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Velino takes final flight as 15th Operations Group commander

Photo by Tech Sgt. Heather Redman

Col. Charles Velino, 15th Operations Group commander, flies a C-17 Globemaster III over the Hawaiian Islands during his final flight, June 16. Velino is a command pilot with more than 3,500 flying hours and will be leaving the 15th Operations Group to take command of the 47th Flying Training Wing in Laughlin AFB, Texas.

DBIDS credential required for contractors, vendors after Aug. 14



Photos courtesy of Commander, Navy Installations Command
Joint Base transitions to the DBIDS scanner.

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To improve the Navy's transition to the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) and increase force protection at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, the Navy is transitioning from using the Navy Commercial Access Control System (NCACS) to DBIDS for contractors, vendors and suppliers requiring access to the base.

Beginning Aug. 14, NCACS cards, also known as the Rapid Gate card, will no longer be accepted.

DBIDS is a Department of Defense (DoD) system developed by Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) as a force protection pro-

gram designed to manage personnel, property and installation access. It is an identity management and force protection system operating on a database to provide a safe and secure community by allowing real-time access to data. It will provide easy verification of access authorization for personnel entering a military installation using a barcode technology and fingerprinting biometric identification.

"The Navy is transitioning from NCACS to DBIDS to fall in line with DMDC requirements with regards to the data file transfers that they are no longer going to do and to bolster security on to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam," said Master Sgt. Roy Lock, superintendent, Joint Base Plans and Programs.

The transition is conducted in two-phases:

Phase I: During phase I, all NCACS cardholders will obtain a temporary DBIDS paper pass at the Nimitz Visitor Control Center (VCC, also known as Pass and ID) office located at 1250 South Drive, Bldg. 3455 (near Nimitz Gate). Once their identity is verified for active enrollment as an existing contractor or vendor; a paper pass will be issued and will have 180 days from that time to obtain an actual DBIDS card.

NCACS cards will no longer be accepted for base access beginning Aug. 14 and will be turned away at the gate. A contractor or vendor will not be issued another 180-day pass if they fail to comply with the timelines.

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USS Chung-Hoon receives 2016 SECNAV safety excellence award

Lt. j.g. Amber Lowman

USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93)
Public Affairs

USS Chung-Hoon was recently awarded the fiscal year 2016 Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Safety Excellence Award for the afloat unit category.

This is a broad category which include every ship in the Navy — surface ships, submarines, and aircraft carriers. This recognition is a vivid example of the crew's strong commitment to the mission, the Department of the Navy, and to the nation as a world-class safety organization.

This award comes as no surprise to the ship's crew who continuously incorporates safety in all aspects.

Chung-Hoon Sailors, however, have not gone incident-free for the last year, but they routinely practice operational risk management, track and report all incidents and hazards as they are dis-

covered, and conduct robust training to best prepare for the dangers of life at sea. As a result, Chung-Hoon will proudly fly the SECNAV safety flag for the next year.

Every two to three years surface navy ships receive an afloat safety assessment. Chung-Hoon was assessed in September 2016 with a score in the 90 percentile. The ship was inspected for safety administration, all Navy Occupational Safety and Health programs, and divisional deck plate compliance with adherence to safety standards. Even with near perfect scores, Chung-Hoon still finds ways to improve the workplace environment. Having just exited a four-month-long dry dock period, it has experienced some challenges and enacted new practices, which may benefit other ships with hopes to improve their safety and execute a successful dry-docking selected restricted availability (DSRA).

During their recent DSRA,



File photo by MC2 Marcus L. Stanley

Sailors aboard the guided-missile destroyer let down flight deck safety nets prior to flight operations aboard USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), Feb. 25, 2016.

Chung-Hoon was committed to strictly follow the Plan-Brief-Execute-Debrief (PBED) and Operational Risk Management (ORM) process for evolutions both simple and complex. The ships attention to the PBED and ORM processes made for a safer working environment and climate.

Chung-Hoon also worked closely with Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and their safety organization that provided an outside set of eyes and helped identify potential hazards to the work environments. The ship also conducted monthly safety committee meetings with divisional safety petty

officers to discuss safety concerns and strategize new methods to diminish safety hazards.

Cmdr. Vic Sheldon, commanding officer of USS Chung-Hoon, has made it clear that safety is on his mind and makes sure the crew is safety conscious as well.

"Establishing an environment where people feel comfortable raising safety concerns is critical to having a safe place to come to work. If each discrepancy is treated equally, large safety discrepancies are less likely to arise."

A safe working environment really is not that hard to achieve, it is about knowing your equipment and doing the little things like maintenance and safety programs the right way each day.

Lt. j.g. Brittany Henley, safety officer of USS Chung-Hoon, will receive the SECNAV Afloat Safety Award in a ceremony held at the Navy Memorial in Washington D.C. on June 29.



File photo by DC Smith

Joint Base offers recycling service

Jerome Stribling and Raul Lamarca

NAVFAC Hawaii, JBPHH Recycling Program

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) has two recycling program operating locations at Hickam and Pearl Harbor, for customer convenience and support.

Francisco Pena, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), Qualified Recycling Program installation manager, JBPHH, oversees the program, which covers recyclable materials from cardboard, paper, magazines, plastics, glass containers, untreated wooden pallets and metals.

Current operating cost and demands on installation budgets have made it necessary to rethink how office managers at all levels and workers on JBPHH understand the proper disposal procedures of unwanted recyclable materials.

The Pearl Harbor recycling center, located on Russell Avenue, building 159, recycles metal totaling as much as \$500,000 in revenue annually. Materials processed through the Hickam Recycling Center at Kuntz Avenue, building 1715, processes about 190 tons of newspaper and magazines for approximately \$150,000 in annual revenue. Money earned is returned to the installation to offset program and center operating costs. Both centers have been able to pay for themselves through the proceeds.

To assist in getting the maximum input for the program, there are 18 trailers located throughout the installations to collect cardboard, which when returned to the recycle center, will be bound into 1,800-pound bales for proper disposal.

Metal materials are taken to the Pearl Harbor facility while paper, magazines, newspapers, aluminum and plastic containers are processed through the Hickam Recycling Center.

Another service available through the Hickam Recycling Center is the use of a large commercial shredder for quick cutting and shredding paper documents up to “for official use only (FOUO)” and “privacy act” levels of sensitivity. To arrange for an appointment, call the recycling center at 474-9207.

In addition to offering a drop-off at the centers, there are pre-arranged points from offices, collection bins, mini marts and piers at locations including Ford Island, Wahiawa, Kunia and Iroquois Point. Commands and activities interested in establishing regular pick-up service for recyclables, or who require assistance in delivering large quantities of materials, can call the JBPHH Recycling Program at 474- 9207.

The importance of recycling must never be understated. It is important that the base continues to remove recyclable products from the solid waste stream — from both the industrial and residential areas of JBPHH.

JBPHH hosts LGBT Pride Month

Story and photo by MC2 Gabrielle Joyner

Navy Public Affairs Support Element Detachment Hawaii

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Joint Force Diversity Committee (JFDC) hosted a ceremony in celebration of Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month at Sharkey Theater, June 21.

“Pride in All Who Serve” was the theme of this year’s observance, in order to recognize the contributions that LGBT service members and civilians have made through their dedicated service to defend the nation and raise awareness of the issues facing the LGBT community today.

“Throughout history, brave lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsman have served our nation,” said Cmdr. Cory Hurd, chief staff officer of JBPHH. “Their hard work, courage and sacrifice has made our military stronger, our nation safer, and makes them respected members of our diverse Department of Defense (DoD) family.”

In 2016, the DoD instituted a policy change allowing transgender individuals to serve in



Retired Command Master Chief James Miller shares his experiences in the Navy as guest speaker during the LGBT Pride Month observance.

the military as their preferred gender and is committed to recruiting and retaining top talent regardless of race, class, sex or background. Chief Personnel Specialist Alicia Keller said that the diverse culture and inclusive environment are some of her favorite things about the military.

