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Amos advances to general, becomes assistant commandant

Gunnery Sgt. Will Price

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WASHINGTON — After advancing to general in a July 2 ceremony presided by the commandant of the Marine Corps, Lt. Gen. James F. Amos assumed duties as 31st assistant commandant of the Marine Corps July 3.

Among more than 300 guests at the Marine Barracks ceremony in Crawford Hall were former commandants and assistant commandants, including Amos's predecessor, Gen. Robert Magnus, who attended with his wife Rose Magnus.

"As we bring aboard a new assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, we say goodbye to one of our best," said Gen. James T. Conway, 34th commandant. "I just want to say Gen. Bob Magnus has done an absolute superb job as assistant commandant of the Marine Corps."

Assisted by Amos' wife Bonnie, daughter Jaymie and son Joshua, Conway pinned the four-star rank insignias on Amos' collar.

"They say that the acorn doesn't fall far from the tree," said Conway of his new wingman. "Jim's father was a naval aviator for the United States Navy, and Jim became a great naval aviator for the United States Marine Corps. I trust he will make an even greater assistant commandant."

In his speech, Amos was very thankful to his former high school classmates and to the former commandants and assistant commandants of the Marine Corps in attendance. Amos was especially moved by the presence of his family, most notably his grandchildren.

Amos recalled his experiences with his predecessor and spoke toward the future: "Bob Magnus has spent his entire life serving the United States Marine Corps. He is a good friend. You have taken good care of me, and over the many, many years, you have been the go-to guy. I look forward to serving in

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Honoring a Fallen Warrior



A memorial for Lt. Col. Max Galeai, commanding officer, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, stands on the altar at the base chapel Monday. Galeai was killed June 26 while supporting combat operations in al Anbar Province, Iraq. He was remembered Monday by family members and fellow service members at a service involving Samoan song and dance performed by his family.

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

Battalion commander remembered through Samoan song, dance at memorial service

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Community Relations NCO

Tearful mourners and stony-faced service members gathered in the Base Chapel for a memorial service Monday to honor Lt. Col. Max A. Galeai, commanding officer, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, who was killed in Iraq June 26.

Family, friends and service members gathered to pay tribute not only in traditional military fashion, but through Samoan song and dance, representing Galeai's ancestry.

Galeai's extended family sat in the front of the chapel, many wiping away tears, some were hugging each other for support, but all were smiling and remembering happy memories of their lost hero.

"There are no tears in heaven except happy tears for seeing loved ones who went before us," said Navy Lt. Richard House, base chaplain. "We're not going to have a memorial service today. We're not going to have a mass either. We're going to be somewhere in the middle. We're going to recognize all the gifts that was Max Galeai."

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Christine Cabalo

The new Combat Logistics Battalion 3 logo hangs in the front of the unit's offices along Third Street aboard MCB Hawaii. Previous personnel and supplies from Combat Service Support Group 3 are now reorganized into two new units: Combat Logistics Battalion 3 and Combat Logistics Company 35.

Service ready New MCB Hawaii unit fit for action

Christine Cabalo

Photojournalist

Reorganized and ready for action, two new units at MCB Hawaii are taking the place of Combat Service Support Group 3.

Replacing services from the now deactivated unit, Combat Logistics Battalion 3 and Combat Logistics Company 35 are separated units ready to work. The two new units are the latest units to be redesignated from a 2006 Headquarters Marine Corps directive. The split began internally October 2007, and the units officially separated into two separate units June 27.

"The redesignation makes it easier for other units to make plans," said 1st Lt. Joseph Merritt, adjutant, CLB-3. "It's clearer for others to understand what services each unit is responsible for."

Merritt said most of the difference is internal, and services for base tenants won't change. One of the biggest internal changes, he said, is the new CLB-3 will be a fully deployable unit. Before the redesignation, members mostly traveled as individual augmentees. The separation allows for the new battalion to support any of the 3rd Marine Regiment units that deploy. Their missions will be similar to the support they provide service members who train in areas like the Pohakuloa Training Area near Hilo, Hawaii.

"In country, our logistic service is mainly to ensure Marines and Sailors have their beans, bullets and bandages," Merritt said. "We ensure they get their supplies, have fuel for their vehicles and even provide initial level maintenance. We're supporting 3rd Marine Regiment, ensuring the supplies keep flowing."

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Lance Cpl. Jacob H. Harrer

Gen. James T. Conway, commandant of the Marine Corps, right, promotes Lt. Gen. James F. Amos, formerly deputy commandant for combat development and integration, to general at Marine Barracks Washington July 2. Amos became assistant commandant July 3.

35,000 attend BayFest 2008

From gut churning rides to ear drum bursting fireworks, crowds poured in all weekend

Lance Cpl. Brian A. Marion

Combat Correspondent

BayFest 2008 came and went this year as approximately 35,000 people attended Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The event included carnival rides and attractions with numerous stomach clenching rides like the Pharaoh's Fury, the Zipper and the Fireball, entertaining people who rode them.

"That was fun," said John Phelps after he rode the Fireball. "The force it gives you when you descend from the loop really pushes you into your seat."

In addition to the gut-churning rides, there were rides for smaller children as well. There were bumper cars, a slide and a racetrack with its cars tethered to the floor to help guide them around.

BayFest started each day at noon and included displays ranging from an Assault Amphibian Vehicle to a Lamborghini.

In addition to the attractions, several food vendors enticed those in the area with palette tempting smells wafting from their booths. They sold everything from pizza, hot dogs, cheeseburgers and French fries, to Kalua pork, steak, slushies and roasted corn.

Numerous contests were held in the BayFest Tent each day. People saw the delectable pies made for the All American Pie Contest. They watched hungry competitors gorge themselves on pizza, watermelon

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Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.

Approximately 35,000 people attended BayFest 2008, held on base Friday through Sunday.

NEWS BRIEFS

101 DAYS OF SUMMER
5TH ANNUAL HOOPLA

The 101 Days of Summer 5th Annual Hoopla is scheduled to take place July 18 at Kahuna's Recreation Center from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. The event will feature free food and various tournaments. The event is open to E5 and below and their sponsored guests.

For more information, contact Dan Dufrene at 254-7636 or Marcella T. Cisneros at 254-7593.

ZipperLane Requirements Change

Beginning July 8 cars traveling in the ZipperLane must carry three or more passengers. The new requirement applies to any vehicle entering the ZipperLane and the Nimitz Highway Contraflow Lane during regular hours of operation from 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on weekdays, except state holidays. Motorcycles will still be allowed to use both lanes.

Marine Corps League

The Marine Corps League, Aloha Detachment, is encouraging Marines, Fleet Marine Force corpsmen and anyone who has the desire to preserve the traditions and promote the interest of the U.S. Marine Corps to join the Aloha Detachment on Oahu.

For more information, contact John Ah Chick at 227-9115 or 261-9693.

HR Office Temporary Hours

The Human Resources Office hours have changed due to understaffing. Assistance is now available only by appointment from 8 to 11 a.m. daily. Walk-ins will be accommodated in case of emergency only.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Shannon Tamaru at 257-1336 or e-mail shannon.tamaru@usmc.mil.

Counterintelligence Looking for Marines

The Marine Corps needs intelligent, motivated, talented and ambitious first-term corporals and sergeants to lateral move to the Counter-intelligence/HUMINT Specialist occupational specialty.

For more information on the field, contact the CI/HUMINT Branch at 477-8447.

MCMAP

Regimental Schools is holding advanced MCMAP Instructor and IT training daily from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 in building 223 Regimental Schools MAIC mat room.

For more information, contact Gunnery Sgt. Eric Johnson at 257-2153.

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Come
on,
we're beggin' you

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa



Cpl. Mark Fayloga

Currently, four service members are looking for a good foster home for their pets while they are deployed. Those interested can contact the Hawaiian Humane Society for more information about their Pets of the Patriots Program designed to be the intermediary between the owner and the foster family.

Hawaiian Humane Society
needs volunteers for Pets of
the Patriots Program

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Combat Correspondent

The Hawaiian Humane Society is looking for volunteers to help care for pets of deployed service members in their Pets of the Patriots Program.

The program is designed to provide foster care for pets of service members who are deployed to Iraq, with the maximum time for the fostering being one year.

"We are here to be the middlemen between the person who's putting their pet up for foster care and the foster families," said Dmitri Welch, outreach programs coordinator, Hawaiian Humane Society.

Last year, the Humane Society had eight foster families taking care of pets, one family all the way in Florida. For a short time last year, airlines weren't allowing animals on flights, so the Humane Society kept the pet until it could be flown to its foster family.

"Our goal is to provide care for the animals until their owners return from deployment," Welch said.

For members putting their pets up for foster care, an application with a questionnaire about their pet has to be submitted to the Humane Society.

For prospective foster families, a different application is needed so the Humane Society can determine what kinds of animals they can take. If the family has pets of their own, they need a health certificate for each pet from their veterinarian.

"This is to ensure both pets can live safely together without risk of diseases spreading," Welch said.

After a match between the two families is made, the Humane Society will schedule for the families to meet and determine details for the pet.

"The pets' financial needs are usually taken care of by the pet owner and the financial responsibilities should be agreed upon by both parties before deployment," Welch said.

Due to technical difficulties, people interested in volunteering for the program or who want to put their pets up for foster care, will have to call or email Welch for their respective applications.

"We are currently in the process of revamping our site to help people with the application process," Welch said.

Currently, the Humane Society has four pet owners putting their pets up for foster care. One has two dogs and a cat, while another has two cats.

The Humane Society will try to keep the pets together in the same foster home, but the decision will ultimately be up to the volunteer foster family, Welch said.

Even though the program is in its beginning stages, they need more manpower to grow further.

For more information about the Pets of Patriots Program or to inquire about an application for either becoming a foster owner putting a pet up for adoption, contact Welch by phone at 356-2217 or by email at dwelch@hawaiianhumane.org.

HALFWAY THERE Most military training
counts for college credit

Editor's Note: This is the third in a four part series on education.

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CAMP H.M. SMITH, Hawaii — Want to get a college degree? You might be further along than you think. The Sailor/Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript is a program designed to maximize a Marine or Sailor's education by turning military training into college credit.

The SMART is a transcript of an individual's military training. The American Council on Education evaluates military training courses to determine how many college credits each course is worth, if any.

"Your SMART transcript is one of the most powerful documents you will ever deal with," said Craig Lockwood, an education specialist with the Joint Education Center, MCB Hawaii. "I've seen Marines come to me with half of their degrees completed and they have never taken a college course."

Many service members have a hard time believing military training could help attain a degree, but Lockwood said it wouldn't make sense if they didn't.

"In (military occupational specialty) school you had to go to class. That's what ACE looks at. They evaluate the length of the class, instruction hours, content and then decide how many credits it's worth."

Using a SMART, Marines can use credits earned at basic training, combat training, Marine Corps Institute courses and MOS school, which depending on their field could already place them three to five classes into their degree, 12-18 credits.

"I didn't think so much of my training would count toward college credit," said Lance Cpl. Joshua J. Robey, a data networking specialist with U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific. "I'm a lot closer to my degree than I thought. On one page alone, I had almost 30 credits. That's 10

classes."

Leadership courses such as corporals courses and the staff noncommissioned officer academies can earn up to four credits apiece, and special billets such as Marine Corps Martial Arts Program instructor can also be accredited.

"In the civilian world, leadership is translated to management," Lockwood said. "Depending on how many credits those courses are worth, they could already be launching you toward a degree in business."

Lockwood also said degree selection is essential to maximizing a SMART. Having 20 credits toward a degree in business doesn't help if a Marine wants a degree in computer sciences.

Marines who decide to pursue a degree in their field get the most out of their transcripts. If striving for an associate's degree, military and political studies are a faster route given the nature of military courses.

But, there is no guarantee a school will take all the credits on a SMART.

"The SMART is just a recommendation," Lockwood said. "Colleges or universities don't have to take it, but the schools we deal with, (such as Hawaii Pacific University,) do a good job of taking as many credits as possible."

Lockwood suggests not attending a school that does not take SMART credit.

If debating what school to go to, his suggestion is to request an unofficial evaluation of all credit and choose the school that takes

the most SMART credit.

"Maximize the use of your credit. Squeeze out as much as you can," he said. "Which would you rather prefer. A school that puts you a semester ahead or one that makes you start from scratch?"

Next week, the final article in the series on education will contain information about high school and general education diplomas.

