



Destroyer Squadron 31 conducts change of command ceremony

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"This was my dream assets, your Sailors."

Commander, Destroyer Squadron 31 (DESRON 31) held a change of command ceremony July 31 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Capt. Wallace G. Lovely relieved Capt. David A. Welch as commanding officer.

Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, was guest speaker for the event and praised Welch and DESRON 31.

"The largest and most capable destroyer squadron largest destroyer squadron in our Navy's arsenal, they never missed a mission, ever," Ponds said. "They

in the Pacific Fleet, the Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, (right) commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, presents Capt. David A. Welch, former deputy commodore of Destroyer Squadron 31 (DESRON 31), with the Navy Legion of Merit Medal during the DESRON 31 change of command ceremony July 31.

prepared to meet (the) mis- independent deployer or missions led by Dave said. sion, whether conducting operating as a part of a car- (Welch) at DESRON 31

were always ready, always real world operations as an rier strike group. Those were always a success," he

The change of command and I are ready, willing and tions in Washington, D.C.

assignment for major command as a surface warfare 31 assumed duties as lenged, energized and hum- mand for all Pearl Harborlead and mentor this staff frigates under an operaand so many fantastic comrelationship with each of has been a high point, and Middle Pacific. DESRON the list of naval professionals who have had command in this squadron is impressive.'

Welch then relinquished plans for the squadron.

phase shift in direction or riors from the sea." priorities. Our fundamental charge remains, ships ment will be at the office of

In May 2008, DESRON officer, and I've been chal- immediate superior in combled by the opportunity to based destroyers and tional alignment to increase manding officers and great force presence and surge Sailors," Welch said. "My capacity in the western Pacific under Commander, the commanding officers Naval Surface Group 31 was also assigned as a task group commander for bilateral naval exercises in Southeast Asia.

DESRON 31 moved to command of DESRON 31 to Pearl Harbor from San Lovely, who spoke of his Diego in 1991 and adopted the motto "Ke Koa O Ke "Today does not mark a Kai," which means "war-

Welch's next duty assignready for tasking. My staff the Chief of Naval Opera-

Australian minister for defence visits Hawaii during RIMPAC exercise

Story and photo by **MC2** Daniel Barker

Navy Public Affairs Support Element West, Detachment Hawaii

HONOLULU - Australian Minister for Defence Stephen Smith participated in a wreath-laying ceremony July 25 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).

This was Smith's first official visit to Honolulu as minister for defence. The early morning ceremony involved a rifle salute, playing of Taps, live performances of the national anthem for both Australia and the United States, and a presentation of colors.

"This morning, minister for defence came here with his official party and held a very small service and laid a wreath just

before us and paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom we all enjoy today in this region," said Commodore Stephen Woodall of the Royal Australian Naval Attaché based in Washington, D.C.

"Whenever distinguished personnel visit, we like to bring them here to Punchbowl National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific to remember the fallen and remember the long and shared history Australia has with the United States, particularly here in the Pacific," Woodall said. Smith met with officials at United States Pacific Command (PACOM), Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel and viewed naval exercises involving Australia's participation in the 2012 Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise.

"We had our minister for defence, the

to remember those people who have gone honorable Stephen Smith, visiting Honolulu to basically look at the RIMPAC exercise but also to have some discussion with senior U.S. military personnel particularly PACOM," Woodall said.

Smith was also scheduled to visit the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68) and the Australian guided-missile frigate HMAS Darwin (FFG 04) as they participate in RIMPAC 2012.

The Australian Minister of Defence Stephen Smith participates in a wreath-laying ceremony at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl) in remembrance of service members who lost their lives. The visit is part of the biennial Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise.





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Region commander shows vested interest in back-to-school safety

Bill Doughty

"Our Navy has stated

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Rear Adm. Frank Ponds put on a safety vest, picked up a traffic sign and stepped into a busy intersection to serve as an honorary crossing guard July 30, the first day back to school in Hawaii. Ponds said. "Please join us

Ponds, the commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, visited the Halsey Terrace military housing community near Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) with Navy Region Hawaii Command Master Chief (SW/AW) Marc Sibal.

They were there to raise awareness of back-to-school safety issues and in support of Kelly Boyd, president of the Aliamanu Elementary Parent-Teacher Association, who is recruiting parent volunteers.

"Two other PTA board members and I brought up our concerns at a community advisory board meeting about Securitas (a private security firm) not providing crossing guards," Boyd said.

"We hoped for Navy participation and assistance," Boyd said. "Unfortunately, for a number of reasons, and we all understand why, they aren't able to provide a dedicated person as a crossing guard, so we need parent volunteers.'

Resources are not available to fund crossing guards in housing areas. Ponds hopes to raise interest and awareness of the need for volunteers to step forward and help.

"We need every parent to get involved. I encourage you to answer the call for volunteers, ask how you can help, and pitch in where you can. We're counting on you," Ponds said.

that people are the most valuable resource. As parents, I am sure we can agree that our most precious resource is our children. We at Navy Region Hawaii are committed to doing everything we can in ensuring the welfare and the safety of our children," in this commitment. Get involved, please."

Boyd said parents are already contacting her because of the awareness campaign by leaders like Ponds, Sibal, JBPHH Commander Capt. Jeffrey James and JBPHH Command Master Chief CMDCM (SW) Brian Ortega, among others.

"I really appreciate their support," Boyd said. "It's been amazing. The master chiefs and senior chiefs are getting the word out to families. They did more than I could ever do at the PTA level to get the word out to parents."

At least one command has stepped up to support the effort.

"NIOC Hawaii DIRSUP (Direct Support) stepped up as partners to the school for the first two weeks while we organized parent support," Boyd said. "They have been invaluable to our success.

Commands, groups and individuals can help in other ways, too.

"Every parent can help the school or the PTA as a volunteer in their community," Sibal said. "Every person can help ensure the safety of our children who are walking to and from school or to their bus stops every day. Drivers need to be aware of speed limits and obey the rules of the road."

Boyd invites parents to collaborate on this and other issues that affect their community. Collabo-



U.S. Navy photos by CMC Marc Sibal

Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, picks up a traffic sign and steps into a busy intersection as an honorary crossing guard July 30. The admiral was hoping to raise awareness of the need for volunteers to help as crossing guards to see the children safely across streets while going to and from school. Resources are not available to fund crossing guards in housing areas.

ration is the "T" in the movement called VEST: Vigilance (be observant), Engagement (get involved), Speed (call 911 immediately) and Together (working as one community).

ty to be safer, we need to be it work," Boyd said. out there," she said. "We bility."

"If we want our communi- we need volunteers to make arrange for, set up,

need more personal responsi- the Forest City housing team will work with resi- unteer, call your PTA, "Everybody wants a dents and the Honolulu school or housing area neighborhood watch, but Police Department to office.

resource and train a neigh-Navy Region Hawaii and borhood watch program.

To learn more or to vol-

PACAF C-17 Demonstration Team performs at Joint Base Lewis-McChord

Story and photos by 2nd Lt. Jessica Colby

15th Wing Public Affairs

The Pacific Air Forces C-17 Aerial Demonstration Team, the only active C-17 Globemaster III demonstration team, performed July 21 and 22 at the Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) Air Expo 2012 at McChord Field, Wash.

The air exposition presented 20 aerial performers and more than 40 static military and civilian aircraft from across the United States. In addition to numerous aviation centric displays, the show was the largest demonstration ever held at McChord Field with more than 170,000 attendees.

Spectators of all ages, both military and civilian, cheered during the 12highlighted the capabilities aircraft.

The profile included a and climb, a high speed was flying," said Frances



Members of the Pacific Air Forces C-17 Aerial Demonstration Team make final pre-flight preparations prior to performing at the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Air Expo 2012 at McChord Field, Wash.

pass, a slow speed pass, a Ross, Seattle resident and 360-degree turn, an assault attendant at the JBLM Air landing and an immediate Expo 2012. "It really helps backing on the runway. The the crowd understand visual show was comple- what's going on and to appreciate the recent and mented by a custom soundtrack and a narration given current missions of the Cby Capt. Angela Kimler, 17." minute exhibition which narrator for the PACAF C-17 Demonstration Team, of the military transport and pilot with the 535th marked the first air show Airlift Squadron.

