

NEW CHIEFS PINNED

A Sailor receives her chief petty officer (CPO) combination cover for the first time while family members watch. Sailors from USS Chosin (CG 65), USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60), USS Russell (DDG 59), USS Crommelin (FFG 37) and Naval Submarine Support Command who received their anchors during the FY-13 Middle Pacific chief pinning ceremony Sept. 14 sing Anchor's Aweigh aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

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Hickam Airmen participate in operational readiness exercise Staff Sgt. Nathan Allen

15th Wing Public Affairs

Airmen from the 15th Wing, 647th Air Base Group (ABG) and 154th Wing dressed up Sept. 11-13 during an operational readiness exercise (ORE) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The ORE focused on testing the ability of Airmen to don mission-oriented protective posture, or "MOPP"



in a phase-two (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and high-yield explosives) type exercise in austere conditions away from their normal work centers," said John Tauber, 15th Wing and 647th Air Base Group chief of exercises and inspections.

As a phase-two exercise, evaluators forewent the phase-one, or "deployment phase," normal exercises employ. This means the players went through what Tauber called a "hot start" in which all buildings, equipment and personnel are prepped beforehand in order to begin the exercise in an "employment downrange" event. This allowed evaluators to focus only on observing players' abilities to operate and fight in a CBRNE environment. According to Maj. Jon Baize, exercise evaluation team member and chief of

gear, and survive simulated chemical attacks in an austere environment while keeping the mission rolling.

The exercise is a preparatory event for a November 2013 operational readiness inspection, which will give upper command staff personnel an opportunity to observe the state of readiness of Airmen under their leadership to sustain and fight a war in a downrange location.

U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Lauren Main

Members of the 647th Security Forces Squadron provide cover for one another during an operational readiness exercise

Sept. 12 at Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The exercise scenario involved a vehicle ambush and a personnel recovery mission.

The exercise was a joint effort between the 154th

Wing, who predominately and 647th ABG who provid- two exercise, or combat effec- of the 154th, 15th, 647th provided the manpower and ed a large planning piece. aircraft, and the 15th Wing

tiveness readiness exercise, "This was our first phase- whereby the combined forces

deployed to a downrange 'base X' location and fought

Williamson assumes command of Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii

Denise Emsley

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii Public Affairs

Capt. Michael Williamson relieved Capt. John Coronado as commanding officer of Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii during a change of command ceremony Sept. 12 at the command's main compound off Radford Drive.

"When it comes to facilities and everything related to them, John's performance has simply been magnificent," said Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

"He has been all things to all people here in Hawaii on issues ranging from energy to the environment, from factories to facilities, from bunkers to barracks, and from smart cars to smart grids," Ponds said.

For the past two years, Coronado was the driving force behind the



U.S. Navy photo by Krista Catian

Rear Adm. Katherine Gregory, commander of Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC Pacific), presents Capt. John Coronado, commanding officer of NAVFAC Hawaii, with a Legion of Merit medal at the NAV-FAC Hawaii change of command ceremony Sept. 12.

delivery of \$1.5 billion in facilities Installation Excellence. engineering and environmental services to Navy Region Hawaii (CNRH), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), Marine Corps Base Hawaii and a wide range of other supported commands.

As part of the ceremony, Rear Adm. Katherine Gregory, commander of NAVFAC Pacific, presented Coronado with a Legion of Merit medal for his exceptional meritorious conduct, outstanding leadership and technical expertise from June 2010 to September 2012 while serving as commanding officer of NAVFAC Hawaii and regional engineer of CNRH.

Coronado was instrumental in the first two years of joint basing implementation which began Oct. regarding facilities, environmental and procurement related actions award - the Commander-in-Chief's Annual 2011Award

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In addition, Coronado oversaw the revamp of the region's energy program, pushing for the execution of the Navy's most innovative alternative energy initiatives in Hawaii. Under his leadership, CNRH has surpassed Department of Navy conservation goals and is on track to meet all renewable energy goals. His efforts directly resulted in CNRH earning six SECNAV energy awards in 2010 and 2011.

In the environmental arena, Coronado's guidance assisted CNRH in strengthening the Navy's relationship with the state of Hawaii Historic Preservation Department and its historic partners. This action and leadership enabled CNRH/JBPHH/ 1, 2010, leading the extensive effort NAVFAC Hawaii to be awarded 11 historic preservation awards from the Historic Hawaii Foundation in for a seamless execution. These 2012 for preserving, restoring actions helped JBPHH to be one of and/or interpreting Hawaii's five recipients of the presidential archaeological, architectural and

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Wife and husband receive chief anchors aboard Battleship Missouri Memorial

Story and photo by **MCSN Diana Quinlan**

Navy Public Affairs Support Element West, Detachment Hawaii

Eighteen chief selectees received their anchors at a chief pinning ceremony Sept. 14 aboard Battleship Missouri Memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Among those selected were a husband and wife who had the honor to pin their anchors on one another during the ceremony.

Chief Culinary Specialist Nigel Mahone, assigned to USS Crommelin (FFG 37), and his wife, Chief Legalman Wymeka N. Mahone, assigned to Naval Submarine Support Command, are a rare military couple to become chiefs side-by-side, on the same day.

"I was the first one to find out," said Wymeka.

"He was underway. My friend called me and told me that my



Chief Culinary Specialist Nigel Mahone, assigned to USS Crommlin (FFG37), pins an anchor on Chief Legalman Wymeka N. Mahone, assigned to Naval Submarine Support Command, during the chief pinning ceremony.

name was on there, and I was just in shock. I couldn't believe it."

Nigel shared his wife's reaction of shock and excitement upon receiving the news of their success. It takes personal strength to be responsible both at home and for the Navy, he said, adding, "You have to dig deep inside and go get it."

The husband and wife were called in front of the guests and official party as their family members assisted with the pinning. Both received an anchor from their children as well as pinning anchors on one another.

"It was really great news that the two of them could enjoy this special time together," said Cmdr. Michael Johns, the commanding officer of "The chiefs on Crommelin. Crommelin have been phenomenal. They've always have been our leaders, guides I could depend on to make things happen and take action. I know that Chief Mahone will fit in perfectly."

Professional development seminar inspires Airmen

1st Lt. **Kathleen Eisenbrey**

15th Medical Group

Seventy-four professionals from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam convened recently at the Aloha Conference Center to celebrate women's equality in a professional development seminar titled, "How to Reach Your Highest Potential ... and Help Others Reach Theirs.²

The three-hour seminar touched upon topics promoting empowerment in I sought feedback from my the workplace, including Airmen and noncommis-10 activities to maximize one's potential for success, synergistic success effects employed by successful leaders, tips for implementing a goal-setting action plan, and exploring the "female factor," among others.

leader, as а Col. Eva Jenkins, commander obstacles. Born in a comof 692nd Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group, shared advice regarding how to succeed.

"Attitude is everything. Your attitude matters. A positive attitude is always better in every situation. It is integral to under-very fortunate as they stand your priorities, work on personal development every day, and be your best," Jenkins said.

"As a young lieutenant, sioned officers. After I asked them for honest advice on how I was performing, I asked them, 'How can I do better?" she said.

When facing inevitable challenges, Jenkins suggested that participants ize that I am serious ...

and-counting experience tunities." Jenkins is no stranger to overcoming munist country during the Cold War, Jenkins' parents chose to seek freedom when \mathbf{she} was a toddler days after the Soviet-led Warsaw

Pact troops invaded Czechoslovakia. Jenkins' family was departed their homeland hours before the nation state's borders closed behind the Iron Curtain. Her family sought refuge first with a Catholic priest Canada for 10 years, before immigrating to the United States when she was an adolescent.

"I often comment that English is my second lan- in international studies guage," said Jenkins. (with academic merit "Many people do not real- award).

guage." Although being a Journey non-native English speaker may be perceived as an impediment, it illustrates the wellspring of her success

Utilizing her native fluency in Slovak, her proficiencies in Czech, French and Russian, and her avid interest in the history of the Slovak people and gift in the post-Soviet regions, Jenkins has embraced opportunities contingent upon her experiences as a She has become a politi-

specialist in European, NATO and Eurasian fields of study, and has earned a doctorate of philosophy degree

Utilizing her 23 years- "turn obstacles into oppor- English is my second lan- two books: "Slovakia's NATO to Membership,' and "Military Intel-Sharing Relationship Among NATO Allies in Support of the Global War on Terrorism." She is currently writing her third book.