Weekend weather outlook

Today



Day — Isolated showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 84. East wind between 14 and 16 mph, with gusts as high as 21 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Night — Scattered showers, mainly after midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. East wind around 14 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

High — 84

Low — 73

Saturday



Day — Isolated showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85. East wind around 13 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Night — Scattered showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. East wind around 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

High — 85

Low — 73

Sunday



Day — Isolated showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 84. East wind around 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Night — Scattered showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. East wind around 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

High — 84

Low — 73



A host of vendors lined the area around Hangar 101 at this year's BayFest. The approximately 35,000 in attendance throughout the weekend enjoyed everything from fried Twinkies to Huli Huli Chicken. Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.



Sgt. Oscar Olive, guitarist, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific Show Band, jams out Friday at a performance during BayFest 2008. The band played country-themed songs Friday to prepare the crowd for Little Big Town and Rodney Atkins later in the evening. Concerts with various bands played each night during BayFest. Lance Cpl. Brian A. Marion

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and hot dogs in three eating contests. Women and men whistled as contestants in the GNC's BodySearch Fitness Competition strutted their stuff.

In the evenings, the concert area filled with people who came to hear the musical and vocal talents of the U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific Show Band, Kawao, Willie K, Little Big Town, Rodney Atkins, 3 Doors Down, Everclear and Live.

"It's amazing and beautiful down here," said Jimi Westbrook, a guitarist for Little Big Town. "We try to do as much as we can for the troops, and we're glad to be here. If it weren't for [the service members], we wouldn't have the freedom of life we have, and we want to thank them for their service."

After the concerts, the crowd turned around to listen, watch and cheer as fireworks screamed into the sky, lighting the bay for a few seconds before plunging the spectators in darkness.

"Our main goal is to serve the Marines, Sailors and family members aboard MCB Hawaii and to create a quality product that enhances their quality of life while stationed in Hawaii," said Michelle Asato, marketing technician, MCCS.

Although most were hired to support BayFest, more than 100 volunteers served various roles throughout the weekend.

"[Volunteering] gives me the opportunity to meet the bands," said Staff Sgt. Rex Gonzalez, legal chief, S1, Headquarters Battalion. "It's the opportunity to show [the community] that Marines are more than just rough and tough war fighters, we are a community of helpers and volunteers too. I believe BayFest represents a great opportunity for the local community to see Marines for more than what is often represented in National TV. Too often, people only see and hear about the bad Marines. This gives them a true opportunity to see first hand that we are much more than what [the] very small percentage seems to represent."

Volunteers drove the singers to and from their hotels and the airport, checked the tickets and armbands of anyone coming in the gates, and cordoning BayFest from the rest of the base, while others worked the refreshment tents near the concert area.

"Most importantly, [we] appreciate the support from the command and units for donating man-hours, supplies and equipment to make this event so successful," Asato said. "Without their help this event wouldn't have run as smoothly as it did."



A crowd gathers Saturday as members of 3 Doors Down sign autographs hours before their evening performance. The group was one of many bands that performed at this year's BayFest. Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.

THE BABY BRIGADE

Military parents train for duty at Baby Boot Camp

Kristin Wong
Photojournalist

Even after grueling military training hours, Marines set out to do more, but this time with diapers and bath sponges in hand.

Baby Boot Camp, a monthly class held every first Tuesday by the New Parent Support Program, is located at the base chapel from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Not to be confused with Semper Fit's program of the same name, Baby Boot Camp helps mothers and fathers through birth and subsequent parental responsibilities.

"It's been more exciting than what I thought it was going to be," said Lance Cpl. Brian Stansbury, aircraft mechanic, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 362 who attended the camp with his wife Melissa.

Elaine Sexton, registered nurse, NPSP home visitor, said the class is not to be substituted for childbirth classes. Sexton said many camp attendees haven't taken Lamaze classes. She recommends future parents attend additional classes to prepare for birth.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii's eligible parents can sign up for one of the 12 classes provided annually, taught by Sexton and Stephanie Blundell, registered nurse, NPSP home visitor. Sexton and Blundell have worked with the NPSP for several years on other military bases, and are one year into their term here.

There's "a lot of experience we bring to the table," Sexton said.

Diane Corlin, director, NPSP, said because classes are in high demand, it's important to sign up at least three months in advance. She said parents usually come to the camp in their third trimester. For many, this is going to be their first child. Some participants come alone, with a friend, family member or a spouse. Sexton said participants' ages at the camp vary. Some of the parents are 45-year-olds, while some are still in their teens.

Sexton said originally the class was two-days long. However, due to family time constraints, the class is now only one day. During camp, attendees view several videos and participate in childcare activities. They have the chance to take breaks and have lunch during the day. Parents learn everything from basic baby care to important baby health topics. They practice activities such as changing diapers and bathing by using baby dolls. At the end of the day, attendees receive an honorary diploma for completing the class.

Sexton and Blundell agreed, based on class evaluations, most parents who take the class enjoy the breastfeeding segment, as well as "Happiest Baby on the Block," a segment that teaches parents how to deal with crying infants.

Among the props used in the camp was an empathy belly, a fake weighted belly husbands wear to experience the feel of pregnancy.

"I like seeing [my husband, Cpl. Misael Estrada, field wireman, 1st Battalion 3rd Marine Regiment] in the pregnancy belly so he can see how cumbersome it feels," said Kaylee Estrada, class attendee.

The New Parent Support Program is available on all military bases, and employs professional social workers and nurses to do several types of duties for military families, ranging from classes to personal home visits. Parents with children five years old or younger can call NPSP to schedule a visit to their house for personal teaching.

The program also sponsors a class called Parenting Proudly. This class is six-weeks long, and teaches attendees about effective parenting techniques. The NPSP encourages parents in Baby Boot Camp to also take part in Parenting Proudly. The first session started on January 7. The last session this year will begin Nov. 3, and will end Dec. 15. According to Bethany Nerheim, administrative assistant, NPSP, parents are encouraged to enroll early for Parenting Proudly, although latecomers can still sign up at the latest by the second session.

For more information on Baby Boot Camp, Parenting Proudly, or home visits, call NPSP at 257-8803.



Photos by Kristen Wong
Cpl. Misael Estrada and his wife Kaylee show off their pregnant bellies during Baby Boot Camp at the Base Chapel July 1. Estrada wore an empathy belly to experience what it feels like to be pregnant.



Sgt. Michael Murphy, Military Police Department, Headquarters Battalion, and his wife Stephanie, dress their 'baby' during Baby Boot Camp at the Base Chapel July 1. Baby Boot Camp is a class hosted by the New Parent Support Program the first Tuesday of each month.

Former military retirement community open to all seniors

Christine Cabalo
Photojournalist

Leihano, a new senior community initially developed for retired service members, is now open to all older island residents in Kapolei, Hawaii.

Formerly developed by Hawaii Village Associates Inc. under the name Luana Koa, the 40-acre area will house a continuing care retirement community. Two firms, Brookfield Homes and Kisco Senior Living, are now managing the project, targeting residents 55 or older. Previous investors included members of the Military Officers Association of America.

"One of the things that was an important concept of Leihano early on was not to make this a community that would be separated from or walled from the rest of the community," said Jeff Prostor, president, Brookfield Homes. "How would we interconnect this community with the greater Kapolei marketplace?"

Prostor spoke during a June 26 media conference about the progress of the project and his company's future management. A total of 33 percent of Hawaii's veteran population is 55 or

older, according to the 2006 American Community Survey published by the U.S. Census Bureau. Leihano, which could have as many as 850 living units, would be the first mass retirement community of its kind located in Kapolei, Hawaii.

Ground breaking is currently scheduled for 2009, and the property will provide living space for older adults who need extended medical care as well as mobile, independent residents. The president said a mix of people of differing ages are welcomed, and there is space for homes where children of the retired may continue to live with their older parents. Residential homes will run the range of 950 to 2,100 square feet with higher-range properties selling for as much as \$800,000. Condos, shops, open landscaped areas and a central clubhouse are also being developed within the property.

"What we have to do and what the moment demands from us, as a culture and society, is the ability to create new kinds of intentional communities," said Dr. Bill Thomas, professor and

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— Dr. Bill Thomas
Professor and geriatrician

geriatrician, University of Maryland, Baltimore County. "These are communities built on purpose, not founded upon your DNA or restricted to people whom you share a relationship by blood or marriage. These are communities of people who otherwise, might have been strangers."

Thomas, who also spoke at the conference, said Hawaii has the longest longevity rates in the nation but the least number of beds for institutional elder care. The Harvard graduate developed the Eden Alternative and Green House, two philosophies on adult care that encourage high community interaction for good resident

health. Healthful aging, he said, is society's best technological advancement. The more a person ages, the less alike they are to others of the same age, Thomas said. Having several options for older adults is important, he said, and an increase in more adults making decisions about senior care is around the corner.

"[The baby boomers] will want more options and more of a say," he said. "Frankly, I'm in favor of all that."

Thomas, Prostor and Andy Kohlberg, president, Kisco Senior Living, said chief among the planned community's goals is to try to change how people view aging.

In previous Kisco Senior Living developments, the company president and founder said it's how his company can get residents and staff to form steady relationships that makes his projects successful.

"Our job is to build that bridge and really allow that relationship develop and flourish," Kohlberg said. "For example, I tell the information services people that their job is to have our staff spend more time with residents and less time in front of a computer."

Organization enables families to say 'Welcome Home Devil Dog'

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

Community Relations NCO

For Marines and Sailors, returning home from a deployment is a happy day, made happier by the welcoming arms of families and loved ones. For those greeted only by a handshake from their commanding officer, Welcome Home Devil Dog seeks to help.

Gunnery Sgt. Charles J. Rowe, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 363, has been welcomed home from deployments time and again by his wife Joanne. Despite their own happiness, the two watched Marines walk by the

crowds to get on a bus that would bring them back to the barracks.

"Single Marines will get a cookie and a drink, grab their sea bag and go back to the barracks," Charles Rowe said. "Welcome Home Devil Dog came about two months ago while I was training at [Exercise] Desert Talon. I missed my family. I was talking to my wife, and it hit us, 'let's do something for the guys coming home from overseas.'"

Welcome Home Devil Dog is an organization that gives a service member returning from a deployment the opportunity to be welcomed home by a family member. They raise money,

more than \$5,000, to spend on airfare, lodging and liberty expenses like entertainment packages for one family member of a selected deployed troop. They are currently applying for non-profit status.

Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 363 will be the first unit to benefit from the blossoming organization. Throughout the deployment, staff noncommissioned officers in the unit will recommend service members who perform and set themselves apart from their peers while in country. The unit will then come to a consensus on who the lucky service member is, and that service member will chose a family

member. Their flight arrangements and lodging will be arranged by the organization.

"There are people out there who will really appreciate this," Charles Rowe said. "I was a recruiter. Signing Marines up to do what we do is tough. Now it's my turn to pay it forward. This is why staff NCOs are there – to think outside the box and help the unit."

While HMH-363 is the guinea pig for the organization, the Rowes hope it will take off to help Marines and Sailors base and Corps-wide.

"Everyone thinks of the troops overseas," Charles Rowe said. "A lot of their support is forgotten when these guys

come back. For the guys who are mentally wounded, maybe we can help out with [post traumatic stress disorder]. Sometimes just having someone there can really help. This is for us. This is for our junior Marines. I'd love to take this Hawaii-wide, even Marine Corps-wide. Donate. Help."

For more information about Welcome Home Devil Dog, visit their Web site at [<http://www.welcomemedevil-dog.com>.] To make donations to the organization, visit the Web site to donate through PayPal or send cash, check or money order to Welcome Home Devil Dog, 6394A Nueku Street, Kailua HI 96734.

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For where or when they will deploy, the adjutant said his unit is ready when they do. The new deployable unit is participating in more training to keep them prepared, including joining in Rim of the Pacific Exercise events. Members are scheduled for an Evacuation Control Center exercise during a mock disaster by the end of July. Proposals for a new emblem are also being considered.

"Marines from both companies sent in their own drawings," said Capt. Robert Barber, operations officer, CLB-3. "Lt. Col. Michael Jernigan will decide soon between them, and his instructions were to feel free to create a new uniquely Hawaiian logo. Before, our logo was just the number three, so now we have an emblem reflecting Hawaiian life."

In contrast, new unit CLC-35, located in Building 1044, is in charge of supplies aboard MCB Hawaii. The company handles needed base services at the local level, which includes legal service officers and postal workers. The new company will not deploy, and base tenants will rely on them for needed support. Barber said the redesignation has been a two-year ongoing effort, and his office is continuing to ensure the correct unit covers each needed service.