"It was great hearing maximum power takeoff about the aircraft while it joint service operations hit strengthen their ties," said Marine Corps Base Hawaii, home with an aircrew mem-Capt. Adrian Martin, C-17 Kaneohe as well as internaber of the demo team from demonstration team pilot. Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

JBLM and current member there are six scheduled per- Demonstration Team is at of JBPHH, it's interesting to see the growth of the U.S. perform close to home at the Festival in Japan this Army and Air Force as they Kaneohe Bay Airshow at August.

The JBLM Air Expo kicked off the 2012 demonformances. The team will the

tional locations such as Japan and India.

The next performance for "As a former member of stration season. Currently, the PACAF C-17 Aerial Yokota Friendship



A C-17 Globemaster III from the 535th Airlift Squadron at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam sets up for landing July 22 as part of the Pacific Air Forces C-17 Aerial Demonstration Team at the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Air Expo 2012 at McChord Field, Wash.

USS Nimitz is back at Pearl Harbor-Hickam

bility.

hosted by JBLM as a joint

base at full operational capa-

The successful display of

The Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68) (left) passes by the Battleship Missouri Memorial as the ship returns to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam following operations supporting the Rim of the Pacific 2012 exercise.

Wildcat' fighters fly through the skies

Grumman F4F-3 "Wildcat" fighters of Fighting Squadron Three (VF-3) are shown here in flight April 10, 1942 near the former Naval Air Station, Kaneohe on Oahu, Hawaii. Cmdr. John S. Thach, and Lt. Edward H. O'Hare. Both of these aircraft were lost while assigned to Fighting Squadron Two (VF-2) with USS Lexington (CV-2), during the Battle of Coral Sea in May 1942.





"Athletes at the London summer Olympics are breaking records and bringing home medals. What is your favorite summer Olympic sporting event and why?"

Engineman 1st Class Stacey Stanerson Fleet and Family Readiness Program

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"Curling. It is the greatest sport there





"Table Tennis."

2nd Lt Thomas Hansen 692nd Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group

Swimming! It is the sport I grew up with, I have been a competitive swimmer most of my life. It is awesome to see it at the highest level.

Lt. Megan White Transient Personnel Unit



Staff Sgt. Marvin Teyes 792nd Intelligence Support Squadron

"Water polo, because it is very unique and uncommon.'

Religious Program Specialist 2nd Class Benjamin Carter Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"Air Pistol."



(Provided by MC2 Heidi McCormick and David Underwood Jr.) Want to see your command featured in Diverse Views? Got opinions to share? Drop us a line at editor@hookelenews.com or karen.spangler@navy.mil



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The aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68) and the amphibious assault ship USS Essex (LHD 2) sail in close formation during Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2012.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Raul Moreno Jr



RIMPAC activities wrap up during first week of August

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and www.great lifehawaii.com Aug. 4 Recreation has a variety of activities during the first events include: week of August for all RIM- Aug. 3 PAC commands in Hawaii.

located across the street from Bravo Piers 23 and 24 at Hotel Pier.

Some of the upcoming

Visit "RIMPAC Central" ular sites with an around-the- and a minimum of six people island tour. The cost is \$20 otel Pier. six people is required. The and returns at 6 p.m. For complete and updated activity departs RIMPAC Aug. 5

information on all of the Central at 10 a.m. and

the Pacific Aviation Musuem • Explore Oahu's most pop- Pearl Harbor. The cost is \$29 is required. The tour departs

Park. A maximum of 40 peo-ple may attend the event, ty departs RIMPAC Central Take a historical tour of the which departs RIMPAC at 10 a.m. and noon, with Arizona Memorial and visit Central at 9 a.m. and returns return times of 1 and 3 p.m. at 4 p.m. This is a Single Sailor Program activity.

Aug. 6 per person and a minimum of RIMPAC Central at 2 p.m. country trails overlooking of six people is required. The Waimea Valley. The cost is activity departs RIMPAC \$72 per person with a mini- Central at 10 a.m. and Take a free trip to Sea Life mum of six and maximum of returns at 2 p.m.

Aug. 7

Go paddleboarding on the Haleiwa River. The cost is Go horseback riding on \$20 per person and a minium



Ships and submarines participating in Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise 2012 sail in formation in the waters around the Hawaiian islands.



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Robertson U.S. Marines from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment and South Korean marines move to an objective during Rim of the Pacific 2012 on July 31 at Kahuku Training Area, Hawaii.

U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Robert Bush Royal Canadian Army Warrant Officer Robby Fraser, a platoon warrant officer with Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, directs machine gun fire at a support-by-fire position during a platoon-size live-fire assault as part of Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2012.



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A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon receives fuel from an U.S. Air Force KC-135 Stratotanker during an aerial refueling mission.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Robertson

U.S. Marines from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment provide security during a assault exercise July 31 at Kahuku Training Area, Hawaii.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Robertson)





Ensign Steven McClendon climbs down the side of the guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) onto a rigid-hull inflatable boat (RHIB) to conduct a visit, board, search and seizure (VBSS) exercise with the Royal Australian navy Anzac-class frigate HMAS Perth (FFH 157) .

U.S. Navy photo by Raul Moreno Jr.

(Right) Boatswains on board Her Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Algonquin (DDG 283) prepare to launch an inflatable boat during a man overboard exercise July 26, in the Pacific Ocean.

Canadian Forces photo by MCpl Marc-Andre Gaudreault

(Below) Soldiers from the Non-combatant Evacuation Operation Company, 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry from Shilo, Manitoba, disembark from Marine CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters at the Marine Corps Training Area Bellows (MCTAB), Waimanalo, Hawaii on July 28, 2012.

Canadian Forces photo by MCpl Marc-Andre Gaudreault



PACFLT commander highlights importance of diversity at NNOA conference

Landess Kearns

U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

NEW ORLEANS (NNS) --The commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet spoke about the importance of diversity in the sea services during a panel discussion July 25 at the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) conference in New Orleans.

Adm. Cecil D. Haney praised the mission of the NNOA, underscoring the group's personal impact on his career and its importance to the Navy as a whole.

The annual NNOA conference, first held in 1973, consists of numerous educational and professional



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Corwin Colbert

Adm. Cecil Haney, commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, answers questions from service members assigned to Commander, Submarine Squadron 15, and the submarine tenders USS Frank Cable (AS 40) and USS Emory S. Land (AS 39), at Polaris Point in Guam. Haney visited military installations on Guam before returning back to his headquarters in Hawaii.

workshops, seminars and ative and innovative thinkexhibits. Its prime focus is to ing that helps military leadsupport the sea services in ers make decisions. recruiting, retaining and developing the careers of minority officers.

Adm. Manson Brown and Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Tracy Garrett were also on the discussion panel.

mentorship at these meetings," Haney said. "I really cannot say enough about how the United States of America, the Navy, the in service ... each one is a Marine Corps and the volunteer. We have to Coast Guard count on your leadership on a day-to-day basis.'

stressed the Haney importance of each individu- Haney also paid a visit to al member of the Navy and the Avondale shipyard that diversity leads to cre- where two ships, PCU

"Diversity of opinion and diversity of ideas is absolutely essential to deal with U.S. Coast Guard Vice the complex and uncertain world where we operate," Haney said.

tant that you think about fleet. "I have received a lot of the legacy you leave behind. You must treat everyone being commissioned and with dignity and respect. No matter what rank anyone is or how long they have been stage for the life of these appreciate that and always operators possible. Learn as be their biggest cheerleaders.

While in New Orleans,

Anchorage (LPD 23) and PCU Somerset (LPD 25), are nearing completion of their construction.

