

Submarine Squadron 3 disestablishes as Squadron 1 changes command

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The Pearl Harbor-based submarine unit Commander, Submarine Squadron (COMSUBRON) 3 disestablished as COMSUBRON 1 changed command during an official ceremony aboard USS Greeneville (SSN 772) at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 2.

The disestablishment reassigns all COMSUBRON 3 attack submarines to COMSUBRON 1 and COMSUBRON 7. Under the deactivation, USS Jacksonville (SSN 699), USS Key West (SSN 722) and USS North Carolina (SSN 777) are assigned to COMSUBRON 1, and USS Louisville (SSN 724) and USS Olympia (SSN 717) are assigned to COMSUBRON 7.

USS Chicago (SSN 721) will be assigned to COMSUBRON 15 in Apra Harbor, Guam. COMSUBRON 1 will support the unit and act as its host until she conducts a change of homeport to Guam.

Rear Adm. Frank Caldwell, commander of Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet and guest speaker at the event, remarked on the history of the squadron.

“The demands of our national security evolve, as do the fiscal demands on the country. But the hallmark of our force is that we have always adapted. We are driven by the strategic imperative that we must be combat ready,” Caldwell said.

“So as Squadron 3 decommissions, one thing that we can absolutely count on is



(Top) Capt. Stanley Robertson, Commander, Submarine Squadron (COMSUBRON) 1, is piped ashore, having been relieved as commodore by Capt. James Childs at a change of command ceremony held at the submarine piers on board Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 12. (Above) Capt. James Childs, the outgoing commodore of the Pearl Harbor-based submarine unit, Commander, Submarine Squadron (COMSUBRON) 3, speaks at the disestablishment of COMSUBRON 3 during an official ceremony aboard USS Greeneville (SSN 772) at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 2.

that our people will deal with this change, lead through it and deliver a better, more capable submarine force in the end. Our measure of success on a day-to-day basis is the ability to send submarines on deployment, have them operate for months away from homeport, com-

plete the mission and return safely home.”

Capt. James Childs, the outgoing commodore of COMSUBRON 3, also noted the rich history of the squadron. “Throughout the years, the complexity, the submarines, the assigned missions and the location of

Submarine Squadron 3 have changed,” Childs said.

“What has not changed is the dedication that the squadron has had to the crews and submarines that have belonged to and thrive under its care. Decommissioning Submarine Squadron 3 will certainly add

to the challenges our submarines, squadrons and supporting commands face.”

Following the disestablishment, a change of command took place as Childs relieved Capt. Stanley Robertson as commodore of COMSUBRON 1.

Rear Adm. Caldwell spoke

about Robertson’s exceptional performance. “I have had the privilege of watching Commodore Robertson in action since becoming commander of the Pacific Submarine Force, and I can tell you that his reputation and the reputation of his submarines is one of excellence,” Caldwell said. “Thank you for your leadership, your tenacity and your hard work. You have positioned your team for success.”

During his remarks, Caldwell presented Robertson with the Legion of Merit.

Robertson expressed his gratification and appreciation for his squadron staff as well as the crews of the submarines that fell under his leadership.

“Ultimately, modern submarines take an incredible team. The challenges they are conquering, and the talent and effort they pour into their jobs, has been a gratifying education,” Robertson said. “When we get one of our submarines underway, there is a great satisfaction in this job during those times, and it is coupled with a deep appreciation for my staff and my men on the front lines.”

As Childs stepped down from command of COMSUBRON 3 and assumed command of COMSUBRON 1, he praised Robertson for the squadron’s outstanding reputation on the waterfront and described how honored he is to be selected for this position of trust.

“Submarine Squadron 1, it is an honor, a pleasure and a chance of a lifetime to be able to continue my command here in Pearl Harbor, to serve

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Pacific Air Forces Commander Gen. Gary North speaks to an audience during an event celebrating the legacy of the U.S.-China friendship, held at the Pacific Aviation Museum, Ford Island on Hawaii, Jan. 30. During the event, the president of the Chinese People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries, Madame Li Xiaolin, presented her film documentary, “Touching the Tigers,” which tells the story of the late “Flying Tigers” pilot Lt. Glen Beneda.

Honoring Flying Tiger Lt. Glen Beneda

Story and photo by
Tech. Sgt. Jerome
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Pacific Air Forces Public
Affairs

FORD ISLAND, Hawaii - Pacific Air Forces Commander Gen. Gary North delivered a keynote speech during an event celebrating the legacy of the U.S.-China friendship held at the Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor on Jan. 30.

North addressed the audience, which included Gov. Neil Abercrombie, after viewing a 40-minute documentary titled “Touching the Tigers,” a story about an American “Flying Tigers” pilot in

World War II.

According to North, the “Flying Tigers” represent a unique era in military history. They began a proud history of American air power in the Pacific theater, protecting friends, defending allies and always willing to come to the support of other nations in need.

Madame Li Xiaolin, president of the Chinese People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries and daughter of former Chinese President Li Xiannian, produced the documentary. She also presented the documentary at the event.

“Touching the Tigers” is the story of Lt. Glen Beneda, a World War II pilot who was shot down in

his fighter jet over Jianli in Hubei province while defending China from Japanese forces. He was on his 81st mission with the 14th Air Force. According to the documentary, Chinese farmers and soldiers rescued Beneda after his aircraft went down, and for 60 days, the Chinese hid Beneda from capture, tended to his wounds and fed him. The documentary outlines how this began a life-long relationship between Beneda and the Chinese. In the years following the war, Beneda visited China three times.

The Pacific Aviation Museum event also hosted the China Children’s Choir of Beijing and a lion dance as part of the festivities.

CNIC welcomes new commander

Patrick Foughty

Navy Installations
Command Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) - Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) held a change of command ceremony at the Washington Navy Yard on Feb. 3.

Vice Adm. William D. French relieved Vice Adm. Michael C. Vitale.

Vitale has served as the chief officer leading the Navy’s entire shore infrastructure for nearly three years and was the third commander in the history of CNIC. The CNIC enterprise, includes 11 Navy

regions, 70 installations and 127 Naval Operations Support Centers, and is responsible for 31 business lines and 122 critical shore capabilities across three major categories; operations, quality of life and facilities management.

Throughout his tenure, Vitale led efforts to standardize, align, synchronize and innovate new methods and processes that furthered CNIC’s mission to deliver effective and efficient readiness from the shore that sustains the fleet, enables the fighter, and supports families.

Vitale praised the

numerous accomplishments of the personnel under his command and of the entire CNIC enterprise, from molding the Navy family accountability and assessment system (NFAAS) into the model personnel accountability system used across the services, to the development of new shore integration methods and a total workforce, capable of continuously supporting operations and services.

“The personnel here at the headquarters and throughout the entire enterprise have faced growing numbers of issues

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U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Monique Hilley
Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert speaks at the Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) change of command ceremony. Vice Adm. Bill French (right) relieved Vice Adm. Michael Vitale during the event. CNIC is a global enterprise tasked with managing the Navy’s entire shore infrastructure and oversees a \$12 billion budget, more than 83,000 facilities and 58,000 personnel.



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African Americans recognized for a
legacy of service
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Gary Sinise and his Lt. Dan
Band to perform tonight at
Freedom Tower **See page B-2**

Pacific Air Forces boss visits Columbus

Airman 1st Class Chase Hedrick

*14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs*

COLUMBUS AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. -- The commander of Pacific Air Forces (PACAF), located at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, visited Airmen and local community members here Jan. 25 to Jan. 29.

During his stay, Gen. Gary North, PACAF commander, spoke in a variety of venues, flew in the T-38 Talon and T-6 Texan, and spoke at the graduation of Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 12-04, launching them toward the next stage of their training and their Air Force careers.

"It happens 15 times a year, and it's a phenomenal event, not only for the family members and individuals but for the whole Columbus team who can now high-five each other for producing another group of ready pilots for our Air Force," North said.

North, who has held his



U.S. Air Force photo by Elizabeth Owens

Capt. Adam Schubert, 1st Lt. Kent North and Capt. Benjamin Staats, instructor pilots in the 41st Flying Training Squadron, pause with Gen. Gary North, Pacific Air Forces commander, for a photo in front of a T-6 Texan on Jan. 26 at Columbus Air Force Base, Miss. North flew a formation sortie in the T-6 with his son, North during his visit to Columbus.

position since August 2009, said that his major command has been very proud of the Airmen entering the PACAF area of responsibility.

"The gateway to our Air Force is through Air Education and Training Command. Think of the number of enlisted Airmen we bring through Lackland Air Force Base every year, think of the thousands of pilots that we produce, and every other specialty," North said. "Columbus's primary mission is to produce pilots, but in advancing Airmen to do that, the whole team is focused on a common mission: to send out 300 plus pilots a year to our Air Force."

As for the men and women of the 14th Flying Training Wing who produce those pilots, North said he thinks they are fantastic and should be very proud of the work they do.