“I love seeing everyone, from every culture, background, and walk of life, come together to complete the mission on time and on

target,” Keller said. “It’s something that I want to be around and it’s something that I want my children to grow up around because everyone has something to bring to the table.”

Three guest speakers were featured at the observance: retired Master Chief James Miller, Dr. Dennis Neal, diversity officer and special equal opportunity advisor to Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and Rebecca Copeland, attorney and co-chair of the Hawaii Judiciary’s Committee on Equality. Each speaker related their own personal experiences to express the importance of diversity and inclusion, to provide a relevant and modern perspective on how far the nation has come.

Neal was the first to take the stage and opened his remarks by recounting the history of civil rights for LGBT Americans, starting with the June 1969 Stonewall Riots in New York, a three-day event that occurred when patrons and supporters of the Stonewall Inn in Greenwich Village resisted police harassment of the LGBT community.

“LGBT Pride Month is celebrated each June to recognize the impact that LGBT individuals have had on history locally, nationally and internationally; to re-

member we must always continue to show respect for our service members, civilian employees, and family members; and to recognize their individual needs, aspirations, and capabilities,” Neal said. “Today, these views are shared by many because of the actions that took place in the 1969 Stonewall Riots.”

The observance was followed by a special meal hosted at the Silver Dolphin Bistro on Pearl Harbor.

Every month, JBPHH participates in events to celebrate and recognizes the diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and expertise that enable the DOD to address the complex challenges of the global security environment. As a member of the JBPHH JFDC, Keller said that she would like to see more service members participate in these events and emphasized the value of the awareness that they can offer.

“I would ask everyone to please tell your Sailors, your Airmen, and your Marines to take the time each month, and tell us what we can improve in making these events more available to commands,” Keller said. “We want to get the word out and celebrate because you would be surprised what kind of things you can learn at each event.”

USS Carl Vinson departs JBPHH for home

MC2 Zackary Alan Landers

USS Carl Vinson Public Affairs

Aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) and embarked Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 2 departed Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam June 17 after a scheduled four-day port visit.

The guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) and guided-missile destroyer USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108) arrived June 13, as did Pearl Harbor-based USS Mi-

chael Murphy (DDG 112), completing its deployment with the strike group.

While in Hawaii, Carl Vinson Sailors hosted tours and greeted families and friends who rode the ship on its easterly transit back to its homeport of Naval Air Station North Island in San Diego.

“Being able to have my family get a feel of the ship when we’re out here grinding every day is really special,” said Aviation Ordnanceman 3rd Class Jason Stanfield, of Cypress, Texas.

“I’m really looking forward to showing them my spaces and the air power demonstration the ship has coordinated. It’s a rare opportunity.”

Stanfield’s father shared his son’s enthusiasm, noting that he is excited to see what life is really like on a Navy warship at sea.

“We see many portrayals of life at sea in the media, but I am looking forward to experiencing it firsthand,” said Chad Linna. “As I do that, I get to spend the final days of my son’s deployment with him. It’s

an all-around rewarding and unique experience.”

U.S. Navy aircraft carrier strike groups have patrolled the Indo-Asia-Pacific regularly and routinely for more than 70 years and continue to do so. Carl Vinson deployed to the region several times, starting with a deployment to the western Pacific in 1983 a year after commissioning. Most recently in 2015, Carl Vinson conducted port visits and exercises with regional navies in the South China Sea.



Photo by MC3 Matthew Granito

Above, Sailors stand at the rails of the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) as the ship prepares to pull into Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled port visit, June 14.

John Finn transits the Panama Canal

Lt. Tyler Barker

USS John Finn (DDG 113) Public Affairs

Two weeks into its maiden voyage across the Caribbean Sea and Pacific Ocean, the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS John Finn (DDG 113) has visited three nations and demonstrated proficiency in a variety of warfare areas as the crew sails to its homeport of San Diego.

Part of U.S. 3rd Fleet and U.S. Naval Surface Forces, John Finn was placed in commission on June 2 and is scheduled to have a commissioning ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 15.

Launched March 28, 2015, and christened May 2, 2015, John Finn sailed away from Ingalls Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, June 2. As the 63rd Arleigh Burke-class guided missile-destroyer, John Finn boasts an array of advancements and capabilities that further amplify the importance of the “Greyhounds of the Fleet.”

As the Navy’s first dedi-



Photo by Lt. Chase Allvord

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS John Finn (DDG 113) transits the Panama Canal during its maiden voyage to its homeport of San Diego, June 13.

cated new construction Aegis Weapons System Baseline 9 platform, John Finn will be able to respond to a multitude of threats and provide Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) capability incorporating Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) 5.0 and Naval Integrated Fire Control-Counter

Air (NIFC-CA). Deployable worldwide, it will become an invaluable asset in our nation’s repertoire, capable of responding to any threat, anywhere, at any time.

Two days after leaving Mississippi, the ship held its first steel beach picnic, followed by a brief stop in Guantanamo

Bay, Cuba, for fuel. After Cuba, John Finn called on Cartagena, Colombia, for its first official port visit, where the crew enjoyed amenities offered by the local nationals.

On June 9, Rear Adm. Sean Buck, Commander, U.S. 4th Fleet, toured the ship, welcoming the crew to the area of operations.

The following evening, the crew hosted Colombian naval officers and midshipmen, continuing to strengthen the long-standing partnership between the United States and Colombia.

Shortly after departing Cartagena, John Finn continued its westward journey, linking up with a sister ship, USS Rafael Peralta (DDG 115), to travel through the Panama Canal, June 13. Rafael Peralta was built at Bath Iron Works in Bath, Maine, and like John Finn, is sailing west to its homeport of San Diego.

The two ships are part of the Flight IIA restart initiative, and together were able to practice communications, maneuvering, and camaraderie during their transit.

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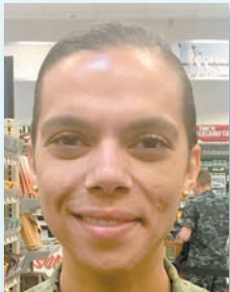
Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and Ensign Makeedra Hayes

What's your favorite off-duty hobby?



Tech. Sgt. Alina Hanson
15th Wing

"The gym, working out and keeping fit. Hiking, the beach and enjoying the outdoors. And of course eating, trying new restaurants, and Pinterest!"



Yeoman Senior Chief Sacha Zamora
NSW LOGSU-3

"We like hiking because of the scenery, and it's a good way to do some off-duty PT."



Senior Master Sgt. Frank Smith
HQ PACAF

"Surfing! Nothing better. Great views, beautiful water and exercise."



Nikki Kawasaki
Vanguard Military Store

"I love watching my kids play football on the weekends. It's good quality time."



Master Sgt. Justin Wilkerson
392nd Intelligence Squadron

"The gym, working out and running. I also love going to the beach and spending time with family. I love Hawaii!"



Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Craig Rodate
NPASE San Diego

"Being from San Diego, I like hiking. It's great exercise and I enjoy being outdoors. It allows me to see new stuff, such as different landmarks and scenery."

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COMMENTARY



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Navy family offers support for USS Fitzgerald



Photo by Daniel A. Taylor

We are all deeply saddened by the tragic loss of our fellow shipmates as a result of Friday's collision between USS Fitzgerald and a commercial container ship, and our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

As details emerge, we can all be proud of the heroic effort by the crew to tend to the needs of those injured and save the ship from further damage while returning safely to port.

The Navy family comes together during tragic events such as this and I want to thank those who continue to provide around-

the-clock assistance to the affected families during these difficult days.

I also want to express my most heartfelt appreciation to our Japanese allies for their swift support and assistance at this time of our need.