She said that setting and we reach it." goals begins with developing an action plan and for understanding politics stressed the importance of discovering vision and purpose early in one's career. Jenkins officer in the Air Force suggested creating achiev- and "for being part of the career intelligence officer. able goals after diligent world's greatest nation, research, committing to which continues to serve in Austria, then in cal affairs specialist, a your goals by signing a as a beacon of freedom, the contract with yourself, democracy and opportuniand conducting periodic assessments.

> "The greatest gift we can bestow on others is to can bestow on others is to inspire them to reach inspire them to reach their highest potential in their highest potential in a field or endeavor of their a field or endeavor of their Jenkins has published choosing," said Jenkins.

On the topic of inspiration, Jenkins quoted the 15th century Italian Renaissance sculptor and painter, Michelangelo, who said,

"The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high, but that our aim is too low

In light of her experiences during her youth, Jenkins said she is gratepersonal ful for having the opportunity to serve as a senior ty for others around the world."

"The greatest gift we choosing," said Jenkins.

Garcia talks to Sailors, Marines about 21st Century Sailor, Marine Initiative

Story and photo by

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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Affairs



Garcia noted that the in balance," said Garcia. level of retention is historic. They did everything to 21st Century Sailor and incentivize transfers from Marine initiative and its overmanned rates to under- five key areas: readiness, manned rates to get the safety, physical fitness, fleet in balance, he said.

ERB received separation cies and objectives, both pay and they and their new and existing, designed families will maintain to maximize personal access to exchange and readiness and hone the commissary for two years, most combat-effective force keep their health care for in the history of the six months with the option Department of the Navy. to extend it another 18 months, and if they vide Sailors, Marines and achieved 15 years of ser- their families with the vice by Sept. 1, they could tools needed to face the qualify for early retirement. this year. We are not going skills and talents they to ERB next year. There's bring to the fight. no plan to ERB again. The idea was that this is a one- the 21st Century Sailor and time only evolution to Marine initiative, visit break through this check http://www.21stcentury.na point, to get our force back vy.mil.

Garcia highlighted the inclusion and continuum of Sailors affected by the service. It is a set of poli-The objective is to prochallenges of the 21st century and to help Sailors "We're not going to ERB and Marines preserve the

Juan M. Garcia III, the assistant secretary of the Navy for manpower and reserve affairs, spoke with Sailors and Marines serving in Hawaii during an "all hands" and Learn from the Leaders event Sept. 11 at Hickam Memorial Theater.

Garcia discussed the new national defense strategy, personnel policy changes, the enlisted retention board (ERB) and the 21st Century Sailor and Marine.

"The new national defense strategy the presidefense rolled out last January is about places like Pearl Harbor, looking to the

Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs Juan M. Garcia III speaks with Sailors and Marines serving in Hawaii during an "all hands" address Sept. 11 at Hickam Memorial Theater at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Pacific," said Garcia.

dent and secretary of ence in the gulf, but now Approximately 16,000 of the Sailors' performance. rebalance and focus on the Sailors were reviewed; 3,000 were not retained. He The secretary also dis- stressed that separations under their belt.

west, maintaining our pres- cussed last year's ERB. were in no way a reflection Many had one, two and three combat deployments

For more information on

Hispanic Heritage: A great and towering legacy

Rear Adm. **Frank Ponds**

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

From mid-September to mid-October, we celebrate Hispanic heritage and consider the richness of many cultures, countries and people of Hispanic origin, all of whom make our national heritage stronger.

This is an opportunity for those of us in the Navy to reflect on the deep roots Hispanic heritage has in our history, starting with the first full admiral in the captain of a Spanish mer-United States Navy, Adm. Glasgow David Farragut, promoted to that rank by President Abraham Lincoln.

Sailor, too. He served as



and the entire Union with right, then go ahead." Rear Adm. Frank Ponds those famous words,

chant ship around the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico when the United States declared its inde-

heroism of many Hispanic and a nation, mindful of pendence from Britain in Americans in service to the great and towering Farragut's father was a 1776. our nation. There are 39 legacy that makes us all As a midshipman only Hispanic Americans who stronger.

ahead full.'

DOD recognizes Hispanic-American achievements

Terri Moon Cronk

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPS) National Hispanic Heritage Month gives the Defense Department (DoD) an opportunity to recognize the significant contributions made by the nation's Hispanic-Americans, said Stephanie Miller, DOD's diversity management director.

The observance, which began Sept. 15 and runs to Oct. 15, also provides the department with an opportunity to reflect on diversity and inclusiveness, Miller said during a Sept. 11 American Forces Press Service interview.

Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta said diversity is important to the department's mission success and inclusion for military and civilian workers.

Not only does that bring a variety of background skills, language and cultural competencies the DOD will need in the 21st century, Miller

said, but diversity also fosters an environment in which people feel they can achieve whatever they want.

"There are no barriers standing in the way of their personal success," she added. Census figures for 2009 show

more than 50 million Hispanics live in the United States, making them the largest minority group.

In 2011, Hispanics comprised 11 percent of active-duty military and nearly 17 percent of new recruits, Miller said.

"Reflective of the nation, the Hispanic population for both military and civilians has continued to grow, particularly in the last decade since 9/11, in critical areas such as science, technology, engineering and math fields where we know there will be advancement opportunities," Miller said.

Pentagon officials are excited about the growth of Hispanic-Americans and what they will continue to achieve, she added.

"As National Hispanic Heritage Month has evolved from just a week in the 1960s to the month-long recognition event in the late 1980s. so too has the recognition for Hispanic-Americans (in DOD)," Miller said.

group.

Adm. Farragut became the heroes who came

"Damn the torpedoes – all team when we consider

Adm. Farragut is one courage and commitment,

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Each of us can look at

We are reminded of

"First be sure you are

our core values of honor,

We are stronger as a

the lives and legacies of

the core values that guide us

every day.

Military leaders provide outreach programs in the Hispanic community, Miller added.

"We're very well-received in the Hispanic community," she said. "It's amazing to see some of our uniformed service members, especially junior officers and the junior enlisted, getting to engage with Hispanic high school or college youths.

"We have folks who go out and compete in rocket competitions and help (with) simulator experiences," Miller said. "It gives (Hispanic-Americans) a broader view of what opportunities are inside DOD in uniform and as civilians. It's a unique way of recognizing the population and how much we value that presence within the department.

Hispanic Heritage Month celebration planned for Sept. 21

A Hispanic Heritage Month celebration will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. today at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel.

Planned activities include speaker, Capt. Robert A. Espinosa, former chief of staff, Navy Region Hawaii.

be performed by vocalist Sr. Airman Letha Brown. The Joint Base Pearl

guard will parade and retire the colors.

Capt. Sal Aguilera will perform the invocation and benediction. Following the official ceremony, refresha speech by the keynote ments and a dance exhibition will take place at the chapel lanai.

For more information The national anthem will and to participate, call committee chairman QM1 (SW) Julian Pardal at 474-0302 or email Harbor-Hickam ceremonial julian.pardal1@navy.mil.

Hispanic heritage meal to be served Sept. 21

Silver Dolphin Bistro Galley will serve a "Hispanic heritage meal" from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to E-4.) The standard rate is today

Military personnel, their immediate family, retirees and Department of Defense personnel are invited.

The discounted rate is \$3.90 (family member with valid ID card in grades E-1 \$4.55.

For more information, call the Silver Dolphin Bistro Galley at 473-2519 or 473 - 2948.

Legal office transition to take place on Oct. 1

The Navy-Air Force Legal Assistance Office will transition from Naval Legal Service Office Pacific (NLSO) to Region Legal Service Office Hawaii (RLSO) on Oct. 1.

The offices will remain in building 1746 at Pearl-Harbor Hickam, but will transition to expanded spaces on the first deck.