"It's what we expect of a leadership team; it's what we hope for out of a community team," he said. "They're fantastic. This base is ablaze."

Muckian takes command of USS Greeneville

*Carullo praised
for exceptional
performance*

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Cmdr. Martin Muckian relieved Cmdr. Anthony Carullo as commanding officer of USS Greeneville (SSN 772) during a time-honored change of command ceremony held aboard the Los Angeles-class submarine at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 3.

Capt. Stanley Robertson, guest speaker, praised Carullo for his exceptional performance while commanding Greeneville, as well as the crew on their accomplishments under Carullo's leadership.



Cmdr. Anthony Carullo is piped ashore after being relieved as commanding officer of the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Greeneville (SSN 772) by Cmdr. Martin Muckian at a change of command ceremony held at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 3.

"Cmdr. Carullo, congratulations on the exceptional performance throughout your tour as commanding officer of USS Greeneville. You and your crew consistently completed all tasking with outstanding results," Robertson said. "These accomplishments are a testament to the leadership, initiative and professionalism of both you and your crew."

Carullo acknowledged that the majority of the submarine's success during his time as commanding officer could be attributed to the crew and their hard work.

"Being a Greeneville Sailor takes special drive and determination," he said. "Submarining is a team sport, and it takes a well-trained and proficient team to conduct many of the complex and highly technical evolutions on board."

Following his remarks, Carullo was awarded the

Meritorious Service Medal for his exceptional performance as commanding officer from November 2009 to February 2012.

As Muckian assumed command of Greeneville, he addressed the crew about the future.

"To the men of the Greeneville, you have impressed me with not only your performance but in the way you take care of each other as true shipmates," Muckian said. "I am honored to join this crew as your captain and look forward to sailing with you."

Carullo's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (three awards) and Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards).

He will report for duty to the office of the Chief of Naval Operations N87 submarine warfare Division.

Indian, U.S. Navy divers participate in SALVEX 12

U.S. 3rd Fleet Public Affairs

SAN DIEGO -- U.S. Navy dive teams and the Indian navy will conduct a bilateral salvage exchange (SALVEX) off the coast of Hawaii, Feb.

7 to 13.

Participating in the exercise are Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit One, based in Hawaii, and USNS Sioux (T-ATF-171). The purpose of SALVEX 12 is to enhance U.S. and Indian bilateral

diving and salvage capability in the littoral environment to improve maritime security and humanitarian assistance/disaster response capability.

Sioux is one of Military Sealift Command's four

fleet ocean tugs providing towing, diving platform and other services to the Navy's numbered fleets and is part of the 14 ships in the service support program.

The SALVEXs with the Indian navy began in

2005. The exercise is held periodically with each nation taking turns hosting. SALVEX 2009 was at Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit One in Hawaii, while SALVEX 2011 was hosted by the Indian navy in

Port Blair, India.

Joint interagency and international relationships strengthen U.S. 3rd Fleet's ability to respond to crises and protect the collective maritime interests of the U.S. and its allies and partners.



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JOINT BASE SPEAKERS CELEBRATE AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

(Above left) 1st Lt. Nikita Martin, 96th Air Refueling Squadron, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, is the guest speaker at the 2012 African American History Month Lunch at the Hickam Officer's Club on Feb. 3. Martin shared her experiences as one of 10 African American female pilots in the U.S. Air Force and the only one on the island. (Below) Capt. Lawrence Scruggs, Chief Staff Officer, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, makes opening remarks during the 2012 African American History Month Luncheon at the Hickam Officer's Club on Feb. 3.

Photo illustration | Photos by David D. Underwood, Jr.

U.S., Japan forces enhance partnership during Keen Edge 2012

13th Air Force Public Affairs

U.S. Air Force Airmen from Hawaii, Japan and other locations around the world joined with joint and Japanese partners Jan. 22-26.

The command post exercise, known as Keen Edge '12, featured participation by approxi-



mately 600 U.S. and 1,300 Japanese Self Defense Force representatives. During the Keen Edge exercise, U.S. and Japanese forces practiced and tested their mutual ability to work and communicate together during simulated scenarios.

Keen Edge 12 kicked off less than one year

after the U.S. and Japan partnered together in a massive humanitarian and disaster relief mission, Operation Tomodachi, in response to a massive earthquake, tsunami and damage to a nuclear reactor in the country's north-east region.

In addition to the positive impacts during times of emergency, a strong security relationship between the two Pacific nations is vital to protecting strategic interests and promoting security and stability in the region.

During Keen Edge 12, Japanese and U.S. staffs employed computer simulations to practice the steps they might take in the event of a crisis or contingency situation. Command post exercises like Keen Edge are a cost-effective manner of providing military participants with realistic, unobtrusive training in a simulated crisis. Combined with periodic field training exercises, these bilateral drills greatly enhance the readiness and capability of military forces.

Keen Edge 12 concluded Jan. 26.

Diverse Views



**Feb. 14 is Valentines Day.
What are your plans for
Valentine's Day and why?**



Senior Master Sgt. Shawn Showman
*USTRANSCOM Defense Courier
Service, Honolulu*

"Take my wife out for a nice dinner."

**Fire Controlman 3rd Class (SW)
Christian Kilpatrick**
JBPHH Transit Personnel Unit



"We're going to the Cheesecake Factory. I'll get her some flowers, some edible arrangements ... have to be healthy."



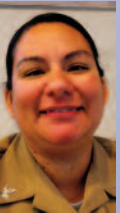
Tech. Sgt. Jeannette Rosario
NCOIC Financial Management

"Someone special deserves something very special: out for dinner, walk on the beach, and a surprise gift...a nice one."

**Gunner's Mate 3rd class
Elicia Guillory**
JBPHH Maintenance



"I'm going to Skype my fiancée and have dinner. He's in San Diego. We're both having steak and potatoes. It's our first Valentine's Day together and apart."



**Operations Specialist 2nd class
Miluska Torres**
JBPHH Maintenance

"My husband and I are going to go out to a romantic dinner. We want to go to the Top of Waikiki because you get the best view of the island. I'm thinking of getting him a small gift but I haven't decided yet."

Lt. Col. Samuel Washington
*Chief, Medical Information
Services PACAF*



"I have plans that cannot be released to the public at this time, as my wife may read the paper and discover the surprise."



**Information Systems Technician 3rd class
Bryant Powell**
JBPHH

"Dinner at the Hale Koa, then a walk on the beach."

*(Provided by David Underwood Jr. and
Jazzmin Williams)*

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Register today for IA recognition luncheon

Navy Region Hawaii

The Honolulu Navy League is hosting an individual augmentee (IA) recognition luncheon for all returned "boots on the ground IA/overseas contingency operation support assignment (GSA) Sailors and their spouses or guests" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at the Ala Moana Hotel. Sign-in for IA/GSA Sailors begins at 10:30 a.m.

Registration forms will

be distributed through the command master chief network and must be completed to obtain a ticket. Take the completed form to the Military and Family Support Center (MFSC) to pick up tickets is Friday last day, at \$40 per person.

All commanding officers, executive officers and command master chiefs are invited to attend. This is a premier opportunity to recognize and appreciate IA Sailors' honorable and faithful service. Spouses

will also be recognized for their loyalty and steadfast support of the IA Sailor.

The luncheon will be paid for by the Navy League for the IA Sailors and their spouse or one guest. Forms and tickets should be available at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam MFSC (formerly FFSC), Moanalua Navy Services Center. Checks are made payable to Navy League of Honolulu.

The uniform for Navy personnel attending the

luncheon is the service uniform; for other services it is the class equivalent and aloha attire for civilians.

IA Sailors who will be attending are asked to send electronic pictures of themselves (while deployed) to Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Command Master Chief Gary Smedley at gary.smedley@navy.mil, or call 474-4291.

For more information, call MFSC at 474-1999.

Tuskegee Airmen leave strong legacy



U.S. Air Force photo

Maj. James A. Ellison returns the salute of Mac Ross as he passes down the line during review of the first class of Tuskegee cadets in Alabama in this undated photo.

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VP-9's CSADD participates in trail hike and clean-up day at Maunawili Falls

Lt. j.g. Ryan Jones

*Patrol Squadron Nine
Public Affairs Officer*

MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII, Kaneohe Bay, HI – Patrol Squadron Nine's (VP-9) Sailors continued to strengthen their greater civilian-military ohana on Oahu by offering their time and labor. On Jan. 28, VP-9's Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD) coordinated a cleanup of Maunawili Falls.

Established in 2008, the Navy created CSADD to provide military members and spouses of all branches with the best prevention and intervention tools possible to deal with issues of drinking, reckless driving and other destructive decisions. Since then they have grown Navy-wide into many chapters directed at Sailors between 18 and 25 years old.