In due time, the United States Navy will fully investigate the cause of this tragedy and I ask all of you to keep the Fitzgerald families in your thoughts and prayers as we begin the task of answering the many questions before us.

At left, Volunteers organize donated items at the Hawk's Nest Training Center at Fleet Activities (FLEACT) Yokosuka, Japan, June 19. The Hawk's Nest Training Center is being used as a donation distribution center where volunteers are handing out clothing, shoes and uniform items that have been donated by the community for USS Fitzgerald Sailors.

Navy HHG encourages Sailors to complete customer satisfaction survey

Suzanna Brugler

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Naval Supply Systems Command Global Logistics Support (NAVSUP GLS) Household Goods (HHG) encouraged Sailors to provide feedback concerning their military move experience by completing the customer satisfaction survey (CSS), June 16.

"Your feedback has a direct impact on future moves for all Department of Defense military members, civilians, and their families," said Deborah Mc-

Glennon, NAVSUP GLS HHG program manager.

"Transportation service providers are awarded government shipments based on a combination of CSS scores and transportation rates. This is to ensure we are getting high quality moves at the best value for our tax payers' dollars," McGlennon said.

Upon delivery of service members' personal items, an automated email will be sent asking members to complete a CSS rating the transportation service provider (TSP), aka moving company.

Each CSS is reviewed by both the origin and destination Personal Property/HHG offices to determine if any action should be taken against them.

If the service member's move was sat-

isfactory, no action will be issued by the HHG office.

However, if the service member had a bad moving experience, then disciplinary action may be issued against the company. These actions will also impact how many shipments a TSP will receive in the future.

"As you can see the CSS is a vital part of the move process," said Andrea Gergen, NAVSUP GLS HHG assistant program manager.

"The CSS ensures that only quality moving companies are awarded government shipments in the future. It is important to make your voice heard! This not only benefits you, but also your fellow service members," Gergen said.

Service members will receive an auto-

mated email from the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) once their shipment is marked "delivered" in their DPS account.

Service members will receive email reminders at seven, 14 and 21 days after a shipment delivery.

Service members can find a guide to assist with completing the CSS on the HHG webpage at https://www.navsup.navy.mil/site/public/household/downloads/Customer_Satisfaction_Survey.pdf.

If service members have issues completing their CSS online, they may contact the DPS System Response Center, or help desk, to complete their survey over the phone at 800-462-2176 (option 7), 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

DBIDS transition rolls out at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

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Phase II: During phase II, Department of Defense (DoD) sponsors must submit an "Authorization to Sponsor" letter to the Nimitz VCC. Once the letter is on file, DoD sponsors must receive and sign the SECNAV form 5512-1 from the requesting contractor, vendor or service provider to deliver to the Nimitz VCC.

Contractors and vendors may retrieve fillable forms from www.cnlc.navy.mil/om/dbids.html. Forms will not be accepted directly from contractors or vendors requesting access. This phase is to receive a DBIDS credential for 365 days.

Once all the forms are submitted by the DoD sponsor, the Nimitz VCC will initiate a background check for each contractor or vendor listed. If there are no

issues, the Nimitz VCC will notify the DoD sponsor via email that the contractor or vendor pass is ready to be issued. The DoD sponsor will then notify their contractors or vendors to visit the Nimitz VCC to be issued their DBIDS credential.

All new contractors, vendors and suppliers requesting base access will be required to obtain a DBIDS credential. There is no cost to obtain a DBIDS credential.

"The DBIDS card provides a no cost option to the customer and more importantly it allows local control over the installation access procedures ensuring that we have a smooth transition with the vendors and contractors coming on to the installation," Lock said.

For more information, visit www.cnlc.navy.mil/om/dbids.html or call 449-0865.

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Planes align at Hickam during Vietnam War

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The photo here shows the Hickam Air Force Base flight line in the 1960s during the Vietnam War. This year commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

Navy family in Yokosuka rallies to support USS Fitzgerald

Tanya King

Commander, Naval Forces Japan Public Affairs Office

Sailors and community members from Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) in Japan, are rallying around the crew and families of USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) following the June 17 collision with a merchant vessel 56 nautical miles southwest of Yokosuka that resulted in the death of seven Sailors.

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer sustained serious damage on her forward starboard side, including flooding in two berthing spaces, a machinery space and a radio room and returned to port 16 hours after the collision.

“The actions taken by the Fitzgerald crew after the collision enabled the ship’s return to Yokosuka,” said Rear Adm. Greg Fenton, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces/Navy Region Japan. “They truly shined when it counted most. Collectively, we mourn the loss of our seven ship-mates.”

“Once we received the call about the collision we got in touch with our port ops crews to man up our [Ocean-going Tugs],” said Chief Warrant Officer Galo Moriera, CFAY’s harbor movements officer.

CFAY has three Valiant-class tugboats manned by U.S. Navy Sailors, the only Navy base in the world with this type of manning. Moriera said the two tugs were underway within an hour of receiving the distress call.



Photo by MC2 Richard L.J. Gourley

Rear Adm. Greg Fenton, commander of Naval Forces Japan/Navy Region Japan, thanks the crew of the Navy Tug Seminole (YT 805) for their work in helping bring the guided-missile destroyer USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) back to Fleet Activities Yokosuka after a collision with a merchant vessel June 17.

“When the boats arrived on scene, they provided the Fitzgerald an additional P-100 Dewatering pump and hoses to assist in the effort,” said Moriera, whose team provided much-needed damage control support to help Fitzgerald make it back to CFAY.

Upon arrival of USS Fitzgerald, Sailors from USS Stethem (DDG 63), USS Antietam (CG 54), USS Chancellorsville (CG 62), and USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19), USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG 54), USS Benfold (DDG 65), along with 7th Fleet and CFAY

Ship Repair Facility staff jumped into action to continue damage control efforts and stand watches, allowing Fitzgerald Sailors to recover after spending the day containing flooding, stabilizing the ship, and steaming back to base under very difficult circumstances.

“Right now, ships on the waterfront are providing support by manning some of the watches that would be normally be manned by Fitzgerald,” said Cmdr. Douglas Pegher, USS Stethem commanding officer. “This is going to be a long process and that crew

is going to be intimately involved in the recovery and repair efforts for getting Fitzgerald back to sea again.”

While port operations personnel were doing their part to sustain the fleet, Sailors and community members assembled on shore to support the families. Within hours of the collision, CFAY stood up an Emergency Family Assistance Center for Fitzgerald families.

More than 50 people manned the EFAC around the clock, manning a phone bank, and meeting individually with Fitzgerald

family members.

“We had volunteers and Sailors from the Family Assistance Support Team answering phones and counselors from our Chapel, Fleet and Family Support Center standing by to help,” said Cmdr. Chad Spencer, CFAY’s chief of staff officer and EFAC coordinator.

“I was very proud of the job these CFAY community members did. A lot of very distraught and worried family members from across both the United States and Japan called in seeking information during this tragic event,”

he said, adding that the call center handled more than 500 calls during the initial hours of event.

“It was a total team effort,” Spencer said. “The FFSC stands for Fleet and Family Service Center and this weekend we lived up to this virtue and the motto of ‘Service to the Fleet.’”

While Fitzgerald families were receiving briefings from Navy leadership prior to the ship’s arrival, CFAY’s Childcare Development Center provided free childcare.

“The entire community at Fleet Activities Yokosuka has come together over this past weekend in support of our Navy team,” said Capt. Jeffrey Kim, Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka. “From our chaplains and Fleet and Family Support counselors helping Sailors and families cope, to our many volunteers providing meals and other necessities, we all have been working together to ensure the USS Fitzgerald crew and their families are taken care of.”

CFAY chaplains are providing emotional, religious and spiritual support for community members. In addition, a special team of counselors will be available soon specifically to serve USS Fitzgerald Sailors. Additionally, the FFSC offers non-medical counseling services.