From Sept. 26-28, legal assistance will be moving files, computers and setting up new client intake facilities. The office is committed to providing some services during the move, but will be operating with reduced staff. Therefore, notary and power of attorney services will be offered, but no other walk-in services will be available. Legal assistance will operate out of building 1746's court room.

Signs will be posted with directions. It is the office's goal to make this change transparent to all Airmen, Sailors and families the office supports.

The office will continue to offer the same level and types of services. As a reminder, the legal assistance office provides help to service members, dependents and retirees with a variety of legal issues, including family law (divorce, custody, child support, paternity), consumer law, landlord tenant, estate planning (wills and related documents), powers of attorney and notary services.

The appointment phone number will remain 808-473-4717. As of Oct. 1, the hours of operation will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Which Hispanic American



(living or dead) do you admire the most? Why?

Tech. Sgt. William Shaffner 792 Intelligence Support Squadron

"Edward James Olmos — outstanding actor and community activist."





Julie Rose Vinluan Navy Exchange Mall at Pearl Harbor

"My parents, Julio and Rosalee. They were always very supportive of me."

Capt. Bergina Glass 15th Medical Operations Squadron







Opticalman (Striker) Seaman Keith Woodcock USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60)

"Edward James Olmos, because I liked watching him on 'Battlestar Galatica.'

Cadet Elizabeth Viernes Air Force ROTC Det. 175, University of Hawaii

'Selena — determined, awesome singer and role model.



Operations Specialist Seaman Simone Ridgell USS Hopper (DDG-70)

"Carlos Noriega. I admire him because he was both a Marine Corps pilot and an astronaut."

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Underwater Construction Team 2 conducts assessment of USS Arizona Memorial dock

MC2 Dustin W. Sisco

Navy Public Affairs Support Element West, Det. Hawaii

Underwater Construction Team (UCT) 2 from Port Hueneme, Calif. conducted an assessment of the chains holding the dock next to the USS Arizona Memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Sept. 11.

"Today we're taking a look at cleaning, inspecting and mapping out the dock supports," said Billy Crowe, National Park Service in the Pacific museum.

"Our dock is listing a little bit, of the Arizona under water. and I believe at some point here

and this is basically preparation for that," he said.

This is the first time this unit has been able to dive the memorial, a moment they shared on the 11th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.

"I've never dove the Arizona, so it's kind of a once in a lifetime thing," said Steelworker 1st Class Nathan Terrazas. "September 11th has significance ... so it's awesome to be a part of this and the dock supports, basically help the park service out and be able to be there for them when they need us.'

The divers also had a chance to diver for the World War II Valor take a guided tour with the park service divers to see the wreckage "It was mostly a work dive,"

the dock is going to be replaced, Crowe said. "But we did what we tors exiting and boarding the ferries.

call a resource orientation, which basically means we swam around the wreck and then let them have a look at it."

UCT 2 was established as an independent unit of the Naval Construction Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. The team's mission is to provide a responsive military capability for underwater and waterfront engineering, construction and repair in support of Navy and Marine Corps operations.

U.S. Navy photo MC2 Daniel Barker

Seabee divers from Underwater Construction Team (UCT) TWO, accompanied by divers from the National Park Service, inspect and clean chains used as part of the USS Arizona Memorial platform for visi-



New USS Russell chiefs reflect on legacy ceremony and naval heritage

Lt. j.g. Mary Witkowski

USS Russell (DDG 59) Public Affairs Officer

First opened in 2007, the Battleship Missouri CPO Legacy Center serves to commemorate the heritage of the chief petty officer through the preservation of the monument itself, as well as the training of its living history: chief selectees.

From Aug. 26-31, three chief petty officer selectees from USS Russell (DDG 59) embarked on a life-changing, five-day journey as members of Legacy Academy Class 007. The training and experiences will remain with them throughout their careers.

Chief Culinary Specialist (SW) Stanley W. Miller reflected on his experiences. "To me the tradition of not only the Legacy Academy but the entire induction pro-



Chief petty officer (CPO) selectees in the CPO Legacy Academy participate in a graduation ceremony for class 007 aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

cess is about keeping history alive, ensuring that what [it] has taken to get our military and our country to where it is today is never forgotten."

"It's about putting that little spark into our Sailors about our history and getting them to go out and learn more, realizing that it's not boring history but a sense of pride and heritage of where we came from," he said.

Miller added that the most meaningful part of the Legacy Academy training was the opportunity to live aboard Missouri and learn from its dedicated staff and honored guests.

His biggest lesson so far? "Learning that not knowing everything all the time is far more acceptable than shooting from the hip about things you don't know. If you don't

know, then tell your Sailors, 'I don't know, but I will find out for you,' and then make sure you do find out. Communication is the foundation for everything we do," Miller explained.

For Chief Electrician's Mate Daniel R. Moore, learning how World War II affected Hawaii was the most compelling component of his about the people who served on the ships (and the ships Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 when Japan attacked," he said.

"It is vital that we as leaders pass down our history and preserve it through training. For instance, USS Arizona was sunk in nine minutes. This is one of the reasons we must set [material condition] zebra in seven minutes," he said.

In addition to learning more about the Navy's history, he also enjoyed retired Chief Senior Brooks Outland's speech on leadership and the recounting of his experiences onboard the "Mighty Mo" where he importance of teamwork and served from 1950-52. "Getting to hear the stories of valor of those commanding thing of consequence alone. officers, chiefs and crewmen who sacrificed their lives to plish the impossible," he Legacy Academy experience. save more crew members-

"I truly enjoyed learning then going down to the spaces and actually seeing how the ammunition was themselves) stationed in loaded into the turrets-was something that I will remember forever," said Moore.

What does he look forward to most about being a chief petty officer? "Passing down to my Sailors what I have learned in my career, not just through the induction process," Moore said.

"It is an honor to be responsible for passing down our heritage. It's about taking that troubled Sailor and mentoring them and then having the chance to see the change in them, then watching them get advanced and excel," he said.

Moore reflected on the community for the Navy. "We cannot accomplish any-We need teamwork to accomsaid.

NAVFAC Hawaii gets new leader

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cultural sites.

"But with all the accolades and accomplishments, John remains a people person," said Ponds. "John is a person who is not afraid to let his team take the lead on challenging and sensitive jobs with a certainty and confidence they will get it done, and they will get it done right."

At NAVFAC Hawaii, Coronado made communications with his employees a priority and safety a visible and obvious commitment. Speaking at meetings, communicating through emails and letters and intranet postings, he reached out to talk to his personnel, answer their questions, ease their fears and frustrations, and continuously looked for more opportunities to do so. Through his leadership, the command made significant advancements in strengthening its safety program and its reputation as a safe place to work.

Del., holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Virginia Military Institute and a master's degree in systems management from the Naval Post Graduate School. He also attended the University of Virginia Darden Business School Executive Education Program.

Before reporting to NAVFAC previous Hawaii, Williamson's assignment was as officer in charge of construction, Marine Corps Installation West in Camp Pendleton, Calif

As commanding officer of NAVFAC Hawaii, Williamson assumes command of a large industrial employer in the state of Hawaii, dedicated to delivering best-value acquisition, engineering, environmental, planning and public works services to Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Department of Defense and other federal agency customers.

ORE focused on testing abilities during exercise **Continued from A-1**

standards and evaluation for the 15th Operations Group, part of these duties included generating the ability to maintain air superiority.

"The big things that this exercise is evaluating are: our abilities to launch and recover aircraft, set up a base station, and set up some kind of command and control leadership element," he said. "We also have to be able to generate air- itself, it also creates a foundacraft with aircrew flight equip- tion for other learning opporment, maintenance, airfield tunities in the future. management, current operations and all the different completed their missions suc- proficient enough to accompieces that have to come cessfully, and we did it in a together to launch a crew." As a total force exercise, exercise injects.

ations every day," said Tech. Sgt. Daniel Hinojosa, 15th Operations Support Squadron C-17 Globemaster III aircrew flight equipment operations NCO-in-charge. "This has definitely been a good learning experience for both sides as far as what the other side brings to the plate and sharing lessons learned."

Tauber said that while the exercise was successful in

"The planes got o

to work in these kinds of situ- itive effort and a success as far as finding out what we need to do to go forward," he said.