"It was almost like a pendulum," he said. "As it got closer to the time to separate, the process sped up until we could push through to getting everything ready."

The operations officer said the new battalion is in deployment mentality, and members are ready to join the fight anywhere they may be needed. Barber said the two new units make it clearer for other organizations to find the support they need.

"Combat Logistics Battalion 3 is in the combat mentality," he said. "We have service support in two unique organizations now. There are a lots of changes for us, but there won't be changes for base tenants."

“ We have service support in two unique organizations now. ”

— Capt. Robert Barber
Operations officer, CLB-3

AMOS, from A-1

this position with the same honor and distinction."

Amos graduated from the University of Idaho in 1970. He was designated a Naval Aviator in 1971, and has held a variety of operational and staff assignments since 1972.

In August 2002, he assumed

command of the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing and deployed with 3rd MAW to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom. Amos also served as commanding general of 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force from July 2004 to August 2006. In August 2006, Amos assumed command of the Marine Corps Combat Development Command.



Lt. Col. Max Galeai's nieces perform a traditional Samoan dance at the Marine's memorial service at the base chapel Monday. The commanding officer, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, was killed while supporting combat operations in al Anbar province, Iraq, June 26. He is survived by his wife Evelyn and four children, Cara Ann, Salina, Thomas and Mara, who will travel to Samoa to say their final goodbyes to their hero.

GALEAI, from A-1

House introduced Col. Duffy White, commanding officer, 3rd Marine Regiment, who spoke fondly of Galeai. He said Galeai was devoted to his family and Marines.

"He was not just a great Marine, a true leader of Marines," White said. "He was a loving husband, dedicated father, a wonderful son and brother. I'm quite sure if you asked Max to describe himself he would say he was a father, husband, son, brother before identifying himself as a lieutenant colonel or a Marine. He had his priorities straight – God, family, country, Corps."

Galeai's devotion to his Marines was evident as Maj. Gen. Robert Neller, commanding general, 3rd Marine Division, spoke of Galeai's service.

"He was a competitive guy," Neller said, telling stories of Galeai's determination. "I knew he was the kind of guy you wanted on your side in a fight."

White agreed with Neller's statement of Galeai's unique person-



Photos by Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

Navy Lt. Richard House, base chaplain, offers a tissue to Thomas Galeai, Lt. Col. Max Galeai's son, at the commanding officer of 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment's memorial service at the base chapel Monday.

ality, saying Galeai was the kind of leader Marines aspire to be.

"Norman Schwarzkopf once said, 'It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle,'" White said. "Through his personal bravery Max set an example for his men to follow, and they did. They continue to every day in Iraq. Not many men get the opportunity to do great things in their lives. Max Galeai was able to donate 20 years of service to his country. He set an example to us all."

The speakers were followed by traditional Samoan song and dance performed by members of Galeai's family. Galeai's daughters Cara Ann and Salina read bible passages during the ceremony, Cara Ann succumbing to tears while reading.

After the service, the Galeai family paid their last respects to their fallen warrior in a smaller chapel, then opened it up for fellow service members to say their goodbyes. Galeai will be buried in Samoa, where his wife Evelyn and four children, Cara Ann, Salina, Thomas and Mara will travel to say their final goodbyes to a devoted husband and father.

AROUND THE CORPS

Partnership ensures progress

Cpl. Chris T. Mann
Regimental Combat Team 1

FALLUJAH, Iraq — Community members can look outside each morning and see signs of change in their neighborhoods. Small but significant beacons of hope are brought on by new construction projects appearing all over the city.

To aid a city rising from the ashes of war, Marines with Detachment 3, Civil Affairs Group 3, Regimental Combat Team 1, met with Iraqi contractors and construction workers July 5 to continue to help facilitate the laborers' efforts in building a new school for the children in the Abu Saleh area of Fallujah.

The new school will replace the older one that was falling apart due to weather and collateral damage inflicted during battles between insurgents and Coalition forces.

The detachment oversees reconstruction projects such as this one, in hopes that the children in Fallujah can return to school and lead a normal life.

"The old building was falling apart and students couldn't go to school when it rained because the teachers were afraid that the roof would collapse on them," said Lance Cpl. Greg W. Holt, a 19-year-old civil affairs operations assistant from Auburn, Calif.

The school will include two floors and 12 new classrooms, and house up to 350 students in Kindergarten through sixth grade.

Marines with the civil affairs group have been coordinating for months with the school

headmasters and the Iraqi Administration of Education to ensure the new building will be a success for the students.

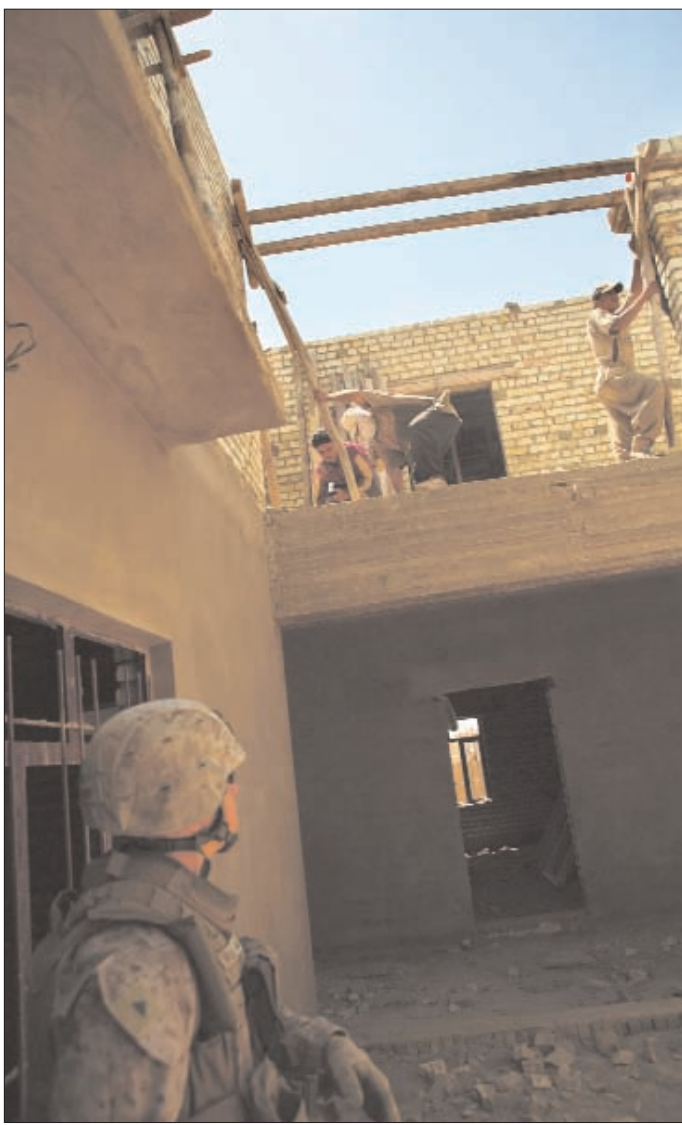
The detachment also took the time to meet with "Brothers for Building," a company that works hand-in-hand with Marines from RCT-1 and the Iraqi Administration of Education.

"We have started working really closely with the Iraqi government so eventually they can take over future projects such as this one," said 2nd Lt. Michael B. Robison, Detachment 3's team leader from Sierra Madre, Calif. "This project is an example of a patronage project where a tribal leader spearheads an activity to help a community."

A sheik and tribal leader known by coalition members as "Dark," owns the building company and has worked with Marines in previous years to help with several similar projects.

The Fallujah City Council votes on building plans and takes bids from trusted contractors. The Marine Corps has worked with the Iraqi government, ensuring workers are up to standards. Now, Marines are hoping the torch will be passed, and that the Iraqi government will take charge of future projects.

"We hope to get the local people less focused on the Marines helping them, and look to the Iraqi government for support for the community," said Robison.



Photos by Cpl. Chris T. Mann

Marines with Detachment 3, Civil Affairs Group 3, Regimental Combat Team 1, check on progress of a school being rebuilt July 5 in the Abu Saleh area of Fallujah, Iraq. The building was on the verge of falling to pieces before the Marines and Administration of Education stepped in.



Lance Cpl. Greb W. Holt, a 19-year-old operations assistant from Auburn, Calif., with Detachment 3, Civil Affairs Group 3, Regimental Combat Team 1, talks to local Iraqi children from the Abu Saleh area of Fallujah, Iraq, July 5.

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The 'Ferris' of Them All Covering all angles of the BayFest 2008 Ferris Wheel



Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.

No carnival would be complete without a Ferris wheel. The first Ferris wheel was designed by George Washington Gale Ferris, Jr., a bridge-builder from Pittsburgh, Penn., and was first featured at the 1893 World's Fair in Chicago. The ride was built to rival Paris' Eiffel Tower, built for the 1889 World's Fair, and commemorated the 400th anniversary of Columbus' landing in America.



Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

The first Ferris wheel was considered to be an engineering wonder, with two 140-foot steel towers connected by a 45-foot axle, the largest single forged piece of steel ever made up until that time. It held 2,160 passengers at a time, much more than today's rides.



Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.

The original Ferris wheel had a diameter of 250 feet and a circumference of 825 feet, and took 20 minutes to make two revolutions. It weighed 70 tons and was 26-stories high. It cost \$380,000 to make. Riders could ride in one of the wheels' 60-person cars for 50 cents.



Sgt. Macario P. Mora Jr.

The ride was a sensation at the World's Fair. Couples sought to be married at the highest point on the ride's rotation. More than 1.4 million paid admissions had been received, and thousands of free rides were given to dignitaries and investors. The ride was decorated with 3,000 of Thomas Edison's new incandescent light bulbs that blinked on and off, much like today's wheel. Ferris wheels can be found at carnivals around the world, including BayFest 2008.

PASS IN REVIEW



Your weekly guide to all aspects of entertainment

Welcome to the Pass In Review, your number one source for cinema, music, video game and book reviews. The Pass In Review crew consists of more than 10 critics, each with their own idea of what makes a movie, album, game 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.



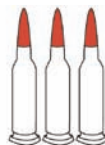
2/4 — High and to the Right

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. Or, if you disagree with a review published and want fellow readers to know the real scoop, send in a condensed review and we'll run it as a second opinion.

Better Know A Critic



Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa believes a good film should inspire you. She's embarrassed to admit that she loves the flick "Ten Things I Hate About You" and believes all movies should be considered art. She thinks classic Hollywood '30s and '40s cinema was the golden age for film because "movies weren't based around gratuity and special effects, they were based around a good screenplay and good acting."



Kristen Wong is a casual ghost enthusiast. She's starting a collection of ghost stories from local author Glen Grant to author Hans Holzer. She researched ghost stories during her college years at DePauw University. She survived 13 allegedly haunted Ascension Days at St. Andrew's Priory in Honolulu, crawled through Greencastle, Indiana's notoriously haunted bridge called "The Four Arches," and has gone to local ghost tours.

Second Opinion

"Get Smart" 3/4 (On Target)

If it's got Steve Carell as a lead, you know it's going to be good. With the exception of the lackluster "Evan Almighty," anything Carell touches seems go be Hollywood gold. "Get Smart" is another film that benefits from the Carell bump. While not the greatest flick (or even really in the top five) you'll find in theaters this summer, "Get Smart" is still a solid comedy with plenty of laughs. What sets the film apart from other spy spoofs, is the film is more of an action movie that happens to be funny than it is a comedy with action.

— Cpl. Mark Fayloga



Loud.

— Kriste Valdez



"Chaos."
— Ashlee Anderson



"Fun."
— Shauna McNeal



Carell kills as Max Smart

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa
Community Relations NCO

When we first saw previews for "Get Smart," my husband looked at me with a shocked smile on his face and said, "Babe, we have to see that movie! I spent my whole childhood watching that show."

He then went on to talk, throughout the rest of the previews, about what a funny character Maxwell Smart was and how Steve Carell was the perfect choice for the role. Needless to say, when it came out in theaters I went to see it without my husband because he was away at training. I felt a little guilty because I knew once I saw it, I probably wouldn't want to see it again. I was wrong.

"Get Smart" proved to be more than a secret-agent movie spoof. Those looking for another "Austin Powers" movie may be disappointed, but entertained none the less. The movie is less of a "James Bond" and more of a "Bourne Identity" comedy, focusing less on womanizing agents, and more on getting the job done, whatever it is and however dangerous it may be.