“Navy Region Japan is 100 percent behind Fitzgerald, her sailors and her families, and will provide around-the-clock physical, emotional and spiritual support during this most difficult time,” Fenton said.

U.S. Navy identifies seven deceased Fitzgerald Sailors

U.S. 7th Fleet Public Affairs

The remains of seven Sailors previously reported missing were located in flooded berthing compartments, after divers gained access to

the spaces, June 18, that were damaged when USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) was involved in a collision with the Philippine-flagged merchant vessel ACX Crystal.

The incident is currently under investigation.



The deceased are:



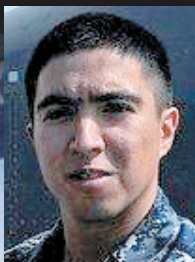
Gunner's Mate Seaman Dakota Kyle Rigsby, 19, from Palmyra, Virginia



Yeoman 3rd Class Shingo Alexander Douglass, 25, from San Diego, California



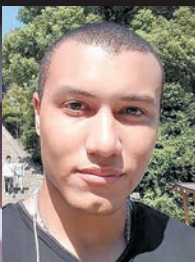
Sonar Technician 3rd Class Ngoc T Truong Huynh, 25, from Oakville, Connecticut



Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Noe Hernandez, 26, from Weslaco, Texas



Fire Controlman 2nd Class Carlos Victor Ganzon Sibayan, 23, from Chula Vista, California



Personnel Specialist 1st Class Xavier Alec Martin, 24, from Halethorpe, Maryland



Fire Controlman 1st Class Gary Leo Rehm Jr., 37, from Elyria, Ohio

‘Join spouse’ assignment keeps mil-to-mil couples together

Kat Bailey

Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

Summertime is a busy season for permanent changes of station and military couples may be apprehensive about the possibility of being separated from their spouses during their next assignments.

They have little to be concerned about, however, as the Air Force Personnel Center (AFPC) has an accommodation rate of more than 96 percent for mil-to-mil married couples through the assignment of military couples option, commonly known across the Air Force as a “join spouse” assignment.

With more than 27,000 active-duty Airmen (just under 10 percent of the active-duty Air Force) married to another active duty Airman, and about 1,500 active duty Airmen (just under half a percent) married to an active duty member of another military service, the placement rate for join spouse as of March 31, 2017, is 96.6 percent.

When those on assignment to join their spouses, or those with approved retirement or separation dates are factored in, the placement rate goes to almost 98 percent.

A “join spouse” assignment allows legally married active duty military couples the opportunity

to be stationed together at the same installation. If positions are not available for both members at the same installation, they may be assigned to different installations within 50 miles of each other and maintain a joint residence.

“The Air Force will try to keep a military couple together,” said Cristi Bowes, who is a part of the assignment policy and procedures section at the AFPC.

“The most common hurdle to a join spouse assignment lies in meeting the eligibility requirements, so military couples do have a key role in the success of this program.”

Married military couples are required to

present their marriage certificate to their military personnel section customer service element to update their marital status in the Military Personnel Data System and Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System.

They also need to update their “join spouse” intent code and assignment preferences in the virtual Military Personnel Flight to indicate their intentions as a couple and whether or not they wish to be reassigned together.

“We want Airmen to remember that the ‘join spouse’ intent code ensures ‘join spouse’ consideration and takes priority over individual assignment preferences

like base of preference,” Bowes said.

According to Bowes, individual assignment preferences would be considered, but the main consideration is to try and keep both Airmen together if they both desire it.

Airmen who marry while en route to different assignment locations are required to contact the nearest Air Force installation, MPS Customer Service Element, and submit an application letter for ‘join spouse’ assignment consideration before arriving at their new duty locations.

“This allows AFPC to act upon the ‘join spouse’ application and coordinate a change in assignment before the Airmen

proceed to a new duty location,” Bowes said.

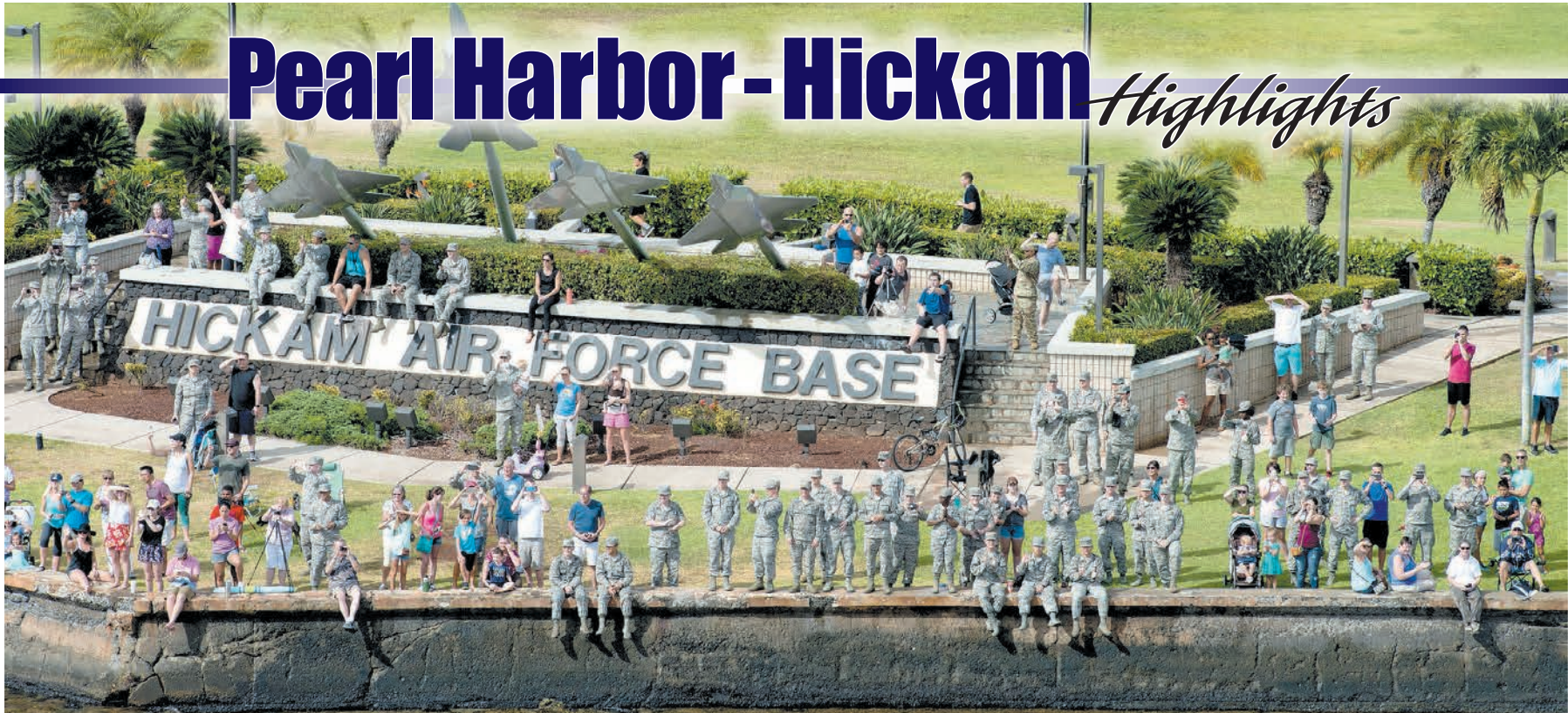
Otherwise, if the newly wed active duty couple signs in to their new locations first, time-on-station requirements apply and they would be ineligible for ‘join spouse’ consideration.

Additional information about ‘join spouse’ assignment consideration can be found on myPers.af.mil. Select “any” from the dropdown menu and search “join spouse.”

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to myPers.

Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following the instructions provided at www.afpc.af.mil/myPers/.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights



Airmen and civilians welcome the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) as the ship prepares to pull into Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled port visit, June 14.

Photo by MC3 Tom Tonthat



Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), front, Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyers USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108), right, and USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), left, and Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) transit the Pacific Ocean.

Photo by MC2 Sean M. Castellano



Photo by MC1 Joseph M. Buliavac

Above, An AH-1Z Viper attack helicopter assigned to Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron (VMM) 161 (Reinforced) provides air support to the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Hopper (DDG 70) during a simulated straits transit, June 5.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Redman

Above, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Honor Guard prepares to post colors during the Detachment 3, 21st Space Operations Squadron change of command ceremony, June 9.



Photo by MC3 Kelsey L. Adams

Sailors aboard Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) render honors to Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108) as they pull into Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled port visit, June 13.

Life & Leisure

Navy partners with Polynesian Voyaging Society

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Service members along with thousands of guests participated in the historic welcoming ceremony of the double-hulled canoe Hokule'a at Oahu's Magic Island, June 17.

Hokule'a and sister ships staffed with the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) crewmembers concluded a three-year sail around the globe.

Departing Hawaiian waters on May 30, 2014, the crewmembers relied only on their understanding of nature's cues: ocean swells, stars, winds, and birds to navigate across roughly 47,000 nautical miles. During the voyage they managed to visit 85 ports and 26 nations, spreading a message of "Malama Honua," which means "Caring for the Earth."

"Prior to the voyage, the Navy provided the team with a search and rescue training, offered advice about routes and dangers that might be faced, and provided volunteers, like myself, with some basic sanding and maintenance of the canoe," said Miki Tomita, director of the Polynesian Voyaging Society Learning Center. "We want to honor the crewmembers of Hokule'a and congratulate them on their accomplishment."

In 2011, U.S. Navy Sailors homeported in Pearl Harbor supported Hokule'a's mission by sanding pieces of the canoe to help restore it, learning about ancient Hawaiian culture in the process.

In 2013, prior to Hokule'a departing, crewmembers met with the commander of Navy Region Hawaii and other key leaders, who discussed risk mitigation and provided guidance on adjusting waypoints during their voyage to remain out of dangerous waters.

"This is a big effort," Tomita said. "Our group welcomed the Navy and the Coast Guard's help in making the homecoming a success."

Tomita said the military is an important part of the island's ohana. She said the military provides security and stability at sea on a global scale.

During the homecoming ceremony, more than 40 service members from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam helped people board the free shuttles transporting to and from Magic Island.

"This was a very fulfilling experience for my family and I, we felt blessed to be a part of Hawaiian history in the making," said Joe Rayray, attached to Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific. "We helped people board the shuttle and were greeted with many smiles and 'thank you's'."

The volunteers were able to watch up close as Hokule'a arrived back at home.

"This was an awesome experience helping out the community," said Logistics Specialist First Class Garrett Degler, assigned to Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. "I'm proud to be a part of something so remarkable."

The conclusion of this voyage will not end the relationship between the Navy and the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

"The ocean connects all of us, across time, across borders, and across the globe, as Hokule'a has shown for the past three years," Tomita said. "Partnership, education and a culture of learning are critical whether on a voyaging canoe or a Navy destroyer."

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Above left, the Hokule'a arrives at Magic Island. At right, Rear Adm. John Fuller, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, attended the Hokule'a homecoming ceremony, June 17.

HQ PACAF two-out rally dooms HIANG

**Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz**
Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Trailing by four runs late in the game, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces (HQ PACAF) staged a seven-run fifth inning to overtake and then hang on to beat Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG), 12-10. The matchup took place on June 21 in a battle of top teams in the White Division at Millican Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

In capturing their eighth win against no defeats, HQ PACAF remained on track for their season-ending showdown against the 647th Security Force Squadron Pound Town, who is also undefeated.

The teams are scheduled to meet in about a month on July 19 starting at 6 p.m. at Ward Field.

Meanwhile, despite their tough loss, HIANG still stayed in contention for the White Division pennant with a record of 6-2.

"It's just one hit at a time," said Tech. Sgt. Ryan Jones, whose big three-run blast put HQ PACAF in front for good. "That's all I was trying to do."

From the beginning, the game was close, as the teams matched each other run for run for the first couple of innings.

HIANG got out in front



Master Sgt. Josh Kearns waits for the ball before putting the tag on a HIANG hitter.

first in the top of the opening frame with two runs off a single by Senior Airman Darby Ventura.

HQ PACAF tied the score in the bottom of the inning, when HIANG pitcher Master Sgt. Jared Mina walked Master Sgt. Jason McDowell with the bases loaded and then allowed another run to score on a sacrifice fly.

In the top of the sec-

ond, HIANG scored on a sacrifice fly to take a 3-2 lead, but back came HQ PACAF. Airman 1st Class Brady Keeezer punched a single with two men on base to tie the game once again.

HIANG, which came ready for a slugfest, proceeded to retake the lead in the top of the third on an RBI single by Airman 1st Class Senio Slawson.

Later, Staff Sgt. Kalani Souza lifted a two-base hit to drive in two more runs and give HIANG some breathing room at 6-3.

Down by three runs, HQ PACAF kept the game within striking range. McDowell picked up another RBI in the bottom of the frame on a one-out single.

However, the HIANG bats stayed hot, as the

team answered with two more runs in the top of the fourth inning.

The first run came on a single by Tech. Sgt. John Arakaki and the second scored on an RBI single by Master Sgt. Lance Takasama.

Trailing by their biggest run difference, HQ PACAF came to bat in the bottom of the fifth and appeared to stall after

picking up their second out with only one man on base.

Instead of quietly surrendering, HQ PACAF started a rally on a single by Master Sgt. Patrick Platt that drove in a run.

Maj. Gary Epps followed with another hit to drive in Platt and cut the lead down to two at 8-6.

Then HQ PACAF erased the HIANG lead completely. Tech. Sgt. Justin St. Denis came up with the bases loaded and lined a single to drive in two runners and tie the score at 8-8.

Now faced with a fresh new ball game, HQ PACAF stormed to the lead. Jones blasted a pitch over the head of the HIANG center fielder for an inside-the-park homer that cleared the bases and gave HQ PACAF an 11-8 lead.

"The pitcher was throwing pretty good strikes," Jones said about his winning blast. "I knew about where he was going to pitch it. So, I waited for my pitch."

Jones said the win was the biggest of the year for HQ PACAF and he hopes the team can continue its winning ways heading into the playoffs.

"I think we'll make it at least to the top four," he said. "We've still got a couple of positions that we're working on. A couple of people have been out, so once they come back in, we'll fill in those gaps."

Grand Slam leads PACOM/JIOC to seventh win

**Story and photo by
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Locked in a tight ball game, batter Staff Sgt. Justin Lambert came up with the bases loaded and touched them all with an inside-the-park grand slam that broke the contest wide open and delivered Pacific Command/Joint Intelligence Operation Center (PACOM/JIOC) to their seventh win in a row. It came happened in a 10-2 bashing of 15th Operations Support Squadron (15 OSS) Trolls on June 20 in a Red Division softball battle at Millican Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

PACOM/JIOC hasn't lost a game this season and continues to lead the pack, while the Trolls dropped to 4-4.

"I'm thinking, just get us all a hit," Lambert said about his blast that got past the outfielders and headed toward the fence. "He (the pitcher) just happened to throw me a good pitch, so I took it. I put a good solid swing on it."

The slam couldn't have come at a better time. Two of the division's top pitchers, retired veteran Larry Smith for the Trolls, and Department of Defense civilian Mike Todd, were locked in a duel.

Todd retired the first seven hitters in holding the Trolls scoreless for the first three innings, while Smith had only allowed two runs to the powerful PACOM/JIOC batting order.



Army Staff Sgt. Schaune Collins finishes off a hefty swing that produced a triple.