"During my first tour, Sailors tended to drink a little more than they should. For those that didn't drink, they had nothing to do. Today CSADD helps provide that outlet. Seeing these types of programs being integrated into the military life really encourages members to make life



VP-9's Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions enjoy the Maunawili Falls. The Sailors participated in a trail hike and cleanup project.

U.S. Navy photo by LCI Rocky Esquivel

changing decision that will help maintain a positive lifestyle in keeping with military personal values," said VP-9's Naval Air Crewman Avionics Chief Daniel Cox.

The organization also uses social media such as Facebook and You Tube to educate their Sailors in a manner in which they can

relate. Topics range from responsible drinking to suicide prevention.

Aviation Structural Mechanic Airman Orlando Soto, VP-9's

CSADD activities coordinator, said, "The hike is a fun get together. It motivates them to do greater things, to teach them what is in the community,

and help out." The coordinator mentioned that VP-9's next outing will be a snorkeling trip to Hanauma Bay.

While hiking the trail to the waterfall, Sailors and spouses contributed by cleaning up trash and other articles left behind by previous visitors. Throughout the hike,

passersby joined in to help preserve one of Hawaii's most visited hiking attractions.

Once at the falls, a brave and cautious traveler can jump into the pool at the base of the fall. "The water is colder than you think in the spring time," said Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class

Nicholas Schier, VP-9 CSADD president.

Anyone who desires to experience this local gem can find directions to the trail head by asking around or searching online. The trail is located just outside of Kailua, Hawaii on Maunawili Road. After exiting Kalaniana'ole Highway, simply follow the signs to Maunawili Falls. It is a beginner's trail, and trekkers may want to consider bringing their own sunscreen and bug repellent.

Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9) is located at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. The squadron is better known as the Golden Eagles and flies the P-3C Orion.

The P-3C is land-based and the Navy's premier long-range maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft, operating from locations throughout the world. Her missions range from submarine tracking to search and rescue, as well as overland missions, working alongside Navy, Army or Marine ground units. More information can be found at the website at: <http://www.vp9.navy.mil/> or on Facebook.

Vitale thanks CNIC team

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and challenges," Vitale said. "I've had the pleasure of witnessing this enterprise solve complex and dynamic problems, some self-imposed, some caused by outside forces, and forge a way ahead toward a model of shore integration that has forever changed how we do business and provide service the fleet, fighter and family."

Vitale also thanked the many Navy communities throughout the world that support and allow the Navy to operate in close proximity to their homes and livelihoods, acknowledging the importance of maintaining close ties from the smallest installation to the headquarters level.

"It's the communities, both in the U.S. and abroad, that invite us to live and operate in their backyard, and it's the communities, both within the Navy and outside, that are the anchor of our ability to maintain and operate the best naval force in the world, and I want to thank each one for their support, patience, and welcoming spirit," Vitale said.

French thanked Vitale for his wisdom and guidance and spoke briefly about his optimism and vision for the future of CNIC.

"During the last six

years I have been with the CNIC enterprise, I have learned that we have some of the best, brightest and most talented professionals in the Navy," French said. "Under Vice Adm. Vitale's leadership, the CNIC team has set the example for how an enterprise should function and have established immense credibility on how you are meeting customer needs. I'm honored to be taking command at this point in the history of the command."

French was promoted shortly before the event after having a successful tour at Navy Region Southwest in San Diego, Calif. where he accomplished major milestones toward energy and water conservation and numerous other green initiatives.

A career submarine officer, French has served on a number of submarines and commanded USS Salt Lake City (SSN 716) and Submarine Squadron 3 in Pearl Harbor.

"I am proud to be part of such a superb organization, and I look forward to working with you over the next few years," French said.

CNIC oversees a \$10 billion budget, more than 83,000 facilities and 58,000 personnel, all managed from a single unified enterprise.

USS Port Royal returning from deployment

**Navy Region Hawaii
Public Affairs**

Guided-missile cruiser USS Port Royal (CG 73) is scheduled to return Feb. 13 from an independent deployment to the western Pacific and U.S. Central Command areas of responsibility (AOR).

Port Royal is commanded by Capt. Eric Weilenman with a crew of more than 300 officers and enlisted personnel.



Port Royal was the final ship to assume command of Commander,

Task Force-Iraqi Maritime (CTF-IM) supporting maritime security operations and theater security cooperation efforts in the western Pacific and U.S. Central Command AOR and transitioning the task of defense of Iraqi territorial waters and the Al Basrah and Khawr Al Amaya oil terminals to the Iraqi navy and Iraqi Marines.

Guided-missile cruis-

ers are multi-mission, anti-air warfare, anti-submarine warfare, long-range strike and anti-surface warfare combatants capable of supporting carrier and expeditionary strike groups, amphibious forces or operating independently.

For more information, visit the ship's website at <http://www.public.navy.mil/surfor/cg73/Pages/default.aspx>.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights

(Left) Operations Specialist 3rd Class Aleksandar Miladinovic, one of the ship's chart petty officers, plots the ship's inboard coordinates to Hawaii aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74). John C. Stennis is operating in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility while on a seven-month deployment.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Class Will Tyndall



A barge crane lifts a Navy A3 to the flight deck of the amphibious assault ship USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6) at Naval Base San Diego. The aircraft will be transported to the Pacific Aviation Museum at Pearl Harbor.

U.S. Navy photo by MCCS (SW) Joe Kane

(Right) Ensign Christopher Veenhuis (left), Cmdr. Justin Kubu, Lt. j.g. Georges Banks and Lt. Rick Zabawa render honors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) to the Republic of Korea Navy destroyer (ROKS) Munmu the Great (DDH 976) after completing a passing exercise Feb. 3.

U.S. Navy photo



(Left) Quartermaster 3rd Class Amanda Shykes (right), and Quartermaster Seamen Elora Presseau and Neisha Kirkling participate in a flag-hoisting exercise aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) on Feb 3.

U.S. Navy photo

Elinor Beneda, spouse of the late Lt. Glen Beneda, a "Flying Tigers" fighter pilot with the 14th Air Force, speaks to an audience during an event celebrating the legacy of the U.S.-China friendship, held at the Pacific Aviation Museum, Ford Island on Jan. 30.

U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Jerome S. Tayborn



Air Force leaders chart service changes

Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPS) -- Making changes to the Air Force is “hard, but manageable,” Air Force Secretary Michael B. Donley said here Feb. 3.

Donley and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton A. Schwartz detailed force structure changes that will be made in the service over the next year. The men spoke during a Pentagon news conference.

The Air Force will cut 286 aircraft over the future year’s defense plan including 123 fighters, 133 mobility aircraft and 30 intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance platforms, the secretary said. Among the fighter aircraft that will be retired are 102 A-10 close-air support aircraft. This has led to questions about whether there will be enough close-air assets left to support ground forces.

“There’s still going to be 246 A-10s left in the inventory,” Schwartz said. “We are doing close-air support with B-52s, with B-1s, certainly with F-16s and F-15Es and AC-130 gunships.”

The bottom line, he said, is there are plenty of assets that can deliver pinpoint close-air support. “The



U.S. Air Force photo by Scott M. Ash

Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz explain the Air Force’s Force Structure overview during a Pentagon press briefing on Feb. 3.

United States Army and the United States Marine Corps and our own battlefield Airmen can rely on having plenty of close-air support provided by the United States Air Force from above,” the general said.

These force structure changes mean a reduction of 9,900 airmen—3,900 active duty, 5,100 Air Guardsmen and 900 Air Force Reservists. Officials expect all these reductions can be made voluntarily.

All this is being done in accordance with new doctrine derived from the strategy review President Barack Obama announced last

month. “Our decision for the Air Force was that the best course of action for us is to become smaller in order to protect a high quality and ready force that will continue to modernize and grow more capable in the future,” Donley said.

Service leaders balanced the needs of force structure, readiness, modernization and support for Airmen as they searched for the correct mix.

The service will protect crucial Air Force capabilities including air and space control, global intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, global mobility and

global strike enabled by effective global command and control, Donley said.

Leaders also protected the bomber force, cyber capabilities and the nuclear force.

The service resized mobility forces to meet the needs of a smaller Army and Marine Corps and kept enough remotely piloted aircraft to field 65 combat air patrols with the ability to surge to 85.

The service also has worked to lessen risk in case the strategy is wrong and more capabilities are needed. “We’re going to get smaller across all three components,” Donley said. “We need to get more closely integrated and to be more ready for the contingencies out in front of us.”

The secretary pointed to operations over Libya as an example of the readiness he would like to see throughout the service.

“We did not have months to prepare for that,” he said. “We really didn’t have weeks to prepare for that; it was more like days and hours.

“We were able to bring the total force together quickly to produce combat capability over Libya within hours and then to generate that capability with our NATO partners, as well, and sustain that for nine months,” Donley added. “You can’t do that if you’re not ready.”