While Baize praised the players for the "exponential way" they evolved and grew during the course of the exercise, he also stressed the urgency involved with ensuring both individuals and units are ready to respond to contingency operation requirements.

"The reason we train is because we could end up having to do this next week," Baize said. "This is something that we're tasked with being plish at any time without the luxury of having three weeks to get everything together and both active duty and guard but we learned a great deal figure out what to do ... we players got the opportunity to about the road ahead and exercise so we get all of that benefit from each other's expe- some things that we need to out of the way. We show that rience while responding to do better from a ground war we can perform so when that specifically. day does come, our guys are "Not everyone gets a chance Overall the exercise was a pos- ready to go," Baize said.

Coronado's next duty assignment will be at U.S. Pacific Fleet in Hawaii.

Williamson, a native of Wilmington, military personnel.

He will lead a total workforce of approximately 1.600 highly-skilled civilians and 228 Navy and Air Force safe manner," Tauber said. "There were some challenges, perspective

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Pearl-Harbor-Hickam Highlights



Exercise participants stay low under "Alarm Red, Mission-Oriented Protective Posture 4" conditions during an operational readiness exercise scenario Sept. 13 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The exercise's participants were tested on their ability to properly react to a broad range of scenarios and environmental conditions.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Nathan Allen

(Right) A visitor at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange views an American tribute flag on display. The flag was presented to Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific during a 9/11 Sunset Remembrance Ceremony at the Battleship Missouri Memorial hosted by the Gear Up Foundation. The flag displays the names of the victims of the 9/11 attacks and the first responders who have died post 9/11.

Photo courtesy of Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange Visual Team





(Left) Avery Morgan, daughter of Lt. Paul Morgan, receives her first vegetable cutting lesson from celebrity chef Robert Irvine. Irvine signed autographs and provided a cooking demonstration for service members and their families as part of an Armed Forces Entertainment-sponsored tour at the Pacific Missile Range Facility.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Mathew J. Diendorf



(Below) Capt. Jeffrey James, commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, awards Sailors with their craft master qualification pins at a ceremony held Sept. 10 at Merry Point. Craft masters pilot the Arizona Memorial tour boats that take visitors to and from the memorial.

U.S. Navy photo by Brandon Bosworth



Military personnel from JBPHH and other volunteers in partnership with the Hawaii Nature Center pulled invasive weeds at Pouhala Marsh adjacent to Pearl Harbor on Sept. 15 for the benefit of endangered birds and ducks. Pouhala Marsh is the largest of the remaining wetland habitats in Pearl Harbor and important for the endangered Hawaiian stilt.

Photo by Kelvin Char

Fabrication begins on future USS John Finn

Team Ships Public Affairs

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (NNS) – Huntington Ingalls Industries (HII) marked the start of fabrication on the future USS John Finn (DDG 113) on Sept. 10, signifying the first 100 tons of steel cut for the Navy's latest ship in the Arleigh Burke-class, guided-missile destroyer program.

John Finn will be the first ship in the DDG 51 program restart and the 29th DDG 51-class destroyer built at HII.

"This ship, and the Arleigh Burke-class destroyers that follow her, represent the next chapter in this extremely successful shipbuilding program," said Capt. Mark Vandroff, DDG 51 class program manager, program executive office (PEO) ships. "These ships provide superior combat capability at an affordable price to our nation."

The Navy awarded HII a detail design and con-113 on June 15, 2011. Currently, the Navy has four Arleigh Burke-class destroyers under contract: DDG 113 and DDG 114 at 116 at General Dynamics Bath Iron Works.

tructure while increasing the ship's air and missile II. capabilities defense the weapons and sensor suites. All of these flight Bay, he earned the medal air and missile defense throughout the attack,



U.S. Navy photo

(Now deceased), retired Lt. John W. Finn takes a ride Dec. 6, 2009 on the USS Arizona Memorial White Boat John W. Finn named for him.

(IAMD) capability.

DDG 51 class ships are multi-mission surface combatants designed to perform in anti-air, surface and subsurface environments. destroyers are These struction contract for DDG equipped with the Navy's Aegis combat system, the Department's largest acquiworld's foremost integrated naval weapon system.

DDG 113 is expected to deliver in early 2016 and is HII and DDG 115 and DDG named after John William Finn, a Sailor in the U.S. Navy who received the The Navy is relying on a Medal of Honor for his stable and mature infras- actions during the attack on special mission and support Pearl Harbor in World War ships, and special warfare

As a chief aviation ordthrough spiral upgrades to nanceman stationed at of shipbuilding programs Naval Air Station Kaneohe IIA destroyers will be by manning a machine gun tion efficiencies, which are delivered with integrated from an exposed position critical to delivering ships

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despite being repeatedly wounded. At the time of his death in May 2010, Finn was the oldest living Medal of Honor recipient and the last living recipient from the attack on Pearl Harbor.

As one of the Defense sition organizations, PEO ships, an affiliated PEO of the Naval Sea Systems Command, is responsible for executing the development and procurement of all major surface combatants, amphibious ships, craft.

Currently, the majority managed by PEO ships benefit from serial producon cost and schedule.

Patrol Squadron Nine Golden Eagles' help clean Djibouti wildlife rescue

Lt. j.g. Nicholas Henderson

Patrol Squadron Nine Public Affairs

DJIBOUTI, AFRICA - Twenty-one personnel from Patrol Squadron Nine Golden Eagle's (VP-9) Djibouti detachment site recently volunteered their time to brave the 110-degree heat and thorn-laden acacia trees to help pick up trash at the Djibouti DECAN Refuge. Djibouti's DECAN (Decouvrier et Aider la Nature—Discover and Aid Nature) refuge is not a zoo; it is a non-profit organization run by local Djiboutians with French and American volunteers. The organization takes in animals that have been illegally kept as pets or that have been confiscated by police being smuggled across the borders Benefield. "They don't look that huge from Ethiopia or Somalia for export in the exotic animal trade.

"All of the animals in the refuge are or were indigenous to Djibouti," said Scott Johnson, volunteer coordinator and guide. "One of DECAN's primary goals is to educate Djiboutian school children on the value of preserving their natural heritage," he continued. "Unfortunately, many of the animals here, such as lions and cheetahs, are no longer present in the wild in Djibouti due to competition with humans who perceived them as a threat to their livestock." VP-9's volunteers spent approximately two hours collecting trash around the refuge, reducing local pollution and enhancing the natural scenery. All invasive plant species have been eradicated from the refuge's grounds, so the Golden Eagles were able to see what Djibouti looks like in its natural state.

Lt. j.g. Nathan Durham, who organized the event, was happy to give his time to a site http://www.vp9.navy.mil/ or on good cause. "Volunteering is always a good Facebook.

use of time," he said. "It's nice to be able to help out when the opportunity arises.

Lt. Cmdr. Chris Dudley was also pleased with the turnout and the Golden Eagles' eagerness to help. "I've been proud of this detachment from day one, and it's great to see Sailors taking time on one of their few days off here to give back to our host nation," he said.

After the trash collection, Johnson gave the Golden Eagles a behind-the-scenes tour of the refuge. Highlights included an upclose-and-personal visit with two fourmonth-old cheetahs and a look at the refuge's family of four African lions.

"I can't believe how big the lions are," said Aircrewman Operator 2nd Class Michael on TV." The gazelles that roamed freely around the refuge were also a big hit and posed patiently for pictures with many VP-9 personnel.

"I'd like to thank Mr. Johnson for this great opportunity," said Dudley. "I think we'll be back again soon.'

Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9) is stationed at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii and is currently forward-deployed. The squadron is better known as the "Golden Eagles" and flies the P-3C Orions. The P-3C is a land-based platform and the Navy's premier long-range maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft, operating from locations throughout the world.

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 web-

KHON (FOX) TV 2 Hawaii Navy News upcoming segments

Sept. 27: Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Air Show "Navy Leap Frogs"

Oct. 4: Makahiki festival Oct. 18: Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

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

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Resident Energy Conservation program initiated at Hickam Communities

Hickam Communities

In compliance with Department of Defense (DOD) guidelines Hickam Communities initiated Resident the Energy Program Conservation (RECP) in May of this year. This program starts with energy conservation statements for each metered home in the community.