Army Staff Sgt. Michael Cox drove in the first run of the game on a sacrifice fly after Joel Austin, a DoD civilian, opened the

bottom of the first inning with a triple.

Todd's bloop single drove in Army Staff Sgt. Schaune Collins for the

second run, after Collins hit the team's second triple of the first inning.

The small lead seemed to be in jeopardy in the

top of the third inning, as the Trolls loaded the bases with only one out.

Working out of a jam, Todd induced the next two batters into infield pop outs to preserve the lead for PACOM/JIOC.

The clutch pitching by Todd seemed to put momentum in the team's favor, as PACOM/JIOC was waiting for a chance to swing away.

Fittingly, Todd got the first big hit of the inning, when he batted a double to drive in Collins, who got on base via an error.

Lt. j.g. Brian Caplan drove in the next run on a fielder's choice and with two outs, it appeared that Smith was going to weather the storm.

However, a walk to Tech. Sgt. Drew Duguay loaded the bases to set up Lambert for his clutch grand slam that doubled the score with just one swing.

"As soon as you connect, you can tell how well you hit the ball," Lambert said about the long drive. "I just hit it, took off and listened to my base coaches. I saw it

get through the outfielders, but I didn't see how far it went and just ran until they told me to stop running."

Lambert, who is playing in his first season for PACOM/JIOC, said that although he has played on a lot of good softball teams, this one might be the best.

He said that even if the team doesn't appear to have a good night at the plate, you never know when the bats will explode.

"We have a lot of good players out there," he said about his teammates. "It's just one of those things. Sometimes, you just get hot and in the third inning, we got hot."

While the defending champs PACOM/JIOC have now scored in double figures in all but one game, Lambert said that it's not just hitting that make this year's edition so dangerous.

"He's (Todd) pitched a lot of good games and then there's our defense," Lambert said. "It doesn't matter if he (Todd) throws a few bad balls."

CO I picks up first win of the softball season

Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Despite giving 100 percent on the softball diamond this season, it seems as if Company I (CO I) just could not find a way to come out on top at the end of a game.

Well, the season-long skid came to an abrupt end on June 20. CO I got out of the box quickly against the Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii Spooks and then hung on to earn a 10-8 decision in a Red Division softball matchup at Millican Field.

The win came after seven losses in row for CO I to start the season, while the Spooks now hold a 3-6 mark.

CO I started off strong with three runs in the top of the first inning and followed that with four more runs in the second to hold a 7-1 lead over the Spooks.

Cpl. Ryland Johnson, who figured large in the victory, said that no matter what their record was coming into the game against the Spooks, CO I would be tough to beat if they played loose.

“We were just trying to come out here and have some fun,” Johnson said. “No matter how many losses we had back-to-back, just coming out here and having fun worked, I guess.”

Starting off hot, the CO I bats got two men on in the first inning with only one out, before Cpl. Brent Eggers lined a base hit to drive in the first run.

Then, CO I pitcher Sgt. Travis Torman helped his own cause by following up with another single en route to a 3-0 lead after only one frame.

While CO I allowed the Spooks to score on a fielder's choice in the bottom of the inning, the team's smoking bats picked up right where they left off in the top half of the first.

With two men on and one out, Lance Cpl. Nico Gargano hit a sin-



CO I first baseman Lance Cpl. Nico Gargano makes the grab at first base for a putout.

gle to drive in CO I's fourth run of the game.

Things got even better for CO I, when Johnson pounced on a pitch and drove a long ball to the outfield fence for a two-run triple and a 6-1 advantage.

“I was just looking for contact,” Johnson said. “I didn't even look at it (the ball). I was looking at the third base (coach) and he was just saying c'mon, c'mon.”

Having batting around the order in just two innings, Eggers found himself in his second clutch situation of the game, and as he did the first time around, he delivered.

This time, Eggers got himself a two-bagger for his second RBI of the game and a 7-1 lead for CO I.

Although down by six runs, the Spooks quickly showed that there was still a lot of life left in the team.

After a big four-run inning by CO I, the Spooks returned the favor in the bottom of the second inning by retaliating with three runs of their own.

Big hits of the inning came off

the bats of Cryptologic Technician (Networks) 2nd Class Shawn Hackworth, who drove in one run with a single, and Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Alexander Smith, who plated the other two runs with a base hit.

From there, the Spooks pecked away at the lead until they caught CO I at 8-8 with a run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

However, in their last turn at-bat, Johnson came up with another big hit, when his second triple of the game put CO I back out in front at 9-8.

“They (the Spooks) were playing pretty far back, so I just pushed it out that way,” Johnson said. “I placed that one out there in right field and they weren't ready for it.”

Next batter, Eggers, sent Johnson home with another triple for an insurance run.

It was Eggers' third RBI of the game.

“We finally played together as a team,” Johnson said about the win. “Before, we weren't giving each other help.”



MWR Fourth of July celebration nears

Reid Tokeshi

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Morale, Welfare and Recreation*

In less than two weeks, Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) will again bring the party to Ward Field for a Fourth of July celebration. This year's event has a few new wrinkles setting it apart from years past.

Instead of one headlining act entertaining the crowd with their own songs, MWR is bringing in tribute bands that will play the hits of two of the biggest acts in music.

The Eagles Experience takes the stage at 5 p.m. performing songs from the legendary California band, The Eagles. At 7:30 p.m. U2byUV will give patrons “The U2 Concert Experience” up until the fireworks.

For the first time, MWR is giving away a car — or other vehicle — as the grand prize on the Fourth of July. A winner will walk away with their choice of a Chevrolet Sonic, Harley-Davidson Roadster, Yamaha V1 Waverunner or a two-year lease on an Audi A3. Earlier information listed the Chevrolet Spark but the offer has been upgraded to the Sonic.

Entries are accepted online at www.greatlifehawaii.com until June 29. Those who don't make the first round of cuts (semifinalists are notified prior to July 4) can enter again at the event.

Those attending the celebration will have a lot of new things to keep them busy leading up to the fireworks. MWR is bringing out free activities for all ages. Some of the activities announced include knockerball, dodge bow, basketball challenge and archery.

Free-roving entertainment from jugglers, stilt walkers and magicians will create a circus atmosphere. The event will also include carnival-style games. The main stage will host free games and contests during the day, leading up to the giveaway.

Popular attractions will also return this year. The free xpress train, petting zoo, car show, rides and inflatables will be back.

In addition, a fireworks spectacular will punctuate the night.

For more information about MWR's Fourth of July celebration, go to www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Commissaries support Feds Feed Families

Jessica Rouse

DeCA public affairs specialist

Defense Commissary Agency's (DeCA) employees and patrons have enlisted to fight against hunger.

Since 2010, federal agencies have supported the annual Feds Feed Families campaign as a way to help food banks and pantries around the country stay stocked during the summer months — when the need increases and the donations decrease. From June 1 through Aug. 31, DeCA employees and patrons at more than 150 commissary collection points are taking part by donating nonperishable items and personal hygiene products.

“This serves the communities around the commissaries,” said Randy Eller, DeCA's Feds Feed Families manager. “Our patrons and employees show by their participation how much they value their communities. These donations are just one of the ways they help.”

Last year, DeCA donated 1.1 million pounds of needed items. The agency's total was 33 percent of DOD's entire donation.

In 2016, the nationwide campaign collected over 12.5 million pounds for local food banks and pantries. As of last year the food drive has taken in 69.8 million pounds.

Some commissaries will have prepackaged donation bags available for purchase with donation



feds feed families

Feds Feed Families resumes this summer

This summer, the U.S. Department of Agriculture will once again lead the Feds Feed Families campaign with the support of the Chief Human Capital Officers Council and other agency partners, which officially began June 1 and will run through Aug. 31.