USS Cheyenne enjoys Super Bowl at sea

MC2 Ronald Gutridge

Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs Office

USS CHEYENNE, At Sea--Submariners aboard the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Cheyenne (SSN 773) enjoyed a Super Bowl party hosted by the ship’s crew Feb. 5.

Super Bowl XLVI, featuring the New England Patriots and the New York Giants, was shown on televisions throughout the submarine.

Normally, the crew of the Cheyenne is a tight-knit team working in one of the most technologically advanced submarines our country owns. However, during the game, the Cheyenne was a house divided. The Patriot fans cheered for Tom Brady while the Giant fans cheered for Eli Manning.

For Fire Control Technician 2nd Class (SS) John Cavazos, being able to watch the game was a nice break from Cheyenne’s busy schedule and made being underway more bearable.

“Everyone was having a good time, and there were

several fans for both teams,” Cavazos said. “This event brought a little piece of home here on the boat, when you’re actually away from home.”

In addition to the festivities, the culinary specialists came up with a plan to make the game more enjoyable by preparing a special meal to resemble an actual Super Bowl party and to enjoy while watching the most popular football game of the season. They prepared a smorgasbord of hot wings, nachos, chilli and cheese and jalapeno poppers.

“What I did was sat down and basically came up with a plan on what we could serve that would resemble an actual ‘game-time’ get together with the food supplies we have on board,” said Culinary Specialist 1st Class (SS) Cody Jung. “This was a special meal due to the fact that we do not serve these types of food combinations in one sitting.”

After the game, the crew congratulated each other on the Giants’ win and then went back to work and returned their attention to their normal duties.

Submarine Squadron Three faces end of era

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you, and to serve with you,” Childs said. “I will give you the best I have to offer, and I look forward to great things from all of you as we sail into the challenging waters ahead.”

Submarine Squadron 3 was formed on Nov. 25, 1930 at Coco Solo in the Panama Canal Zone. Following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, most of the squadron’s submarines moved to the Pacific side of the Canal Zone to protect the canal from potential attacks by enemy surface forces.

By August 1943, Submarine Squadron 3 retained only four submarines; all others had transferred to more forward areas in support of the global war effort. By May 1945, there were no submarines left in the squadron, only the

rescue vessel USS Mallard (AM 44) and three destroyers remained.

The United States built a large, modern fleet of diesel-electric submarines during the war and near its end, commissioned a new submarine tender, USS Sperry (AS 12). To support these ships, the Navy reorganized its submarine squadrons, re-establishing Submarine Squadron 3 on Guam on Oct. 1, 1945. Shortly there-

after, in February 1946, Submarine Squadron 3 moved to San Diego until it was deactivated in 1995.

Submarine Squadron 3 was re-activated in June 1997 at Pearl Harbor. In 2003, five submarines from COMSUBRON 3 were deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and three of these submarines, USS Columbia (SSN 771), USS Louisville (SSN 724) and USS Key

West (SSN 722), conducted Tomahawk strike operations against targets in Iraq.

For 82 years, Submarine Squadron 3 has served with distinction, from the R-1 built in 1917 to the USS North Carolina (SSN 777) of today. Submarine Squadron 3 submarines have ensured our nation’s ability to control the seas throughout the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

KHON (FOX) TV 2 Hawaii Navy News upcoming segments

- Feb. 16:** Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard – Green Initiatives
- Feb. 23:** Rear Adm. Ponds - First 100 Days
- March 1:** TBD
- March 8:** TAMC Trauma Center

(The segments currently air between 6:20 and 6:30 a.m. each Thursday. Previous segments can be viewed at <http://www.bit.ly/KcHONavy>)

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Email editor@hookelenews.com or call Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs at 473-2875. Stories must have a Navy tie and be of interest to the general public.

Pearl Harbor Shipyard workers donate record-breaking \$715,000 to charity

Story and photo by Marshall Fukuki

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard workers surpassed expectations by pledging \$715,451 to charities during the 2011 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). “It’s a new record for the shipyard,” said Brendan Cravalho, project officer for the command’s CFC, during a live interview Jan. 26 on local Fox-affiliate KHON2 TV.

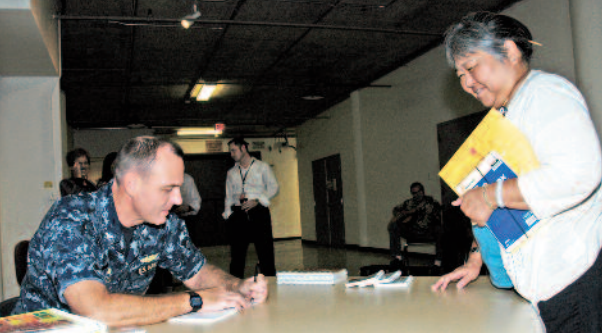
“All together, federal employees in the Hawaii-Pacific area donated \$6.4 million (to CFC.) I’m proud to say that what (the shipyard) raised was 11 percent of that total.”

The shipyard was recognized earlier as a silver-level awardee at the Hawaii-Pacific area CFC ceremony Jan. 13 at Camp Smith. The shipyard received the award after 51 percent of its 4,860 civilian and military workforce pledged an average of \$286 per donor.

The CFC is an annual fund-raiser throughout the federal government that, in 2011, supported more than 2,700 approved charities. Donations are made through many local campaigns like the shipyard effort that took place last October and November.

“If not for the caring heart of the shipyard donors, we would never be able to achieve this milestone,” Cravalho said. “I really want to thank all of the donors for their generosity.”

He also acknowledged his team of assistants. “Mahalo plenty to the unit project officers and keypersons,” he said. Unit project officers, such as Financial Technician Mildred Harrison, Secretary Kimberlee Peterson, and Shipfitter Charlotte Fernandez led and coordinat-



Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Commander Capt. Brian Osgood autographs cookbooks for supervisory chemist Charlotte Mukai during a cookbook sale to raise funds for the Combined Federal Campaign.

ed the campaign within their respective work areas, he explained. The keypersons, among them Electronics Mechanic Apprentice Anastasia Kritikos, Shipfitter Ricky Ray Saribay and Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Ashley Stevens, did the actual outreach to their fellow employees.

“Keypersons are the heart and soul of the fund-raising effort,” he said. “It’s a hard thing to do to ask someone to give money.” However, the one-on-one contact is essential to the campaign. “That personal touch is key to success,” Cravalho said.

Donating to CFC through the Internet became possible for the first time during the 2011 campaign. Sixty-four donors chose that option to pledge an average of \$430 per person. “On-line giving has great potential as on-line donations are all made via payroll deduction,” Cravalho noted. “We didn’t push it (in 2011) but we intend to in 2012.”

Cravalho has coordinated the shipyard’s CFC since 2001. For eight straight years, donations broke previous in-house records for giving, culminating with an all-time high of \$712,000 in 2008. The new record amount raised in 2011 came from 2,500 contributors, 400

less than in the 2008 campaign. In other words, “fewer gave more,” he said.

According to Cravalho, the big difference between how the CFC was run before he took over and how it runs now is “the shops and codes manage the campaign in their own area. ... If we’ve been successful, it’s not because of me,” he said. “I’m just the cheerleader, trainer and motivator.”

With few exceptions, the civilians and Sailors who assist him in the CFC change every year. When Cravalho conducts the pre-campaign training sessions, “I try to convey what giving (to CFC) means,” he said. “It’s educating people about how important it is to give, not how much they give, and ... with payroll deduction, it’s an affordable and easy way to give.”

Sharing his personal perspective, Cravalho said, “I’m thankful for the blessings I have. I look at the homeless on the streets and I think, that could’ve been me. I see (on TV) all of the disasters happening in our own community as well as around the country, and I am thankful for my good fortune.

“The majority of employees here care about people. They see the same things I see and want to make a difference too.”

Do you have too much life insurance?

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Life insurance is an important part of financial planning. It also provides peace of mind knowing that family members will be financially secure after one’s death. However, service members are often convinced to purchase too much life insurance to cover family needs.

The purpose of life insurance is not to make your survivor rich. It is to replace income that was lost due to an unexpected death. So, a service member with no dependents and no mortgage may not need a large policy.

On the other hand, a husband and wife who have children and own real estate may consider purchasing life insurance policies covering each income-earning spouse. Because children generally do not earn income to support the family, you should think twice before purchasing a policy on a child’s life.

Insurance agents are paid based on the amount of coverage they sell you. Thus, they often recommend that you purchase a policy with a

death benefit between 10 to 20 times your annual income. Basing a policy solely on current income commonly results in the service member purchasing too much insurance. Instead, purchase a policy to cover the amount of money you believe will be necessary for your survivors to provide for. In most cases, this amount is based upon (1) the anticipated financial obligations at death, (2) the income needed to support surviving beneficiaries and (3) the amount of assets at death. There is a calculator on the Department of Veterans Affairs website to help you with this determination.