Maxwell Smart (Carell) works for secret government agency CONTROL as a super smart intelligence analyst who dreams of one day becoming an agent. When enemy agency KAOS (pronounced chaos) penetrates CONTROL's headquarters and steals the names of their highly-skilled field agents, all seems lost. That is until the Chief (Alan Arkin) realizes Smart is ready for the job, dubbing him Agent 86. When he's partnered with recently remodeled Agent 99 (Anne Hathaway), an agent with an ego, he's ready to save the world from KAOS with the help of high-tech gadgets and his own less-than-suave hunches.

The movie is littered with typical secret agent moments, like the agents donning formalwear to crash a party at a terrorist's house. Unlike Bond flicks, the moments are made humorous through clever dialogue and Smart's ability to make everything go disastrously wrong. Hathaway, in a clinging

gown, seduces the enemy with a tango, but the humor comes when Carell shows off his own moves with a rather large woman. Agent 99 maneuvers gracefully through a maze of laser beams and, once through, challenges Smart to move through the way she did, not expecting him to make it quite as gracefully. Smart surprises her, getting through with gymnastic ability and a strangely disturbing graceful routine.

Supporting roles in Hathaway and Dwayne Johnson, who plays Agent 23, the devilishly good-looking super agent, add enormously to the plot. Hathaway's ability to play Agent 99 as not only strong and intelligent, but beautiful and driven make her perfect support for Carell's developing agent.

Carell plays his role with perfection, allowing moviegoers to sympathize and respect his determination and drive, all while pitying his innumerable quirks. Carell's dry wit and physical comedy enable him to portray the character in a way Don Adams couldn't, making him less of a bumbling buffoon and more of a man desperately trying to prove himself to his dismissive partner, as well as the rest of CONTROL.

The movie has everything a secret-agent movie should have - car chases, explosions, nifty gadgets, lots of guns, a crazy enemy who wants to take over the world, good-looking women in tight dresses, double agents, a ridiculous love story and a lot of butt kicking - all comically portrayed.

So while my husband might have missed out on seeing it with me the first time, I'm ready and willing to see "Get Smart" again. The movie is child friendly (unlike the "Austin Powers" films), but adults shouldn't write it off as a kiddie flick.

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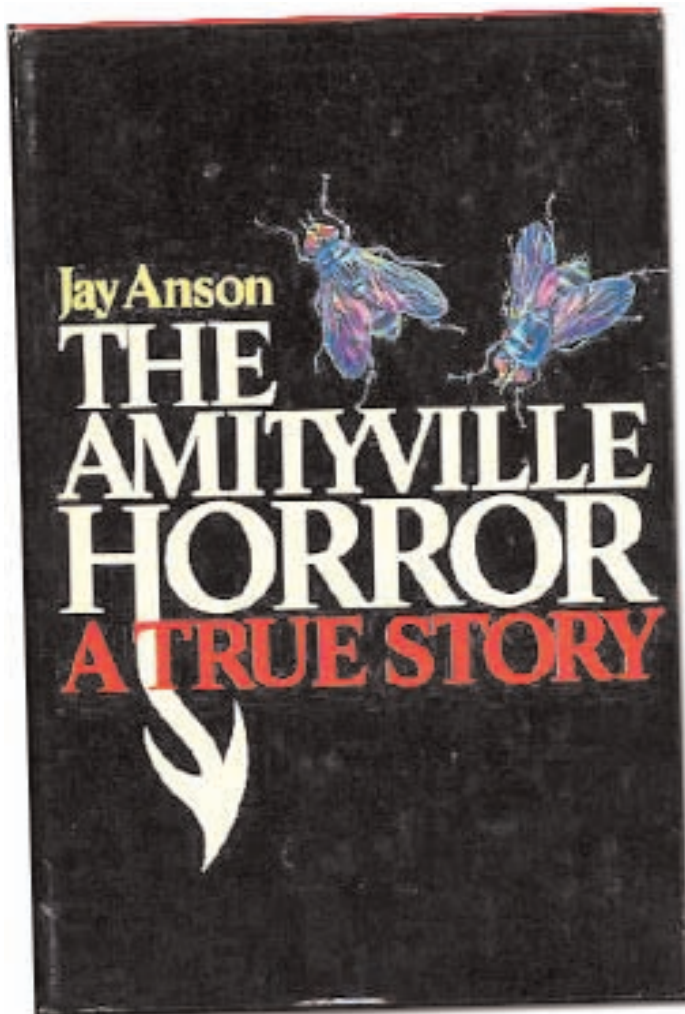
(Confirmed Kill)

TALK* STORY

Approximately 35,000 guests attended this year's 19th annual Bayfest. According to Marine Corps Community Services, that is 6,000 more than the previous year. We here at the Hawaii Marine want to know ...

If you could describe this year's Bayfest in one word, what would it be?

*[tòk stòreij] Hawaiian slang for an informal, lengthy conversation. Often used as a method to bond, or a good way to kill time.



A family that was never alone

Kristen Wong
Photojournalist

After watching "The Amityville Horror" in 2005, and its History Channel documentary, I searched eBay for the book, entitled "The Amityville Horror, A True Story," by Jay Anson. The 1977 version was written two years after the haunting. Although the cover was deteriorating, and its pages brown, reading this version made the experience much cooler. The History Channel shows us mishaps happened to virtually everyone who'd been involved with writing the book, including Anson himself. For those who haven't read the book, news articles, magazines, Web sites or movies, here's a synopsis.

On 112 Ocean Avenue in Amityville, N.Y., there is a haunted house. It's a "Dutch-Colonial" style house, according to the documentary. The book, like the movies and documentary, begins with the murders that occurred there prior to the alleged haunting. At age 23, drug addict Ronnie DeFeo shot every member of his immediate family on Nov. 13, 1974, in the house.

The house was available for sale when George and Kathy Lutz, a couple with three children, were looking to move the following year. It was cheaper than a normal house of its size and location, so the Lutzes decided to purchase it.

Unfortunately for the family, mysterious events succeeded in driving them away within 28 days.

Anson cures curiosity by framing the story with blue prints of the house, a drawing

of the infamous Jody, Missy's ghost pig friend and a séance. The book obviously contained more of the smaller specific details than the movies. It says something when a book with small, almost mundane details can make you squirm just as much as a horror movie.

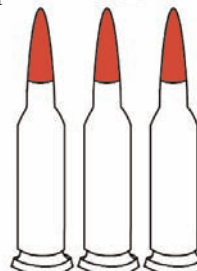
The beginning of the story covers these mundane subjects apart from the haunting. Like many mothers, Kathy Lutz had her children doing chores. The first few pages detail George's initial plans to fix, renovate and clean the house. The first few days the Lutzes lived on Ocean Avenue were more quiet than frightening. The book succeeds in treating the reader like a sixth member of the family, moving in, imagining each room, and sensing what the family senses.

When George went to his old house during the move to Amityville, Anson writes about their dog Harry, who "had been left behind to guard the family's belongings." The reader knows from Anson what kind of dog Harry is and how he acts around George. The book describes the children and the Lutzes' relatives. Every now and then the reader will learn how George feels about being a stepfather to Kathy's children or facts about Kathy's personality. In this sense the reader will feel as familiar with the Lutzes as they would with their own family.

The amount of outside support systems connected to the family somehow comforts the reader. There is slight relief when Kathy's family comes to visit during Christmas like any other family. Somehow it gives the reader hope even though the house plagued them. In the end, although it took time and pain, the family left the house.

"The Amityville Horror" is a good read during lunch break at school or at work. The documentary and the movie compliment the book, so I'd suggest combining them all in the experience.

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(On Target)

A Slice of Life



Photos by Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

(From left to right) Staff Sgt. Kelly Cardinell, Marie Grimsley, Bryanne Salazar, Drew Jernigan and Lindsey Cardinell, winners at the BayFest 2008 All American Pie Contest, pose with their award-winning pies Friday. Kelly Cardinell, Salazar and Grimsley's pies will be featured at the enlisted, staff noncommissioned officer and officers' clubs this summer.

4th of July celebrated with BayFest 2008 All American Pie Competition

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa
Community Relations NCO

Like baseball, country music and fireworks, apple pie has defined American culture. This Independence Day the BayFest 2008 All American Pie competition helped mark the holiday.

Apple wasn't the only featured flavor at the contest. Chocolate, coffee, mango, kiwi and many more ingredients were tested and retested by competitors to create the perfect pie. Bakers entered three categories, including custard pies, fruit pies and cream pies, competing for first in the category and best overall. The winning recipes will be featured at the enlisted, staff noncommissioned officer, and officers' clubs on base.

"This is my first time doing the baking thing," said Bryanne Salazar, who submitted two pies for the competition. "I made the recipes up in my head. I tested them by torturing my family with them over and over again."

Pies were judged on their appearance, the taste and texture of their crust and filling, and the originality of the recipe.

"I used to be a baker, so it should be interesting to see what different people come up with," said judge Gunner Sgt. Henry Pollard, chef, Anderson Chow Hall. "I like pie," he added with a laugh.

New recipes like Salazar's Tropics Mango-Coconut-Macadamia Nut Custard Pie stood up against tried-and-true classics like apple pie and Ammie Johnson's Chocolate Indulgence Pie.

"I've done a lot of cooking over the years, and the recipes are all about mixing and matching," Johnson said. "The chocolate pie is a family and friend favorite. It has won once before at a Twenty-nine Palms competition. I'm hoping for it to end up at the clubs for the summer."



Competitors entered their pies in the All American Pie Contest at BayFest 2008, Friday, for the opportunity to have their original recipes featured at the enlisted, staff noncommissioned officer and officers' clubs on base.

The judges began the competition looking over the pies to judge their appearance. Next they took small portions of each pie, tasting with their eyes closed, examining the pie's filling for original flavors and ingredients, testing the texture of the crust.

"This is so stressful," Salazar said with a smile. "I expect to be number one in the custard and cream competition. If I loose, I'm going to stomp out of here crying."

Salazar didn't have to stomp away crying because she came in first place in the custard competition and took third place for her cream pie.

"I don't have to walk off in shame," Salazar said grinning. "I'm very thankful they liked my pies."

Staff Sgt. Kelly Cardinell came in first in the cream competition, beating out his wife Lindsey, and also taking second place in the fruit competition. And, in true Americana, Marie Grimsley took first place in the fruit competition, winning for her all-American apple pie. Kelly Cardinell was the overall winner of the contest with his apple pie, lemon meringue pie and mango custard pie.

"The competition was fun," Kelly Cardinell said. "It was all day with both of us in the kitchen cooking yesterday, preparing for this."

Be sure to check out the award winning pie recipes featured at base enlisted, staff NCO and officers' clubs.



Judges examine the custard, fruit and cream pies entered in the All American Pie Contest at BayFest 2008, Friday. Pies were judged on appearance, texture of the crust, taste of the filling, and the recipes' originality. Five contestants were awarded first place prizes.



Pies at Friday's BayFest 2008 All American Pie Competition came in numerous flavors, ranging from traditional apple to Hawaii-inspired coconut and macadamia nut. Competitors in the competition entered pies in fruit, custard and cream categories.

Bryanne Salazar recently won best custard pie at the BayFest 2008 All American Pie Competition. She was nice enough to share her award-winning recipe with the Hawaii Marine. Put your culinary skills to the test.

Bryanne Salazar's Tropics Mango-Coconut-Macadamia Nut Custard Pie

CRUST:

1 1/4 cups all purpose flour
1/3 cup sugar
1 stick (1/2 cup) salted butter cut into small cubes (no substitutes!)
1/4 tsp nutmeg
1/4 tsp salt
1/2 cup chopped macadamia nuts
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 tbsp ice water

For Rolling:

2 sheets wax paper
1/2 cup extra flour
Rolling pin
Aluminum foil

Preheat oven to 350. Combine first 6 ingredients in food processor and pulse until butter has combined with flour mixture. Place mixture in zip-lock gallon size bag. Add vanilla extract and water, then knead gently to combine dough. Shape into disk (while still in bag) and refrigerate for 30 minutes to 1 hour. Take out of fridge when rested, let sit for 5 minutes on counter. Lay wax sheet down, cover with half extra flour. Place dough on floured sheet. Cover dough with remaining flour and cover with another wax sheet. Roll until 1/4 inch thick and 12 inches in diameter. Place into pie pan, press edges and remove excess dough. Place foil inside pie pan and press gently onto dough, to keep from collapsing while cooking. Bake for 10 minutes, remove aluminum foil and bake for additional 5 minutes, or until edges are lightly golden brown. Set aside.