The top five most wanted items are:

- Canned protein (meat, chicken, tuna)
- Canned meals (spaghetti, stew, chili)
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruits
- Rice

Collection dates are June 23 and 30, July 7, 14, 21 and 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25 and 31.

For more information, email the Navy Region Hawaii/Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific contact ITCS Carrie Allen at carrie.allen@navy.mil.

drop-off locations set up throughout the store. Customers can either purchase a prepackaged bag, select items while shopping or bring items from home as donations.

The most-needed items for donations include:

- Canned vegetables — low sodium, no salt
 - Canned fruits — in light syrup or its own juices
 - Canned proteins — tuna, salmon, chicken, peanut butter and beans
 - Soups — beef stew, chili, chicken noodle, turkey or rice
 - Condiments — tomato-based sauces, light soy sauce, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing or oils
 - Snacks — individually packed snacks, crackers, trail mix, dried fruit, granola and cereal bars, pretzels and sandwich crackers
 - Multigrain cereal
 - 100 percent juice — all sizes, including juice boxes
 - Grains — brown and white rice, oatmeal, bulgar, quinoa, couscous, pasta, and macaroni and cheese
 - Paper products and household items — paper towels, napkins, cleaning supplies
 - Hygiene items — diapers, deodorants (men and women), feminine products, toilet paper, tissues, soap, toothpaste and shampoo
- “The agency is looking forward to another successful campaign for this year,” Eller said. “Over 150 commissaries are participating by offering our customers, employees and industry partners a chance to donate to this worthy cause.”
- To learn more about the Feds Feed Families campaign, visit the USDA's Feds Feed Families page at <https://www.usda.gov/our-agency/initiatives/feds-feed-families>.*



UPCOMING EVENTS

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
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Concert in the park planned tonight

- **Free pau hana concert in the park** will be held from 4:45 to 7 p.m. June 23 at Hickam Harbor. “Busekrus” takes the stage at 5:30 p.m. A food truck will be on site for food purchases. Attendance is open to all base-eligible patrons. For more information, call 449-5215.
- **Kayaking the Mokulua Islands** will be held from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 24 from the MWR Outdoor Adventure Center. Transportation will be provided. Participants can bring lunch, bathing suit, sunscreen, and snorkeling gear. Equipment rentals are available. Some kayaking experience is required to participate. Minimum participation is required and the location subject to change due to weather conditions. The cost is \$35, and the deadline to sign up is June 22. For more information, call 473-1198.
- **Abandoned vehicle auction** will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 24 at the abandoned vehicle lot near Porter Gate. Vehicles are sold “as is” with all faults of any nature, known or unknown. This event is open to military Department of Defense cardholders only. For more information, call 471-9072.
- **Chinatown food and historical tour** will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 24, departing from the Hickam Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT) office. The tour ends with a traditional dim sum lunch. The cost is \$35 for adults and \$30 for children ages 3 to 11 years. This tour involves a fair amount of walking. For more information, call 448-2295.
- **Great Navy Campout** will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. June 24 to June 25 at the Hickam Harbor waterfront. Registrations reserve camp space only. Gear and equipment are not provided. If camping gear is needed, patrons can visit the Outdoor Adventure Center to rent. The cost is \$30-\$35, and the registration is accepted at the Hickam Harbor Marina office. For more information, call 449-5215.
- **Free movie on the beach** begins at 7:45 p.m. June 24 at Hickam Beach. Patrons are invited to bring chairs and blankets. For more information, call 449-5215.
- **Learn to surf** from 9 a.m. to noon June 25 at Hickam Harbor. The class begins on land before transitioning to the water. Participants need to be able to swim without a life jacket. The cost of the class is \$30 and the deadline to sign up is June 23. For more information, call 449-5215.
- **Free bench press contest** will be held from 7 a.m. to noon June 29 at the Wahiawa Annex Fitness Center. Winners will be determined by maximum presses in relation to body weight. This event is open to all eligible patrons. For more information, call 653-5542.
- **Free music clinic** with the Air Force Band's Guy James will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. June 30 at the Makai Recreation Center. Participants can learn about music theory and what it takes to play in a band. This event is open to all ages. For more information, call 449-3354.
- **Free social media day plus chill and grill/nine-ball challenge** begins at 5:30 p.m. June 30 at Club Pearl Brews & Cues. Participants can have free pupus and participate in the nine-ball pool challenge for prizes. Patrons can also see which photo wins the social media day contest. This event is open to ages 18 years and older. For more information, call 473-1743.
- **Free movie night** will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. June 30 at the Hickam Family Pool (Pool 2). This event is open to all ages. For more information, call 260-9736.
- **Eat the Street** with the Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT) shuttle will be offered from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. June 30, departing from the Hickam ITT office. For more information, call 448-2295.

Tips for avoiding excess cost when shipping personal property

Naval Supply Systems Command

When planning your shipment or shipments, it is important you take every opportunity to avoid or limit potential excess cost. Excess cost exists when the cost for moving your property exceed the amount authorized by the government.

Many factors contribute to excess cost, including attempted pickup and/or delivery, increased valuation, excess storage, excess distance, and excess weight. The most common is excess weight. In many cases, excess cost is the result of poor or inadequate planning.

In order to avoid excess cost, consider the following suggestions:

- Dispose of unwanted articles. Transportation costs could exceed the value of the article if an excess cost condition exists. Shipping unneeded

items can be expensive since shipping costs vary from 50 cents to more than \$5 per pound.

- Claim professional books, papers and equipment (PBP&E). Declare PBP&E if you have any, even if the estimated weight of your shipment is within your prescribed allowance. Declare PB-P&E on your Application for Shipment/Storage (DD Form 1299) prior to pickup. After the fact declaration can only be accepted if a review show documented intent to declare PBP&E (separately identified, marked, and inventoried during the move).

- c. Request a reweigh. If your shipment is picked up and exceeds your weight allowance, ask the destination transportation office to have the shipment reweighed. Reweighing the shipment will not cause any increase in excess cost to you as our computations are based

Navy HHG customer websites

For more information on household goods (HHG) moves visit the Navy’s Household Goods informational sites:

- www.navsup.navy.mil/household
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/navyhhg
- Youtube: www.youtube.com/navyhhg
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/navyhhg
- Pinterest: www.pinterest.com/navyhhg

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- Avoid shipping excess unaccompanied baggage (UB). UB shipments via air are very costly and may result in substantially higher excess cost per pound. Avoid shipping unnecessary items in your UB shipment. Consider making one shipment, such as combining UB with household goods (HHG,) and requesting a partial release at destination. Separate and identify to your mover the UB items that you will be requesting a partial release

at destination. Retain your inventory to identify the line items when scheduling your partial delivery.

- Minimize storage-in-transit. SIT (temporary storage) raises the overall cost of the shipment, thus increasing your excess cost. If your shipment is overweight, have it delivered as soon as possible.
- Weight restricted areas. If you are moving to, from, or between administratively weight restricted areas, ensure any additional weight allowance authorized is requested,

approved, and annotated on your permanent change of station (PCS) orders. The transportation counselor will advise if you are affected by weight restrictions.

- Excessive packing. If you feel the carrier used excessive packing in your shipment, notify the destination transportation office prior to delivery. The transportation office can instruct the carrier to completely unpack the shipment and verify the weight of the packing materials.

Caution: Once accomplished, this weight replaces the standard packing allowance. Experience has shown that actual packing materials normally weigh less than the standard allowance. Electing this procedure may increase your excess cost.

- Ask questions. Ask questions at the Traffic Management Office (TMO) before you move,

no matter how insignificant they may seem. Correcting deficiencies or problems after the fact is almost impossible.

- Weight estimates. Remember, weight estimates made by carrier or transportation personnel are not binding. They are for planning purposes only. Excess cost is based on the actual weight of the shipment obtained on a certified scale.