There are various different types of life insurance. First, every service member is entitled to receive up to \$400,000 in Service Members’ Group Life Insurance (SGLI) coverage. SGLI premiums are typically lower than private life insurance premiums, and the policies include coverage for deaths caused by acts of war.

If more than \$400,000 in coverage is needed, service members may purchase supplemental life insurance through private insurers. There are two basic cate-

gories of private life insurance: term life and whole life.

Term life policies are for a specific duration of time. If you die during that term, your beneficiary receives the benefits of your policy. In contrast, whole life insurance covers you for your entire life. The premiums on whole life are higher than term life policies.

Be aware that many private life insurance policies have clauses that do not cover death caused by military actions or during an act of war. Service members must read their policy carefully to ensure that they are covered at all times, including during an act of war.

When purchasing life insurance, look for a financially strong insurer with an A++ or an A+ rating. Also, avoid buying more than one policy for any person because every insurance policy has fees hidden in it. Two \$50,000 policies typically cost more than one \$100,000 policy.

An attorney at the Naval Legal Service Office Pacific can assist you for free. Call (808) 473-4717 or DSN (315) 473-4717 for information or to schedule an appointment.

Spouses workshop will focus on operational security

The Commanding Officer/Executive Officer (CO/XO), Junior Officer (JO), and Master Chief Petty Officer/Senior Chief Petty Officer (MCPO/SCPO) Spouses Workshop Committee will host an event titled “Keeping Sailors and Families Safe Through Operational Security” (OPSEC) from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 23 at the Kaneohe Bay Officers Club at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. RSVP by Feb. 17.

All spouses of Navy and Coast Guard officers who have been selected for or served in an executive officer (XO) or commanding officer (CO) position, pay grade O-1 to O-4 and Chief Warrant Officer (CWO 1-5), and E-8/E-9 and above are welcome to attend.

The workshop will cover the increasingly connected world with social media, the rules and tips to keep you and your family safe on

the Internet while still having fun with Facebook, Pinterest, Twitter, Foursquare and more. Food, door prizes and real-life scenarios to walk through will be featured.

These workshops are sponsored by Continuum of Resource Education (CORE) and provide information and resources that will empower the leadership spouses of Navy and Coast Guard members and enhance their Navy/Coast Guard experience. The workshops also encourage interaction and networking with other spouses while building friendships and support systems vital to the Navy/Coast Guard lifestyle.

To RSVP, call Fleet and Family Support center at 474-1999 or email leadership4U@hotmail.com. Interested attendees can also obtain additional information by visiting the JO Spouse Ohana - Hawaii Facebook page.

African Americans recognized for legacy of service



Lt. Col. Lee Archer

Ensign Jesse L. Brown

Lt. William J. Powell

Photos courtesy of www.history.navy.mil and www.af.mil

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Each February, the Department of Defense recognizes the contributions of African Americans in war and peace, earning praise and commendation for overcoming their struggles and sacrifices.

The national and Department of Defense theme for this year's observance is "Black Women in American History and Culture."

Highlighted here are a few of the many women and men whose resilience and bravery in aviation and naval history shaped America and paved the road to freedom.

For example, Ensign Jesse Leroy Brown was the first African American to be trained as an aviator, and he was also the first to fly in combat.

In 1948, Edna Young became the first African American enlisted woman to serve in the regular Navy.

Chaplain Thomas Parham became the first African American chaplain in the Navy and the first African American naval officer promoted to the rank of captain when he was promoted in February 1966.

Rear Adm. Michelle J. Howard has many firsts to her credit, including her status as the first female United States Naval Academy graduate to be promoted to the rank of admiral, the first African American woman to command a combatant ship, and the first to be promoted to two-star admiral.

In 1996, Adm. J. Paul Reason became the first African American to be promoted to four stars. African Americans continue to shape the legacy of the Navy in the 21st century.

The Air Force website www.af.mil is profiling a different man or woman each day, a different person in aviation or Air Force history who helped pave the way for today's Air Force. Among those featured are Elizabeth "Bessie" Coleman,

who went on to be the first female pilot of African-American descent, but, more importantly, influenced the accomplishments of others who continued the evolution of African-American involvement in aviation throughout the 20th century.

Inspired by the achievements of Bessie Coleman, Willa Brown had an impact on African-American involvement that led to the creation of the famed all-African-American "Tuskegee Airmen" combat flying squadrons during World War II.

Willa Brown eventually became the coordinator of war-training service for the Civil Aeronautics Authority and later was a member of the Federal Aviation Administration's Women's Advisory Board. She was the first black female officer in the Civil Air Patrol and the first black woman to hold a commercial pilot's license in the United States.

An engineering student from Chicago, William J. Powell became an important link in African-American aviation history and did much to take the accomplish-

ments of the early pioneers in aviation and propel them to national acclaim. For example, Powell created Bessie Coleman Aero clubs as a way to introduce flying and aviation to the African-American public nationwide. He also created the first black-owned airplane building company and envisioned the firm as a way to hire African Americans to design, build and maintain aircraft throughout the U.S.

Then there was the story of a man who was shunned because of his race during his four years at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., back in the early 1930s but became the first African-American general in the U.S. Air Force. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. was born in 1912 to Benjamin O. Davis Sr., an Army officer who was the Army's first African-American general. He also served as commander of the first all-black air unit, the 99th Pursuit Squadron. It was the beginning of the famed "Tuskegee Airmen."



Rear Adm. Michelle J. Howard

Benjamin O. Davis Jr.

Willa Brown

Chaplain Thomas Parham

'Night at Apollo' among highlights in February

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and the Hickam African American Heritage Association (AAHA) are hosting several events to celebrate African American History Month.

A luncheon to kick off the month, commemorating "Black Women in American History and Culture," took place Feb. 3 at the Hickam Officers' Club.

In addition, AAHA will hold a free Night at the Apollo talent show at 5 p.m. Feb. 11 at Paradise Lounge at

Club Pearl at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The theme is African American legends of music. Performers and volunteers for the event are being sought. For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Kimberly Blackmon at 449-8612 or email Kimberly.blackmon@hickam.af.mil.

The first AAHA bowling tournament will be held at noon Feb. 17 at the Hickam Lanes. The event includes three games plus shoes. Cost is \$7 with a maximum of five per

team. The deadline to register via email is Feb. 15.

For more information, call Master Sgt. David Edwards at 448-9794 or email david.edwards@hickam.af.mil or Staff Sgt. Ashanti S. Cox at 448-6459 or email Ashanti.cox@hickam.af.mil.

During the week of Feb. 20, AAHA will also read to students at elementary schools at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Dwana Bell at

email dwana.bell@hickam.af.mil or call 448-0896.

Finally, AAHA will hold the third annual Gospel Fest and Taste of Soul from 5 to 8 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Hickam Main Chapel. Singers and dancers are welcome. The Taste of Soul will include a food contest where participants will have their best soul food dishes judged.

For more information or to participate or volunteer, contact Master Sgt. Joshalin Wilson at 449-7969.

Gary Sinise and his Lt. Dan Band to perform tonight at Freedom Tower



Photos by Lance Cpl. Reece Lodder

USO

Gary Sinise and his 12-member Lt. Dan Band will put on a free USO performance for troops and their families stationed at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam tonight and at Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) tomorrow.

Tonight’s performance at the Joint Base begins at 7 p.m. at the Freedom Tower. Gates open at 5:30 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket for the show. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Round-trip shuttle service to and from Freedom Tower will be available from the Hickam BX/Burger King parking lot. In case of rain, the event will be moved to hangar 35. The event is open to all Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. Tomorrow’s performance



begins at 7 p.m. in Dewey Square, MCBH. In case of rain, the location will change to hangar 103.

This trip marks the band’s fifth USO tour to Hawaii. It visited and entertained more than 3,900 military families in February 2011.

Formed in 2004, Gary Sinise and the Lt. Dan Band have participated in 47 USO tours and enhanced the lives of some 229,800 troops and their families stationed throughout the United States, as well as in Japan, Korea, the Netherlands, Belgium and Afghanistan, among other countries.

Always ready to show his support for the U.S. armed forces, Sinise and his band will perform for military families as they continue their four-month road trip with USO tour performances in California, North Carolina, Colorado and Kansas. Besides his music and support for the troops, Sinise also is the actor who plays Detective Mac Taylor on CBS “CSI: New York” TV show and portrayed the Lt. Dan character in the movie “Forrest Gump.”

TriWest Healthcare Alliance, a Department of Defense contractor that provides military families with access to health care in the western United States, partnered with the USO to sponsor the concert series.

For more information, including shuttle times, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

‘Kids free for summer’ at aviation museum

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor has announced its “kids free for summer” promotion. With every paid adult admission, one child, age 4 through 12, gets free admission to the museum from June through August. Children under 4 are

always admitted free.

