

USS Chung-Hoon departs for western Pacific deployment

Story by Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

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Editor's Note: USS Chung-Hoon is participating in the Great Green Fleet, an initiative that highlights the Navy's efforts to transform its energy use to increase operational capability.

The guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) departed Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 27 on a regularly scheduled Strike Group deployment to the western Pacific Ocean with the John C. Stennis Strike Group.

While deployed, Chung-Hoon and its crew of more than 300 Sailors will conduct theater security cooperation and maritime presence operations with partner nations.

The mission of Chung-Hoon is to conduct sustained combat operations at sea, provide primary protection for the Navy's aircraft carriers and battle groups, as well as serve as



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escort to Navy and Marine Corps amphibious forces and auxiliary ships, and conduct independent operations as necessary.

"Departing on deployment is a significant event in the life of all Sailors," said Cmdr. Tom M. Ogden, commanding officer of Chung-Hoon.

all make a ship ready for deployed operations. The crew has succeeded at every

"Months of training, main- task leading up to this and tenance, and preparations deployment will be the capstone of those tremendous efforts."

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Strike Squadron 37 Detachment 7, homeported at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, is scheduled to embark Chung-Hoon for the deployment. Detachment 7, known as "Paniolo," is scheduled to deploy with a total of 28 personnel and two MH-60R Seahawk helicopters, the U.S. navy's primary anti-submarine and anti-surface warfare platform.

"I am very excited for the upcoming deployment onboard USS Chung-Hoon, and I am extremely proud of the 'Paniolo' pilots, aircrewmen, and maintainers for their hard work and preparation," said Lt. Cmdr. Justin Eckhoff, HSM-37 Detachment 7's officer-in-charge.

"We are motivated and ready to employ our two MH-60R helicopters in diverse mission areas, including antisurface and anti-submarine warfare, in order to meet the tasking of our ship, air wing, or strike group commander.'

For more information please visit the ship's website: http://www.public. navy.mil/surfor/ddg93/

15th Wing reflects on Operation Desert Storm

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Gabrielle Joyner



F-16A Fighting Falcon, F-15C Eagle and F-15E Strike Eagle fighter aircraft fly over burning oil field sites in Kuwait during Operation Desert Storm. U.S. Air Force archive photo

Capt Nicole White and Leatrice Arakaki

(Editor's note: This article is part one of a three part series reflecting on the history of the 15th Wing's contribution to the fight on the 25th anniversary of the Operation Desert Storm.)

On Jan. 16, 1991, air strikes against military targets on the Republic of Iraq signaled the changeover from the deterrent mission of Desert Shield to the combat mission of Desert Storm.

Television coverage of the conflict gave the world a first-hand view of the high-technology aerial warfare, which devastated Saddam Hussein's military, resulting in a decisive victory for the coalition forces.

The 15th Wing, then designated 15th Air Base Wing (ABW), supported Operations Desert Shield

ways. Immediately, transient aircraft support began at the former Hickam Air Force Base (AFB), where the wing's airfield management branch served as the focal point and coordinating agency. They also ensured maximum security and top-priority handling of arriving and departing Desert Shield and Desert Storm aircraft.

This required adjustments to ongoing and planned airfield projects and activities including ramp and taxiway repair, NASA missions, exercises, and more.

Members of the 15th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (CAMS), currently 15th Maintenance Squadron, supported over 1,390 aircraft, providing parking areas, accomplishing necessary repair and calibration work, furnishing aerospace ground equipment, procuring or fabricating

and Desert Storm in numerous needed parts, and providing any other assistance required.

The 15th Services Squadron furnished over 9,000 meals for Army, Air Force, and Marine Corps personnel deploying through Hickam AFB, in addition to providing lodging for over 5,000 transient service members.

The 15th Transportation Squadron deployed a number of vehicle mechanics and operators in addition to traffic management personnel to Saudi Arabia and to

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Deploying members of the 15th Security Police Squadron shake hands with their first sergeant, Master Sgt. Wesley B. Ke, before climbing aboard the C-141 which carried them on the first leg of their journey to Saudi Arabia.

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COLA Living Pattern Survey takes place from Feb. 1 to March 1

Story by U.S. **Pacific Command**

The Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for active duty military personnel in Hawaii significantly decreased on three out of four islands in Hawaii in 2015. As a result, USPACOM obtained approval from the Defense Travel Management Office (DTMO) to do an out-of-cycle Living Pattern Survey

to March 1.

COLA is intended to equalize the purchasing power so service members stationed overseas (to include Hawaii) can purchase the same level of goods and services as they could if they were stationed in the continental United States. Thus, the average prices of 120 goods and services in Hawaii will be compared to the average prices

continental United States. Service members can have a direct impact on their COLA by participating in a Living Pattern Survey (LPS). This survey captures the collective shopping behavior in an overseas location.

During the last LPS in early 2014 approximately 4,800 out of 49,680 assigned active duty personnel in Ha-

(LPS) to be conducted Feb. 1 of the same items in the and USPACOM has estab- ipation. We will also send lished a significant participation goal and aggressive publicity campaign for the 2016 LPS.

> According to Colonel Peter Santa Ana, Director of Manpower and Personnel at HQ USPACOM, "We are getting the word out to all of our military in Hawaii to participate in the online Living Pattern Survey, and we have set a waii participated in the LPS, target of 70 percent partic-

weekly status reports to the service components. With everyone's support and participation, we can ensure the 2016 COLA determination process will be as accurate as possible.'

Service members with family members are encouraged to work together in completing the survey at http://www. defensetravel.dod.mil/site/colaSurvey.cfm?ID=hawaii.