Following a tour of Anchorage, Haney spoke with the crews of both new ships at an all hands call, expressing his excitement "As leaders, it is impor- for the new additions to the

> "I look forward to you operating in the fleet," he said. "You are setting the warships. Your job going forward is to become the best much as you can from the outstanding civilian workers here, so that you can deliver the operational capability that I require in the Pacific."

USS Hopper begins major maintenance period at Pearl Harbor

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs

USS Hopper (DDG 70) entered dry dock July 18 at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipvard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) for a major maintenance period.

The docking selected restricted availability (DSRA) encompasses more than \$25 million of work, making it integrated schedule and test-

mand on an Arleigh Burkeclass guided missile destroyer

Most of the hands-on work will be done by the lead contractor, BAE Systems Ship Repair Hawaii, and its subcontractors while PHNSY & IMF oversees and supervises the project.

"We have a very robust,

one of the largest work pack- ing plan to de-conflict work ages conducted by the com- for all of the various maintenance and modernization activities," said Lt. Cmdr. Mitch Perrett, project officer for the Hopper DSRA. "The effort put forth into getting this right will really pay off in execution.

"We're looking forward to a safe, high-quality availability to keep USS Hopper 'fit to fight," Perrett said. PHNSY & IMF is a field

activity of the Naval Sea Systems Command and a full-service naval shipyard and regional maintenance center for the Navy's surface ships and submarines.

It is the largest industrial employer in the state of Hawaii with a combined civilian and military workforce of about 4,850 and an economic impact of \$925 million.

For more information on PHNSY & IMF, visit www. navsea.navy.mil/shipyards/p earl/default.aspx.

U.S. Navy photo by Danielle Jones

USS Hopper (DDG 70) enters dry dock July 18 at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. The guided missile destroyer is undergoing more than \$25 million in maintenance and modernization work.



Joint and coalition partners perform RIMPAC operations





(Above) An A-10 Thunderbolt II from the 47th Fighter Squadron, Barksdale Air Force Base, La, descends from the skies to land on the 15th Wing flightline at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, on July

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Mrs. Hawaii 2012 will be guest speaker at Joint Spouses Conference Hawaii

Karen S. Spangler

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Stacey Bass Snee, who was crowned as Mrs. Hawaii 2012 at the local pageant held April 15, will be the guest speaker for the Joint Spouses' Conference (JSC) Hawaii 2012.

The conference, themed "Anchors Away in Paradise," will be held Oct. 20 at the Ford Island Conference Center. The on-line registration for this year's Joint Spouses Conference Hawaii will be launched Sept. 7.

Snee, who is a Navy spouse, mother of two children, former naval officer and veteran, and registered dietician, will offer her insight on the role of military spouses in their communities.

"I have learned from these past few months of competing for and winning the title of Mrs. Hawaii that everyone has something to offer to their neighborhood, city or the broader community, and it may just take stepping a bit out of one's comfort zone to ultimately be in a position to put your talents to work," Snee said.

Snee, whose first-time pageant experience came with her win in this year's Mrs. Hawaii pageant, said, "It was definitely a step out of my comfort zone to compete as the oldest contestant this year. But with challenge comes growth."

She had some additional advice to offer other military spouses, encouraging them to share their talents and time with others.

"It also takes being present in the communities in which we live versus preoccupation with the last duty station or the next duty station or the place we will retire. As a transient group, it's important for us to be in



Navy spouse Stacy Snee is Mrs. Hawaii 2012.

and our community," she said.

A registered dietician, Snee focuses much of her time and efforts on childhood obesity prevention. This is her platform as Mrs. Hawaii.

"I have worked with several organizations focused on child nutrition. Most this moment and this place recently, I worked with in order to really contribute multi-ethnic families with to our spouses, one another children who are over-

weight or obese, and that experience opened my eyes to the need for more familycentered approaches in the fight against childhood obesity," Snee explained.

At this year's Joint Spouses Conference, spouses will be able to choose from more than 25 workshops, held at such venues Battleship Missouri as Memorial, Pacific Aviation Museum, control tower and

hangar 79, Navy Lodge, spouse and JSC director. Rainbow Bay Marina and Pearl Harbor barges.

the workshops at the active duty, reserve and presenters will appeal to vour mind, body and soul, over the islands will join us for a memorable day on beautiful and historic Ford Joanne Island," said Neyland, an Army spouse and co-chair for the JSC workshops committee.

Military spouses will also have the opportunity to immerse themselves in interactive workshops, such as photography, interior decorating and art.

Attendees will be able to choose four workshops from 25 which are being offered. Some of the workshops will include Asian cooking as spouses learn the secrets behind preparing the perfect pad Thai, Korean barbecue beef and more.

Spouses will find out how to get the most bang for their military buck while exploring Hawaii's diverse islands at an island-hopping workshop.

A workshop featuring a remembrance tour of Dec. 7, 1941 will provide an opportunity for conference attendees to board a VIP Navy barge and enjoy a special narrated tour of Pearl Harbor.

"There's great satisfaction in watching nine plus months of teamwork and planning come together. With two plus months to go, the level of creativity and commitment from our team of 50 joint service spouse volunteers continues to amaze and inspire me daily.

"The hard work and attention to detail is often complex and time consuming, but we keep a sense of humor and are motivated to deliver," said Kim Becker, a Navy

The Spouses Conference pro-"We're very excited about vides a forum for spouses of

upcoming conference. Our retired military members of learn, network and help each other in their chalso we hope spouses from all lenging roles as spouses, parents, professionals and community leaders through workshops and special guest speakers.

annual

"As an Army wife, I'm thankful to have the fantastic opportunity to share time with spouses in the sister services, with the vast majority being especially in the Navy. I've been particularly impressed with the collaboration among this joint service team, and I am confident that the the selection of more than results of our collective individuals and local busiefforts will positively reflect on Oct. 20," said Gretchen Escribano, an Army spouse and the deputy director for come those still interested JSC.

Whether spouses have been on the island for awhile or are new to Hawaii, the conference offers a unique opportunity chair for JSC. to meet and network with more than 350 spouses.

great opportunity for mili- Joint Spouses' Conference tary spouses from each of Hawaii.)

the branches of service to Joint come together to network and learn from each other while also having some fun. It's a day to recognize what we have in common and talented and enthusiastic all services and ranks to draw strength from our shared experiences," Snee said.

Register for the conference via the JSC website at http://jschawaii.com or Face book at https://www.face book.com/JointSpouses Conference2012?ref=tn_tn mn.

Military spouses who are interested in attending can also obtain more information through military spouse groups island-wide and by visiting the JSC website or Facebook page.

"The generous support and contributions of many nesses are enabling us to present one of the best conferences ever, and we welin contributing to this year's JSC to contact us at jscdonations@gmail.com," said Melissa Coudeyras, a Navy spouse and donations

(Editor's note: Check future issues of Ho`okele for "I think the JSC is a more details about the 2012

Headed for Mrs. America Pageant

Before Mrs. Hawaii 2012, Stacey Snee, heads to Tucson, Ariz. to compete in the Mrs. America Pageant, she plans to hold a fundraiser sendoff at 4 p.m. Aug. 12 at P.F. Chang's at Ward Center. Tickets for the event are \$10 and may be purchased by emailing her at mrshawaii2012@gmail.com or by visiting Facebook.com/mrshawaii2012.

The preliminary event to the pageant will be held Aug. 27. Fifteen semi-finalists will move on to compete in the finals on Aug. 29. According to Snee, supporters can vote for her by visiting the Mrs. America website at www.mrsamerica.com. Each vote costs \$1 and all of the proceeds go to charity. She explained that the two contestants who garner the most votes will automatically be in the top 15 semi-finalists.

Medical flight answers health care needs as top PACAF lab

Story and photo by Senior Airman Lauren Main

15th Wing Public Affairs

The Hickam Diagnostic and Therapeutic (D&T) Flight, the top lab in PACAF, has an unrivaled record when it comes to response times.

The flight is comprised of both radiology and laboratory technicians. Each functional area of the flight is subject to rigorous accountability processes.