COCONUT CUSTARD FILLING

1 (13.5 oz) can Hawaiian Sun brand coconut milk
1/2 vanilla bean seed, scraped
1/8 tsp salt
1/4 cup sugar
1 tsp coconut extract
2 tsp cornstarch
2 whole eggs, whisked
1/3 cup shredded sweetened coconut

In saucepot, combine first 5 ingredients and bring to a low boil. Whisk in cornstarch until fully blended. Take 1/4 cup (or a ladle full) of hot coconut mixture and slowly drizzle into a bowl with the whisked eggs. Make sure to whisk the eggs continuously as the hot mixture is added or it will scramble and ruin the disk. Once incorporated, add back to pot and whisk for several minutes until combined. Turn off heat and add shredded coconut, then let sit. Stir occasionally to prevent lumps.

MANGO CUSTARD

3 fresh ripe mangos, peeled and diced
3 tbsp half n' half
1 tsp vanilla extract
1/8 tsp salt
1/4 cup sugar
2 tsp corn starch
2 eggs, whisked

Add 2 of the diced mangos plus half n'half, vanilla, salt and sugar to blender and puree until smooth. Bring to a sauce pan and carefully heat until hot, stirring continuously to prevent burning at the bottom. Add cornstarch and whisk until smooth. Same as with coconut custard, add a ladle full of mango mixture slowly to whisked eggs and continue whisking to prevent scrambling. Add mixture back to pot and whisk again for a few minutes until well combined and thick. Stir in remaining diced mango and set aside, off heat.

COCONUT WHIPPED CREAM

2 cups heavy whipping cream
1/4 cup powdered sugar
2 tsp coconut extract
1/2 vanilla bean seed, scraped

Combine all ingredients and whisk either by hand or electric mixer until stiff peaks, refrigerate.

TOPPINGS

1/4 cup macadamia nuts, chopped
2 tbsp toasted sesame seeds

COMBINE

Set oven at 350. Pour mango custard into pie crust until half filled. Top with coconut custard until it reaches the edges. Sprinkle 1/4 cup macadamia nuts over coconut custard. Bake for 30-40 minutes until sides are firm and center is giggly. Let cool for 1 hour before placing in fridge for 2 hours. Pipe coconut whipped cream over entire pie and sprinkle with toasted sesame seeds. Enjoy!

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Friday and Saturday 7:15 p.m., shows are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Sunday matinee is shown at 2 p.m. Shows are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Evening showings on Sunday and Wednesday are at 6:30 p.m. and late shows are shown Friday and Saturday at 9:45 p.m. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1.50 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.

Sneak Preview Policy: One hour and 45 minutes prior to the movie, tickets will be issued to first priority patrons waiting in line, then second and third priority patrons.

In an effort to prevent piracy, the following security measures will be enforced on base for sneak preview screenings: bag checks, confiscation of cameras or cell phones with picture taking capability (items will be returned after screening), magnetometer warning, audience scanning with night vision goggles during screening.

The Base Theater and film companies thank you in advance for your cooperation and hope you will enjoy the show. For recorded information, call the Base Theater at 254-7642.

The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian (PG)
The Strangers (R)
You Don't Mess with the Zohan (PG13)
Sex and the City (R)
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Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
July 11 at 7:15 p.m.
July 11 at 9:45 p.m.

Spotlight On Base

WORD TO PASS

SM&SP GERMAINE'S LUAU

The Single Marine and Sailor Program is hosting a trip to Germaine's Luau July 19.

The event is open to all single and unaccompanied Marines and Sailors E5 and below.

The event cost's \$40 and consists of an all-you-can-eat buffet, drinks and a Polynesian Revue. Transportation departs from Kahuna's parking lot at 4:30 p.m. Interested persons may register at the Semper Fit Center.

For more information call Marcella T. Cisneros at 254-7593.

Defense Language Proficiency Test IV and Defense Language Aptitude Battery Exam

Marines qualified to receive foreign language proficiency pay are required to take the Defense Language Proficiency Test annually.

The Defense Language Aptitude Battery exam measures ability to learn a foreign language; the test is required to attend Defense Language Institute. Tests available July 24 at Building 220, Classroom A at 7:45 a.m. Open to all active duty.

For more information contact Maria Fullenwider at 257-2158.

Armed Forces Classification Test

The opportunity to re-take the ASVAB to earn higher scores for advancement, lateral moves and officer candidacy is being offered July 21 at the Joint Education Center at 7:30 a.m.

It is highly recommended service member take the Pre-AFCT for practice prior to actual AFCT.

For more information call 257-2158.

Wine Tasting at the Officers' Club

The Officers' Club is hosting a free event with wines from Better Brands July 17 from 5 to 6 p.m.

Open to all Officers' Club members and sponsored guests.

For more information contact Don Figueira at 254-7650.

New Teen Center Hours

The Teen center is currently operating under new hours: Monday through Thursday, 12 to 6 p.m.; Friday, 12 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 12 to 5 p.m. Closed on Sunday.

Resume Workshop

Marine and Family Services is offering a resume workshop Tuesday at Building 267, Classroom 2 from 9 to 11 a.m. The class provides instructions for creating or developing a proper resume to aid in marketing the job seeker for an interview. Reservations are required.

For more information contact Marine and Family Services at 257-7790.

Bosses' Night

Bosses' Night is taking place at the Staff NCO Club Thursday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Bring your boss to show your appreciation. The event is open to E-6 through E-9 and sponsored guests.

For more information, contact Lynn Colville at 254-5481.

Transition Assistance Program Seminar

A Transition Assistance Program (TAP) Seminar is taking place on the 2nd floor of Building 279 July 21 to 24 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Public Laws 101-510 and 107-103 require all transitioning service members to attend a TAP Seminar prior to separation from the military.

Separating service members may attend a seminar within one year of their separation date, but must attend no later than 90 days prior to separation.

For more information contact Ric Paguio at 257-7790.

PCS Move Workshop

A Permanent Change of Station Move Workshop open to active duty Marines and their spouses will take place Wednesday at Building 267, Room 5 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Couples are encouraged to attend together.

Reservations are required. No orders are required to attend.

Next PCS Move Workshop is scheduled for July 23.

For more information contact Marine and Family Services at 257-7790.

USMC Reading List Book Club

Join the USMC Professional Reading List Book Club. The club meets every third week of the month at the base library.

For more information call 254-7624.

ON THE MENU AT ANDERSON HALL

Today

Lunch

Sour braten
Jaeger schnitzel
Hot potato salad
Tossed green rice
Simmered cabbage
Simmered asparagus
Simmered sauerkraut
Boston cream pie
Chocolate chip cookies
Pineapple upside down cake
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Strawberry/raspberry gelatin

Dinner

Roast pork loin
Chipper fish
Mashed potatoes
Wild rice
Simmered broccoli
Corn on the cob
Applesauce
Chicken gravy
Desserts: same as lunch

Saturday

Dinner

Herbed rock cornish hen
Country fried steak
Rice pilaf
Candied yams
Herbed green broccoli
Simmered carrots
Vegetable gravy
Chicken gravy
Pumpkin pie
Chocolate cookie
Easy chocolate cake with chocolate butter cream frosting
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Strawberry/raspberry gelatin

Sunday

Dinner

Yankee pot roast
Baked ham
Mashed potatoes
Boiled egg noodles
Simmered mixed vegetables
Simmered pinto beans
Vegetable gravy
Dutch apple pie
Brownies
Lemon cake with lemon

cream frosting
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Cherry/lime gelatin

Monday

Lunch

Baked meatloaf
Creole pork chops
Lyonnais potatoes
Noodles Jefferson
Boston baked beans
Simmered peas and carrots
Tomato gravy
Cheese cake with strawberry topping
Cherry pie
Sugar cookies
Peanut butter cake with peanut butter cream frosting
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Orange/raspberry gelatin

Dinner

Russian turkey stew
Baked fresh fish with garlic butter
Steamed rice
Simmered corn
Brussels sprouts parmesan
Cream gravy
Desserts: same as lunch

Tuesday

Lunch

Beef sukiyaki
Chinese five spice chicken
Egg foo young
Chinese fried egg rolls
Steamed rice
Pork fried rice
Fried cabbage
Simmered carrots
Chow mein noodles
Sweet and sour sauce
Lemon meringue pie
Lemon cookies
Strawberry shortcake
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Strawberry/lime gelatin

Dinner

Creole macaroni
Baked turkey & noodles
Mashed potatoes
Grilled cheese sandwich
Simmered green beans

Cauliflower au gratin
Turkey gravy
Desserts: same as lunch

Wednesday

Lunch

Cantonese spareribs
Country style steak
Red beans and rice
Mashed potatoes
Club spinach
Simmered corn on the cob
Cream gravy
Apple pie
Brownies
Pineapple upside down cake
Vanilla/chocolate cream pudding
Orange/raspberry gelatin

Dinner

Savory baked chicken
Beef pot pie
Boiled egg noodles
Mashed potatoes
Southern style squash
Simmered peas with mushrooms
Chicken gravy
Desserts: same as lunch

Thursday

Lunch

Baked lasagna
Veal parmesan
Oven glo potatoes
Simmered carrots
Italian mixed vegetables
Tomato gravy
Garlic toast
Cherry pie
Oatmeal raisin cookies
Marble cake
Chocolate cream frosting
Chocolate/vanilla cream pudding
Orange and strawberry gelatin

Dinner

Chili macaroni
Simmered corned beef
Parsley buttered potatoes
Grilled cheese sandwich
Glazed carrots
Fried cabbage with bacon
Brown gravy
Mustard sauce
Desserts: same as lunch

Gone on the Gondola



Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

A father holds his curious son as he looks over the edge of a ferris wheel gondola Sunday at BayFest 2008. The fair portion of BayFest attracted visitors young and old throughout the three-day festival, and contained rides, food vendors and games for visitors to enjoy.



Kristen Wong

(From left to right) Brianna, 9, Gabrielle, 8, and Laura Recklies, 6, busy themselves reading at the base library. The sisters are taking the challenge at this summer's Rootin' Tootin' Reading Round-Up.

Roundin' Up Reading Habits

Base library sponsors reading contest for youngsters from infancy to 18 years

Kristen Wong
Photojournalist

The base library is rewarding children up to age 18 July 26 for reading books this summer for the Rootin' Tootin' Reading Round-Up.

The round up is similar to the national Book-It! Program that rewards children Pizza Hut pizza for reading a certain amount of books. According to program coordinator Merri Fernandez, library technician, base library, this year's participants exceeds 197, close to the 200 participants last summer, and the number continues to increase. The reading program is given a new name and theme each year. This year's program has a Western theme.

Participants sign up for the program, then pick up a reading log at the library.

Brianna Recklies, 9, said she's turned in so many logs it's difficult to count.

"I read in my spare time," Brianna Recklies said.

Brianna Recklies and her sisters are in the program for the first time. According to Fernandez, there are different reading logs tailored for each age group. Fernandez said the program doesn't only reflect the number of books read. Some books are lengthier than others. Each of the three logs takes into account different aspects of the reading. Fernandez said the purpose of the program is to encourage reading among children. She said the program even allows for children to read comic books.

The first of the three logs is made for young children up to the first grade. Children [or parents if too young] list up to 15 finished books on each log.

"I read all my books in one day," said 6-year-old Laura Recklies.

If a child isn't old enough to read, he or she can still participate in the program through parents.

Parents can read books to their young children and list them on the sheet.

The second log is used for children ages seven to 13. This log recommends the amount of time a child of a certain age should read. The log also comes with 10 pictures of a clock. Each time an hour is spent reading, the reader shades in one clock picture. These readers will list the titles and authors on the sheet as well. Brianna Recklies is currently reading one of her favorite books, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," for her hourly log. The third log is made for teenagers 13 to 18.

Fernandez said generally there are only a handful of participants. Fernandez suggested the possible reason might be because older teenagers have the notion that the contest is "babyish." With that in mind, Fernandez said this is the first year older teenagers have a separate log in an effort to give it a more mature feel. The third type of log is

only meant for one book. On the form, the reader will talk about the content of the book, and give their opinion.

Every age group can turn in their reading log for a coupon from McDonald's. There are prizes for several stages of this program. In addition to McDonald's coupons, all participants receive a certificate for being in the program. There is a winner for each reading log category. Although this year's prizes have not yet been determined, Fernandez said last year's winners received books. In keeping with last year's theme "Camp Want-to-Read," the library rewarded books related to camping.