This is a "mock bill" that shows residents their actual monthly electrical usage. These statements are informational, designed to introduce residents to the program, and allows residents to learn about their family's monthly energy usage and utility allowance (UA).

The objective of this program is to promote energy conservation in support of Air Force and DOD goals to reduce energy consumption and preserve natural resources. There is a benefit to residents who use less than their monthly utility allowance. These residents will be rewarded with rebates on the unused portion of their allowance after this program goes "live."

Hickam Communities is responsible for implementing and managing the program on behalf of the Air Force. Hickam Communities has contracted with Minol USA to set up and manage this program. Minol is one of the nation's largest and most experienced utility management and billing companies. Minol currently serves more than 19 separate Air Force projects and prepares utility billings for more than 44,000 military units nationwide.

To begin, each home is placed into a "profile" which is a group of similar homes. Profiles are based on bedroom count, similar square footage, age or year built and type of construction including how many floors. Each metered home on base has been assigned a profile.

The Air Force program requires that service members receive a utility allowance (UA) monthly. Once a profile is established, the homes within that group How to Read Your Statement

Statements can be confusing. We have put together this helpful guide to make reading your statement as easy as possible.

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by neighborhoods, through-

out the summer months.

The numbers in June had

1,717 statements issued. A

breakdown of those state-

ments showed that 84 per-

cent of residents either met

their utility allowance (UA)

or would have received

In fact, 48 percent would

resulting figure The becomes the UA for that profile of homes. The UA is calculated annually and divided into 12 equal monthly segments. The UA amount is listed on the monthly billing statement.

Prior to beginning the program in May, some of the have received rebates if the homes have had operating program was "live." The

have their utility usage cal- electrical meters for over remaining residents, or three years where actual roughly 16 percent, would usage data has been gathhave owed payments for exceeding their monthly util-Delivery of energy conserity allowance.

During "mock billing" there are two primary objecreduce their family's energy consumption.

It is important to know that not all residents will be receiving statements.

renovated do not currently have meters. There are also some renovated homes that receive are informational are still awaiting meter and no monies are due, nor installation. As these homes become metered they will be added to the RECP program. All of the metered homes will be receiving monthly statements from Minol.

Understanding your conservation statement

Residents are highly encouraged to review their energy conservation/mock billing statements and ask be aware of their family's questions. Some key items to consumption and hopefully look for on the statement: verify the name and address are correct; find your UA amount; find the start and end read from your individual meter; find the amount your family consumed.

Residents who use less energy than their UA will 0493 with questions and conreceive the difference in the form of a rebate check. These checks are paid after a resident accumulates \$50 or Residents can also email more in their account. Residents can also chose to ing@minolusa.com. let these rebates accumulate in their account to cover or months when perhaps they AskUs@hickamcommunities exceed the UA to help offset .com.

the payment.

If a resident exceeds their tives. The first objective is to monthly UA, they are work out issues related to responsible to reimburse the profile groups, meter equip- difference, again only after ment, as well as finding pos- an accumulation of \$50 or sible equipment issues with- more is reached. To put it in the home. The second is to into a better perspective, partner with residents to nationwide more than 75 answer questions about the percent of military homes program and provide infor- within the RECP program mation on how to help end up either owing nothing or receiving a rebate each month.

Hickam Communities is seeing an even higher amount at 84 percent. It is Homes that have not been important to remember that during the "mock billing" period, the statements you are rebates paid.

Another feature of the statements includes details on water consumption.

The homes are also equipped with individual water meters which measure the family's usage. Though water is not currently part of the RECP program, it is included to allow residents to work toward conservation of this resource.

Where to go for help

Residents can log on to Minol's website at www.minolusa.com or contact their resident customer care center at 1-888-636cerns. The care center is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Minol at militaryhous-

For more information assistance email



Melissa Heintz

Fleet and Family Readiness Marketing

Country music fans from Hawaii gathered at Pearl Harbor-Hickam's Ward Field on the 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks for a free remembrance concert by Mark Wills.

Wills, who is on tour with Stars for Stripes, is a proud supporter of the troops and has made more than a dozen trips to perform in Afghanistan and Iraq.

The concert was presented in partnership with Stars for Stripes, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing quality celebrity entertainment to internationally deployed U.S. military forces.

Since its inception in 2003, Stars for Stripes has coordinated 64 tours for the deployed troops with 37 of those going into Iraq and seven into Afghanistan.

Chris Boettger, from the 8th Intelligence Squadron, and his wife Leslie said they are big country music fans and that they were thrilled Wills made Hawaii one of the stops on his tour.

Chris added that he regularly enjoys the free concerts brought to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and they attended the Tops in Blue, David Cook and

Gary Sinise and the Lieutenant Dan Band concerts as well.

"It's nice of him to come out here and do this on Sept. 11," Leslie said. "It makes it nice that big stars come out this way to do stuff for the military," she added.

Fans arrived early to enjoy local food prepared by vendors from across the island. The DJ from Club Pearl's The Country Bar spun classic country hits before the show that had people line dancing and having a good time.

dancing and having a good time. Tyler MacDonald and John Anderson, both in the Navy and both regulars at The Country Bar, started off with the popular Tush Push line dance.

"It's rare that country comes out here to Hawaii, and when it does it's amazing. We have to take advantage," said MacDonald about his excitement for the show and his love for country music.

"It's pretty much what we're about. Good friends, good music, good times, " Anderson said.

At the concert Wills performed classic all-American country hits, patriotic songs and some of his own songs. After the concert Wills met his fans in an autograph signing session.

For more information on upcoming special events at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.



Photo illustration | Photos by Jared Nakayama







Vertical game helps 647th FSS sink Divers

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Quarterback Staff Sgt. Jason Price ran for three touchdowns and passed for another to lead the 647th Force Support Squadron (647 FSS) to a 29-13 victory over the Divers on Sept. 17, in an intramural football American League seasonopening game at Ward Field, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Price took it into the zone on runs of four, eight and 32 yards before completing a 25-yard toss to wide receiver Master Sgt. Juan Valles for six to lead the 647 FSS to the 16-point win.

"Team speed and I was able to calm down," Price explained about the win. "Calm down, that was the main thing because this was the first game and you got butterflies.'

On the team's first drive of the game, Price misfired on his first pass, but quickly settled down to connect with Airman 1st Class John Ribbins for a two-yard pickup before sending a spiral downfield to Valles for 34 yards and a first down with the ball on the Divers' 16yard line.

Two plays later, Price broke the plane with the nose of the football for six points and the lead.

pass to Ribbins to convert the point after touchdown and put the 647 FSS up at 7-0.

The Divers had their first drive stall at the 11-yard line, but forced the 647 FSS from two yards out with :43 to return the ball on downs remaining before the break.



Airman 1st Class Jared Smith, 647th Force Support Squadron (647 FSS), deflects a pass intended for Navy Diver 2nd Class Daryl Waldrup of the Divers during an American League intramural flag football game at Ward Field, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

on just eight plays.

Then with time winding down in the first half, Divers signal caller Navy Diver 2nd Class Shaun Egly took the Price completed a short ball at the team's own 28 and directed a seven-play scoring drive.

Egly ended the march on a pitch back to Navy Diver 2nd Class Brett McEntire, who swept into the end zone

Egly combined with helped us out a little bit." McEntire again, this time on pass, to add the extra point and tie the game at 7-7 at halftime.

"Just playing the game faster - not lining up," said Egly about the team's offensive adjustments before intermission. "They (647 FSS) weren't always ready, so we just got up to the line really fast and they were slow to get ready, which

In addition to the quicker sets, Egly gave himself more time to pass by scrambling behind the line of scrim-

mage. "The more running I do, things kind of happen for the better because I'm not the greatest thrower," he said. "If I get to run and get things spread out, I can see people a little bit better and that works out for me."

In the second half, Price came out slinging and quicklv seized back momentum for the 647 FSS

Facing second down at his own 22, Price went over the top once again, this time finding receiver Airman 1st Class Jared Smith for 38 yards and a first down on the Divers' 20.

the ball at the eight before onship or bust."

picking up his second rushing touchdown of the game.