JBPHH promotes tobacco cessation programs to kick the habit

JBPHH is a concurrent juris-

diction," said Capt. Christo-

pher Simmons, assistant staff

judge advocate for the 15th

Wing Legal Office. "This is not

something that the military

commands decided to imple-

ment, because JBPHH is a con-

current jurisdiction, we follow

state laws as well as federal

Army and Air Force Exchange

service stores and Navy Ex-

change services stores have

stopped selling all tobacco prod-

ucts to individuals less than 21

since they can no longer con-

sume tobacco products?

So what do military mem-

This is where the JBPHH to-

bacco cessation programs come

into play. The program will as-

sist service members to kick the

To comply with the law, all

Tech. Sgt. Aaron Oelrich

15th Wing Public Affairs

As of Jan. 1, 2016. it is unlawful to sell or furnish tobacco products, including electronic smoking devices, to a person under 21 years of age in the state of Hawaii.

What do you need to know about the new law?

If a person, un-der 21 years of age is found with tobacco products or an electronic smoking device, a citation of \$10 can be issued for the first offense and \$50thereafter.

If a person, over the age of record.

21 years of age is

found to have members need to know is that sold or given tobacco products, to include electronic smoking device, to an individual under 21 years of age, a citation of \$500 can be issued. For any offense after the first, \$500

to \$2,000 citation can be issued Additionally, this is

considered to be a crim-

inal violation that will appear on a criminal

"The one thing military medications.

"In the classes, we identify triggers as well as what is happening psychologically that causes the addiction," said Staff Sgt. Steven Parsell, non-commissioned officer in charge, 15th Medical Group's Outreach and Resiliency office.

We then provide medication to help them jump start their treatment and help them quit using tobacco products.'

"It is recommended that anyone trying to quit using tobacco products should attend a minimum of four classes to help maximize their ability to shake the addiction," added Parsell.

According to the Center for bers under the age of 21 do now Disease Control and Prevention, quitting may require several attempts. Four out of five people who stop smoking often begin again due to withdrawal symptoms, stress, and weight gain. Another CDC study

or 68.9 percent of adult cigarette smokers wanted to stop smoking and more than four in ten or 42.7 percent of adult cigarette smokers made an attempt to quit in the past year.

"The most important things about our class is that we try to break down why people are smoking and why they turn to tobacco," said Parsell. "The class helps break down why you turn to tobacco, so you can quit and stay tobacco free."

Tobacco cessation classes are held every Monday at 2 p.m. at the 15th Medical Group's Mental Health Clinic.

Additionally, the Naval Health Clinic holds classes every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the JBPHH Fitness Center, Classroom 2, 2nd floor.

For more information, contact 15th Medical Group's outreach and resiliency office at 449-1538, or call NHCH Health clinic at (808) 471-2280 habit by providing classes and found that nearly seven in ten or (808) 473-2444 +9 Ext 4507.

Secretary of the Navy, Secretary of Agriculture launch Great Green Fleet

Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations, and Environment

CORONADO. Calif. -Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack kicked off the Great Green Fleet Jan. 20, with the deployment of the USS John C. Stennis Carrier Strike Group (JCS CSG) during a ceremony at Naval Air Station North Island.

The Great Green Fleet is a Department of the Navy initiative highlighting how the Navy and Marine Corps are using energy efficiency and alternative energy to increase combat capability and operational flexibility. At the close of the ceremony, the Arleigh Burkeclass guided missile destroyer USS Stockdale (DDG 106) left the pier becoming the first U.S. Navy ship running on an alternative fuel blend as part of its regular operations

'When it comes to power, my focus has been about one thing and one thing only: better warfighting," said Mabus. "The Great Green Fleet shows how we are transforming our energy use to make us better warfighters, to go farther, stay longer and deliver more firepower. In short, to enable us to provide the global presence that is our mission."

The blend fueling the JCS CSG's surface ships contains alternative fuel made from waste beef fat provided by farmers in the Midwest. It was purchased at a cost-competitive price through a partnership between the Department of the Navy and U.S. Department

aimed at making alternative fuel blends a regular part of the military's bulk operational fuel supply.

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years of age.

With the USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) and Stockdale in the background, Mabus and Vilsack explained why this milestone alternative fuel purchase is important to the Navy and Marine Corps, and how it supports America's farmers, ranchers and rural manufacturing jobs.

Mabus said, "Diversifying our energy sources arms us with operational flexibility and strengthens our ability to provide presence, turning the tables on those who would use energy as a weapon against us.'

'The Navy's use of renewable energy in the Great Green Fleet represents its ability to diversify its energy sources, and also our nation's abil-

a waste product and create homegrown, clean, advanced biofuels to support a variety of transportation needs," said Vilsack. "Today's deployment proves that America is on its way to a secure, clean energy future, where both defense and commercial transportation can be fueled by our own hardworking farmers and ranchers, reduce landfill waste and bring manufacturing jobs back to rural America."

JCS CSG, the centerpiece of the Great Green Fleet, deployed using energy conservation measures (ECMs), including stern flaps, LED lights and energy efficient operational procedures, and alternative fuel in the course of its normal operations. Other ships, aircraft, amphibious and expeditionary forces and shore installations using

to begin its deployment, of Agriculture (USDA) ity to take what would be ECMs and/or alternative Credit Corporation, USDA fuels in the course of performing planned mission functions will be part of the Great Green Fleet throughout 2016.

The advanced fuel blend was produced by California-based AltAir Fuels from a feedstock of beef tallow-waste beef fat-provided by Midwest farmers and ranchers, and traditional petroleum provided by Tesoro. Pursuant to Navy requirements, the alternative fuel is drop-in, meaning it requires no changes to ship engines, transport or delivery equipment, or operational procedures.