Activities include flying the combat flight simulators and exploring inside the big helicopters, and nosing around in the cockpit of a jet’s nose cone. Movies, videos, two World War II hangars with battlefield scars, and more than four acres of planes, helicopters and jets are also featured. A full

restaurant and kid-friendly museum store are available.

Tickets for this promotion are available only at PacificAviationMuseum.org and at the admissions desk at the museum. They are not available at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center ticketing desk.

Call 441-1000 for more information.

Armed Services Blood Program seeks donors

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has scheduled upcoming blood drives. As part of the Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP), the official United States military blood program, a donation serves as a vital link to military service members and their

families worldwide. The drives include:

- Feb. 15 at Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) Hawaii.
- Feb. 16 at U.S. Coast Guard Sand Island.
- Feb. 22 at University of Hawaii ROTC Air Force.
- Feb. 27 at Naval

Submarine Support Command (NSSC).

- Feb. 28 at Navy Exchange Hawaii (NEX)
- March 14 at the Federal Detention Center.

For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

Military urged to take online education survey

U.S. Pacific Command

U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM) urges active duty military members and their families to take the new “Military Child Education in Hawaii” online survey to help examine policies about the Hawaii education experience for military families while stationed here.

Adm. Robert F. Willard, USPACOM commander, asked active duty service members to consider completing the survey a “high priority” in an introducto-

ry letter to all military leaders.

The study, created by Johns Hopkins University along with the University of Hawaii, will make recommendations based on parent and children’s opinion about their educational experience in Hawaii.

Families who have changed duty stations will also be provided an opportunity to fill out a survey regarding how well their children are prepared to attend schools after their Hawaii school experience. The survey focuses on

the academic quality of the school, expectations for living and going to school in Hawaii, and information about the children’s needs for academic and behavioral supports.

“If enough people participate in the survey, we will have strong evidence that can speak to education policies and practices, particularly by branch of service,” said Dr. Robert Blum of Johns Hopkins University, director of the study.

The survey can be found online at <http://www.hawaiikids.org>.

Maintenance Squadron shuts down NCTAMSPAC

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

The 15th Maintenance Squadron (15 MXS) used a tenacious man-to-man defense to build up a 17-2 lead in the first half and roll over Naval Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC), 36-12, in a Gold Division intramural basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 7.

The tough defense of the maintenance squadron kept NCTAMSPAC off balance throughout the contest and held their opponent scoreless until Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Marquis Perkins dropped in his team’s first bucket six minutes into the game.

The 15th Maintenance Squadron got their first double-digit lead at the 9:10 mark of the first half, when Staff Sgt. Artis Gandy sank a basket to gain a 13-2 advantage.

Then two minutes later, the MXS grew their lead to 17-2 on a rebound and outlet pass from Gandy to a fast-



Airman 1st Class Aaron Maxwell, guard for the 15th Maintenance Squadron (15 MXS) basketball squad, goes up for a jump shot during a Gold Division intramural game versus Naval Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC) at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 7.

breaking Airman 1st Class Aaron Maxwell, who scored on an easy lay-up.

The 15 MXS closed out the first half on a three-point shot from guard Senior Airman Ryan Hubbard to take a 23-9 lead into intermission.

“We started in the first game in a zone, but it didn’t work too good,” Maxwell said. “So we just pressure defense the whole game. We won by 24, so it works for us.”

Ensign Gennaro Hawkins, who was a starter on last year’s runner-up USS Lake Erie (CG 70) and

is now a player-coach for NCTAMSPAC, said that a lack of experience against a good pressure defense hurt his team’s offense.

“We haven’t really played against a tough man (defense),” Hawkins said. “Playing against a team that got a lot more athletic guys than we probably do, we got a little pressured and rattled.”

Things got even worse for NCTAMSPAC in the second half as the team was held to only three more points in the final 18 minutes of play.

As the MXS defense was putting NCTAMSPAC on lockdown, the team’s offense was doing more than its share to ensure the runaway win.

Playing off of the solid inside play of Gandy and power forward Cpl. J.R. Martin, Maxwell triggered the team’s transition game and scored a game-high 13 points.

“We really don’t have tall guys, but we got strong guys that crash the boards,” Maxwell noted. “Usually, I’m the runner on the team, so anytime we get a rebound, I’m the first one down the court. Our game is the fast

break and it showed this game.”

Midway through the second half, point guard Staff Sgt. Joey Laybon zipped a pass into the lane to a wide-open Jeremy Bass, a Department of Defense civilian, who deposited a lay-up for a 20-point lead at 30-10.

Despite the loss, Hawkins said that he believes his team can still be one of the top contenders in the Gold Division.

The NCTAMSPAC coach pointed out that both teams entered the matchup with identical 2-0 record and there are a lot more games remaining in the season.

“We’re going to try and do some things to make it work and simulate more aggressive teams,” Hawkins stated. “I think we can go far. We got a young squad, and I think we’re going to do well. This was only the third game of the season.”

As far as the 15 MXS, Maxwell said that if the team stays focused, it should keep on winning.

“We don’t get overconfident. We look at every team as a threat,” he said. “Just keep up the defense because that’s what wins games.”

Gold Division standings (As of Feb. 7)		
	W	L
1. Will Francia	3	0
2. 647LRS/Code 45	2	0
3. FFRP Bad Boys	2	0
4. MXG	2	0
5. NCTAMSPAC	2	0
6. CE Bulls	1	1
7. 8 IS ‘B’	1	1
8. Outkast	1	1
9. 561 NOS DET 1	1	1
10. 647 FSS	0	1
11. 96 ARS	0	2
12. 17 OWS	0	2
13. JPAC	0	2
14. 15 MDG	0	2
15. CSS 1/3/7	0	2

Quick start leads fast-breaking O’Kane to easy win

Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

An 11-0 run at the start of the game and 23 points from guard Fire Controlman 2nd Class Frank Lofton paced USS O’Kane (DDG 77) to a 44-28 victory over USS Key West (SSN 722) Shellz in an Afloat League intramural basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 4.

The win raised O’Kane’s record to 2-0, while the Shellz, which lost by a single point to USS Chosin (CG 65) in the season opener, saw their league mark fall to 0-2.

Against the Shellz, O’Kane used a balanced attack to open up the contest by evenly distributing the ball between its three-guard rotation of Gunner’s Mate 2nd Class Clifton Jackson, Operations Specialist 2nd Class Adain Woods and Lofton.

Besides taking control of the team’s fast-breaking offense, the trio also headed a torrid man-to-man defense that pressured the Shellz from baseline to baseline.

Key West was held scoreless for their first hoop of the game at the 15-minute mark in the first half.

Shellz guard Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Steve Adriazola, who led his team with 13 points, said that falling behind by such a big margin early in the game made it difficult to mount a comeback.

“It’s hard trying to get started and into rhythm,” Adriazola said. “It’s hard to do that and win the game. It’s definitely a challenge.”



Lofton added that with only two substitutions on the bench, it was important for the team to get out ahead by as much points as it could.

“That was real big because we didn’t have but seven players,” Lofton explained. “We all had to play hard and play through the physicality. Just keep playing, that’s all we could do. Run fast breaks and finish on the lay-up.”

While the Shellz – especially Adriazola – started to find the hoop after its first basket, Lofton took over and turned up the heat with 13 first-half points that included a trey, two-for-two from the free-throw line and three straight baskets to end the first half.

Afloat Division standings (As of Feb. 7)		
	W	L
1. O’Kane	2	0
2. Koa Kai	2	0
3. Crommelin	2	0
4. Chosin	1	1
5. Lake Erie	1	1
6. Paul Hamilton	1	1
7. Santa Fe	1	1
8. Shellz	0	2
9. Reuben James	0	2
10. Sea Warriors	0	2
11. Olympia	0	0
12. USS Hawaii	0	0

USS O’Kane (DDG 77) Fire Controlman 2nd Class Frank Lofton tries for a lay-up against the defense of USS Key West (SSN 722) Shellz forward Electronics Technician 2nd Class Terrance Fields during an Afloat League intramural basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 4.

In the second half, Lofton kept up the pace and scored O’Kane’s first eight points after intermission.

“Coach (Operations Specialist 2nd Class Donte East) told us to keep running and get back on defense,” Lofton said. “We got to jump on the team and don’t let up. As soon as you give a team a break, any team can come back. So we wanted to stay on top of them. Keep that 15-point lead, and we knew that we could finish that team out if we maintained that lead until the end.”

Besides Lofton, O’Kane also got a double-digit contribution from Woods, who tallied a dozen points on six baskets. Woods (eight points) and Lofton (10 points) scored all of the team’s 18 points in the second half.

Although the Shellz found themselves in the loser’s column for the second week in a row, Adriazola said that he believes the team will turn itself around soon.

“We got to get more aggressive,” he said. “We need more rebounds, more shots and set some picks. Everybody has weaknesses. It’s going to be good. We’re definitely going to play hard every week.”