"The minute an item comes off an instrument, within five minutes, we've got it in the system and have notified the provider with the results," said Capt. Julie Kena, Hickam Diagnostic and Therapeutic Flight commander. "The national average is approximately one hour."

In 2011, the flight underwent a rigorous inspection by Pathologists, in which a team of inspectors had a three-month window to drop in on the D&T flight for an inspection at any moment. Every drop of blood, every urine sample and culture can be inspected. The examiners pulled 2,000 items and, when the assessment was com-



Tech. Sgt. Robert Murray, 15th Medical Support Squadron Laboratory NCO-in-charge, tests lab samples July 19 at the Joint Biological Agent Identification and Diagnostic System facility at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii.

plete, there were zero findings and zero recommendations for improvement.

"Following that inspection, the College of American we were in the top three percent of the Air Force," said Kena. "They couldn't find one item that was a writeup. When you have a lab with zero findings, and zero recommendations... that's rare."

An excerpt from an article written by Karen Gordon, president of VA society for Clinical Laboratory Science,

is quoted, "I, or someone like Kena said, that the respon- what we report out is accume, have touched you hundreds of times, but you never saw me, never felt me. I give you hope, provide joy, and unfortunately, deliver bad news. I am never there to share in your excitement or comfort you in your times of sorrow. However, I still feel these emotions from a distance. I am a clinical laboratory scientist."

The article was first pub-lished in "ASCLS Weekly," a publication produced by the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science.

"I live and die by those words," Kena explained. "I'm so passionate about my job. I have the greatest team, and I'm so blessed to work with them all."

It's important to note,

go beyond public perceptesting urinalysis samples.

In the event that chemical warfare is waged on the base, Kena and her team are the first responders to determine the actions to be taken following the disaster. The Home Station Medical Response Lab Biological Detection Team moves to an alternate location where biological environmental engineers bring soil and water samples to the team for testing.

"If the base gets hit with the bio agent, we get activated," she said. "We follow a checklist and follow it to a every day, and we do it bet-"T." We want to make sure ter than anyone else."

sibilities of the D&T flight rate and correct. The reason the testing facility is tion. Specifically, they are not part of the medical responsible for more than group is because, if anything's going to happen, we only want it to happen to us, and not our patients," Kena said.

Kena said the lion's share of the credit for the flight's success go to the Airmen who make it up.

"This is an amazing flight when you look at the things that we've done. In the year and a half that I've been here, there hasn't been a quarter that we haven't won an award," Kena said. "My people are just amazing. It's my team, it's my people, it's what we do



U.S. Navy and Australian Navy divers prepare to survey a sunken tugboat off the coast of Oahu. The sailors are working together in support of the biennial Rim of the Pacific Exercise from June 29 to Aug. 3 in and around the Hawaiian Islands.

New Navy docs dive into 'summer experience'

Story and photo by merged in a controlled sink-

MC2 Heidi McCormick

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Junior officers from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences experienced Navy life in the fleet during their required two-week "Summer Experience" which concluded July 28.

The Sailors were sent to Hawaii during the Rim of the Pacific exercise which provides collaborative training with 22 countries. Aboard the salvage vessel USNS Navajo, the future Navy Medical Corps officers experienced a unique diving mission.

Mobile Diving Salvage Unit One (MDSU-1) hosted the dive about two miles off the coast Oahu, while members from the U.S. Coast Guard out of San Diego and Australian navy clearance divers joined in the event.

Diving is a dangerous job sonnel is important. Witnessing the process first hand is the first step in learning ways to prevent and treat injury that may occur during a dive operathe potential dangers after witnessing the many preparations and safety steps preceding the dive.

"Observing the dive process allows us to see the inherent danger and risks associated with diving. This gives us a better understandinjury associating with diving. This will undoubtedly enhance our ability to treat our patients," said Ensign Mary Carrington, one of the future medical officers.

to complete the mission. The they have fun and they did,' boat was previously sub- Choe said.

ing to serve as a training platform for MDSU-1. The possibility that civilians could potentially injure themselves while recreationally diving in the shipwreck provoked a need to patch the holes and entryways closed.

The new officers on "Summer Experience" described their first observations with a dive team at work.

"It seemed like there were many ways a diver could be injured, such as being crushed by the stage or thrown overboard," Morgan said.

"We also were impressed how organized the dive was. Each diver played a critical role in maintaining the safety of the two divers in the water," added Ensign Tracey Honohan.

The officers received training about how to tend to the divers and learned about the treatment of diving injuries in a recompression chamber.

While expanding their and the need for medical per- Navy knowledge in Hawaii, the "Summer Experience" included other naval activities as well. The officers learned about submarines and special warfare and were given hands-on traintion. The officers recognized ing opportunities such as shooting on the small arms range.

Lt. Cmdr. Anna Choe, undersea/dive medical officer for MDSU-1, said the new docs received plenty of experience during their visit.

"Some of my objectives for them were to learn about ing of the mechanisms of Navy divers and what they do, about MDSU-1 and its chain of command, a little bit about Pearl Harbor history. and about becoming an undersea medical officer. But really, medical students The divers welded shut all study so hard that the most hatches in a sunken tug boat important thing was that

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Defending champs HIANG subdues SDVT-1

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

After absorbing their first loss in more than two years, the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) picked themselves up and rallied July 25 for a straight two-set victory, 25-17 and 25-22, over SEAL Delivery Vehicle Team-One (SDVT-1) in a Gold Division game at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center gym.

The HIANG, which won the first base intramural volleyball championship last season after capturing nine consecutive Hickam intramural crowns, was forced to forfeit their game on July 20.

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo, HIANG team captain, said that even though the loss wasn't experienced on the court, it was very important to bounce back with a win.

"The forfeit was a momentum killer." he said. "We've lost matches in between, but I think it's been at least a couple years since we last lost a whole game."

The win kept HIANG in the hunt for the Gold Division crown with a 4-1 record while SDVT-1 fell to 2-2.

Last season, HIANG went undefeated in the regular season with a 10-0 mark, before completing their sweep of the playoffs with a straight-set win over 647th Logistics Readiness Squadron (647 LRS) for the championship.



In their matchup with Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo, outside hitter and team captain for the Hawaii Air National SDVT-1, HIANG opened Guard (HIANG), delivers a kill above the defense of military spouse Naomi Steinkamp of an early 3-1 lead behind SEAL Delivery Vehicle Team-One (SDVT-1) during a Gold Division intramural volleyball game the service of Master Sgt. at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center gym.

Chad Lorenzo's first kill of the night.

Continued runs of two increased the HIANG's after three kills in a row by itself ahead by a score of up the second set if need 17-6.

"They had two shorter made it easy for me to see where the advantages block in the first set. "So it hitting it back over the net. was easy for me to hit the ball over and try to go after team and well practiced," the advantages.

strong comeback by recording the next five points to later." pull to within six and 17-11.

Leading the charge for 2nd Class Kareyenhagen, who started the run with a kill and folconsecutive aces.

Later, a kill by Navy Diver 1st Class Ryan Kirby kept SDVT-1 barely alive at 24-17, but a service error ended the set in favor of the effort of SDVT-1 and noted HIANG.

With Lorenzo taking a HIANG found themselves this season. in a battle from the start to the end.

The HIANG eventually Lum, but the team struggled to put SDVT-1 away.

And when a kill by points at 24-22, Lorenzo was forced to take a timeout.

and believed that they

Thompson and could pull through," said Lorenzo about his short talk to the team. "I kept telling them that even if and three points slowly the set didn't go on as we expected, we still had a lead in the first set and third set to try and attack from that point. We were Lorenzo, the team found up by one, so we could give be.'

The timeout seemed to players on their side, and it work as on the very next play, Staff Sgt. Kai Warner slammed a shot right at were," said Lorenzo, who Kirby, who made the block, scored on five kills and a but caught the ball instead,

"They're a very good said Kirby about the Although down by 11 HIANG. "We just need a points, SDVT-1 wouldn't go little more experience to down easily and mounted a get over that hurdle and we'll be ready for that

Kirby admitted that the team needs more practice SDVT-1 was Navy Diver serving as service errors Robbie seemed to keep SDVT-1 from gaining momentum.