The Defense Logistics Agency awarded a contract to AltAir Fuels for 77.6 million gallons of the alternative fuel blend, at a cost to DLA of \$2.05 per gallon, making it cost competitive with traditional fuel.

Through the Commodity

is able to partner with the Navy to help diversify its fuel supply and simultaneously support America's own farmers, ranchers

and rural economies. Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 9, guided-missile cruiser USS Mobile Bay (CG 53), and guided-missile destroyers USS Stockdale, USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) and USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) are part of the JCS CSG.

Sailing the Great Green Fleet (GGF) in 2016 was one of the five energy goals Mabus set in 2009 for the Navy and Marine Corps. It was named to honor President Theodore **Roosevelt's Great White** Fleet, which helped usher in America as a global power on the world stage at the beginning of the 20th Century. The GGF will usher in the next era of Navy and Marine Corps energy innovation.



What is the best invention that was ever created?



OSCM (SW) Will Caldero COMSEVENTHFLT

"The baseball bat. It's entertaining and protective."

Tech Sgt. Lloyd Canieso PACAF

"The Internet. It made connection and communication the speed of light!"





Lt. Paul Fylstra CRNH/JBPHH

"Indoor plumbing. It changed our lifestyle so you didn't have to spend hours per day searching for basic necessities, and it prevented the spread of diseases."

Lt. Col. Lisa Richard PACAF

"Airplanes. They allow us the freedom to travel and explore faraway places. They make the world smaller.





STG3 Philip Neisess

Naval Submarine Support Center

"I'd have to say the printing press, because it made knowledge more available. It kick-started everything."

Senior Airman Matthew Thornton 647th Civil Engineer Squadron

"Cell phones. It lets you communicate and also reminds you of appointments."





Lt. j.g. Jordan Wingate, USS USS Greeneville (SSN-772)

"Aqueducts. They allowed for the expansion of cities and the decrease of disease. The aqueduct allowed the human race to boom."

Lt. Matthew Yokely COMDESRON 31

Commentary -

Statement by the President on the helicopter tragedy in Hawaii

On behalf of all Americans, Michelle and I extend our deepest sympathies to the families of the 12 Marines missing from an apparent helicopter accident along the Hawaiian coast. As we mourn this loss, we are reminded of the sacrifice men and women of our Armed Forces make each day for the freedom President Barack Obama



low Americans. The willingness of our troops to complete dangerous training to prepare for any mission our nation asks of them will not be forgotten.

The spirit of our missing Marines was reflected in the actions of the many dozens of service members and others in Hawaii this difficult hour.

and security of their fel- who searched day-andnight for the downed helicopters.

Communities from coast-to-coast are mourning these Marines, and our nation is forever grateful for their patriotism, service, and sacrifice. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and loved ones at

PACAF hosts chief's leadership course at Hickam

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Alexander Martinez

Headquarters Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

More than 80 chief master sergeants, chief selects, and six enlisted leaders from Pacific partner nations attended the 2016 Pacific Air Forces Chief's Leadership course at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 11 to 15.

The course, hosted by PACAF Command Chief Master Sgt. Buddy Hutchison, provided the opportunity for enlisted PACAF leaders to gather and discuss leadership challenges, best practices, and to exchange information and experiences with partner nation attendees.

"One of our main jobs here is to make our replacements better than us," Hutchison said. "We're all tasked with making our Air Force better as a team, and I really appreciate being part of that team with you.'

The international enlisted leaders in attendance represented the air forces of the Republic of Korea, Japan, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

'It has been a huge honor to have our partner nation [leaders] here with us," Hutchison said. "It goes to show that no matter the size of our air forces or our location in the Pacific, we all face similar challenges within our ranks, and we can learn a lot from each other on how best to



Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James A. Cody speaks with attendees of the Pacific Air Forces Chief's Leadership course about his lessons for success in the Air Force at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 14.

tackle those challenges."

Course attendees heard briefings on an array of topics and from several key leaders including Gen. Lori J. Robinson, PACAF commander, and Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force James A. Cody, to name a few.

Cody shared his thoughts on what makes a Chief and effective leader, and discussed some of the challenges and rewards with the rank.

"This will be the most challenging time in your career, but it can also be the most rewarding time if you do it right," Cody said. "You will feel good everyday if you have the

opportunity to make a difference in an Airman's life or their family's life."

You also have to help people be successful in their career and personal life, because when they're successful, you're successful. They are a reflection of your leadership, and that's a lot of responsibility.'

Each international enlisted leader spent time Pacific, and hike to the speaking with the attend- Makapu'u Lighthouse.

ees on their experience in the course, and shared some of their leadership points that have helped them in their own career.

On the last day of the course, the leaders had the opportunity to explore Hawaii with tours of the USS Arizona, USS Missouri, the National Memorial Cemetery of the

Traffic advisory: Pearl Harbor Blvd. reduced to one lane

Traffic near Pearl Harbor Boulevard will be reduced to one lane beginning Jan. 30 through Feb. 2 due to repairs conducted following a water main break on Jan. 16.

Astronaut Onizuka broke barriers



"I would say the boat, because sea transportation has allowed out world to connect throughout centuries. It has allowed the development of our society since the beginning of time."



Provided by Ensign Krystyna Nowakowski and David D. Underwood Jr. Want to see your command featured in Diverse Views? Got opinions to share? Drop us a line at editor@hookelenews.com



Pro Bowl overflow parking will be on Ford Island, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Jan. 31.

During this time, area residents may see some minor traffic delays and changes to traffic patterns.