July 19 is the last day for participants to turn in their logs. Children may sign up until then. The base library will then have a ceremony on July 26 to give out certificates and prizes. For information regarding the Rootin' Tootin' Reading Round-Up, call the base library at 254-7624.

AROUND THE CORPS

Challenge coins pass on heritage, history of Marine Corps

Lance Cpl. Joseph A. Cabrera

III Marine Expeditionary Force

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Japan — Challenge coins are minted military coins embossed with a unit's insignia and commander's billet and are often given to service members by commanders to boost morale and honor service.

During a two-day visit to Okinawa by Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. James T. Conway and Sgt. Maj. of the Marine Corps Carlton W. Kent, several Marines from various units received challenge coins in recognition of outstanding work performance.

"It is a great sign of accomplishment," said Lance Cpl. Leonard Benologa, a supply administration clerk with Combat Logistics Regiment 35.

Benologa, like many others, received a challenge coin from the commandant.

"I think it's a huge honor," said Cpl. Jill Allred, a Marine Corps integrated maintenance management system specialist with CLR 35. "It's pretty cool to get the highest one."

The origin of the tradition cannot be traced to a specific time and place. There are several stories about how the tradition of challenge coins came into existence, some dating back to World War I.

In one story, according to a 2005 article "History of the Challenge Coin," written by Cpl. Wil Acosta and published on Marine Corps News, during World War I, members of one American flying squadron received unit medallions embossed with the unit's in-

signia from their commander. One of the unit's pilots kept the medallion in a leather pouch worn around his neck.

While flying a mission, his plane was shot down by German forces and he was captured. To discourage the pilot from trying to escape, the Germans took the pilot's identification.

While en route to a prisoner of war camp, the pilot did manage to escape. He dressed in civilian attire to evade capture by the Germans.

The pilot was later found by French troops who had recently been advised to watch for German soldiers dressed in civilian attire. Unable to prove his identity, the pilot faced certain death. His life was spared, however, when the insignia on the unit medallion was recognized as an American flying squadron.

Instead of executing the American pilot, they gave him a bottle of wine. After hearing of the pilot's story, service members began carrying the medallion, and when challenged, any member not in possession of the medallion would have to buy the challenger a drink.

In another story, according to www.globalsecurity.org, the tradition of challenge coins may have originated during the Vietnam War. Service members with free time would indulge in a variety of activities, to include drinking at bars.

They formed what were called bullet clubs. Service members on the front lines often carried a separate bullet to use on themselves to avoid being captured by the enemy.

While in the bar, the service members would often challenge each other to see who was carrying that extra round of ammunition.

Anyone who could not produce the round bought drinks the rest of the night, if the challenged person was able to produce the round then his bar tab would be covered by the challenger.

Service members began bringing larger caliber rounds to the bars as a sign of machismo, even cannon and artillery munitions. To avoid the accidental discharge of the ordnance, bullets were replaced with coins bearing the units insignia.

Today, the tradition of using the coins to challenge one another is familiar to many Marines, yet is not commonly witnessed.

For Capt. Edward McDonough, the commanding officer of Headquarters Battery, 3rd Bn., 12th Marines, the coins hold a different value - sentimental. His collection is a reminder of former units and friends.

"It is so you can remember the Marines to your right and left, and the guys you served with," he said.



Cpl. Eric Arndt

The challenge coin's origins are shrouded in mystery, yet it has carried powerful meanings through several generations of the proud few.

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Happy campers enjoy K-Bay

Total beach access makes for campers a plenty

Christine Cabalo
Photojournalist

Boosting energy with a camping trip is second nature for wilderness lovers of Hale Koa Recreational Area at MCB Hawaii.

Visitors flocked to campsites during the July 4 weekend to watch BayFest activities and enjoy outdoor solitude. All 17 campsites were full during the holiday, said Neil Morgan, manager, Base Marina and Outdoor Recreation Center.

"Different people camp differently," he said. "Some people already have their tent and sleeping gear, but we can rent out supplies. Some people do take out, others make their own food on their site's barbecue."

Each site comes with its own barbecue grill, and Morgan said visitors should be aware the recreation area has just the basic amenities like outdoor portable restrooms. Campers are able to book time as early as 60 days before their trip.

A total of six campsites are in the woods, and 11 campsites face Hale Koa Beach. The manager said visitors could stay as long as two weeks, but most campers visit for a holiday or weekend. Erik Nordberg, an Army officer stationed in Honolulu, said he likes to camp in the wooded area because the site provides a relaxing retreat. He brought his sleeping bag,

See CAMP, C-5

Competitors eat their way to victory during 2008 BayFest Eating Contest.

Chow Down!

Cpl. Juan D. Alfonso
U.S. Marine Forces, Pacific

Jeffrey Spencer, Enrico Baratt and Joshua Chang out devoured their rivals during the BayFest 2008 Eating Contest Saturday.

The competition gave service members returning from combat an opportunity to take their minds off what they'd been through and give them something fun to do, said Joe Au, MCB, Hawaii's Intramural Sports coordinator.

The competition, divided into three categories, kicked off with a pizza eating contest. The 10 competitors went head-to-head attempting to devour a large cheese pizza in less than five minutes.

Contestant 10, Robert Widhalm, dove into his pizza devouring piece after piece without as much as stopping to breath.

Closely trailing him, Spencer used a combination of dipping his slices in water and paced eating to push ahead of his rivals.

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Cpl. Juan D. Alfonso

Ten competitors went head-to-head during the watermelon-eating portion of the BayFest 2008 Eating Contest July 5 here.

Hundreds participate in BayFest kick off event

VP-47 hosts 2nd annual 5k run

Lance Cpl. Brian A. Marion
Combat Correspondent

Patrol Squadron 47 kicked off BayFest 2008 by hosting the second annual VP-47 BayFest 5k Run along the flight line Friday morning.

Racers started between Hangars 104 and 105, ran along the entire flight line and finished behind a line of P3 Orion anti-submarine warfare patrol aircraft.

"It gives us the opportunity to race along the runway, offering us a picturesque view of both the bay and the ocean," said Dave Wright, commanding officer, VP-47.

Participation in the race rose from 120 runners last year to more than 350 this year.

"We had to rely on MCCS for the advertising of the race because we were deployed until about a month ago," Wright said. "They did a great job with their aggressive advertising in getting us the sponsors and numbers we needed."

The run had nine different age categories, ranging from the two to 19-year-old age group to the 55 and over category. In addition to the age categories, participants also raced for the overall fastest time.

"It's a fun and different race," said Tina Lui, race coordinator, MCCS. "It gives competitors a unique venue to race through. It's not everyday someone can run across the flight line."

The race started with the runners looping around Hanger 105 to get to the far side of the

runway near Kaneohe Bay before turning around and running down the entire length of the flight line.

"It was a great way to start off the weekend," said Jeff Holt, runner. "It's fun to do something like this before BayFest."

Gradually, the racers snaked the length of the flight line before they turned around and headed to the parked P3s.

Spectators waited behind the finish line for any sign of the competitors. Eventually, a distant speck appeared from behind the last P3 and gradually became noticeable.

Ash Dunstow crossed the finish well ahead of other competitors with a time of 16 minutes, 53 seconds, to become the overall winner.

More and more competitors crossed the finish line. The final competitor crossed the line less than an hour after the race started.

Meghan Furdy placed first in the women's overall category with a time of 21:10.

"It was nice being able to run the last portion of the race downhill," Holt said.

The race is part of the Commanding Officer's Fitness Series with the next event, the Camp Smith 5k Grueler, slated for Sept. 17, at Camp H.M. Smith.



Jamie King, 322, leads a pack of runners across the finish line during a run hosted by Patrol Squadron 47 Friday by the runway. The VP-47 BayFest 5k Run started the first day of BayFest 2008 with more than 350 people participating.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Brian A. Marion

Col. Mark A. Dungan, commanding officer, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, leads the way the Friday during the VP-47 BayFest 5K run. Patrol Squadron 47 hosted the second annual event along the flight line and had more than 350 people registered to compete in the 3.1-mile race. The race started beside of Hangar 105 and traced the flight line with runners finishing behind parked P3 Orion anti-submarine warfare patrol aircraft.

Amateurs strut their physiques

Body builders show off their muscles during 2008 BayFest Body Search Fitness Competition

Cpl. Juan D. Alfonso
U.S. Marine Forces, Pacific

Brandon Curry and Kh'ulei Vedder out muscled their competition during the 2008 Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay Festival Body Search Fitness Competition July 6 here.

Officials with the base Semper Fit Center designed the event to promote fitness among service members and their families.

Though Curry was the last competitor to show off his muscles, he was the judge's first pick from the moment they saw him.

"Brandon just stood out," said

Brian Young, base Guidance, Nutrition and Control store senior store manager and a judge. "A lot of the guys he went up against were cut up, but he was just bigger than everyone else by far."

Curry's muscle mass definition and dark skin sent women throughout the crowd screaming for more from the amateur body builder.

"It feels good to win just like anytime I compete," said Curry, who plans to compete for a professional sponsorship July 24 in Las Vegas. "This competition was a good warm up for my next one and I'm hoping that my reputa-

tion will bring some attention to other military sponsored competitions."

Curry's only possible competition came from second-place finisher Julius Ventura.

As if his muscle mass and bronze tan weren't enough to make the crowd go wild, Ventura's gung-ho Marine attitude and natural charisma made for one of the show's loudest displays of physical perfection.

Third in the men's division, Paul Peri dazzled the crowd with his perfectly cut abs and well shaped muscles.

First in the women's division,

Vedder wowed the audience with her perfectly defined female physique and bronzed skin. Her shy and innocent attitude may have also played a part in her dominance over her rivals.

But there was a moment when her victory didn't seem so certain. A mistake made by the announcer caused the crowd to initially believe she took third place, but a moment later a correction was made giving the first place winner a moment on stage without her runner ups.

"I was very shocked and excited

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(From left to right) Paul Peri, Julius Ventura, Brandon Curry, Kh'ulei Vedder, Virginia Coffman and Sandra Meyers each placed in their respective divisions at the BayFest 2008 Body Search Fitness Competition July 6 here.

Sky of blue and sea of green in our Yellow Submarine



Photos by Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa

Your Mom crosses the finish line in second place of the first heat in the BayFest 2008 Bathtub Regatta Sunday. Your Mom won the military madness award for being the best military themed boat, and was manned by Sailors from Waterfront Operations.

Battle of '08 Yellow Sub paddles to victory at BayFest Bathtub Regatta

Lance Cpl. Regina A. Ochoa
Community Relations NCO

Tucked away in a makeshift harbor on the shores of Kaneohe Bay Sunday was the most unlikely fleet of boats prepared to take to the sea. Made of scraps of recycled bicycle parts, plastic drums, wood, tarps, cardboard and empty beer kegs, they stood boldly facing the open ocean, ready to begin the BayFest 2008 Bathtub Regatta.

Fifteen homemade boats gathered to be named champion, but also competed in categories like military madness, funniest design, determinator, first to sink and best craft. Boats varied in styles, from pontoon-like boats to barely floating rafts. Manned by a four-person crew, the boats had to not only be fastest, but stay afloat.

"We had four empty kegs and didn't know what to do with them," said Scott Cadmus, crewman of the pirate-flag flying Beer Float. "We drew up the plans, and it evolved into this. We haven't tested it yet. We're too afraid. We didn't want to test it and have it fail. It's going on its maiden voyage today. I think it will float."

Beer Float wasn't the regatta's only untested boat. Made just two-and-a-half hours before the race, The Procrastinator, a golf cart wrapped in a tarp with plastic drums tied to the sides, and crew seemed determined to win or at least sabotage everyone else's chance of winning.

An impressive show of force was Your Mom, a paddle-wheel driven boat, camouflaged to look like it belonged in Vietnam instead of Kaneohe Bay.

"Building this boat was one of the most difficult things I've ever done in my life," said Tyler Johnson, Your Mom crewman. "It goes fast and straight. We have two people pushing the wheel and two people steering. The hard part was getting it here. It was three days of thinking and six days of building. It was a lot of fun."

While some boats looked more structurally sound than others, it was the race that decided the champion. The boats raced in groups of three or four, beginning in the water, heading out 34 meters to a buoy,

where the boat had to manage a turn, head 34 meters toward another buoy and turn again toward the shoreline. First-place winners went onto the final race, where they would compete against each other for overall winner.