Meanwhile, despite not having a true post-player in the box, Lofton said that O’Kane has all they need to continue their winning ways.

“Hustling is the key to the game,” Lofton stated. “As long as you hustle, it don’t matter that you don’t have somebody six (feet) six (inches). We’re good. We got a lot of new players, we’re young, we’re ready to go and we think we can win it all.”

PACOM/JIOC rebounds to defeat Poundtown

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Sports Editor

Guard Intelligence Specialist 3rd Gary Fry pumped in a game-high 16 points and teammate Staff Sgt. Kitrell Hill chipped in 13 as Pacific Command/Joint Intelligence Operation Center (PACOM/JIOC) bounced back from their loss to Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) to defeat 647th Security Forces Squadron (647 SFS) Poundtown, 45-34, in a Blue Division intramural basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 6.

Down by a score of 8-7 early in the game, Fry swished a three-point shot to give PACOM/JIOC their first lead and ignited a 10-0 run to take a 17-8 advantage just before halftime.

For the game, Fry tossed in four treys from downtown and was a perfect two-for-two from the free-throw line, before completing his night with a lay-up.

“Last week, after our loss to NIOC, us guys who have been here last year and a couple new guys came in and worked on our spacing for about two hours. That really set the tone,” said Fry about how he was able to get open



Pacific Command/Joint Intelligence Operation Center (PACOM/JIOC) guard Intelligence Specialist 3rd Gary Fry puts up a shot over the defense of 647th Security Forces Squadron (647 SFS) Poundtown center Tech. Sgt. Sylvester Lawrence in a Blue Division intramural basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Feb. 6.

for his long shots. “We didn’t want to lose our last two games. We knew we had to step up. A sense of urgency would be the best way to describe it. We wanted to come out strong, play our brand of basketball and dominate.”

In addition to the shooting of Fry and Hill, PACOM/JIOC head coach Senior Chief Logistics Specialist Latonya Veasley said that a defensive adjustment early in the game helped slow down Poundtown’s attack.

Initially, Veasley had her team open in a two-three zone, but when the Poundtown shooters stung PACOM/JIOC with a couple of zone-busting treys in the

first couple of minutes, the veteran coach switched to a tight man-to-man defense and the strategy seemed to work.

After Poundtown’s 8-7 lead, the team didn’t score another basket until the 6:08 mark of the first half, when center Tech. Sgt. Sylvester Lawrence sank the first end of two free throws.

“We started with a two-three defense and that was not working for us,” admitted Veasley. “They were killing us on the threes in the beginning. Once we started to go man-to-man, it’s hard to pull up on us, as long as we stay man. They’re a good three-point shooting team. We had to come out on them.”

Airman 1st Class Vince Kruzona, who led the SFS with 11 points on three treys and a basket, agreed that PACOM/JIOC’s tough defense was hard to beat.

“They were playing deep and cheating on screens,” Kruzona said. “We didn’t exploit that. It’s just all fundamentals. We just weren’t doing it, and that’s how we got down quick.”

Although the SFS managed to cut the lead down to six points with under two minutes remaining in the game, two free throws by PACOM/JIOC post-player Lt. Adam Hudson with only 1:11 on the clock sealed the game.

In comparing PACOM/JIOC’s win over Poundtown to their defeat to NIOC, Veasley said that the biggest difference was teamwork and patience.

“Once we opened up, things became available for us,” she noted. “When we play together as a team, not as individuals, you can tell the difference. And patience, I cannot mention that enough. Even in practice, it’s patience.”

While the strong performance of PACOM/JIOC against a tough opponent seems to suggest that the team is back to their championship form of last season, Veasley is not convinced that her team is there.

Sharpshooter Intelligence Specialist 2nd Class Josh Kelly, despite getting numerous open looks at the basket, scored only two points against Poundtown, and big men Hudson and Staff Sgt. Allen Birtcil have averaged only five points in their last two games.

However, Veasley said that if the team stays together, she is confident that it will challenge for the division’s top spot once again.

“We are a command where we have watch standards, and that makes it kind of tough to practice with them all together,” she explained. “As long as nothing real world happens, we’re going to be all right.”

VP-9’s ‘King of the Hill’ 5K race makes strides

Lt. j.g. Ryan Jones

Patrol Squadron Nine
Public Affairs Officer

MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII, Kaneohe Bay – More than 145 competitors assembled at Dewey Field, Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH), Kaneohe, to run the fifth annual King of the Hill 5K on Jan. 21.

Sponsored by Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9), the event attracted men, women and children from around the island to challenge themselves, and each other, on the rigorous course.

“The number of participants is more than ever before. This demonstrates a growth in the event’s popularity, with a 40 percent increase in runner turnout over last year’s King of the Hill,” said Cmdr. Rich Prest, VP-9’s commanding officer and race participant.

“It’s great to see Sailors, Marines and families enjoying some healthy competition.”

The race is the first event of the 2012 commanding officers’ fitness series. The five-kilometer course tests even the strongest competitors with distracting ocean views and the infamous climb up “Radar Hill.”

VP-9’s own Lt. Susan Richardson finished first in the women’s overall with a time of 23:28. Finishing first in the men’s division was Tyler Hubbard at 20:57.

“It’s such a challenging course, but it has to be the most picturesque 5K you can run on Oahu,” Richardson said. “If you can remember to look around at the top, you’ll see what I mean. The views are stunning.”

Runners took pictures of the scenic bay and surrounding mountains as children in strollers

grinned when they whizzed up and down the streets. Friends and families paced each other and enjoyed the spirit of the competition as they headed toward the finish.

More than 25 volunteers met early Saturday morning to register racers and provide them with packets, timing chips and T-shirts. Manned aid stations were located along the course to provide guidance and motivation as runners of all ages conquered the terrain.

“A special thanks goes out to all the men and women who volunteered as well as the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Center which provided assistance. This event could not have happened without all the support,” Prest said.

Official results will be posted at <http://www.mccshawaii.com/cgfit.shtml>.



U.S. Navy photo by CRW/MC2 Jeremy Hacker

Runners jog past the finish for the Fifth Annual Patrol Squadron nine King of the Hill 5K run. The event, held Jan. 21, attracted more than 145 runners.

Seabee Run will take place on Saturday

Navy Region Hawaii

The 20th annual Seabee Run will take place at 7 a.m. Feb. 11 on Ford Island. There will be six categories and entry fees for the run:

- 5K for \$25
 - 10K for \$25
 - 10K couples for \$40
 - 1 mile keiki run for \$10
 - 5 K-9 with dog \$25
 - 5K stroller
- Awards will be provided to the top three male and

female finishers in each division for the 5K and 10K. Top finisher in the couples 10K division, which is the combined times of the Valentine's Sweethearts, will also receive an award.

Register at <http://bit.ly/wWfDqM>. Packet pickup will be at Runner's Hi from 2 to 7 p.m. For more information, call Lt. j.g. Luke Dragovich at 473-7818 or email luke.dragovich@navy.mil.

Career-related information offered for Airmen, spouses

Hickam Education Office

As a note to Air Force enlisted members, career development course (CDC) study material for Weighted Airman Promotion System (WAPS) is now available online for Airmen who are having trouble acquiring it.

Once an Airman has access to the

study material through the website, the 60-day clock for study time starts. The following is the link to the study material website: <http://cdc.aetc.af.mil/>. For information, email cyth-nia.stine@hickam.af.mil.

In addition, spouses of active duty Air Force members may be eligible for Spouse Tuition Assistance Program

(STAP) funds. Applications will be accepted Feb. 20 through March 9 for classes with a term start date of April/May/June.

Go to the website <https://aiportal.acc.af.mil/stap/>. For information, call the Hickam Education Office at 448-0022 or email: 647fss.fsdc@hickam.af.mil.

Soccer players sought

The American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Region 188 covering Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and Fort Shafter is looking for boys and girls ages 12 to 18 to sign up to play soccer on the U14 and U16/19 teams.



The group will register as many players as needed to fill the teams. For information on how to register a player, email Elisha Cole at reg@aysoregion188.org. Anyone interested in volunteering may email rc@aysoregion188.org

This week in USAF and PACAF history

Charles Nicholls

PACAF historian

On Feb. 8, 1938, the first bombardment unit based at Hickam, the 31st Bombardment Squadron (BS) (heavy), arrived from Hamilton Field and was assigned to the 5th Composite Group. The 31st emblem was the distinctive skull and crossbones proper on a black triangle. Four members of the 31 BS were killed in action on Dec. 7, 1941, nine members were wounded, and all of the squadron's B-18 Bolo bombers were either damaged or destroyed. Re-equipped with B-17s, the squadron was assigned various maritime bombing and surveillance missions in the South Pacific.

On Feb. 8, 1953, the American Medical Association recognized aviation medicine as a medical specialty, the first specialty to evolve from military practice and research.

