the control of wild, stray or feral animals aboard MCB Hawaii. Please report all wildlife related issues to the Environmental Compliance and Protection Department at 257-7000 or 216-7135.

National Night Out happening soon

Marine Corps Base Hawaii's annual National Night Out event is scheduled for Tuesday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Mokapu Mall courtyard. There will be giveaways, music, displays, bounce houses and information booths. For more information, call 257-8312.

SM&SP needs volunteers for debris clean up

The Single Marine & Sailor Program needs volunteers to help with debris clean up on the beach with Aloha Ke Kai scheduled for Aug. 8 from 8:30 a.m to 1 p.m. Volunteers will be meeting at Kahuna's Recreation Center. This is a good volunteer opportunity for single and unaccompanied Marines and sailors. Those interested must sign-up by Tuesday. For more information, call the SM&SP coordinator at 254-7593.

Show off your drive at Commander's Cup

All ranks are welcome to play in the Commander's Cup Golf Tournament, scheduled for Aug. 7, from noon to 5 p.m. aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii. The format is a four-player scramble. Team registrations will be accepted at the Klipper Pro Shop until close of business, Aug. 5. For more information, call 254-1745.

Tradewind Triathlon open to public

The Tradewind Triathlon is scheduled for Aug. 9 at 6:30 a.m. at the Hangar 101 ramp race and will consist of a 500-meter swim, 11.6-mile bike ride and a 5-kilometer run. The race is open to the public. Individual fees are \$40 for military, and \$50 for civilians. Relay fees are \$60 for military, and \$80 for civilians. There is a \$10 late fee for those registering after today.

Online registration closes Tuesday. Register at the Semper Fit Center or online at www.mccshawaii.com/races. For more information, call the race coordinator at 254-7590.

Hawaii Audubon Society seeks volunteers

The Hawaii Audubon Society is looking for onetime or long-term volunteers to assist with organizing outreach events, fundraisers, field trips, managing databases, website content, mailings and other nonprofit office tasks. Email Tess at hiaudsoc@pixi.com with your availability, interests and preferences, and volunteer experience, if any.

Commander's Cup Bowling League begins soon

The Commander's Cup Bowling League begins Aug. 10 at 6 p.m. at K-Bay Lanes. The 12-week league meets every Monday until Nov 9. This league is open to all patrons, first 24 teams to sign up. For more information, call K-Bay Lanes at 254-7693.

Byodo-In Temple to host O-Bon Festival

The Byodo-In Temple at Valley of the Temples Cemetery is hosting its 3rd Annual O-Bon Festival and Lantern Floating Ceremony, scheduled for Aug. 15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The temple is located at 47-200 Kahekili Hwy, in Kaneohe, Hawaii. For more information, visit byodo-in.com.

2015 Greek Festival set for August

The 2015 Greek Festival is scheduled at McCoy Pavilion in Ala Moana Beach Park on Aug. 29 and 30 from noon to 9 p.m. Enjoy food, music and more. Admission is \$3. Children under 11 years and active duty service members and their families get in free. For details, visit greekfestivalhawaii.com.

2015 Annual Hawaii Warrior Job Fair scheduled soon

The 2015 Annual Hawaii Warrior Job Fair in conjunction with the Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta will take place Aug. 21 at the Hale Koa Hotel. Resume writing and interview skills seminars will be available from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the job fair portion will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 pm. Interviews may be given on the spot so dress for success. For more information, call Hawaii Hires Heroes at 672-1246.

Level III Motorcycle training event

The Base Safety Directorate is planning to host a Level III motorcycle event Sept. 2 and 3 at the airfield P-3 parking ramp. Riders who wish to participate must be active-duty or reserve personnel assigned to Marine Corps Base Hawaii, possess an up-to-date motorcycle endorsement, and must first complete either the Military SportBike Rider Course or the Experienced Rider Course. Riders may register by visiting the BSD office in building 279. For more information, call 257-1830.

Adult volunteers needed for Young Marines

The Pyramid Rock Young Marines is a youth organization that drills and meets at Marine Corps Base Hawaii. The Pyramid Rock Young Marines are looking for adult staff volunteers for drill on most Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon or 2 p.m., and for various community service projects. Full or part-time volunteer options are available. Adult staff applicants must be at least 18 years old. The next recruit training begins Saturday at 8 a.m. at building 333 on B St. Email pyramidrockYM@gmail. com for more information.

Volunteers needed at Bishop Museum

Volunteers are a vital part of accomplishing the mission at the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum. To register as a volunteer, submit a completed volunteer application, waiver and background check form. To obtain materials, or make an inquiry, contact Patricia Floyd at patricia@bishopmuseum.org or call 848-4171. Volunteer Services is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visit bishopmuseum.org for more.