The first heat kicked off with Your Mom, Beer Float, Mini Pearl and Toure de Trashe. Toure de Trashe immediately took a resounding lead. The boat was the day's only mechanically-powered boat, driven by four children on bicycles whose chains powered rudders. Toure de Trashe came in first, followed by Your Mom. Mini Pearl, a square boat made from a wooden frame and tarp, came in third, paddling past Beer Float, who partied too hard for the win.

The second heat saw Lieutenant's Compass, Powder Puff, Thomas Got Busted and Red Georgia battle it out. Lieutenant's Compass became the first boat of the day to sink, surviving only the first 10 meters. The race remained close between the other boats, but Red Georgia, a sleek pontoon boat, came in first, followed by the pink, all-women powered Powder Puff in second and

Thomas Got Busted in third.

"We did great considering we were going against all men's teams," said Heather Alviso, a pink-clad Powder Puff rower.

The third heat proved to be more entertaining than the first two. Green Hawaii, Fuels One, Ghetto Fabulous and Ocean Commotion started out looking strong, but Ghetto Fabulous lost one of its rudders 15 meters into the race. Green Hawaii and Fuels One were neck-and-neck, until a seemingly wayward Ocean Commotion sabotaged the race. With a siren on, the boat that looked like the definite loser, had no intention of winning and began shooting Fuels One with water. The boat took on too much water and began to sink, but was determined to stay in the race. When Ocean Commotion thought they had done their job well, they went to "help" "Ghetto Fabulous," who was just rounding out the first buoy while the others were almost done.

After pummeling the disintegrating Ghetto Fabulous with water, they went back to "Fuels One" who was just crossing the

finish line with their crewmembers swimming the boat in for second place. Ghetto Fabulous had to be rescued by lifeguards, and Ocean Commotion didn't finish the race.

The fourth heat had last year's sinking Yellow Submarine face off against a pontoon boat Can Do and The Procrastinator. While Yellow Submarinesoared past the competition, Can Do flipped twice, and The Procrastinator floated for six seconds before flipping and falling apart in the shallow water. Although no longer in the race, The Procrastinator turned to sabotage, using a mirror to reflect sun onto the faces of Yellow Submarine's crewmen. When Yellow Submarine was about to cross the finish line, The Procrastinator's crew sank it, pushing the boat under water. Can Do was still far enough behind that Yellow Submarine was able to recover and win.

The final race saw the Toure de Trashe, the boat with the quickest lap time in the race, face off against other winners Red Georgia, Green Hawaii and Yellow Submarine. Yellow Submarine started out in front, accidentally sabotaging the race by cutting in front of the other racers.

While the other boats struggled to regain their rowing and cycling patterns, Yellow Submarine and Red Georgia stayed neck-and-neck until the end, when Yellow Submarine paddled a little bit faster for the win. Red Georgia took second, Green Hawaii came in third, and Toure de Trashe finished last.

"I feel great," said Nick Janey, Yellow Submarine crewman. "We didn't expect to win, but we came out on top and that's nice. We came in third last year. We sank last year, we were sunk this year, but we still won."

While Yellow Submarine won the overall competition, other boats were awarded for their creativity and performance. Your Mom won the military madness award for being the best military themed boat. Ghetto Fabulous, decorated in lawn chairs and wheel rims, won for funniest design. The sabotaging Ocean Commotion won the determinator award, The Procrastinator won the first to sink title, and Toure de Trashe won for best craft.



The Procrastinator, named because it was made just two-and-a-half hours before the race, tips over and sinks six seconds into the fourth heat of the BayFest 2008 Bathtub Regatta Sunday. The boat won the coveted first-to-sink title.



Beer Float, Your Mom, Mini Pearl and Toure de Trashe line up for the first heat of the BayFest 2008 Bathtub Regatta Sunday. Toure de Trashe won the 100-meter race to go on to the finals where they came in fourth place, but won for best craft.



Yellow Submarine crosses the finish line just seconds before Red Georgia to take the overall win at the BayFest 2008 Bathtub Regatta Sunday. Yellow Submarine came in third and sank at last year's BayFest.

Spotlight On Sports

Sports Briefs

Summer Junior Sailing Lessons

Feel the thrill of being the captain of your own sailboat. Children ages 8 to 18 can enroll now to learn how to sail. Lessons start today and will continue every two weeks until August. For more information, call the Base Marina at 254-7667.

Beginner Outrigger Canoe Paddlers Wanted

Windward Kai Canoe Club practices at Kailua Beach and welcomes active duty and family members (18 and older) to participate in this Hawaiian sport and culture.

The club is especially seeking to field a beginner women's crew to race this summer. No experience is necessary and all training and equipment are provided.

WKCC in Kailua recently provided beginner outrigger canoe paddling classes for Marines from Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

For more information, call Derrel at 383-0400 or Greg at 255-9977.

Women's Base Softball Team

The women's base softball team is looking for players. Anyone interested can attend their practice every Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Annex Softball field.

For more information, contact Meghan Brophy at 254-7590.

Youth Gymnastics/Dance Class

Youth of all ages can attend gymnastics and a variety of dance classes Monday through Saturday at Building 1090. Classes are at varying times in the morning, afternoon and evening. Interested parents and youth should stop by Youth Activities for more information. Classes include dance, hula, tumbling and more.

For more information, call 254-7610.

Parents for Fitness

The Parents for Fitness Program is a cooperative babysitting effort available at the Semper Fit Center, here, for all active duty service members and their families. The PFFP participants are required to volunteer babysit three times per month and is open for children 6 weeks and older.

For more information, call 664-0184.

Deep-Sea Fishing Charters Offered at Base Marina

Fishermen searching for convenient access to deep-sea charters need look no further than the Base Marina. Bill Collector Fishing Charters offers numerous charter packages accommodating up to six passengers.

Avoiding the traffic and crowd of Oahu's South Shore, Bill Collectors charters fish from the uncrowded waters of Windward Oahu.

For more information or to charter the Bill Collector, contact the Base Marina at 257-7667 or 254-7666.

Campground and Picnic Sites

For picnic and campsites, Marine Corps Base Hawaii offers some of the most scenic beaches on the island.

Three of those beaches, Pyramid Rock, Hale Koa and Fort Hase, are available by reservation from dawn to dusk. Hale Koa Beach is available for overnight camping, but requires a reservation.

For more information, contact 254-7666 for Kaneohe or 477-5143 for Camp H.M. Smith.

Paintball Hawaii

Nestled behind the Lemon Lot is Paintball Hawaii. Shoot over for great deals and have a blast with your friends.

Cost is \$25 per person and includes one air refill, equipment and the field fee. The field is open weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 265-4283.

K-Bay Lanes Color Pin Special

Every Thursday, when you roll a strike and a colored pin is in the headpin position, you can win up to three free games of bowling.

All patrons are welcome to take advantage of this deal. If you make the play, you win!

For more information, contact K-Bay Lanes at 254-7693.

Personal Trainers Available at Semper Fit

For those looking to get into a tailored exercise regimen, or just looking for good advice on weight management and weight control, the Semper Fit Center offers free personal training consultation.

You can schedule an appointment with a trainer who will take body-fat measurements, blood-pressure and heart-rate readings.

They will do all this and tailor a program, based on your physical needs and ambitions.

For only \$5 per workout, a professional trainer will actually work with you to ensure maximum efficiency.

Pick up a personal training appointment card at the Semper Fit Center now.

For more information, contact the Semper Fit Center at 254-7597.

Semper Fit offers group classes



Group exercise classes are available at Semper Fit Center! Keep in shape with one of several training sessions that work out all your body areas. Classes at the center include:

Glutes to the Max

Unmush your tush with this intense glute workout. Get rid of the granny fanny with exercises for the hips and buttocks as you tone with weights, the exercise ball and resistance bands. To top it all off there will be a short ab workout and some stretching after your glutes have been pushed to the max.

Stretch

Reach for your toes in this class. Tired of having someone else scratch your back? Time to limber up. A class on

getting back the flexibility you once had or just stretching out those over worked muscles. This class is great way to reduce your chances of getting injured from tight muscles.

Yoga

Stretch your mind and your workout in this conditioning class. Learn how to be more fit, flexible and ease all your daily stress.

Ask about discounts for active-duty members. For more information, call 254-7597.

2008 Intramural Volleyball Standings



Standings as of June 16

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
Health Clinic	6	0
Fed. Fire Dept	5	1
HSL-37	4	2
Water Front Ops	2	4
MAG-24	1	5
3rd Radio Bn.	0	6

2008 Intramural Softball Standings

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
1/3	11	0
HQBN	11	2
2-2	12	3
CSSG-3	8	3
Law Dawgs "PMO"	7	4
3rd Radio Bn.	6	4
MALS-24 "Dyer"	6	7
HSL-37	7	5
MALS-24 "Rollings"	6	8
3rd Marine Reg #2	4	7
3rd Marine Reg #1	5	9
1/12	2	10
VP-4	2	12
MCAF	0	13



Standings as of June 10



Standings as of June 16

2008 Intramural Soccer Standings

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
VPU-2	6	0
CSSG-3	5	1
HQBN	4	3
3rd Radio Bn.	1	3
MALS-24	1	6
VP-4	1	4

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Woods and camping safety for the whole family

News Release

Lifelines

A family camping trip can be an enjoyable experience with a little preparation. Knowing everyone's limits, taking the time to plan ahead, and packing the right items will help your adventure come off without a hitch. Here are the down-and-dirty basics of woods and camping safety.

Planning ahead

If you're not skilled in the outdoors, begin your adventures by taking day trips. But even then be aware of camping safety issues, such as bug bites and stings; plants that may cause rashes and allergic reactions; exposure to heat, wind, water, and cold; and getting lost.

Once families feel comfortable with their camping skills, they may want to plan a few days or a week in a wilderness park. But first, gather information from park rangers, read guide books about the terrain and weather, and talk with campers who've been there.

Common camping dangers

One common mistake made by camping families is not being ready for seasonal transitions regarding proper clothing and equipment. Storms blow in and out during all seasons, and there can be sudden shifts in temperatures in spring and fall, particularly on high mountains. Precipitation and wind lead to rapid cooling, especially when temperatures drop at nightfall.

Excessive heat can be a problem for young children, whose sweat glands are not fully developed until adolescence. On hot days, hike in the cooler mornings and evenings. During the day, spend time in shaded areas. Wear skin protection whenever you or your kids are exposed to the sun, including hats, sunscreen, and cotton clothes.

Another common problem is getting lost. Teach your kids how to recognize landmarks at the campsite and on hikes. While hiking, encourage them to turn around and look at the trail to familiarize themselves with their surroundings.

Teach them to remain where they are and stay calm if they are lost. Kids should wear whistles (whistles can be heard farther away than the human voice) and know the universal help signal of three blows or loud sounds. Try to take your cell phone along in case you can get a signal.

Before your trip, look for a local class or go online to find out more about map reading and finding directions. For wilderness trekking, always carry a topographical map and compass.

Proper clothing

To protect against sudden temperature and weather changes, wear multi-layered clothing made of polyester, polypropylene, and wool. Layers of clothing — such as tank tops, long-sleeved shirts, and sweaters — will allow you to reduce or increase clothing as needed. To protect against rain and wind, bring breathable, lightweight waterproof jackets and pants.

All family members need comfortable hiking shoes to prevent blistering. When hiking, tuck

pant cuffs into socks and boots to protect against ticks. Kids should wear brightly colored clothes to increase visibility. Caps or hats will help guard against the sun and protect against insects.

Setting up a campsite

Natural hazards such as forest fires and fallen trees are less likely to be encountered at campgrounds that can be accessed by cars. But other dangers lurk, such as broken glass, discarded needles, and other hazardous trash.

Scout the area before setting up a tent. In wilderness areas, look for signs of animal and insect use; for example, yellowjacket wasps build their nests in the ground. If berries are plentiful at a site, bears may forage for food there.

To build a firepit, look for a clearing and previous firepits. During fire-hazard periods and dry seasons, use portable stoves rather than campfires.

Drinking the water

Assume that all wilderness streams and creeks are potentially contaminated water sources due to domestic and wild animals. Giardia lamblia, a common parasitic contaminant, can cause nausea, bloating, gas, stomach cramps, and explosive diarrhea leading to dehydration.

If you are unable to bring bottled water with you on your trip or your supply runs out, iodine is an inexpensive and easy way to purify water (you can buy iodine tablets that dissolve in the water). You'll need to check the expiration date before using. You can also use water filters. Boiling is an excellent method for purifying water, but takes a lot of time, energy, and resources; also, appropriate boiling times are uncertain because boiling points vary according to elevation.