In response to the score, Egly completed one pass and ran the ball twice to put the ball on the 647's 28-yard line

However, on the very next play, Egly tried to thread the needle on a pass down the middle to Navy Diver 2nd Class Daryl Waldrup only to have the toss picked off by Ribbins.

The interception may have been the turning point of the game as the 647 FSS needed only five plays to travel 65 yards and take a 20-7 advantage.

"John came up with a real big interception," Price said. "We always talk about defense. John kept calling it. He was past due for an interception this year."

On the Divers' next drive, Egly did his best to keep the team in the game by directing a five-play scoring series with the QB running in the final 22 yards for a touchdown to make it a one possession game at 20-13.

Instead of letting the Divers back in, Price capped off the 647's final scoring drive by finding Valles in the corner of the end zone for a 25-yard strike.

The extra-point conversion and, later, a safety put the last points on the board for the 647 FSS.

With one game in the win column, Price said that the team got off to a good start in fulfilling its dream.

"We were disappointed last year," Price stated. "Last year, we won like 11, but went out in the first Price hooked up with round of the playoffs. This Ribbins with a pass to place year, it's either champi-



MEPS finishes off 324th IS to win volleyball crown

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Just one day after dethroning defending intramural volleyball champs Hawaii Air National Guard, the Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) completed its run to the title by defeating the 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS), Sept. 12, in straight sets, 25-16 and 25-16, to capture the 2012 intramural Volleyball League championship at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

The final showdown ended four days of playoff action that began on Sept. 7 and resumed on Sept. 10 with quarterfinal action.

During the regular season, the two teams placed two and three in the Blue Division standings, with the MEPS holding a 7-1 record and the 324 IS winning five out of eight matches.

Hitter Spc. Fealofani Maugalei, who slammed nine kills in the first set and added three more in the second, said that becoming only the second intramural vollevball champs to represent JBPHH was a fantastic way to finish off a great season.

"It feels wonderful," he said. "It's not to brag. It's all about friendship and fellowship.'

In both sets, the matches started off even, only to see the hard-hitting MEPS slowly pull away at around the midway point.

In the first set, the 324 IS pulled to within a point at 7-6 on a kill by Airman 1st Class Samuel Mount, but three kills out of the next four points by Maugalei put the MEPS ahead at 10-7.

The score remained close at 14-10, but a side-out and two more kills, punctuated by another slam from Maugalei, extended the lead for MEPS to seven at 17-10.

A kill from 324 IS team captain Maj. Phillip Warner stopped the run at three, but control for MEPS with a 4-0 another side-out, a kill plus run to give the team a 10ace from Maugalei resumed



Spc. Fealofani Maugalei, hitter for the Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) volleyball squad, stuffs a shot by 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) Airman 1st Class David Morris during the intramural Volleyball League championship match at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

point lead at 21-11.

Air Force celebrates 65th birthday ball

Although the 324 IS came three more kills from Class Solomon Pulu and back to win the next four out Maugalei and one each from Staff Sgt. Naseri Sunia to of five points, the MEPS got Operations Specialist 2nd close out the first set.

"Our mentally is like kill the ball," said Maugalei about the team's outstanding hitting. "The way we do it is that we don't hit it toward the back, we hit it straight down. That's how we execute it.'

While the 324 IS managed to match MEPS point-forpoint early in the second set, errors from service kept the team from pulling ahead.

The teams were tied at 7-7, but service errors from 324 IS servers cost the team a total of four points. Another service error later in the set helped MEPS take a 14-10 lead.

"It's been endemic of the team," Warner explained. "They cost us. We miss serves and it's frustrating especially when it's a close game."

A kill by Mount brought the 324 IS back to within a point at 14-13, but down by two at 16-14, the 324 IS saw their chances slowly slip away when the MEPS went on a 7-0 run to take a commanding 22-14 lead.

The two teams traded points until a shot by Pulu was returned into the net to give the MEPS the win and title.

Warner, who finished his first year as coach of the 324 IS, said although he and his teammates gave all they had, the night just belonged to the MEPS.

"We just seemed to be out of sync," Warner stated. "This time, we just seemed to be a little bit slow. They (MEPS) were much faster than anybody else that plays in this league. We just didn't adjust well."

Maugalei added that once he saw what all the other teams had to offer, he felt confident that the MEPS had a good chance of winning it all.

"Basically after the first round, that's when we started to know every team's techniques, who were the power hitters and everything," he said. "We studied them and when the second round came, we executed. We put our mistakes aside and focused on winning."

TRICARE prime fees are changing

new fees are included when Congress passes



U.S. Air Force photo by David D. Underwood, Jr.

The guest of honor and oldest Airman, Durward Swanson, U.S. Army Air Corps veteran and Dec. 7, 1941 Hickam Field survivor, cuts the Air Force's birthday cake along with Gen. Herbert J. "Hawk" Carlisle, commander, Pacific Air Forces, and the youngest Airman, Airman 1st Class Alexandria Wensink, 15th Aerospace Medicine Squadron. They cut the cake during the 65th Air Force Ball at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki on Sept. 14.

Makahiki to be held Oct. 6 at Hickam Harbor Beach

Navy Region Hawaii

Plan of the Week

2012 "makahiki" The at Kapuai'kaula (Hickam Beach) will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 6 at Hickam Harbor Beach, Joint Base in the ancient Hawaiian games of Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The event is free for the entire al cultural event. family. The *makahiki* is open to all personnel with base access.

Makahiki is designed to emphasize Hawaii's past and heritage, and serve as an ancient Hawaiian patricia.colemon@navy.mil, Thanksgiving. It will include opportunities to observe and learn native grace.hewlen@navy.mil.

Hawaiian culture and protocol.

The event begins with a greeting ceremony at Hickam Harbor Beach. Then participants will proceed to the great lawn near Sam Choy's Seafood Grille for ancient Hawaiian games.

Families are invited to participate skill and to experience the education-

Participants are advised to dress comfortably for a day in the sun and bring beach chairs and mats.

For more information, email jeff.pantaleo@navy.mil, or

TriWest Healthcare Alliance

Brian P. Smith

It's that time of year again. TRICARE Prime billing statements have gone out in the west region.

This year, enrollees will be seeing some new numbers in their statements. The individual and family annual enrollment fee rates are increasing.

Are my fees changing?

Yes, the fees are changing for most retiree TRICARE Prime enrollees. Fee-paying enrollees were paying either (depending on the date of enrollment):

\$230 or \$260 for individual coverage or

• \$460 or \$520 for a family coverage.

These enrollees will see their 2013 fiscal vear enrollment rate change to \$269.28 for individual or \$538.56 for family beginning Oct. 1.

Going forward, a majority of the Prime enrollees could see fee increases at the beginning of each fiscal year. Two categories of retirees will have their rates "frozen."

Survivors of active duty deceased sponsors (following the three-year transitional survivor period) and medically-retired service members will pay the same annual fee rate that was in effect the year they enrolled as fee-payers and were categorized as survivors or medically-retired.

The freeze remains if Prime enrollment is not interrupted. Beneficiary status and category are recorded in the DEERS (Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System) record.

The fees could change each fiscal year. TRI-CARE is reminding enrollees that you may automatic electronic payments through have another enrollment fee increase later if TriWest.

the final FY 2013 budget. If you don't choose an automatic monthly payment option, it's suggested you make quarterly payments. TRICARE.mil/Costs has more information. Do I pay fees? How much do I owe this year?

If you paid TRICARE Prime enrollment fees last year, and you're still enrolled, you still owe fees. If you are recently enrolled in Prime as a retiree, you owe fees. You can always check your fees owed by logging into your secure account at TriWest.com.

What changes will I have to make?

As long as you make your payments by the due date on the statement, your TRICARE Prime enrollment continues. If you have signed up for automatic electronic payments through TriWest, you don't have to change anything.

Your payments will be automatically adjusted to the appropriate new amounts:

• monthly allotment from retired pay.

• monthly electronic funds transfer from your checking or savings account.

• monthly credit/debit card payment. What if I disenroll?

You can choose to disenroll and use your TRICARE Standard coverage. You will have an annual deductible and out-of-pocket cost shares.