"It's definitely one of our lowed up by serving three weaker areas," he pointed out. "A few of us got it dialed in, but a few of us need some work.

After earning the tough win, Lorenzo praised the that it probably won't be the last time that the break in the second set, the HIANG will be challenged

While Lorenzo won't guarantee that the HIANG will add another title to took a 22-17 lead on a kill their burgeoning trophy by Senior Airman Sean case, he promised that the team wouldn't go down without a fight.

"We'll put up a good Kareyenhagen pulled fight. That's the best that I SDVT-1 to within two can say," he noted. "If the other team is worthy enough to take it, then they're going to have to be "I felt confident in them worthy enough to take it from us.'

Nasty Pac 'B' sneaks past NCTAMSPAC

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

An eight-point run to start the second half helped Naval Submarine Training Center Perkins, who led all scorers Pacific (Nasty Pac) "B" hold on to a with 20 points. one-point, 47-46, victory July A trey by Perkins closed the 28 over Naval Computer gap to three at 36-33 with 11:07 Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC) in a Summer Basketball League (SBL) game at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center gym. The SBL is a pay-to-play league, which is open to active duty, dependents and Department of Defense employees, who are 18 years of age or older.

In the second half, Nasty Pac opened up the biggest lead of the game with their 8-0 run, but NCTAMSPAC fought back and slowly chipped away at the deficit behind the strong play of

Telecommunications Area Master remaining on the clock, and basket another by the NCTAMSPAC big man brought the team to within a point at 38-37.



Tied at 26-26 at halftime, Nasty Pac picked up the pace in the second half and shot their way to a 34-26 lead before fighting off a stiff challenge by NCTAMSPAC to earn the one-point win.

"The second half there was a lot more hustle and we played better defense," said Fire Control Technician 1st Class Casey Pegram about Nasty Pac's fast start out of the break. "I don't think we hustled much in the first half and we didn't come out prepared."

While Pegram lamented about the team's slow start, neither team was able to pull away in a close first half that seesawed back and forth all the way until halftime.

Down by a score of 11-7, Nasty Pac tied the score at 11-11 on a basket by Seaman Morton Smith, before a hoop by teammate Yeoman 2nd Class Sammell Humphries completed a 6-0 run to give his team a 13-11 lead with 6:23 remaining in the half.

From that point on, the lead seemed to change hands on every possession.

First, a three-pointer by Ensign Gennaro Hawkins put NCTAMSPAC up by a point at 14-13. Then after an exchange of baskets by Nasty Pac's Machinist's Mate 1st (SS/DV) Class Dean Marvin and NCTAMSPAC postplayer Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Marquis Perkins, Humphries completed a basket-and-one to give his team an 18-16 advantage.

However, the lead was short lived as Hawkins came back on the very next trip down the floor to spot up and swish his second trey of the half to put NCTAMSPAC up by one at 19-18.

A three-pointer by Marvin gave Nasty Pac some breathing room at 41-37, but a basket by Hawkins tied the game at 43-43 with 3:51 remaining in the game.

Later, Hawkins hit one of two from the charity stripe to give NCTAMSPAC a 46-45 lead, but Marvin came back with just 27 seconds in the game to knock down the winning basket.

For the game, Marvin led a balanced attack for Nasty Pac with 14 points, while Smith added 10, Humphries scored nine, and Pegram rounded out the team's top scorers with eight points.

Meanwhile, Perkins received solid support from Hawkins, who complemented his teammate with 16 points

"We started off slow in the second half and lost momentum," said Perkins about falling short to Nasty Pac. "We tried to pull it back close, but we lost by one."

Although Nasty Pac was able to hold on to get the win, Pegram said he felt that the team should have pulled away for an easier victory.

A little more practice, Pegram said, should make Nasty Pac even better in the future.

"I think we could have played a lot better. We should have won by more," Pegram said. "We're just learning to play together. First time we came together, it took awhile to jell. In the second half, we came back and jelled better."

Yeoman 2nd Class Sammell Humphries, forward for Naval Submarine Training Center Pacific (Nasty Pac) "B" squad, soars past Ensign Gennaro Hawkins of Naval Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC) for two of his nine points in a Summer Basketball League showdown at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center gym.

Blue Penguins slide past shorthanded 747th CS

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Goalkeeper Ensign Jamie Gaines blocked a penalty kick and later scored a goal as a striker in leading the Blue Penguins to a 3-1 victory July 28 over the 747th Communication Squadron (747 CS) in a Summer Soccer League game at Quick Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win raised the Blue Penguins' record to 2-1, while the 747 CS dropped their first game of the season and fell to 1-1.

"We were knocking around better on offense," said Blue Penguins team captain 1st Lt. Daniel Montilla. "Defense, we were having troubles keeping it solid, but our offense did a good job. And being aggressive, taking shots, I think, helped."

In the first half, the Blue Penguins, a team that is mostly comprised of personnel from the 15th Operations Group, got on the scoreboard when Maj. Tim Flowers broke down the right side for a 1-0 lead.

score immediately after straight and got it." receiving a penalty kick, but couldn't convert due the 747 CS managed to tie to the quick response of the score, when Marine past a leaping 747 CS Gaines, who stretched out Pfc. Rodolfo Medina goalkeeper for a goal. and corralled the shot for scored in traffic on a kick a stop.

"That was awesome,"



Ensign Jamie Gaines of the Blue Penguins soccer team is about to boot in the team's third goal of the game against the 747th Communication Squadron (747 CS) in a Soccer Summer League showdown at Quick Field.

starting "Whenever there is a PK, of the field and put the you always expect that ball to the back of the net it's going to go in. But there's always that hope The 747 CS got a golden that you might get a stop. opportunity to tie the He (Gaines) just got

Later in the first half, near the goal, but the Montilla stated. "Jamie Blue Penguins went back said Montilla about the out in front with a corner his daughter had a soccer

goalkeeper. Larran, who took the ball off of a bounce before shooting it to the net.

Up by 2-1 at halftime, the Blue Penguins, with Gaines now playing on top, sealed the game early when Gaines broke away down the right side of the field and shot the ball

"That was great," had to leave early because block by Gaines, who was kick from Staff Sgt. Jacob game later on, so he

that goal."

From that point on, the Blue Penguins' defense was able to put the clamps on the 747 CS, which began to feel the heat after barely fielding enough players to avoid a forfeit.

on an ejection by game officials.

said that Medina

filling in for the team's Besze to Capt. Brian played extra hard and got although the shortage of while it's always good to players didn't affect his walk off the field with a play, he did notice that some of his teammates were running out of gas.

"I didn't mind personally because I like playing the whole game," he said. "But I know some other squad and just wanted to players aren't used to To make matters even playing soccer and they worse, the 747 CS, which need subs. We have a lot started the game without of players on leave right reserves, lost one of their now, and we're not play- cer," he said. "We all want players in the second half ing the way we usually to win, but we don't really play. Next game, hopefully, we'll try harder.'

Montilla said that comes out."

win, the team's main focus is to just play and have fun.

Many of the team's players were members of the 15th OG's intramural continue playing in the summer.

"We're just a group of guys that love to play soccare about our record. It's just whoever can play,

Toddlers Tango to celebrate its one-year anniversary at JBPHH

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Assistant Editor

This September, Toddlers Tango Movement and Music will celebrate its one-year anniversary at Ka Makani Community Center on the Hickam side of Joint Base Harbor-Hickam. Pearl Classes for children ages 6 months to 5 years are held Wednesdays at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. "We are one of very few programs on base that offer classes to the infant/toddler/preschooler age groups," said instructor Christine Moore.



Manage medical referrals

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You went to your primary care manager and she suggested you go see a specialist. Maybe it's for an evaluation; maybe it's for a specific treatment. You just know you need to make another appointment and you want to make it quickly.