On Feb. 10, 1954, the Hawaii Air National Guard's (HIANG) first group of F-86 Sabre Jets arrived to replace their WWII-era P-47s. A large enthusiastic group of HIANG members was on hand to "de-cocoon" them of their waterproof protective coverings. One of the "new" F-86s was recognized by Tech. Sgt. Simanu Afoa Jr., a Korean veteran, as F-86E No. 740, the jet flown by Maj. James Jabara, the world's first jet ace. Four years later, the



On Feb. 12, 1993, the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron (HIANG) activated at Hickam AFB, with Lt. Col Walter K. Kaneakua in command.

Hawaii Air National Guard traded their F-86E fighters for more modern radar-equipped F-86L all-weather interceptors. The initial shipment of F-86Ls arrived at Pearl Harbor on Feb. 5, 1958. The new Sabres assumed air defense alert duty on May 1.

On Feb. 8, 2006, the first of eight C-17 Globemaster IIIs arrived at the former Hickam Air Force Base, greeted by a host of distinguished visitors and a cheering crowd in front of base operations. Hawaii Gov. Linda Lingle christened the new C-17 the "Spirit of Hawaii - Ke

Aloha." The aircraft were assigned to the 15th Airlift Wing. The maintainers

were a composite of active duty and Hawaii Air National Guard.

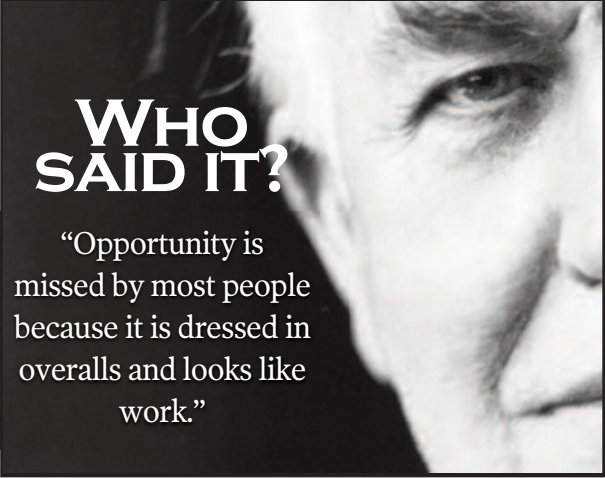
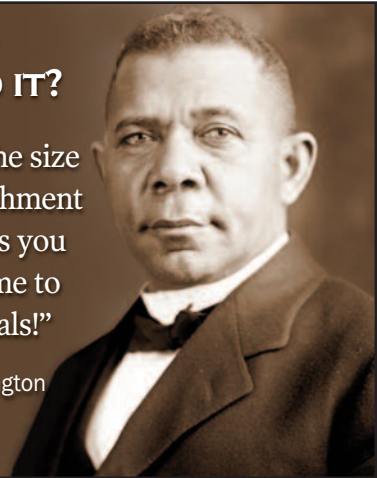


Last Week's

WHO SAID IT?

“You measure the size of the accomplishment by the obstacles you had to overcome to reach your goals!”

Booker T. Washington



WHO SAID IT?

“Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.”

This Week's Trivia

What happened on Feb. 10, 1862 in U.S. naval history?



Last Issue's Question: During Desert Storm, when did F-111 Aardvarks deliver guided bombs on the Al Ahmadi oil refinery to close oil manifolds opened by the Iraqis?

Answer: On Jan. 27, 1991, the F-111 Aardvarks participated in the attack, which stopped the flow of the biggest deliberate oil spill in history.

STORY IDEAS?

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Morale Welfare & Recreation

GARY SINISE AND LT. DAN BAND
Gary Sinise and the Lt. Dan Band will hold a free performance tonight at 7 p.m. at the Freedom Tower at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. Round-trip shuttle service to and from Freedom Tower will be available. The band will also perform at 7 p.m. Saturday in Dewey Square, Marine Corps Base Hawaii. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

FREE GOLF CLINIC
There will be a free golf clinic at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Navy-Marine Golf Course. FMI: 471-0142.

VALENTINE'S RED AND WHITE BALL
There will be a free Valentine's ball on Sunday at J.R. Rockers. Dinner is at 5 p.m. and dancing starts at 9 p.m. FMI: 448-2271.

SWEETHEART'S SWIM
On Feb. 13 and 14 Scott, Richardson, Hickam pool one and Hickam pool two will host a sweetheart's swim. Each couple swims 1,000 yards total, with each couple completing the swim receiving a prize. The event is for those ages 16 and older. FMI: 473-0394.

SPRING CAMP REGISTRATION
Registration for Spring Camp 2012 will be held Feb. 13 through 17 for single parent active-duty and dual active-duty parents. Open registration will be Feb. 21 until it is completely filled. In-person registration is at Catlin and Hickam SAC, and online registration can be found at www.greatlifehawaii.com. Spring Camp 2012 will be held from March 12 to 16. FMI: Catlin SAC 421-1556 and Hickam SAC 448-4396.

ALL-NAVY BOWLING TRYOUTS
There will be bowling tryouts at 10 a.m. Feb. 14 to 16 at the Naval Station Bowling Center. Tryouts are eight games per day and are open to all active-duty personnel. The top six men and top four women advance to the All-Military Bowling Tournament in April. The cost is \$16 a day. FMI: 473-2574.

VALENTINE'S SWEETHEARTS DINNER
The Hickam Officers' Club is hosting a Valentine's Sweethearts Dinner from 6 to 9 p.m. Feb. 14. Dinner is four courses and includes an appetizer, salad and dessert. This event is open to all ranks. The cost is \$89.95 per couple, and members receive a \$10 discount. FMI: 448-4608.

THIRD FRIDAYS LIVE
Third Fridays Live will be held from 4 to 10 p.m. Feb. 17 at the Hickam Officers' Club. This month's free event will feature Anjj Lee and Funky Monkey. FMI: 448-4608.

For more information on events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Community Calendar

February
Today ~ Today is the last day to sign up for the Great Aloha Run. More than 25,000 participants will run in the 8.25-mile race from Aloha Tower to Aloha Stadium where prizes and goody bags await. Go to <http://www.eventsonline.ca/events/GAR/>, or www.greataloharun.com to register.

11 ~ The Hickam African American Heritage Association (AAHA) will hold a free night at the Apollo Talent Show at 5 p.m. Saturday at Paradise Lounge at Club Pearl on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH). The theme is African American legends of music. Performers and volunteers for the event are being sought. FMI: Staff Sgt. Kimberly Blackmon 449-8612 or Kimberly.blackmon@hickam.af.mil

18 ~ A "hangar talk" will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor education center. The event is free with paid museum admission. Guest lecturers who are aviation authors, pilots, scientists and veterans will discuss aviation and the history it made and changed. FMI: 441-1000 or www.pacificaviationmuseum.org.

18-19 ~ An airsoft fundraising tournament for Wounded Warriors will be held at the Schofield Barracks MOUT (Military Operations on Urban Terrain) site from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Entry fee is \$25 per person. Registration forms can be completed on the day of the event or be downloaded from www.airsoftwarriors.org. FMI: 733-4263 or Stanley.toy@us.army.mil.

20 ~ The Home of the Brave quilt project will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The event is free with paid museum admission. See quilts being made, and sign one that will be presented to the family of a fallen Hawaii Soldier. FMI: 441-1000 or www.pacificaviationmuseum.org.

23 ~ The Commanding Officer/Executive Officer, Junior Officer, Master Chief Petty Officer, Senior Chief Petty Officer and E-8/E-9 Spouses Workshop Committee will host an event titled "Keeping Sailors and Families Safe Through Operational Security (OPSEC)" from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 23 at the Kaneohe Bay Officers Club at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. RSVP by Feb. 17. All spouses of Navy and Coast Guard officers who have been selected for or served in an executive officer or commanding officer position, O-1 to O-4 and Chief Warrant Officer 1-5, and E-8/E-9 and above are welcome to attend. To RSVP, call Fleet and Family Support center at 474-1999 or email leadership4U@hotmail.com. FMI: visit the JO Spouse Ohana - Hawaii Facebook page.

Movie Showtimes



The Adventures of Tintin (PG)

Intrepid reporter Tintin and Captain Haddock set off on a treasure hunt for a sunken ship commanded by Haddock's ancestor.

SHARKEY MOVIE THEATER

TODAY
7:00 PM Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol (PG-13)
SATURDAY
2:30 PM Hugo (PG)
5:00 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G)
7:00 PM Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows (PG-13)
SUNDAY
2:30 PM Hugo (PG)
4:45 PM The Adventures of Tintin (PG)
7:00 PM Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY
6:00 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G)
8:45 PM The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Pt 1 (PG-13)
SATURDAY
4:00 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G)
7:00 PM We Bought A Zoo (PG)
SUNDAY
2:00 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G)