As a retiree, you may voluntarily disenroll at the end of the enrollment year (Sept. 30). If you enroll again, your coverage will not be continuous and will start either the month after you enroll or the month after that (based on the 20th of the month rule).

Stay on top of your enrollment and help avoid any missed payments by signing up for

Legal Assistance Office begins new hours Oct. 1

Legal Assistance Office

Beginning Oct. 1, the new hours of operation for the legal assistance office at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walk-in times for notary and power of attorney will be on assistance Tuesdays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Real estate notaries are vice members, family memavailable by appointment only. bers and retirees with

Attorney services walk-ins issues such as family law, will be from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and from 1:30

to 3:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Call 473-4717 for appointments for real estate notaries and legal assistance services. All walk-in services are first come, first served. The legal assistance office will be located on the first deck of building 1746 starting Oct. 1. It assists active duty ser-

consumer law, wills, powers of attorney, landlord/tenant issues, etc.

If you have been told you are under investigation, might be going to a courtmartial, an administrative separation board or nonjudicial punishment, you should contact the defense service office at 473-1410. These services are separate and distinct from those offered at the legal assistance office.

Undefeated PHFC stands alone at the top

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

The Pearl Harbor Futbol Club (PHFC) grabbed a tighter hold of first place in the Summer Soccer League on Sept. 15 by edging past previously unbeaten and two-time base intramural champs Kunia Gallos, 1-0, at Quick Field, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win raised the club's record to 6-0 while the Gallos, which entered the game with a record of 4-0-1, dropped to third place. three points behind the Divers with a mark of 4-1-1.

"This feels pretty good," said Department of Defense (DoD) civilian Adam Bornemann, who kicked in the game's lone goal. "It feels good to show we're on top."

Although no one scored in the first half, PHFC seemed to have an easier time in moving the ball to the front.

The team allowed only three shots on goal and a penalty kick by Gallos striker Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) 3rd Class Ian Vecino on defense, but picked up a slight edge on shots on goal by sending seven kicks to the net.

One of the kicks appeared to get past Gallos goalkeeper Lt. j.g. Donny George, but referees disallowed the shot to keep the game knotted up at 0-0



going into halftime.

"I guess he was outside, but I'm not 100 percent sure," said DoD civilian Marco Fabara about the club's near goal. "We just go with the referee."

game appeared to be headed for a tie, but PHFC, after being shut down for most of the second half, started to pick things up with time running down.

Held to only a penalty shot in the second half, the bag when forward DoD ers, broke away down the it." middle of the field for a one-on-one opportunity against George.

However, the usually sure-footed Niang shot the ball too far to his left and ricocheted it off the right upright.

Then with only a few Jackson curved toward the goal.

recovery to knock the shot team. down, but Bornemann, and right time, stepped gled against a very q into the deflected shot and aggressive PHFC. stuck it into the back of the net for the game-win- Fabara said. ning goal.

Fabara said he was disap- and everything is teamthe shot being swatted closer."

away by George, but burst into celebration when Bornemann knocked it in.

"I actually tried to do a goal from there (corner)," Fabara admitted. "But Adam was there at the Following halftime, the right time, so that was good.'

While Bornemann complimented George for making a good play on the corner kick, he said that the Gallos goalkeeper made one big mistake.

"The goalie didn't catch club rallied and seemed to it. He just kind of hit it have the first goal in the away," Bornemann pointed out. "So when he hit it civilian Moussa Niang, one away, it just kind of of the team's leading scor- bounced down and I kicked

Without the services of several key players, the Gallos weren't able to mount a consistent attack throughout the game.

Missing from the team's starting lineup were strikers, Staff Sgt. Winston and Senior minutes remaining on the Airman Akira Hose and clock, PHFC got another sweeper Gallos captain opportunity when Fabara Cryptologic Technician blasted a corner kick that (Interpretive) 1st Class Steven Bloom, who was on George stepped up and the mainland trying out made an outstanding for the All-Navy soccer

Still loaded with firewho was in the right place power, the Gallos struggled against a very quick

"It was a good game," Fabara said. "They (Gallos) got a really good In setting up the shot back line, so it was hard. with his corner kick, But we made a few runs pointed when he first saw work, so we were getting

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is named Smithsonian affiliate museum

Pacific Aviation Museum utive director. Pearl Harbor has recently been named the newest affiliate of the Program is an expansive network Smithsonian Institution, as part of 150-plus museums and educaof the Smithsonian Institution tional organizations that demon-Affiliates Program, announced strate excellence in the field of his-Kenneth DeHoff, museum exec- toric preservation and education, access to artifact loans, traveling

"The Smithsonian Affiliations

and we're delighted to be selected exhibitions and education pro- Smithsonian Magazine's Museum to be a member of this esteemed organization," DeHoff said.

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor's association with the Smithsonian Institution means

grams from the Smithsonian Day Live! with free admission to Institute, the world's largest museum, as well as from other affiliate museums.

Again this year, the museum call will be participating

the museum Sept. 29 with tickets from: http://bit.ly/qRc0CM/.

For more information, 441-1000 or visit in www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.

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A BELLOWS PAINTBALL WITH LIBERTY

There will be a paintball excursion with Liberty to Bellows on Saturday. Departures are from Liberty Express 8:30 a.m., from Beeman Center at 9 a.m., Instant Liberty at 9:15 a.m., and Makai Recreation Center at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person. This event is for single active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-

ℜ FREE GOLF CLINIC

The Barbers Point Golf Course is hosting a free golf clinic at 9 a.m. Saturday. FMI: 682-1911.

Ä GLASS BOTTOM BOAT TOUR

A glass bottom boat tour of Kaneohe Bay takes place from 9:15 a.m. to noon Saturday. The tour departs from Information, Tickets & Travel-Hickam. The cost is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children ages 3-11 years old. FMI: 448-

労UFC 152 IN HD

Watch the bout between Jon Jones and Vitor Belfort in high-definition 3 p.m. Saturday at J.R. Rockers. Doors open at 2 p.m. for preliminaries. The event is free for members, \$10 for non-members. FMI: 448-2271.

*** POOL DANCE PARTY**

There will be family-friendly music and dancing from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday at Hickam Pool 2. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. This is a free event. FMI: 448-2223.

A GREENS AERATION

The Mamala Bay Golf Course will be closed on Sept. 24 for aeration. Half-price green fees will be in effect through Sept. 25-30. FMI: 682-1911.

Ž PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Preschool story time is held from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Hickam Library. The theme for the day is "alphabets and numbers." FMI: 449-8299.

A HICKAM HISTORICAL TOURS

Historical tours of the Hickam side of Pearl Harbor-Hickam will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sept. 28. The cost is \$55 for adults and \$45 for children ages 3-11 years old, and free for children 2 years and younger. Departures are from ITT-Hickam and Royal Alaka'i Lodge. FMI: 448-2295.

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

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☆ 21 - A Hispanic Heritage Month celebration will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. FMI: QM1 (SW) Julian Pardal at 474-0302 or email julian.pardal1@navy.mil.

2 - Bellows Air Force Station will hold a *keiki* [children's] bodyboard contest starting at 10 a.m. The entry fee is \$20. FMI: www.bellowsafs.com.

The second seco to 2:30 p.m. at Hickam Memorial Theater at Pearl Harbor-Hickam and from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Sept. 26 at Marine Corps Base Hawaii main chapel. Muhammad is the ex-wife of the convicted Washington, D.C. sniper, John Allen Muhammad, and will share her story of domestic violence and how she was the target for her now executed ex-husband.

3525, 26 - High Holy Day services will be provided for all Jewish personnel at Aloha Jewish Chapel, Pearl Harbor-Hickam, by the rabbi Cmdr. Joel Newman. Yom Kippur services will be from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Sept. 25, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 26, and 6 to 7 p.m. Sept. 26. FMI: 473-3971.

3726 – The 25th annual Joint Employment Management System (JEMS) Job Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Club Pearl at Pearl Harbor-Hickam. FMI: 474-1999 or 449-0300 or visit www.jemsjobs.com.