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and make your appointment. Network providers will submit claims to TriWest and send any results back to your primary doctor.

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How do I get my specialist's information?

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Most of the current families have been with the program since the first class in 2011, she said.

Toddlers Tango offers specially designed music and movement activities for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and their parents.

The parent/child format combines movement and dance with learning about music, numbers and colors and is designed to create an environment for young children to develop motor skills, new vocabulary and social skills.

Toddlers Tango provides an opportunity for parents to spend quality time with their children, Moore said. The program includes dancing, singing, instruments, costumes, props and finger plays.

"Through my own daughter's struggles with a speech delay, I understand the importance of a languagerich environment in a toddler's development. Learning through singing and creative movement helps toddlers grow, explore and socialize in a fun and comfortable setting," Moore

Photo by Harmony Sparks

Children and their parents groove to the music at Toddlers Tango Movement and Music at Ka Makani Community Center.

Said

She explained that using her masters degree in education, her top priority is to provide a class comparable to the vocabulary and activities found in early-learning settings.

There is just enough repetition to build comfort and confidence in the children, but plenty of variety and fun to keep parents entertained as well," Moore said.

Parent Ashley DeWitt and her 4-year-old daughter Kelly are participants in the class.

"As a mother, I get to Moore at 585-747-6345.

spend one-on-one time with my daughter and watch her flourish as she expands her mind. I love that she gets to be social with a group of kids her age and she's learning to count, sing and be active without really knowing it," Dewitt said. "It's a fun setting to play and learn all in one. Such a creative class!"

The cost of the program is \$40 per session of four classes. Discounts are available for siblings and homeschoolers are welcome, Moore said. The first class is a free trial. For more information, call

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• The expiration date of your referral (if you don't make your appointment within the time allowed, you may have to go back to your primary doctor for a new referral). You contact the network specialist ry.

within a day or two of your primary doctor submitting the request. Then, you can log into your TriWest.com account to view your specialist. Go to TriWest.com/Register.

You can also choose to get a letter with your specialist information, but that could arrive 10 days after the request is made.

Why is it important to know my assigned specialist?

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Seven businesses are placed off limits to Navy personnel

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Navy leadership has placed several businesses off limits to Navy personnel. "Commanding officers have the power under OPNAVINST 1620.2A to declare areas off-limits in order to maintain good order and discipline and to protect the health, welfare and safety of service members," according to Lt. Cmdr. Kathleen Elkins, staff judge advocate for Navy Region Hawaii, Navy Region Legal Services Office.

"Based on information these businesses are selling Spice and/or drug paraphernalia, the following establishments are off-limits to all Navy personnel," Elkins said.

- Hawaii Natural High, 343 Saratoga Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96826.
- The Dungeon/Flesh/Sexopolis/After Hours/The Shelter.
- Smokies, 159 Kailulani Äve., #101, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815.
- Hawaiian Holy Smokes II, 719 Kamehameha Hwy., Pearl City, Hawaii 96782.
- Hawaiian Holy Smokes, 2239 South King St., Honolulu, Hawaii 96826.
- South Shore Glass, 945 Kapahulu Ave., Honolulu, Hawaii 96816.
- Oahu Glass, 418 Kuulei Road, suite 102, Kailua, Hawaii 96734.

"Navy members are not allowed to visit these establishments, even in civilian clothes. Visiting an off-limits establishment is an orders violation. Any Navy members seen entering or leaving these establishments may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice," Elkins explained.

Family members of Navy personnel and other people who are associated with the Navy or installation should also be aware of these off-limits restrictions.

'Boot Camp for New Dads' helps rookie fathers-to-be

Don Robbins

Assistant Editor

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) and Navy Region Hawaii are celebrating the 10th anniversary of the "Boot Camp for New Dads" program this year.

The program takes place monthly at Naval Health Clinic Hawaii's Makalapa Clinic and Schofield Barracks, and it is facilitated/coached by staff and volunteers. The next session will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 11 at Makalapa Clinic.

The three-and-a-halfhour workshop brings "rookie fathers-to-be" together with recent "veteran" dads and their 2-to-5-month-old newborns to provide the participants an idea of what it means to have a new baby in the house.

The Pearl Harbor Boot Camp for New Dads (BCND) program began at Navy Region Hawaii in August 2002 with combined funds from Tripler Army Medical Center and the former Naval Base Pearl Harbor, born. explained Chet Adessa, Military and Family Support Center.

the (veteran) dads teach babies, no fear." years. The Navy and it. They bring real Adessa said another Army in Hawaii are the change and feed the wear the pregnancy babies. The rookie dads "empathy belly," which dads because they've through been before," Adessa said.

BCND topics range from what kind of father this and are always takwill you be, diapering, ing pictures to prove to feeding, dealing with cry- their wives that they ing, preventing shaken wore it," he added. baby syndrome, and the proper way to hold a new- Military and Family birth of their first child



Rookie dads-to-be participate in the "Boot Camp for New Dads" program with help from veteran dads.

changes in lifestyle, atti- Army Community Service family advocacy preven- tudes of new parents and program have "graduattion specialist for the well-meaning in-laws ed" an estimated 1,200 and friends are also Army, Navy, Marine discussed. The BCND Corps, and Coast Guard "What's unique is that motto is "Men only, real rookies in the past 10

babies. They show the part of the class includes only agency (military or rookies how to hold, asking the rookies to civilian) in the state conwill listen to the veteran simulates some of the physical symptoms of the this last trimester of pregnancy.

Coping with Support Center and the in December. ducting this program.

BCND originated in Irvine, Calif. in the early 1990s, based on an identified need for dads to be more involved in their "The rookies all love families from their children's birth.

Army Maj. Brook Hess of U.S. Army Pacific headquarters said he and Adessa said the JBPHH his wife are expecting the

and graduated from the to-be. We learned from knowledge. BCND Makalapa Clinic. attended to learn a cou- It was a great way to thing out of it. I highly great time. It was excel- tips," Hess said. lent the way we could spend a couple of hours tom line for the program spent," Hess added.

sharing our concerns is that participants will Hess recently attended with other new parents- leave with valuable new program at veteran dads "I brought their children in. they did and got someple of things and I had a have fathers share quick encourage every new par-

"Evervone who who attended was glad ent to attend this pro-He said that the bot- gram. It's time well-

Photos courtesy of Chet Adessa

Military mourns loss of Aurora tragedy victims



Graduation, education fair to be held Aug. 24

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Pearl Harbor-Hickam will host a military graduation ceremony and education fair Aug. 24.

The graduation ceremony will take place at 11:30 a.m. in Sharkey Theater. The education fair will be held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Lockwood Hall lanai.

honored receiving high school GED, col-

lege degrees or USMAP (United Services Military Apprenticeship Program) certificates.

Anyone who wishes to participate should provide a copy of their diploma, offi-Military service mem- cial college transcript or NCO Hawaii or call 473bers who earned or will contact their school repre- 4586 no later than Aug. 6.

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Test prep class planned for Aug. 20-31

3:30 p.m. Aug. 20-31 at the space-available Navy College Office, Bldg. Harbor-Hickam.

Enrollment is open to all active duty, reserves, family members, National Guard, Department of be submitted to Navy approved civilians.

Navy College is hosting a Priority will be given to basic skills/ASVAB test active-duty personnel. All dent with cash, check or prep class from 8:30 a.m. to others will be admitted on a money order payable to the basis. Temporary alternate 679, Joint Base Pearl duty/temporary duty orders tact are required for active-duty Lance_Jyo@notes.k12.hi.us to enroll in this two-week

long class. Base pass requests must School For Adults. Defense personnel and College at least two weeks call the Navy College Office prior to the class start date. at 473-4766.

The fee is \$20 per stu-"Department of Education."