- Document loss and damage. If your shipment is overweight, please file your claim as soon as possible. Your excess cost may decrease because of missing or destroyed items in the shipment. You must log into the claims module in Defense Personal Property System (DPS) and submit notice on-line within 75 days, or mail a copy of the Notice of Loss and Damage After Delivery Form to the transportation service provider (TSP).

Football ProCamp to be held at JBPHH

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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam is one of 11 military communities chosen to host the 2017 football ProCamps events for boys and girls. The camp will be held July 19-20 on the Hickam side of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The camp will include appearances by Steve Smith Sr., NFL Network analyst and former wide receiver for Carolina Panthers and Baltimore Ravens, on both days from 4 to 7 p.m. In addition, a commissary meet-and-greet is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. July 19.

The two-day events are sponsored in partnership with the Defense Commissary Agency and are open for first through eighth grade youth of active duty military, reservists, retirees, and Department of Defense civilian employees.

ProCamps manages and operates sports camps around the world led by professional athletes.

For more information about the camps, contact your local youth sports office or visit your commissary for camp details.

Surf’s up at All-Military Classic



Photo by MC1 Corwin Colbert

All-Military Surf Classic took place June 10 at Kalaeloa White Plains Beach. The event featured age groups for open men, open women and active duty.

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COMMUNITY
JUNE CALENDAR

PARENT, CHILD COMMUNICATION

JUNE 26 — A parent and child communication class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The class is designed to maintain healthy family relationships and will discuss techniques suitable for each age group. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

TIME MANAGEMENT

JUNE 26 — A time management class will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

ANGER MANAGEMENT

JUNE 27 — An anger management class will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

TILL DEBT DO US PART

JUNE 27 — A financial class for couples only called "Till Debt do Us Part" will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The class will discuss the differences in thinking about money situations, including exercises for couples on spending habits. Attendees can work with their spouse to come up with short and long term goals, planning out a budget together, and deciding on savings and investment goals. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

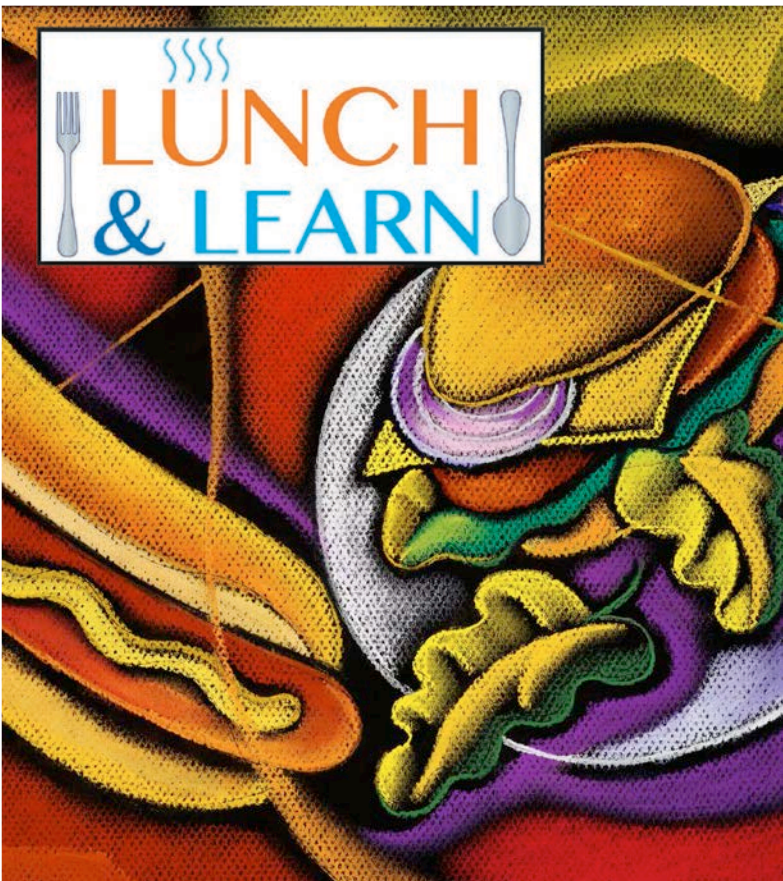
ACING THE INTERVIEW

JUNE 28 — A class on acing the job interview will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Participants can learn how to position themselves as the best candidate, learn different interview styles techniques, practice interview questions, and discover common pitfalls to avoid. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

JUNE 28 — A conflict management workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m.

LUNCH AND LEARN



JUNE 26 — A free lunch and learn presentation for Navy Region Hawaii and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam personnel will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor, 4827 Bougainville Drive. This Lunch and Learn event explores the multi-dimensional benefits of exercise and identifies the frequency and importance of proper form/equipment to maximize those benefits. It also looks at the role of attitude and goals on the success of an exercise program. Additionally, it identifies the components of a well-rounded workout, discusses eating well and ends with examples of workouts, which can be done at your workstation. Participants should bring their lunch. The event is a presentation by Department of the Navy Civilian Employee Assistance, Workday Workouts. To sign up, email your full name, UIC, organization code and phone number to Lloyd Sueyoshi at lloyd.sueyoshi.ctr@navy.mil. FMI: 471-0283.

at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. Participants can learn how to prevent conflict from escalating and how to work with others to solve problems. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

STRESS MANAGEMENT

JUNE 28 — A stress management class will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Participants can learn how stress affects our personal and professional lives, how we can decrease the stress we are experiencing, and how to interrupt the stress cycle and use relaxation techniques. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

SAPR VICTIM ADVOCATE REFRESHER TRAINING

JUNE 29 — Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) victim advocate refresher training will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Military and Family

Support Center Pearl Harbor. Refresher training is required to provide continuous education for current Department of Defense Sexual Assault Advocate Certification Program Certified Navy SAPR victim advocates. Contact the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator for more information. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN

JUNE 29 — A Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) class will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The TSP is a retirement savings and investment plan for federal employees and members of the uniformed services. The class will explain the benefits of the TSP, different funds that are available to invest in, TSP withdrawals and more. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

AFTER GPS

JUNE 30 —An After Goals, Plans,

Success workshop will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. It will include information briefs on topics including survivor benefit, Tricare, Veterans Affairs and other topics. This workshop also includes an employer panel to assist participants in understanding the civilian hiring process and how to present yourself as the best candidate. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

SUICIDE PREVENTION CLASS

JUNE 30 — A "safeTALK" suicide prevention class will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Trained suicide alert helpers learn to move beyond common tendencies to miss, dismiss or avoid suicide, identify people with thoughts of suicide, and apply the TALK steps (Tell, Ask, Listen, Keep Safe) to connect a person to suicide first aid caregivers. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY — JUNE 23

7:00 PM • Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (3-D) (PG-13)

SATURDAY — JUNE 24

2:30 PM • Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (PG)
4:30 PM • Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13)
7:20 PM • Baywatch (R)

SUNDAY — JUNE 25

2:30 PM • Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (3-D) (PG-13)
5:10 PM • Everything, Everything (PG-13)
7:10 PM • Alien: Covenant (R)

THURSDAY — JUNE 29

7:00 PM • Snatched (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY — JUNE 23

7:00 PM • Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13)

SATURDAY — JUNE 24

3:00 PM • Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (PG)
6:00 PM • Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13)

SUNDAY — JUNE 25

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THURSDAY — JUNE 29

7:00 PM • Alien: Covenant (R)



Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales

Thrust into an all-new adventure, a down-on-his-luck Capt. Jack Sparrow feels the winds of ill-fortune blowing even more strongly when deadly ghost sailors led by his old nemesis, the evil Capt. Salazar, escape from the Devil's Triangle. Jack's only hope of survival lies in seeking out the legendary Trident of Poseidon, but to find it, he must forge an uneasy alliance with a brilliant and beautiful astronomer and a headstrong young man in the British navy.