3729 – A Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam National Public Lands Day cleanup will be held from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at two work sites: Halealoha Haleamau Burial Platform at Fort Kamehameha and Ahua Reef, both on the Hickam side of the base. FMI: patricia.colemon@navy.mil or grace.hewlen@navy.mil.

Tr October

The Navy Officers' Ball, celebrating the 237th anniversary of the Navy, will be held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Coral Ballroom. Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. and officers' call will be at 6:45 p.m. Guest speaker will be retired Capt. Gerald Coffee, a Vietnam POW. Deadline for purchasing tickets is Sept. 28. The cost is \$60, \$70 or \$75 depending on meal selection. Tickets may be purchased from Navy Ball Committee members. FMI: 471-3740 or email andrew.r.gates@navy.mil.



The Campaign (R) When long-term congressman Cam Brady commits a major public gaffe before an upcoming election, a pair of ultra-wealthy CEOs plot to put up a rival candidate and gain influence over their North Carolina district. Their man: naïve Marty Huggins, director of the local Tourism Center. Marty appears to be the unlikeliest possible choice but, with the help of his new benefactors' support, a cutthroat campaign manager and his family's political connections, he soon becomes a contender who gives the charismatic Cam plenty to worry about. As election day closes in, the two are locked in a dead heat, with insults quickly escalating to injury until all they care about is burying each other, in this mud-slinging and back-stabbing comedy that takes today's political circus to its logical next level. Because even when you think campaign ethics have hit rock bottom, there's room to dig a whole lot deeper.

SHARKEY MOVIE THEATER HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY

7:00 PM Step Up Revolution (PG-13)

SATURDAY

2:30 PM Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG) 4:45 PM Moonrise Kingdom (PG-13) 7:00 PM Savages (R)

SUNDAY

2:30 PM Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) 4:45 PM Step Up Revolution (PG-13) 7:15 PM The Watch (R)

TODAY

6:00 PM Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) 8:30 PM The Campaign (R)

SATURDAY

4:00 PM Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) 7:00 PM The Bourne Legacy (PG13)

SUNDAY 2:00 PM Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG)

Flight School for Girls ready to take off again at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Sixth through eighth grade girls can soar at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor's program "Flight School for Girls," which takes off again from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 2 to 4.

Developed by Dr. Shauna Tonkin, the museum's director of education, Flight School for Girls is a threeday program in the history and technology of flight, with an emphasis on Pacific aviation — and fun. Middle school girls can

explore the scientific principles of flight through handson activities, operate remote control aircraft, and meet women in aviation careers.

Graduates of this program for girls have called it amazing and empowering. "It's the most fun I've ever had learning the principles of flight and science. I'm interested in flying now as a career, something I'd never even thought of before. And from other schools," said



Photo courtesy of Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Girls participate in a previous flight school program at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor.

completion ceremony. "It's an exciting experi-I made great new friends ence for girls and encourages them to consider one graduate, as she had the many opportunities her wings pinned on at the available for them in limited and reservations are tions.

aviation," Tonkin said.

required. Visit The cost is \$125 which www.PacificAviationMuseu includes all materials, m.org/education/flightschool lunch, snack, and a "flight or call 441-1005 for more school" logo T-shirt. Space is information and reserva-

National Take Back initiative set for Sept. 29

Turn in your unused or expired medications for safe, anonymous disposal from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 29 at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange main lobby, 4725 Bougainville Drive.

Other Oahu locations participating during the same time are:

- Hawaii State Capitol on 415 S. Beretania St.;
- Kapolei Police Station parking lot;

• Schofield Barracks Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES), Post Exchange (PX);

• Town Center of Mililani, 95-1249 Meheula Parkway;

• Windward Mall 45-056 Kamehameha Highway, Kaneohe.

For more information, visit the website WWW.DEA.GOV or call 541-1930.

Partial lane closures to take place Sept. 24-25 along North Road

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Works

On Sept. 24 and 25, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Works Department will be operating equipment on North Road facing building 150 to repair windows on the second deck.

Specifically, work will be done in the outbound lane on North Road just past the traffic light heading toward Nimitz Gate.

The work will be done from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The work schedule may shift due to inclement weather.

The work will result in partial lane closures throughout the use of the equipment. All traffic must adhere to traffic control measures implemented by construction crews.

Should weather prevent the work from occurring in the planned period, work would be extended on off-peak hours.

WHO SAID IT?

"Some look at things that are, and ask why. I dream of things that never were and ask why not?"



Last Week's WHO SAID IT?

"Public officers are the servants and agents of the people, to execute the laws which the peo-ple have made."

Grover Cleveland

This Week's Trivia

On Aug. 28, 1867, Capt. William Reynolds of the Lackawanna raised the U.S. flag over what island and took formal possession for the U.S?

Last Issue's Question:

Who was the former base operations officer in charge of Hickam Field who was on duty during the attack of Dec. 7, 1941? Answer:

Col. Gordon Blake was in charge and on duty during the attack.

Coqui frogs make a distinctive sound

Earth Tip: Inspect ums, may carry uninten-your purchased potted tional coqui passengers. plants for coqui frogs. Coqui frogs sing a loud piercing "ko-KEE" song in the evening.

The chirp disturbs the ability of most people to Department at 643-7378 sleep with open windows or send an email to: causing the real estate oisc@hawaii.edu. market in some areas of the island of Hawaii to be coqui and other frogs, see adversely affected.

The presence of coqui is a du/coqui/. required disclosure item in real estate transactions on the Big Island. Plants shipped to Oahu from the Navy Region Hawaii Big Island, such as anthuri- environmental counsel)

Should you hear or find a coqui on your plants on Oahu, report the find to the Oahu Invasive Species Council, State Agriculture

For more about other http://www.ctahr.hawaii.e

(Submitted by Rebecca Hommon

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Photo courtesy of Defense Logistics Agency

A group of participants with their paperwork are shown in this photo of a previous erecycling event.

Property disposal process training planned for Sept. 27

Defense Logistics Agency

Disposition Services will be providing trainlocal DLA Disposition Services site at ic turn-ins conducted. Barbers Point.

The training will be held at 9 a.m. Sept. 27 at the Hickam Memorial Theater and will ments.

This training will especially help com- move of venue is required.

mands who are participating in the upcoming e-recycling event scheduled for The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) November. Turn-in requirements for this erecycle event (Nov. 8) will be discussed and ing on the property disposal process for the training on specific instructions for electron-

> The training should last between one and two hours depending on questions that arise.

RSVP your attendance by 12 p.m. Sept. 25 include information on how to complete to Valentine.OCallaghan@dla.mil. If there Form 1348-1A for proper identification of are not enough respondents to use the theproperty and special processing require- ater, an alternate training location will be used and sent out to the RSVP e-mail, if a

Navy Enlisted Birthday Ball, golf tournament planned

The Navy Region Hawaii Enlisted Birthday Ball will be held Oct. 13 at the Sheraton Waikiki Hawaii Ballroom. Social hour is at 5:30 p.m. and the ceremony starts at 6:30 p.m.

Guest speaker for the event will be Fleet Master Chief John Minyard. The cast from Hawaii Five-O will be special guests.

- Ticket prices are \$65 for E-6 and above and \$45 for E-5 and below.
- Contact your command representative for tickets.

For more information, call Chief Jeremy Brown at 474-4438.

In addition to the ball, an Enlisted Navy Ball Golf Tournament will take place Oct. 5 at the Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course. Enter at 11 a.m. for a noon shotgun start.

The cost is \$40 for E-5 and below and \$50 for E-6 to O-3. The cost for O-4 and above, Department of Defense employees, civilians and guests is \$60.

The format is four-person scramble. Prizes will be awarded for first to third place, longest drive and closest to the pin.

Mulligan cards are \$20 per person or \$60 per team. Space is limited.

For more information and to register, call CTIC Jennifer Dougherty at 471-0778, or email jennifer.a.dougherty@navy.mil.

My Favorite Photo...

Former Ho'okele graphic artist Patrick Murray took this recent photo of an employee at Paradise Cove in West Oahu, as the employee demonstrated how to climb a palm tree.

Photo courtesy of Patrick Murray



How to submit photos Send your (non-family and non-posed) photos to editor@hookelenews.com.