Registration point of conis or call 837-8466 at McKinley Community

For more information,

U.S. Navy photo by Don Robbins

(Above) The U.S. flag flew at half-staff July 24 in front of the quarterdeck of building 150 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in honor of the victims of the tragic mass shooting July 20 in Aurora, Colo. Flags at Department of Defense installations across the world were flown last week at half-staff. Four of the victims served in the military - including Air Force Staff Sgt. Jesse Childress, Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class John Larimer, Jonathan Blunk, a former Sailor, and Rebecca Wingo, a former Airman. Other Department of Defense personnel and family members were also injured in the attack.

PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM Maria Warleal Nariea

Я JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM HALF-MARATHON

Saturday is the last day to register for the sixth annual Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Half-Marathon. The race will begin at 6:10 a.m., Aug. 11 at Earhart Track. Check-in is at 5 a.m. Runners, walkers, people with strollers and pets can participate in the 13.1-mile race. The registration fee is \$20. Sign up online at www.greatlifehawaii.com or at the Hickam Fitness Center. FMI: 448-2214.

[☆] 2 FOR 1 COSMIC BOWLING

Purchase one game and get the second game free from 7-10 p.m. Friday at the Escape Bowling Center. FMI: 473-2651

Ä INTRODUCTION TO GLASS FUSION

This class will introduce students to the art of fusing glass. Each student will make a single-layer small plate and use a mold to make a pendant. Classes will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Aug. 7 and 9, at the Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. Cost is \$25 per person plus the cost of supplies. FMI: 448-9907.

常 PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Preschool story time is held from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Hickam Library. The theme for the next session is the circus. FMI: 449-8299.

X LIBERTY SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

The Liberty Shuffleboard Tournament will be held at 6 p.m. Aug. 8 Beeman Center. This free event is for single active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-2583.

A EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONSE (EFR) COURSE

EFR is a CPR/first aid program. Primary care (CPR) prepares you to render aid to those with life-threatening emergencies, while secondary care (first aid) builds upon the lessons of primary care and helps you assist those in need when emergency medical services are either delayed or unavailable. The class will be held on Thursday and cost is \$130.89 per person. Call for times and location. FMI: 423-8222 or 478-321-7596.

ℜ LEARN TO STAND-UP PADDLEBOARD

Learn the basics of paddleboarding from 9 to 10 a.m. or 10 to 11 a.m. Aug. 11 at Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. The cost is \$20 per person, and registration closes Aug. 6. FMI: 449-5215.

X SURFING AND BEACH BBQ AT WHITE PLAINS BEACH

Professional instructors will teach you the basics from standing and paddling to catching waves from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Aug. 11 at White Plains Beach. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. The cost is \$25 per person, and registration closes Aug. 8. FMI: 473-1198.

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The August will host a kickoff rally from 9 to 11 a.m. at Ka Makani Community Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The organization is a women's Bible study group that meets in the fall and spring of each year. FMI: Laura Williams at lauraservinghim2012@gmail.com.

 3° 6, 7, 20 – A two-part class taught by Dr. Melissa Belanger called "Sleep Better Now" will be held The second s Health Clinic Hawaii, Makalapa Clinic, classroom B. A class called "Take 20 Seconds to Relax" will be held from 11:30 a.m. to noon Aug. 7 in classroom B. Service members, their families and retirees are welcome to attend either class. FMI: 473-1880, ext. 2276.

376 and 7 – The first motorcycle safety representative/mentor symposiums will be held including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The first symposium will be held from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Aug. 6 at the Ford Island Conference Center with a discussion to follow from 10:30 to 11 a.m. A second symposium is planned at Marine Corps Base Hawaii from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Aug. 7 with a discussion to follow from 10:30 to 11 a.m.

The Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) will hold its second annual Keiki Tradewind Triathlon. This event just for children is broken up into two different groups; ages 7-10 and 11-14. Online registration for the Keiki Tradewind Triathlon closes Aug. 8. The fee is \$20 for each child with a \$10 late fee for those registering after Aug. 3. FMI

714 – The next monthly luncheon meeting of AFCEA Hawaii (Armed Services Communications and Electronics Association) Hawaii chapter, will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fort Shafter's Hale Ikena. Guest speaker will be Rear Adm. Paul Becker, director for Intelligence, U.S. Pacific Command. FMI: http://bit.ly/MBDvJM.

3718 – Bellows Air Force Station's second annual biathlon will take place starting at 7:30 a.m. The entry fee is \$25 for individuals and \$35 for teams. There is a \$5 discount for entries received/postmarked by Aug. 4. Register for the event by Aug. 11. FMI: www.bellowsafs.com.

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

Movie Showtimes V



Brave (PG)

"Brave" follows the heroic journey of Merida, a skilled archer and headstrong daughter of King Fergus and Queen Elinor. Determined to carve her own path in life, Merida defies an age-old custom sacred to the unruly and uproarious lords of the land. Merida's actions inadvertently unleash chaos and fury in the kingdom, and when she turns to an eccentric witch for help, she is granted an ill-fated wish. The ensuing peril forces Merida to harness all of her skills and resources - including her clever and mischievous triplet brothers - to undo a beastly curse before it's too late.

SHARKEY MOVIE THEATER

TODAY

7:00 PM Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (PG)

SATURDAY

2:30 PM Brave (PG) 4:45 PM That's My Boy (R) 7:15 PM Ted (R)

SUNDAY 2:30 PM Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (PG) 4:45 PM That's My Boy (R) 7:00 PM Ted (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 6:00 PM Brave (PG) 8:30 PM Ted (R)

SATURDAY 4:00 PM Brave (PG) 7:00 PM Ted (R)

SUNDAY 2:00 PM Brave (PG)

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS WEEK IN USAF AND PACAF HISTORY

Charles Nicholls

PACAF historian

•On Aug. 4, 1941, the Air War Planning Document 1 (AWPD-1) outlined the Army Air Forces strategy for the imminent war with the Axis powers. In July, President Roosevelt had asked the Army and Navy to estimate the production that would be required to defeat the Axis.

Gen. Hap Arnold, chief of the Army Air Forces, had the new Air War Plans Division prepare the air portion. Lt. Col. Harold L. George, Lt. Col. Kenneth N. Walker, Maj. Haywood S. Hansell Jr., and Maj. Laurence S. Kuter forecast the aircraft necessary to defeat Germany.

Based on seven years of tactical school theories, AWPD-1 said the Army Air Forces would need 251 combat groups, 105,467 aircraft and 2,164,916 Airmen. With most of Europe under Nazi control and tensions high in the Pacific, this estimate was accepted, almost without question, as the basis for planning the wartime air campaign.

Completed on Aug. 12, AWPD-1 outlined a strategic bombing campaign against key enemy target sets.

•On Aug. 1, 1943, 177 B-24

Major Louis J. Sebille

Photo illustration | U.S. Air Force photo Maj. Louis J. Sebille was the first member of the Air Force to receive the Medal of Honor.

plex was Nazi Germany's most important source of petroleum products.

This was the first large-scale, minimum-altitude attack against a strongly defended target and Liberators flew out of Libya to the longest major bombing misbomb the oil refineries in Ploesti, sion undertaken to date. Fifty-Romania as part of Operation four of the 177 B-24s were lost,

Tidal Wave. The oil refinery com- and five Medals of Honor were awarded to aircrew members.

•The Far East Air Forces (FEAF), predecessor of PACAF, was officially activated on Aug. 3, 1944 in Brisbane, Australia with Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney commanding.

•North American Aviation delivered the USAF's first operaTornado—on July 30, 1948. Later, it became the first USAF aircraft to carry a tactical nuclear bomb.

•On Aug. 5, 1950, Maj. Louis J. Sebille, flying on a combat mission in the Korean War, earned the first Medal of Honor awarded to a member of the Air Force. Sebille had flown 68 combat missions in World War II as a B-26 bomber pilot.

In the fall of 1948, he took command of the 67th Squadron, 18th Fighter-Bomber Group. When the Korean War began, his squadron was one of the first sent to Japan. Sebille's Medal of Honor citation includes this excerpt:

"During an attack on a camouflaged area containing a concentration of enemy troops, artillery, and armored vehicles, Major Sebille's F-51 aircraft was severely damaged by antiaircraft fire. Although fully cognizant of the short period he could remain airborne, he deliberately ignored the possibility of survival by abandoning the aircraft or by crash landing and continued his attack against the enemy forces threatening the security of friendly ground troops. In his determination to inflict maximum damage upon the enemy, Major Sebille again exposed himself to the intense fire of enemy gun batteries and dived on the target to his death.

tional jet bomber-the B-45A crew members of a special operations RB-29 called Stardust 40 were released by China on Aug. 4, 1955. Shot down during a night leaflet drop mission, they were held longer than any other prisoners of war in the Korean conflict.

•On July 31, 1957, the Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line was declared fully operational. This string of radar installations across the Canadian Arctic was to warn of enemy bomber attacks.

•The Air Force accepted the first operational B-58 Hustler medium bomber on Aug. 1, 1960. The first U.S. supersonic bomber, the delta-wing aircraft could fly at twice the speed of sound and could be refueled in flight.

However, the B-58 was expensive, difficult to fly and had limited range and payload. Advanced surface-to-air missiles forced SAC planners to adopt low altitude tactics, where the Hustler lost its supersonic speed and its range was further reduced. By the 1970s, the B-58 was replaced by the FB-111.

•On Aug. 2, 1994, two B–52 Stratofortresses of the 2nd Bombardment Wing set a world record circumnavigating the earth during a show-of-force mission to Kuwait. The 47-hour flight took five aerial refuelings and delivered 54 bombs to a range near the Iraqi border on the fourth anniversary of Iraq's inva-

•Captured on Jan. 13, 1953, sion of Kuwait.

FEW awards luncheon set for Aug. 25

Caroline Michael

Aloha Chapter, FEW

Federally Employed Women (FEW) Aloha Chapter will hold its awards luncheon from 10:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Aug. 25 at Mandalay Restaurant, 1055 Alakea St., Honolulu.

The speaker is former Hawaii First Lady Vicky Cayetano who is past chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and Hawaii's Sales and site www.FEW.org

Marketing Executives International's Salesperson of the Year 2011.

She spearheaded programs to improve health care, including an effort in 2002 to provide universal long-term care for all of Hawaii's citizens.

Aloha Chapter won the 2012 National Best Programs and Best Special Emphasis awards.

The meal price for the luncheon is \$22. Free parking is located across the street. RSVP through the Aloha Chapter web-

Take note of the 'environmental scoop' on endangered plant species

NAVFAC Hawaii Environmental Program

Marsilea villosa or `*ihi`ihi, ihi la`au*, is a member of the waterclover family whose leaves resemble a four-leaf



M. villosa thrives at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Lualualei Annex and Naval Radio Transfer Facility (NRTF) also located on Lualualei Annex.

It is found in dry areas, usually in depressions that flood during heavy

Lanes will be closed on Valkenburgh Boulevard

p.m. and 4 a.m., roadway reconstruction including repaying of asphalt surfaces will ments during the construction operation. take place on Valkenburgh Boulevard from Contraflow will be provided at all times. Nimitz Highway to the Navy-Marine Golf Course and driving range. The road work vehicle and pedestrian traffic. began July 22.

will take place during those hours on delays.

Construction planned at Paul Hamilton Ave.

Beginning today, the (Naval Engineering (NAVFAC) Hawaii wastewaacross Avenue.

Excavation will begin Aug. Facilities 4 and will be between the Command hours of 6:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Replacement of pipe and ter branch will replace asphalt will be completed no approximately 50 linear feet later than Aug. 10. One lane alternate routes during these of six-inch cast iron pipe will be closed at all times

Women's equality day event to take place Aug. 14

Motorists should obey caution and warning signs and avoid traveling on Paul Hamilton Avenue.

Vehicles are asked to use times. Vehicles obstructing Paul Hamilton until piping has been the worksite will be towed at replaced. the owner's expense.

A women's equality day "brown bag" event will be guest speakers.

The event is sponsored by the Federal will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 14 at the 15th Wing conference room, building Women's Program.

RSVP by Aug. 10. For more information, The event will feature the history of voting email Jenny Crippen at jenghts and the voter registration process. nifer.crippen@us.af.mil or Serena Thomas at

Through Sept. 18, between the hours of 6 Sunday through Thursday. Vehicles will have limited turn move-

A police officer will be onsite directing

All personnel should seek alternate routes

Unless otherwise posted, reconstruction during this time or plan accordingly for

clover.

Please don't pick it endangered and endemic, Oahu, federally-listed plant Niihau.

Photo courtesy of Hui ku maoli ola Nursery winter rains and dry out though, because it is an species, found only on summer and is an aquatic

completely during the Molokai and fern with creeping rhizomes.

ASBP blood drive schedule updated

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives as part of the Armed Services Blood Donor Program (ASBP). Dates and locations are updated regularly online as new drives are scheduled.

Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment online, call to make an appointment, and check the website for the latest information.

Currently scheduled drives include:

• Aug. 20, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Schofield Barracks Tropics.

• Aug. 28, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., NEX, Tripler Army Medical Center. For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

Col. Eva Jenkins and Robert Lauderdale serena.thomas@us.af.mil

Fun Run.

Tripler Fisher House seeks boots for memorial

Boots need to be collected

Pacific Regional **Medical Command News Release**

1110, second floor.

In memory of fallen service members, the Tripler Fisher House is collecting more than 6,500 pairs Fisher House Hero & mailed to 317 Krukowski House manager, Remembrance Run, Walk or Roll, scheduled for Aug. 18.

Each pair of boots will represent a service member who has died since Sept. 11, 2011, and will be displayed with a photo of the service member. The Fisher House Hero &

Remembrance Run, Walk or Roll, scheduled for 7 a.m., Aug. 18, at the Pacific home for families of patients Aviation Museum on Ford receiving medical care at Island, will include a Keiki major military and Veterans Affairs medical centers.

Units are encouraged no later than Aug. 4 and can to start their own be dropped off at either collection sites and can do so Fisher House at Tripler by coordinating with of boots for the 2012 Army Medical Center, or Theresa Johnson, Fisher at Rd., Honolulu, HI 96819. 808-561-7423, or there-Fisher House is a comfort sa.m.johnson2@us.army.mil.

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My Favorite Photo...

MC2 Heidi McCormick took this picture of the sunset at Paradise Cove around 7:45 p.m. on a recent Saturday. Photo courtesy of MC2 Heidi McCormick



How to submit photos

Do you enjoy taking pictures and have a favorite photo? Would you like to see it featured in Ho`okele? Here is your opportunity. Submissions must be from people affiliated with the military services, including active duty, family mem-bers, Reserve, retired and Department of Defense civilians, etc.

Your favorite photo can be just about anything, but keep in mind that it should be in good taste. We aren't looking for posed family shots or group shots. But if you have a photo that you think is interesting and creative, here is your chance to see it published.

Photo submissions will be reviewed by Ho`okele editors who will determine if/when they will run in the newspaper. Along with your photo, please send a little bit of information about the photo, such as where it was taken or any interesting details. Also include the name of the photographer and contact information.

Send your (non-family) photo to editor@hookelenews.com. Brush up on your photography skills. Ready, set, shoot!

WHO SAID IT?

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."

Last Week's WHO SAID IT?

"Leadership: The art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it."



This Week's Trivia

Who was the first American woman to fly in space as an astronaut?

Last Issue's Question: When did the USS frigate Essex capture the British brig Leander? Answer: Essex captured the Leander on July 26, 1812.

Hickam Enlisted Spouses Club to hold annual social event Aug. 21

Community Earhart Center.

The Hickam Enlisted The event will include retired members of all spouses Club will hold its annual "aloha social" at company of other spouses 6:30 p.m. Aug. 21 at and vendors. For more information or to join the club,

and vendors. or to join the club, The social is open to visit the website spouses of enlisted or www.hickamesc.com.

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