Photo courtesy of NASA

Mission specialist Ellison S. Onizuka is shown here eating with chopsticks on the space shuttle Discovery during the STS-51-C mission, his first spaceflight. The space shuttle Challenger exploded shortly after liftoff on Jan. 28, 1986, 30 years ago this week. The explosion killed Onizuka of Hawaii and six other crew members. Onizuka rose to the rank of colonel in the Air Force and was accepted into the NASA astronaut program. Facilities named for him today include the Onizuka Village housing area at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The state Legislature and Gov. David Ige proclaimed yesterday as Ellison Onizuka Day in Hawaii.

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Tucson visits Singapore during Indo-Asia-Pacific deployment

USS Tucson Public Affairs

CHANGI, Singapore — The improved Los Angeles-class attack submarine USS Tucson (SSN 770) arrived in Singapore Jan. 21 for a visit as part of its Indo-Asia-Pacific deployment.

With a crew of approximately 150, Tucson will conduct a multitude of missions and maintains proficiency of the latest capabilities of the submarine fleet.

"USS Tucson continues to support the theater commander's goals specifically in building a stronger relationship with our allies in port," said Cmdr.



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Joshua Fulton

Michael Beckette, Tucson's commanding officer.

Tucson's crew has the ability to operate in varying environments and is always prepared to tackle any mission that comes their way.

"Everyone in this crew plays an important role whether you are roving the engine room, cooking food, smashing trash or cleaning deep in the bilges," said Senior Chief Electronics Technician Billy Daly, chief of the boat. "We could not succeed without a full team effort."

For many of the crew members, this was their first time visiting Singapore.

"I look forward to our attack submarine.

time in Singapore," said Machinist's Mate 3rd Class Tevin McKenzie. "I enjoy being immersed in other cultures, sightseeing and having some quality time to relax with my shipmates."

Measuring more than 360 feet long, Tucson is one of the stealthiest and most advanced submarines in the world. This submarine is capable of supporting a multitude of missions including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface ship warfare, strike, surveillance and reconnaissance.

Tucson is the 59th Los Angeles-class attack submarine and the 20th improved Los Angeles-class attack submarine.

Pacific Submarine Force announces 2015 Battle 'E' award recipients

operations.

MC2 Michael H. Lee

Pacific Submarine Force Public Affairs

Winners of the Pacific Submarine Force 2015 Battle Efficiency (Battle "E") competition were announced Jan. 1, in a message to the Force from Rear Adm. Frederick J. Roegge, commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC).

"The competition for Battle Efficiency awards was extremely tough," said Roegge in his message to the force. "These awards recognize commands which were evaluated during the past year to have attained the highest overall or departmental readiness to carry out their wartime tasks."

"Each crew member of an award winner can be justifiably proud of their contribution to improve Pacific Submarine Force readiness," Roegge continued. "I am extremely proud of your outstanding performance. Well done and congratulations!"

The Battle "E" competition is conducted annually to strengthen individual command performance, improve overall force readiness, and recognize outstanding performance. The award symbolizes overall readiness of commands throughout the Pacific Submarine Force, and their ability to carry out



assigned wartime tasks.

Based on criteria compiled over a year-long competition, units from each submarine squadron in the Pacific Fleet are recognized, in addition to submarine tenders and special category assets. The awards were presented by the leadership of each squadron or command to the unit under their charge, which has demonstrated the highest level of battle readiness during the evaluation year.

The 2015 COMSUBPAC Battle "E" winners homeported at Pearl Harbor are:

Commander, Submarine Squadron (SUBRON) 1, based at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii—the Virginia-class attack submarine USS North Carolina (SSN 777), commanded by Cmdr. Gary Montalvo.

SUBRON 7, based at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii—the Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine USS Santa Fe (SSN 763), commanded during the competition by Cmdr. Tim Poe and Cmdr. Jake Foret.

For a complete list of recipients, visit http://ow.ly/XEDTT

Operation Desert Storm

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Andersen AFB, Guam, where they augmented the 633d Transportation Squadron, which had been heavily tasked with Desert Shield and Desert Storm requirements.

Squadron personnel also identified four 15 ABW vehicles and one assigned to the 619 CAMS, prepared them for desert operation, and shipped them to Saudi Arabia in time to meet the short-notice suspense imposed by higher headquarters.

The traffic management office (TMO) issued tickets to 125 Hickam personnel traveling aboard commercial aircraft to the Desert Shield and Desert Storm area of responsibility between Sept. 10, 1990 and April 1, 1991, in addition to assisting another 40 passengers transiting through Hickam back to their home stations. Cargo processed in support of Desert Shield and

Desert Storm totaled quirements. The wing more than 450 pieces, commander authorized weighing just over 89 the tasking of units thousand pounds. through the base de-

More than 40 security police defenders from the former 15th Security Forces Squadron (SFS) boarded a C-141 at Hickam AFB and traveled to Travis AFB, California, then flew the rest of the way on a C-5 aircraft which carried them to their destination in Saudi Arabia. Upon arrival, Hickam forces split into two sectors and shifts, bringing immediate relief to the previously deployed troops who were tired and worn from three months of steady 14-hour workdays to the Persian Gulf. During the first two weeks, the SFS experienced three Scud missile alerts every night.

With a large portion of the security personnel deployed, it became necessary to augment the remaining SFS at Hickam in order to accomplish day-to-day re-

commander authorized the tasking of units through the base detail program to furnish seven military members in the grade of staff sergeant and below to perform additional duties as security augmentees for a two-week period. rotating this among the squadrons on the base. The number later increased to 20 augmentees every two weeks for the duration of the war. Their primary duties included visitor control and manning the Porter Avenue gate and entry control points to the flight line.

People in communities around the country, including Hawaii, welcomed Desert Storm troops home with parades and victory celebrations. Frank Fasi, former mayor of the City and County of Honolulu sponsored a parade to pay tribute to military personnel and their families on May 11, 1991.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights

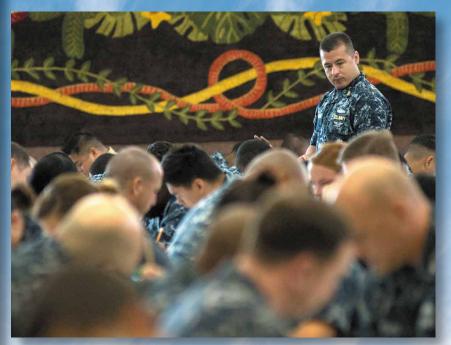


(Left) U.S. Marines honor the lives of the 12 fallen Marines of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 during a memorial service at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Jan. 22. Twelve U.S. Marines died when their two CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters were involved in an incident off the coast of Oahu's Waimea Bay along the North Shore the evening of Jan. 14.

U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Maximiliano Rosas

(Below) Senior Chief Hull Maintenance Technician Aul Armenta, assigned to Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, observes Sailors as they take the Chief Petty Officer Navy-wide Advancement Exam at the Club Pearl Liberty Center at JBPHH, Jan. 21.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Laurie Dexter



(Right) Soldiers from 25th Combat Aviation Brigade Schofield Barracks and Airmen from the 535th Airlift Squadron worked together to load three UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters into a C-17 Globemaster III, from the 535th AS, at JBPHH, Jan. 21. Three UH-60s were loaded on to the C-17 as part of recurring training between the Air Force and Army.

U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Aaron Oelrich



(Right) Airmen from the 15th Wing start their 1.5mile run, one of the four fitness components of the Air Force fitness assessment at Earhart Field at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 14. The goal of the fitness program is to motivate all members to participate in a year-round physical conditioning program that emphasizes total fitness, to include proper aerobic conditioning, muscular fitness training and healthy eating.



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Aaron Oelrich

(Below) Earlier this month, the 647th Security Forces mourned the loss of one of their Military Working Dogs, Jimmi who was a German shepherd assigned to the 15th Security Forces Squadron (now 647th SFS) on Oct. 25th, 2007. Jimmi has honorably served with six Security Forces Defenders. He was procured by the Department of Defense Dog Center, Lackland AFB, Texas and trained as a dual-purpose narcotics detection working dog with patrol capabilities. Jimmi died Jan. 4 due to aggressive spreading cancer.

Photo courtesy of 647th Security Forces



(Above) Sailors assigned to Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM) 37 perform preflight checks on an MH-60R Seahawk helicopter attached to the "Easyriders" of HSM 37, Jan. 27, prior to it departing from Marine Corps Base Hawaii for a regularly scheduled deployment aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) to the western Pacific Ocean.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Johans Chavarro

Wahiawa Annex

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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

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The Wahiawa Block Party, presented by Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR), drew in approximately 300 patrons at Sports Field on Jan. 22 at Wahiawa Annex. The crowd enjoyed free barbecue and shaved ice while partaking in a variety of free activities for the entire family, including jousting, sumo suit challenge, bean bag toss, tricycle race, bounce houses, agility and TRX demos, and MWR informational booths. In addition to the free family activities, door prizes were given away throughout the event.

When asked why this block party was so important for Wahiawa, Millie Gomes, bowling and theater program director said, "It's a way to get the people who work and live on the Wahiawa Annex familiar with the programs and services MWR have to offer. And with the people walking around and coming to each booth, I think the patrons appreciated all the information they received."

Karrington Whitfield and Seanna Kendzara, both active duty Navy, were among the hundreds who showed up to the block party.

"I like this event. I heard about it through an email and decided to come. This is nice to see here at Wahiawa considering this base doesn¹t have much events like this going on," said Kendzara.

Will there be another Wahiawa Annex Block Party?

"We've been asked when the next block party will be, but we won't know until we get approval. I hope there is another one soon. This was great for the patrons," said Gomes.







MWR Marketing photos





Sailors can 'shout out' for Super Bowl

Navy Office of Community Outreach

For the upcoming Super Bowl, the Navy Office of Community Outreach (NAVCO) is offering an opportunity for all Sailors to create and share short, recorded shoutouts of 15-20 seconds with a Navy key message to their loved ones.

The deadline is 8 a.m. Eastern Standard Time Feb. 3. Sailors can call 1-855-OUR-NAVY (1-855-687-6289) and record their shout-outs.

Sailors should wait for a 3 to 5-second pause after voice directions and record their message using a template script after the beep.

The script is as follows: "Hi, I'm Navy (rank and full name) from (home town and home state), and currently serving at (command) or aboard (ship), operating out of (duty station) or forward in the (AOR).

"I want to wish my (favorite team, the Denver Broncos or the Carolina Panthers), good luck in Super Bowl 50. (Go Broncos or Go Panthers)!'

Once the Sailors hang up, the audio file will be automatically sent to NAVCO's email, where it will be screened before being shared with radio media outlets in the Sailors' hometowns.

They should deliver their shout-outs with enthusiasm, and speak audibly and clearly. In addition, they should tailor it to their command, area of responsibility and hometown they are recognizing. If NAVCO cannot understand the Sailor's name, hometown or command, their shout-out will be unusable.



Wendell Collymore, a military spouse on the D-Leaugures team, takes the ball up between two defenders.

D-Leaguers shooters carry team to 10-point victory

Story and photo by **Randy Dela Cruz**

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Hot outside shooting by Tech. Sgt. Jake Monroe and Staff Sgt. Kyle McDorman raised the D-Leaguers to a huge lead, before hanging on to earn a 52-42 win over the 747th Communication Squadron (747 CS) in the nightcap of a tripleheader featuring the age-30-and-above players of the White Division, Jan. 26 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

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McDorman sank three swishers from long range, while Monroe added two more treys to help the D-Leaguers build a 35-14 lead going into halftime, before stopping a late-minute rally by the 747 CS to start off the 2016 campaign with a win.

"For not having practiced be-fore the season, I'm pretty surprised that happened," Monroe said about the win. "It (outside shooting) helped us settle down and play more comfortable once we hit a few and got a lead.'

In the first half, between McDorman and Monroe, the D-Leaguers were able to build a double-digit lead quite early.

A lay-up by Monroe with 10:17 remaining before halftime put the D-Leaguers ahead by 11 at 18-7.

Although the strong play of guard Staff Sgt. Larry Best helped to keep the 747 CS in the game, things still closed out with the D-Leaguers ahead by 21 points.

The clutch shot in the half came with 30 seconds on the clock, when Monroe connected on his second trey of the game.

For the first half, McDorman scored 11 points and Monroe chipped in with 10 to lead the D-Leaguers, while Best was top man for the 747 CS, tying Mc-Dorman with 11 points.

Monroe said that once the outside shots started falling, the D-Leaguers kept the pressure on the 747 CS by pressing the action on offense and defense.

They (747 CS) had only six players, so they were kind of lag-

We just tried to press to keep them moving."

Although both McDorman and Monroe cooled off a little in the second half, the D-Leaguers started to get big minutes and contributions by their other guard Wendell Collymore, who is a military spouse.

Collymore got five points in the first half, but came up with key baskets down the stretch to help his team stay ahead.

Collymore picked up seven more points in the second half to finish with a dozen, only two fewer points than team leader Monroe, who capped off his night with 14.

Best, who had cooled down from his hot start in the first half, scored his first bucket after the break with 2:22 remaining in the game.

The basket cut the lead down to under double digits for the first time since the first half at 49-40.

However, with time winding down, Collymore hit a key basket-and-one that sealed the game

ging back," Monroe pointed out. for good with a minute left to play,

"At first, we had nothing out there," said Best, who topped all scorers with 17 points. "But with better communication, we started playing a little bit better and started getting turnovers and our shots were falling."

Best, who noted that this was his first year playing in the 30-and-above league, said that pacing was also a factor in allowing the D-Leaguers to build

a big lead. "We need to slow it down when we need to," Best stated. We got to stop running so much because in the second half, we had no legs. If we work together as a team, we'll be better."

Meanwhile, Monroe said that he is encouraged by the team's start and hopes he and his teammates can keep it going.

"We got a nice balance of big guys and guys that can shoot and dribble," Monroe said. "We need to work on our passing. We turned the ball over too much today.

MHO'OKELE SPORTS

Dry Dock comes back to edge past Old Bulls

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

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Trailing by three points at halftime, Dry Dock started off the second half on an 8-0 run, before going on to earn a tough 62-58 win over the Old Bulls in second game of a White Division tripleheader Jan. 26 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The White Division is reserved for players age 30 and above in the Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation's intramural basketball league.

Although trailing for the nearly the entire first half, Dry Dock picked up steam in the second half with a balanced inside-outside game aided by Electronics Technician 1st Class Richard Wheeler and Culinary Specialist 2nd Class James Baylis to overtake and defeat the Bulls.

"When we looked at the clock at halftime, we noticed that we were actually in the game,' Wheeler said. "We saw we had a chance to win it. I think, together, we just decided let's go ahead give everything we got and just leave it on the floor."

At first, the game appeared to be on the same track as the night's first contest, which pitted 647th Security Forces Squadron (647 SFS) against 15th Medical Group (15MDG).

Like the 647 SFS, which opened up their game by consistently knocking down bombs from the perimeter, the Old Bulls found the early going easy by downing a total of six treys, with four coming from the hot hand of Staff Sgt. Labronze Paden, in the first half.

The hot shooting staged the Bulls to a 10-point lead at 17-7 at the 10:35 mark.

However, Wheeler, whose strong post moves inside the paint kept Dry Dock in striking distance, scored on a lay-up three minutes later that cut the lead down to four at 19-15.

Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 3rd Class Kris Whang's basket at the



Electronics Technician 1st Class Richard Wheeler goes up for two of his game-high 22 points to lead Dry Dock to a season-opening win over Old Bulls.

margin down to one at 19- Paden put the Bulls back 18, before Baylis hit his in the lead at 24-20, beonly basket of the first fore going into the break half to put Dry Dock on top at 20-19.

with a 28-25 lead.

Five straight points Baylis started to warm 1st Class Alan Mason and 7:20 mark reduced the on a trey and basket by up and hit back-to-back Baylis, completed an 8-0

baskets to place his team back in front at 29-28.

Then fast breaks, topped off with buckets In the second half, from Machinist's Mate

run to force the Old Bulls to spend a timeout.

"Basically, what I realized was that they (the Bulls) were getting tired," said Baylis about Dry Dock's strong start out of from there.'

"We saw we had a chance to win it. I think, together, we just decided let's go ahead give everything we got and just leave it on the floor."

> - Electronics Technician 1st Class **Richard Wheeler**

the break. "Basically, we just wore them down and used our energy to our advantage."

The Bulls, however, weren't entirely down and rallied to pull to within a point at 44-43 on a breakaway dunk by Paden with 7:09 remaining in the game.

Instead of folding, Dry Dock responded with a fast break of their own that was completed with a basket by Baylis for a three-point lead.

Later, Wheeler cleaned up with a key basket inside the paint at the 4:55 mark off an assist by Whang.

Baylis finished off the night with 17 points. while teammate Wheeler scored 11 points in each half to top all scorers with 22 points.

"In the first half, I had more energy, so I had more drive," Wheeler said about his high output. "In the second half it was more of my teammates hitting me as I was cutting to the basket. It was a team effort and I think together, we just clicked on all cylinders.'

While Wheeler pointed out improving their cardio in the weeks ahead, Baylis said that getting everybody on the same page and level would help them get better as the season progresses.

"We're going to work on a few things." Baylis said. 'We need to definitely bring our weaker players up to par and then just go

Security Forces scorch 15th Medical Group in opener



Staff Sgt. Corey Doss goes up for two of his game-high 30 points to lead the 647 SFS over the 15th MDG.

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

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The 647th Security Forces Squadron (647 SFS) proved that age is no barrier when it comes to shooting the rock, as they won from long distance in a 79-31 romp over the 15th Medical Group (15MDG) to tip off the 2016 intramural basketball season on Jan. 26 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The game not only kicked off the new Joint Base basketball season, but also began the league's age 30-and-above division, which will be played every Tuesday night.

A total of six teams will compete in the new White division which will hold its own championship tournament apart from their younger counterparts.

"When you come out hot and you're hitting threes already, you're playing like the Warriors," said Staff Sgt. Mike Edmunds, who finished the night with 20 points. "Until we start missing, the team will shoot and keep going.'

Right from the opening whistle, Security Forces took aim from the perimeter and made the tough jumper from the arc look like a lay-up.

Especially on fire was forward Staff Sgt. Corey Doss, who had people calling automatic every time he got ready to launch a trey.

Doss was a perfect fourfor-four from downtown to lead all scorers with a dozen points at halftime.

Coming back from the break, Doss connected on his next two from long range before finally missing one.

Doss went on to knock down eight treys to go along with three more buckets to finish with a game-high 30 points.

Before the game even started, Doss, who came in two hours early to shoot around, admitted that he had a feeling that he was about to light it

up. "I came in the gym at around four o'clock today and shot around at both rims and I got warm," he pointed out. "I was shooting back and forth with my son, so I got warm."

Doss wasn't the only one who was knocking them down from outside with consistency, as the team got out to a very fast 11-0 start with Tech. Sgt. Dion Moore adding a trey of his own.

On defense, the 647 SFS didn't allow a basket in the first half until the 10-minute mark. but by then, the team held a 19-2 advantage.

For the first half, Security Forces pumping in seven treys en route to a commanding 37-13 lead at halftime.

The break at the half did very little to cool off Security Forces, which saw their lead balloon to more than 30 at 45-13 on Moore's second trey of the game with 14:26 remaining on the clock.

Moore ended up as the team's third-highest scorer with 11 points on three treys and a short jumper.

"We can do everything," cautioned Doss about the team's ability to do more than just shoot the jumper. "Basically, the outside shot was open because they (15 MDG) were playing a weak two-three (zone). We spaced the floor and the three was open, so we might as well take it."

Edmunds agreed with Doss and added that if the team needs to take in the paint, it has enough big bodies to do just that.

"It's night to night," Edmunds noted. "Next week, we might take it inside. You never know what will be given.'

The final scary thought came from Doss, who said that the team might even top 79 points the next time out.

We can play better," Doss promised. "We could probably score more points. I believe so."

Wide variety of exercise options at JBPHH Fitness Challenge

Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Fitness Challenge 2016 was held Jan. 23 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Fitness Center.

"Fitness Challenge is offered every year, and we do it at the beginning of the year to expose our program to people," said Lori Gaynor, Wahiawa Annex fitness manager. "The New Year is the time when people want to start over, get into a healthy lifestyle. So this is a means of showcasing the different formats that we offer here at Joint Base and Hickam Fitness Centers.

The mix of classes this year included kickboxing, Zumba, PiYo, Shimmy Fitness and yoga. Attendees could try one, some or all of the classes, featuring abbreviated workouts during the two-hour session.

"This event is free so it's a great opportunity for people who don't exercise, or do exercise and they don't know everything about our programs. It's a chance for them to come and experience all this and maybe add another format to their workout, another routine," said Gavnor.

Air Force spouse Sarah mind."

Berkey stayed the entire two hours and tried all the classes.

"I love it. I normally don't do fitness classes, so it's nice to have an option to look at what you guys offer," said Berkey.

Cardio Kickboxing instructor Lynsey Eason started the event, leading the group in her high-energy class, then stuck around to participate in the others.

"This is my first year doing it, and it's been really fun. It's a great opportunity for so many people to come in here and get a snippet of different workouts," said Eason.

Eason said even she got to try things out of her regular routine. "I normally wouldn't drop in on a Zumba class because it's not my style. But, I'm so glad I did because it is fun.'

For those who missed the event, Eason still encourages them to come to a class and try it out. "Every instructor, we're basically taught to teach to people in the back of the room," she said. "Don't just teach to those in the front who know the moves. We are always reaching out to the people in the corners. Endurance and fitness is a journey. Have fun and forget about any judgments you may have in the back of your



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Julie Yaste teaches the last portion of the Fitness Challenge, a yoga session that stretches the muscles as the event winds down.

Deadline nears for scholarships

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The time remaining to apply for one of the 2016 Scholarships for Military Children, each worth \$2,000, is rapidly dwindling, as this year's Feb. 12 deadline approaches.

Applications, including the required essay, must be received at a military commissary by the close of business that day. They should be hand-delivered, but if that is not convenient, they can be sent to a guardsman or a retiree, a commissary via the U.S. Postal Service or FedEx itary member who died or UPS. They cannot be while on active duty, or faxed or emailed. At least the survivor of a retiree. one scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location with qualified applicants. This year's essay question has to do with childhood obesity and its effect on military recruitment: "Obesity is among the leading causes of military ineligibility among people 17 to 24, affecting nearly 30 percent of men and women in this age group. Specifically, how would you address this problem and what are your proposed solutions? What would be the challenges with implementing your plan?

no longer than two pages. Last year, 700 students were awarded scholarships from the 4,000 applicants who submitted entries by the deadline.

Applications are available in commissaries worldwide and online at www.militaryscholar.org. To apply for a scholarship, the student must be a family member, unmarried child, younger than 21 (or 23, if enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university) of either a service member on active duty, a Reservist, or the survivor of a mil-Eligibility is determined using the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System database. Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are enrolled in the DEERS database and have a current military ID card. The applicant must also be planning to attend or already attending an accredited college or university, full time, in the fall of 2016 or be enrolled in a program of studies designed to transfer directly into a fouryear program. (For more information, call Scholarship Manag-Essays must be 500 ers at 856-616-9311 or email militaryscholar@ scholarshipmanagers. com.)

words or less, typewritten or computer-generated, double spaced, and



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JANUARY

JOINT BASE TAX ASSISTANCE CENTER

NOW — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Tax Assistance Center is open now through the April tax deadline. The center is located at the Navy College building, first floor, classroom 11, 1260 Pierce St. (building 679). Volunteer Income Tax Assistance-certified tax volunteers can assist with questions about filing tax returns electronically using this year's self-service program. Hours are 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Mondays, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Fridays. No appointments are available. The center is walk-in only. FMI: 473-4112 or 473-0443.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

TODAY — A movie in the park will begin at 7 p.m. at Joint Base MWR Outdoor Recreation at Hickam Harbor. Patrons can bring blankets, beverages and snacks. The movies are to be announced and will be suitable for all ages. Movie listings will be posted on Facebook at "Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Outdoor Recreation." FMI: 449-5215.

LIVING HISTORY DAY

SATURDAY — The Battleship Missouri Memorial at Ford Island will host Living History Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free for Hawaii residents, military and members of the Battleship Missouri Memorial Association. Complimentary roundtrip shuttle service will be offered from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center beginning at 8 a.m. FMI: 1-877-644-4896 or www.USSMissouri.org.

FEBRUARY

INTRAMURAL RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT

1 TO 5 — An intramural racquetball tournament will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 1 to Feb. 5 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center. The tournament is limited to players from Joint Base active-duty military, Department of Defense civilians and their family members over 18. This is a free event. Entry forms are available at all Joint Base fitness centers and gyms. FMI: 473-2494 or 473-2437.

SOCCER COACHES MEETING

3 — An intramural soccer coaches meeting will begin at 1 p.m. at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center. The season runs Feb. 20 through May. The league is limited to commands from Joint Base. Any additional activeduty members not belonging to a command team will come from a players' pool. FMI: Intramurals office at 473-2494 or 473-2437.

AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH MEAL

5 — A special African American/Black History Month luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Silver Dolphin Bistro. The cost of the luncheon is \$5.55 per person. The menu includes a salad bar and fresh fruit, shrimp and chicken gumbo soup, moroccan Shabbat catfish, bobotie, southern fried chicken, barbecue pork spare ribs, mashed potatoes, baked macaroni and cheese, chicken gravy, herbed green beans and glazed carrots. Other menu items include hot sweet cornbread, dinner rolls, sweet potato pie, homemade banana pudding and ceremonial cake. The meal is open to U.S. military, Department of Defense employees, retirees and active duty family members with a valid ID card. FMI: 473-2519.

FINANCIAL FAIR DAY

8 — A financial fair day will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Training books will be available for managing money and credit, saving and investing, thrift savings plan, car buying and home buying. Register at www.greatlifehawaii.com. FMI: 474-1999.

FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT

9 — A federal employment class will be held from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Wahiawa. The class will include how to navigate USAJobs as well as how to build a competitive resume within the system. Registration is encouraged. It is also suggested that participants bring their own laptop and a federal job advertisement from USAJobs that they may be interested in pursuing. Register at www.greatlifehawaii.com. FMI: 474-1999.

FINANCIALLY SAVVY RETIREES

10 — A financially savvy retirees class about social security will be held from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This quarterly financial seminar is designed to provide advice on subjects such as estate planning, wills and trusts, protecting yourself against fraud, long-term care and other topics. The class will also focus on Social Security services and benefits available. Register at www.greatlifehawaii.com. FMI: 474-1999.

GREAT ALOHA RUN

15 — The 32nd annual Great Aloha Run will be held President's Day, Feb. 15. Taking part in the race will be Sounds of Freedom, which is made up of active-duty service men and women from all branches, running in formation in PT gear and calling out cadence. The registration deadline for service members who wish to participate in Sounds of Freedom is Feb. 4. For more information on Sounds of Freedom, email Blair Gradel at blair.gradel1@navy. mil. The last day to register for the run as an individual is Jan. 31. FMI: www.greataloharun.com.





DADDY'S HOME

A mild-mannered radio executive strives to become the best stepdad to his wife's two children, but complications ensue when their freewheeling and freeloading real father arrives, forcing him to compete for the affection of the kids.

Movie Showtimes

SHARKEY THEATER

FRIDAY - 1/29 7:00 PM Point Break (3-D) (PG-13)

SATURDAY - 1/30 2:30 PM Star Wars: The Force Awakens (PG-13) 5:10 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip (PG) 7:20 PM Concussion (PG-13)

SUNDAY - 1/31

2:30 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip (PG) 4:30 PM Sisters (R) 6:50 PM Star Wars: The Force Awakens (3-D) (PG-13)

THURSDAY - 2/4 7:00 PM Point Break (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

SATURDAY - 1/30

3:00 PM Star Wars: The Force Awakens (PG-13) 6:30 PM Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip (PG)

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