Food supplies and foraging

Plan your meals according to how many days you will be on a trip, and then bring extra food. Pack plenty of portable foods, such as granola bars, packaged trail mix, breads, peanut butter, fruit, and other camping-friendly foods. You can even purchase dehydrated meals that only require the addition of water. It's best to leave foraging for berries to the animals because it's easy to mistake toxic berries for edible ones that can make someone pretty sick and ruin the entire trip.

Plants and insects

Common plants to be wary of are poison oak, sumac, and ivy. Show your kids pictures of



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these plants before your trip, and if in doubt, avoid touching any unknown plants. Dress your kids in long-sleeved shirts and pants to protect the skin from exposure to plants that may cause allergic reactions. You can apply protective products before hiking that will act as a barrier against the oils of the plants. Any area that comes in contact with a poisonous plant should be washed immediately with cool water to help remove the oil that causes the allergic reaction. Calamine lotion or hydrocortisone cream (1 percent) may help to stop the itching that's common with poison

ivy.

Antihistamines taken by mouth are effective for allergic reactions or itchy rashes — from contact with poison ivy to mosquito bites to bee and wasp stings. Use citronella-based products to repel insects and put it on clothing instead of skin whenever possible. Repellents containing DEET also can be used. Choose a repellent that contains no more than 10 percent to 30 percent DEET; in higher concentrations, the chemical (which is absorbed through the skin) can be toxic. Be sure to follow the directions on the label. DEET-containing products should only be used on children older than 2 years.

Another camping concern is ticks, which can carry several types of infections, including Lyme disease. Check your kids at the end of each day for ticks. Examine places where ticks like to hide, like behind the ears, in the scalp, under the arms, and in the groin area. Be aware of the typical rash seen in some patients with Lyme disease — a red ring that may grow to about 2 inches in diameter around the bite appearing about a week after the tick bite.

Protecting against animals

Teach kids that animals in the wild are strong and agile, and will defend themselves and their young if threatened. Children should not approach wild animals, even small ones, and should never feed them. Don't leave kids unsupervised — small children, especially, are vulnerable. Instruct them to stay calm and call loudly for help if they encounter a wild animal.

Always ask the park rangers about wild animals in your wilderness park. Keep the campsite free of food odors and do not bring food into tents. Pack food in your cars overnight; if you're going on a long camping trip, pack food in resealable plastic bags and animal-resistant containers.

Camping emergency basics

In the case of an emergency, the most important thing to do is to remain calm.

During an emergency, families need to decide together on the best plan of action, examining the resources available.

Before your trip, notify friends and families of your destination and time of return. And sign up at park registers before and after wilderness treks.

If your kids have whistles and were instructed to wait in a sheltered area if they get lost, you should be able to find them more readily. If you bring a cell phone, make sure it's charged.

Always stay on the safe side when setting boundaries for family camping. The more remote your location, the more care you should take in choosing your activities. Survey campsites for riverbanks and cliffs. Check out climbing trees for dead branches and moss, both of which cause falls.

Properly preparing for camping lets the whole family enjoy the great outdoors safely.

What to pack

Essentials for every camping trip include:

- map of the area
- compass
- flashlight with extra batteries and bulbs
- extra food
- extra clothing, including rain gear
- sunglasses and sunscreen
- pocketknife
- folding saw
- matches in waterproof container
- candle or fire starter
- adequate supply of clean drinking water
- appropriate insect repellents

Other necessary items include: full water bottles for hikes; a waterproof and lightweight tent; ground insulation for sleeping; a blanket for emergencies; signaling device such as a whistle, mirror, pocket flare, walkie-talkie or cell phone; duct tape; and 50 to 100 feet of nylon rope.

Bring a first-aid kit that includes:

- adhesive and butterfly bandages
- self-adhesive roller bandages
- sterile gauze pads
- a cold pack
- splinting materials
- large wound dressings
- blister dressings
- nonadhesive dressings
- cloth-based adhesive tape
- elastic bandages (Band-Aids)
- thermometer
- non-latex gloves
- large plastic bag
- safety pins
- scissors
- tweezers and needles (to remove splinters or ticks)
- oral antihistamine (such as Bendadryl)
- medications for pain or fever, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen
- hydrocortisone cream (1 percent)
- alcohol pads

In addition, bring a liquid antiseptic soap to clean wounds.

Don't forget extra protective dressings for severe arm or leg blisters.

Knowing how to make a splint in case of injury is also useful and can be learned in first-aid classes.

CAMP, from C-1

tent and food supplies for a two-night stay. A frequent backpacker, he said the campsite is a perfect spot for watching incoming aircraft as well as spending some time alone.

"I'm a big fan of being outdoors," he said. "I like seeing the trees, and it's very peaceful and quiet. You can be reflective, and it's like being in a whole different world."

Fellow camper Danielle Dunn said she prefers a prime camping location near the beach with her family. The mother of five said camping is one of her favorite pastimes, and she goes to the Hale Koa Recreation Area as often as she can. She said she picked the holiday weekend to take her children and their friends camping because July 4 is her birthday.

"We love playing sports together," she said. "At the beach we can play soccer or be in the water. It's just a nice thing to do to relax, keep things slow and calm."

Dunn said she likes the secluded area, and her children have fun walking far into the bay during low tide. After having a cookout with hot dogs and hamburgers, Dunn said it's nice to spend time with her family to unwind in calm waters. Morgan said during camping visits he takes full advantage of having access to the beach at any time.

"Being in the outdoors is great," Morgan said. "The waves aren't too rough at the beach, and it's very kid friendly."

The manager said minimal waves from the west keep the beach's waves calm. He suggests people staying overnight should cover their basic needs by bringing night lighting, cooking utensils and sleeping gear. The Outdoor Recreation Center doesn't rent out sleeping bags, but he said they do offer sleeping pads to make the ground softer. Morgan also recommends all campers take proper precautions in addition to wearing sunscreen and having flotation toys.

"You do have to watch out for centipedes," he said. "Their bites do sting, and they're like bee stings. So if you are allergic to bees, then seek medical attention."

Nordberg, who has camped in the wilderness in areas like Yellowstone National Park, said camping at the base couldn't be beat. Whenever he comes to the campsites, he said he never worries about running into a bear or other large wildlife present at other areas in the mainland. Not many of his co-workers realize the area is open to them and other service members, he said.

"I'm surprised that more people don't take advantage of this during the rest of the year," Nordberg said. "It's very clean, calm and nice area."



Christine Cabalo

Eric Nordberg sits in his collapsible chair near his tent at one of the wooded campsites at the Hale Koa Recreation Area. Staying for the July 4 weekend, Nordberg, an army officer stationed in Honolulu, said he enjoys coming to the area for peace and quiet.



Cpl. Juan D. Alfonso

Ten competitors went head-to-head during the pizza-eating portion of the BayFest 2008 Eating Contest July 5.

EAT, from C-1

After five minutes, and with a slice and two bites of crust remaining, Spencer won taking a \$50 gas card and 18 coupons for free pizza. Widhalm took second with a slice and pizza crust remaining followed by Russ Karren in third with three slices remaining.

"I thought I had it," Widhalm said. "I was looking around and no one around me was even close. If I knew the guy on the other side of the table was ahead of me I would have just packed that last crust in my mouth."

Following the pizza portion of the competition was the watermelon eating contest. Contestants had five minutes to chow down on two pieces of melon without using their hands. Judges decided what a consumed water melon was based on how much pink was left on the rind.

The 10 rivals smashed their faces into the melons devouring it like ravenous animals.

From the start of the contest, Baratt crushed his competition, consuming his melon as if he hadn't eaten in days, and securing first place in under two minutes and 30 seconds. He received a one night's stay at the Kilauea Military Camp on Hawaii Island.

"I just wanted to do my best," he said. "As soon as they said start, I started chowing down what I could and it worked out for me."

A minute-and-a-half after Baratt, Meghan Purdy secured a second place finish followed by Brady Jernigan half a minute later.

Next up was the anxiously awaited Hot Dog Eating Contest. Occurring only a day after the Nathan's Famous Fourth of July Hot Dog Eating Contest, many members of the audience wanted to see

how Hawaii's competitors stacked up.

The challenge — to consume 12 hot-dogs in less than five minutes.

Competition was tough as Chang, Angela Denetso and Laramie Struble devoured their dogs. Each competitor crushed, soaked in water and stuffed food into their mouths as quickly as they could.

But Chang's strategy proved superior as he took a hot dog in each hand and stuffed them in his mouth two at a time.

Chang secured his victory, eating nine hot dogs and winning \$75 worth of gift cards.

When asked about his victory, Chang had only one thing to say.

"I was inspired to win by my idol Takeru Kobayashi (six time champion at the Nathan's Famous Fourth of July Hot Dog Eating Contest)," Chang said.

Denetso trailed him with eight hot-dogs, followed by Struble with seven.

BODY, from C-1

when I won," she said. "When he called me up first I was just happy to place but then when he said I won — it was wonderful it really felt

like all my hard work paid off."

Following Vedder, Sandra Meyers, a crowd favorite, took second place after dazzling the crowd with her perfectly cut body and confident personality.

And last but not least, Virginia Coffman took third place with her dark toned skin and perfectly shaped muscles.

"The whole competition fell the way the crowd felt it

was going to go," said Chris Alicko, base GNC assistant store manager and a judge. "We had a great turn out this year and hope to see a lot more people on stage next year."

AROUND THE CORPS

Tindal Rugby

Service members run with Aussie pastime

Lance Cpl. Noah S. Leffler

Iwakuni Approach staff

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE BASE

TINDAL, Australia – Service members participating in Pitch Black 2008, a three-week multi-nation training exercise, had a unique opportunity to get a first-hand look at Australia's diverse culture.

Marines and Sailors have been taking part in some friendly athletic competition with a group of Australians, and although most didn't know a scrum-half from a stand-off when they arrived, all can add playing rugby to their list of overseas experiences.

According to Gunnery Sgt. Terrance Singletary, Marine Aircraft Group 12 aviation information systems department chief, the interest in learning to play one of Australia's most prominent sports was sparked long before the troops touched down in Tindal.

"Last year and the year before, Marines that worked for me were curious about rugby and trying to get games going," Singletary said.

Singletary's Pitch Black counterpart, Royal Australian Air Force Flight Sgt. Shane Boden, coaches an on-base youth league, and agreed to lend his expertise instructing the eager if uneducated group of American service members.

"He said, 'If I can teach 5-year-olds, I can teach you blokes,'" Singletary said with a laugh.

The "Yanks" paired up with a Tindal touch "footy" league during its Tuesday evening practices, and although there was much to learn, they took to the sport with gusto.

"After the first night, gunny was saying the boys all went back to work and started looking on the Internet at the rules," Boden said. "It takes you a long time to learn to play, but they've done very

well. I'm impressed."

Four weeks after their first practices and with the conclusion of Pitch Black days away, it was time for the Marines and Sailors to test their mettle in the Aussie-American "championship" match. Though the touch game lacked the hard-hitting tackles the sport is famous for, there was no shortage of hustle as the Americans attempted to overcome their opponents' experience with speed.

The weary offense appeared to hold a glimmer of hope when their tenacious attacks from the tie line late in the second half resulted in a 3-3 score.

"Rugby is like football and soccer combined," said Cpl. Michael Sweeney, MAG-12 aviation operations specialist. "The conditioning is nonstop, so it requires much more endurance."

No amount of endurance would save them from the Aussies' nimble footwork however, and just as soon as the Americans had scored, the competition deftly answered back with one of their own, winning the game 4-3.

According to Boden, the Americans' downfall was their reliance on the American football-pace of play

"It's a bit different. It's not stop-and-start like gridiron," he said. "You don't get a chance to recover once you make that touch. You've gotta work."

"The Americans played well though," Boden added. "They learned a lot."

Though he joked the Australians wouldn't have it so easy the next time around, Sweeney, who plans to continue playing rugby during the upcoming Exercise Southern Frontier, said the game was mostly a chance to blow off steam and talk a little trash with some new friends.

"It's been fun to compete with them in their sport and build camaraderie with our host country," he said.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Noah S. Leffler

Lance Cpl. Keenan Royes, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 12 ordnanceman, takes off after receiving the ball during a rugby game at Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia, June 24. American and Australian service members have been taking part in friendly matches every Tuesday throughout Pitch Black 2008, a three-week multi-national training exercise.



Cpl. Michael Sweeney, Marine Aircraft Group 12 aviation operations specialist, dodges a tackle during a rugby game at Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia.