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Tower Lighting will include pictures with Santa tonight

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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare & Recreation

The 45th Annual Tower Lighting Celebration will be held tonight on the lawn by Freedom Tower.

The festivities begin at

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and Recreation has set up free activities for the kids, including bounce houses and holiday crafts.

A kid's clinic will offer projects teaching the children to build and create. Other interactive activities, including a trampoline demonstration, will take place across the grassy area.

Several on-base organi-4:30 p.m., and patrons are zations will offer food booths

Santa Claus will arrive at 5 p.m. to take free photos with the kids. MWR recommends getting in line early.

The Tower Lighting Ceremony is the main event at 7 p.m. when the lights will

Parking in the immediate surrounding will be limited as areas will be cordoned off. MWR will provide free, round trip shuttle service from the BX garden shop to



Chung-Hoon win creates logjam at top of division

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Hoʻokele

With only one game remaining in the regular season, USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) Koa Kai saved their best for the last by toppling league-leading USS Chafee (DDG 90) Bulldawgs, 26-20, Dec. 6, in an Afloat Division intramural flag football game at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win not only locked up a spot in the upcoming playoffs but also threw Koa Kai into a virtual tie with the Bulldawgs with both teams finishing the regular season with identical 7-3 records.

This year's playoffs will be held over three days at Ward Field with the opening rounds kicking off on Dec. 13 and the championship game taking place two

days later on Dec. 15.
"This is pretty big," said Koa Kai quarterback Yeoman 3rd Class Courtney Sims. "We don't have the best athletes, but we have people that's going to go out there and play and give it 100 percent. They'll play their hearts out. Heart beats skills.'

In order to come out on top, the Koa Kai needed every bit of their tenacity as the team fell behind by two scores early in the first

Swanson started off the game by engineering an efficient 65-yard drive on only eight plays, with Swanson taking the ball into the end zone by himself for a 6-0

The Bulldawgs converted their point-after attempt to increase their lead to 7-0.

After getting the job done on offense, the Bulldawgs defense took center stage and came up with a big play of their own when Engineman 1st Class Curtis Kimber picked off a pass by Sims to set up Chafee in good field position at the Chung-Hoon eight-yard line.

Three plays later, Swanson doubled the Bulldawgs lead by connecting on a short pass inside the end zone to Logistics Specialist Seaman Recruit Tyron Davis.

Down by two scores, Koa Kai finally showed some life on their next offensive drive.

Going back to the team's running back, Sims rushed the ball four times for positive yards and connected on three straight passes to get the team on the scoreboard with its first touchdown of the game.

Sims scampered in from 12 yards out to punch in the touchdown and then repeated the feat to convert the team's two-point attempt to pull to within six at

The Bulldawgs reestablished Bulldawgs quarterback their control of the game by mov-Boatswain's Mate 3rd Class Cole ing 65 yards on only four plays for

their third touchdown of the scramble into the end zone for the game and 20-8 advantage.

However, just before halftime, Sims was off and running again.

The Koa Kai QB picked up 25 yards on the team's first play from scrimmage at their own 15 and then rushed for another 40 yards and a touchdown to make it 20-14 at halftime.

After stopping the Bulldawgs on downs, Chung-Hoon got the ball back at their own 15 and needed only seven plays to march deep into Chafee territory.

Facing fourth and goal from the Bulldawgs 21, Sims did what he does best and used his legs to

game-tying score.

Another defensive stop by Koa Kai gave Sims one last series to work his magic and the Chung-Hoon QB didn't disappoint.

From his own 30, Sims, with 41 seconds remaining in the game, rushed three straight times to put the ball at the Chafee 12-yard

On the very last play of the game, Sims rolled out of the pocket and connected with Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 3rd Class Daniel Kelley inside the end zone for the game-winning touchdown.

"They (the Bulldawgs) was probably thinking that I was going to run it," Sims said. "I wanted everybody to flow to the left. I looked up and saw Kelley and said, 'no, that's not the play, but I just threw it up to him and he caught it."

Kelley explained that while the play might not have been what the QB expected, he just wanted to move to the open spot and become a big target for Sims.

"That side was predominately weaker than the other side." Kelley explained. "I'm 6' 3" so throw it up there and I'll go for it."



Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 3rd Class Daniel Kelley reaches up to secure a pass for the game-winning touchdown.

Residents 'Go Green'

Hickam Communities

Hickam Communities residents can join the Hickam Communities, "Green Hawaii holiday decorating contest.

Residents can go green this holiday season by creating a holiday display on their home's façade or front lawn using zero energy. They can use battery-powered or solar decorations and could win one of three \$200 gift cards.

Judging will be based on best overall decorations utilizing zero energy decorations. Judging will take place on Dec. 19 and winners will be notified on

For more information and to nominate a Hickam Communities Home, log on to the website www.hickamcom munities.com/go/greenholiday.

Forest City to hold holiday events for residents

Forest City Military Communities

Forest City Military Communities will hold a series of holiday-themed events to celebrate Christmas and New Year. They

- Dec. 15-19, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Forest City residential management holiday wrapping elves will assist Moanalua Terrace housing residents with wrapping their presents.
- Dec. 17, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Surfin' Santa will be on hand at Pearl City Peninsula housing for a photo op. The event will include snacks and holiday crafts.
- Dec. 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. Surfin' Santa will hand out treats at the East housing resident services office.
- •Now through Dec. 21. Pearl City Peninsula housing residents can enter a coloring

completion with the prize winner drawn on Dec. 22.

- Now through Dec. 22. East housing area residents can enter a home-decorating contest. Winners will be announced on Dec.
- Now through Dec. 22. East housing residents can submit their cutest Christmas pet pictures to their resident services office by 5 p.m. Dec. 22. Winners will be announced on Dec. 24. Photos can be submitted online by emailing anicosia@forestcity.net.
- Now through Dec. 23. East housing residents will have a giving tree event for Fisher House children. Residents can visit their resident services office for details.
- Now through Dec. 24. East housing residents can participate in an elf in the neighborhood contest. Residents can stop by their resident services office to let housing

officials know where they saw the elf and put their name in for prizes. Drawings will be held every Friday.

- Now through Dec. 30. East housing residents can visit their resident services office to enter their family for the mega family party pack for New Year's. The winner will be drawn on Dec. 31.
- In addition, all month long, Forest City Pearl City Peninsula housing area residents will also hold weekly ornament drawings at the resident services office. Throughout December, Pearl City Peninsula housing residents can stop by the resident services office from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Fridays for a holiday cookie treat.

For more information, visit www.fcnavy hawaii.com.

Playoff-bound Intelligence Squadron drubs MIDPAC

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

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One week before the postseason, the 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) One Percenters showed everyone just how serious they are about the upcoming playoffs by trouncing Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific (CNSG MIDPAC), 39-6, Dec. 8 in a White Division intramural flag football regular-season finale at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win raised the 324's record to 9-2 and locked up second place in the White Division while MIDPAC finished their season with a record of 4-7.

On Dec. 13 at noon, the 324 IS will square off against thing balanced on the outcome of the regular-season finale. USS Chafee (DDG 90) Bulldawgs at Ward Field in the first round of the playoffs.

The postseason continues on Sunday with quarter and semifinal matchups while the final two teams will fight for the base championship at Ward Field on Dec. 15 at 6

We tried things that we haven't tried in a long time to just try and tune up," said 324 IS quarterback Senior Airman Omar Vidro, who passed for three touchdowns and ran for another. "I know we have a tough road in the playoffs. Plus we wanted to get the number two seed, just so we'd have an easier road in the playoffs."

While the game meant nothing in terms of the 324 qualifying for the playoffs, the team came out as if every-

Four plays into the game, the 324 IS came up with a big play when Senior Airman Jonathan Bates picked off a pass and took it to the house for a 6-0 lead.

The 324 then went for and converted a three-point try to go up by a score of 9-0.

On their next possession, MIDPAC was forced to give the ball over on downs at their own 28.

After Vidro picked up a couple of yards on the first play from scrimmage, the 324 QB went to the air and hit Airman 1st Class Austin Debben with a strike for six points and a 15-0 lead.

Again, the 324 went for a three-point conversion and completed it for an 18-0 advantage.

On MIDPAC's third set from scrimmage, Bates interrupted the team's drive again by coming up with his second pick of the game.

The interception gave the 324 the ball at the MIDPAC 39, and four plays later Vidro lofted a 15-yard pass to the left corner of the end zone and into the arms of Bates.

Another three-point conversion made it 27-0 in favor of the 324 at halftime.

While most games aren't usually settled early in the second half, the 324 all but put the game away on the first play coming out of the break.

Starting with the ball on his own 15, Vidro stepped back into the pocket and slipped a short pass to Debben who made the grab at around the 20. Debben made two cutbacks to elude the defense before

breaking out into open field for a 60-yard, catch-and-run touchdown that made it 33-0 in favor of the 324.

Later, Vidro scored on a 32-yard run to pay dirt and the final score of the game.

"I wouldn't call this a meaningless game," said Bates, who finished up with three interceptions and two touchdowns. "Every game is important (because) we need to be firing on all cylinders every game. When we go on in the playoffs, we don't know what we're going to hit. This was our game to go out, clean up some things and play 100 percent."

Both Bates and Vidro agreed that if the 324 are playing at their best, the team has a good chance of playing for the

"We've been together for a year and a half," Vidro pointed out. "Our defense is our strong point. If we can play defense like we do, we can go to the top."



Army Capt. Chad Agustine, an all-armed forces softball player, beats the throw to arrive safely at third.

Primo Lite out-slugs Drama Free to claim title

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

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Primo Lite scored four runs in the top of the first and five more in the second en route to a 20-10 mercy-rule victory over Drama Free, Dec. 6, to win the 2014 Winter Softball Championship at Hickam Softball Four-plex, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-

Both teams entered the single-elimination tournament with identical 10-1 records before earning the right to square off against each other for the base crown.

Primo Lite leadoff hitter Tech. Sgt. Jeff Camacho, who rapped out two singles in three at-bats, said that while the team was loaded with all-stars, which included two all-armed forces selectees, everyone played as one right from the very start.

We merged two teams together and they just clicked," Camacho said. "One thing good about this team is that everybody left their egos at the door. Everybody was cool with each other and just from the start, in our first game we were already scoring 20 runs.'

In the first inning, Camacho beat out an infield single to get things started.

Later, with two men on and one out, allarmed forces player Army Capt. Chad Agustine lowered the first boom of the game by smashing a double to drive in both runners.

Agustine came home on a sacrifice fly before Machinist's Mate Fireman Apprentice Tom Devlin drove in the final run in a

After giving up a run to Drama Free in the bottom of the first, Primo Lite picked up where they left off in the first by ripping four singles for two runs to open the

Then with one out and two runners on base, Agustine crushed a pitch for a threerun shot to give Primo Lite a 9-1 advan-

homer by Master Sgt. Joe Vann.

Led by a two-run shot from Damage Controlman 1st Class Jason Davila, Drama Free cut the lead down to 10-5 with three runs in the bottom of the third,

However, Drama Free's momentum was again short-circuited by the power hitting prowess of Agustine, who crushed another double with two men on in the top of the fourth for RBIs six and seven.

Primo Lite went on to add three more runs in the fourth before exploding again in the top of the fifth.

Airman 1st Class Derric Ross led off the fifth with a single and was driven home by a booming two-run shot off the bat of Machinery Technician 3rd Class Ronny Char-

Primo Lite added three more runs in the top of the fifth before holding Drama Free to four runs in the bottom of the frame to preserve the 10-run, mercy-rule win.

In the bottom of the fifth, Drama Free got a leadoff home run by Senior Chief Electronics Technician Jason Karns.

"The biggest thing is that everybody is safe and having fun," said Agustine about the team's impressive win. "After that, we knew each other's capabilities and everybody just played within their abilities. What our team did is that we just executed better than the other team."

While the Primo Lite bats were in a groove throughout the game, having scored in all five innings, Agustine pointed to fellow all-armed forces player Storekeeper 2nd Class Niko Langas, who pitched a strong game.

"I give that to the pitcher," Agustine said. "Niko has developed into a great pitcher. Him moving the ball up and down, changing speed, makes a difference and he does it well now."

Although it's sweet to claim the championship trophy, both Camacho and Agustine said that playing the game is more than reward enough.

We just said that we're going to have Drama Free picked up their second run fun," Camacho said. "We're just going to go in the bottom of the second, but Primo Lite out there and enjoy the sport. That's what got it right back in the top of the third on a we did and from the beginning to the end."

Judges announce holiday lighting winners

Public Affairs

Festival of Lights judges extended a "bravo zulu" to all ships and submarines who worked together to celebrate the holidays on the Pearl Harbor waterfront. They offered congratulations to contest winners who demonstrated their creativity, hospitality, spirit and fun. Winners included:

Surface combatants

 First place winner USS Chafee (DDG 90), with ensigns in holiday onesies, received a free joint base Morale, Welfare and Recreation-hosted command picnic. hosted fleet bash on the pier. a \$50 MWR gift certificate.

• Second place winner USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), with combat elves and a damage control Santa, received a free MWR-hosted fleet bash on the pier.

•Third place winner USS Chosin (CG 65) received a free MWR Outdoor Recreation Adventure for 20.

 Honorable mention winner USS Hopper (DDG 70) received a free large pavilion rental.

Submarines

• First place winner USS Santa Fe (SSN 763) received a free MWR-hosted command picnic.

 Second place winner USS Bremerton (SSN 698) received a free MWR-

• Third place winner USS Asheville (SSN 758), with special recognition for berthing barge decoration, received free outdoor recreation adventures for 20.

• Honorable mention winners USS Columbia (SSN 771) and USS Jacksonville (SSN 699) received a free large pavilion rental.

• The admiral's choice award was presented to USS O'Kane (DDG 77) which returned from deployment Dec. 5 and mustered up their duty section holiday cheer, receiving a \$200 MWR gift certificate.

• The barge competition award winner is Commander, Navy Region Hawaii barge crew, which received

Housing offices offer holiday lighting rules

not be sprayed on windows,

The Forest City Community Handbook has guidelines for holiday lighting.

• Holiday lighting is authorized for use between the hours of 5 and 10 p.m. until the second weekend in January.

• Decorative lighting for other time periods may be installed/displayed one week prior to the holiday and removed no later than three days after the holi-

• All lighting needs to be removed from premises and stored properly. Residents should avoid overloading circuits and the overuse of extension cords. Lighting should not be left on when no one is home.

• Any lights or decorations attached to the home should not cause any physical damage. Gutter clips or similar clip devices should be used for affixing exterior lighting, but not nails, screws or tacks.

 Roof decorations and lighting above the first floor

roofline are not allowed. Canned "snow" or other similar substances should

siding or brick facades.

Hickam Communities As a reminder about holiday lighting, guidelines are

also listed in the Hickam Communities resident guide. • Residents are not allowed on roofs for any rea-

• Reasonable use of inside and outside electric ornamental lighting is authorized, including blow-up lawn ornaments. Residents should not penetrate roofs, siding or fascia with nails, staples, bolts, screws, etc. to install lighting.

Residents are asked to note the following:

• Residents may use clips or tape that are specifically designed to install temporary holiday lighting.

 Residents should carefully inspect and control ornamental lighting to avoid

• Extension cords are intended for occasional use and should not be used on a permanent or semipermanent basis inside or outside of any Hickam Communities home.

Use of ornamental light-

ing is authorized as follows: Two weeks prior to and one week after all nationally recognized holidays.

 Thirty days prior to and two weeks after the Christmas/New Year season.

• Residents should ensure that all self-installed lighting will be used in proper applications and meet safety regulations.

• Outdoor lighting and electrical cords need to be Underwriter Laboratory (UL) approved and designed for outdoor use.

• Lighting can only be placed on the first floor roofline (no second floor roofline applications). • Residents are responsi-

ble for any damage and/or liability resulting from the use of ornamental lighting. • Residents should prac-

tice energy conservation and limit the use of ornamental lighting to the evening time. The lighting should not be left on during daylight hours. Additional guidelines may

apply to historic homes.

Street Smart safety briefs to be held today

The Navy Region Hawaii alcohol and drug control officer will hold Street Smart safety briefs today with two show times, from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 10 to 11 a.m., at Sharkey Theater. The safety brief is geared toward holiday stand down safety.





Live the Great Life

'Small treasures' found at abandoned vehicle auction

Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare & Recreation

Hundreds of customers stopped by the abandoned vehicle auction on Dec. 6 to see if any hidden gems were among the various vehicles on the lot near Porter Gate at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

More than 150 vehicles, including cars, trucks and even motorcycles, were up for bid. The conditions of the vehicles covered a wide range. A few were in decent shape that caught the eyes of many patrons. Others appealed only to those looking for a fix-

up job.
Doug Ikeda from MWR's Auto Skills Center said some good deals can be found for customers who realize what they're getting.

"You're attending an abandoned vehicle auction. There are no keys and the battery is dead," Ikeda said.

He added that per base rules, the vehicles need to be towed off the lot at the owner's expense. With the wide variation on state of repair, he said people are looking for a variety of reasons.

"Some guys look for project cars. A lot of people that come down are looking for a second car, or they want to buy a car for their kids. Some people just need parts for their vehicle. So there are all kinds of reasons," Ikeda said.

All bids are sealed so everyone has a fair shot at winning. Ikeda said he has seen bids high and low take the prize.

"I've seen winning bids that I wouldn't have gone that high, and I've seen people win with bids just above the minimum (\$150). People want the vehicle for a specific reason," Ikeda said.

Those who did not win this time, or didn't see anything that caught their eye, need not despair. Ikeda said another auction is planned for next year. Every vehicle has to go through a process before being designated abandoned, but if everything goes smoothly, organizers hope to hold it in early spring.

For more information about when the next auction will be held, customers can go to www.greatlifehawaii.com and click on the GLH Hot List button. From there, they can select vehicle auctions among a list of other special mailing lists to choose from.



Patrons inspect vehicles for potential bidding.

Your Weekly Fun with MWR

ages 3 to 5 years old closes today. The season runs from January to March. Registration is available at www.greatlifehawaii.com. The fee is \$35. FMI: 473-0789.

Free Karaoke Friday will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. today at the Escape Bowling Center (Wahiawa Annex). Free karaoke will be available during open bowling hours. FMI: 473-2651.

Free Golf Clinic will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at Mamala Bay Golf Course. FMI: 449-2304.

Machine Quilting: Star Quilt class will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday from Dec. 13 through 27 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students can learn how to cut fabric and assemble the pattern while learning quilting tips and how to complete a quilt from start to finish. Tuition is \$100. FMI: 448-9907.

Gridiron Breakfast will be held from 7 to 11 a.m. Dec. 14 at Brews & Cues. Patrons can watch NFL football games with DirecTV Sunday Ticket. There is no cover charge. FMI: 473-

NFL Football Sunday will begin at 8 a.m. Dec. from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Hickam

PeeWee Soccer Registration period for youth 14 at J.R. Rockers Sports Café. There will be a special breakfast menu for \$7.50 for Air Force club members and \$9.50 for non-members. FMI: 448-2271.

> Monday Night Kid's Night will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 15 at Sam Choy's Island Style Seafood Grille. Children ages 12 years and younger can get a free kid's meal with the purchase of an adult entrée. A bounce house will be available for children to play in from 5 to 7 p.m. FMI: 422-3002.

> Sport Shot Monday will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 15 at Naval Station Bowling Center. Patrons can test their skills on some of the challenging lane patterns. The bowler with the highest three-game series for the night will receive three free games of bowling on his or her next visit. FMI: 473-2574.

> Stretching & Core class will be held from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Dec. 16 and Dec. 18 at the Hickam channel pathway. Attendees should bring a yoga mat and water to class. The fee is \$5 per class. FMI: 471-2019.

> Cookies & Canvas: Beach Time painting class for youth ages 5 to 12 years old will be held

painted masterpieces on stretched canvas, while nibbling on a sweet treat. The fee is \$25 and includes supplies. FMI: 448-9907.

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Ford Island Historical Tour will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon Dec. 17. Points of interest on this guided tour include the USS Utah and USS Oklahoma Memorials, the Navy Club Memorial honoring the USS Arizona, historic Nob Hill officer homes, and bombing and bullet strafing reminders. Round-trip transportation from the Information, Tickets & Travel (ITT)-Hickam office is included. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for children ages 3 to 11 years old. FMI: 448-2295.

Kids' Book Club will begin at 2 p.m. Dec. 17 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library for youth in fourth and fifth grades. Group two (the "Third Wednesday" group) will discuss "Charlotte's Web" by E.B. White and will take home "The Westing Game" by Ellen Raskin. FMI: 449-8299.

Junior Golf Clinic will begin at 4 p.m. Dec. 17 at Barbers Point Golf Course. The pro will offer tips for junior golfers at this free clinic. FMI:

Arts & Crafts Center. Students can create Challenge Your Balance yoga class will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Dec. 18 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center. This class will emphasize standing balance poses with the option of double or triple mats for an additional challenge. The fee is \$5. FMI: 471-2019.

> Liberty Programs' Barracks Bash will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Dec. 18 at Seawolf Tower. This free barbecue is for single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-2583.

> Teen Parent Night bingo will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Dec. 18 at the Hickam Teen Center for youth ages 13 to 18 years old and their parents. This free event celebrates National Bingo and Cookie Month. New families are always welcome. FMI: 448-0418.

> Mongolian barbecue will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Dec. 18 on the lanai of the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. A variety of meats, vegetables and sauces will be available for 85 cents per ounce. Rice, noodles, soup, beverages and fortune cookies are included. FMI: 448-4608



DECEMBER

VEHICLE REGISTRATION ONLINE APPOINTMENTS

NOW — The new City & County Pearl Harbor Vehicle Registration office now offers a new online appointment system. Walk-in customers will no longer be taken. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The online appointment system is now open for reservations each Monday at 9 a.m. for Tuesday and Thursday appointments for that week. FMI: http://go.usa.gov/s8Jk or

http://www1.honolulu.gov/csd/satellite/jbphh.htm.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS AT PEARL HARBOR

TODAY — Tours for the general public for the annual Festival of Lights will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tonight is the last night for public tours. Seats are limited and tickets will be distributed on a first come, first served basis beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Ships and submarines around Pearl Harbor are displaying ornamental lights and decorations for the annual festival now through Dec. 25. FMI: Amanda Carona at 422-3315 or e-mail amanda_carona@nps.gov.

STREET SMART SAFETY BRIEF

TODAY — The Navy Region Hawaii alcohol and drug control officer will hold Street Smart safety briefs with two show times, from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 10 to 11 a.m. at Sharkey Theater. The safety brief is geared toward holiday stand down safety.

SPOUSES PERSONNEL AND PAY BRIEF

TODAY — Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) Pearl Harbor will hold a Spouses Personnel and Pay Brief from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the PSD Pearl Harbor classroom (1043). The classroom is located in the Moanalua Shopping Center. FMI: email anna.blackmon.ctr@navy.mil or celena.robison.ctr@navy.mil.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

SATURDAY — The annual Breakfast with Santa will begin at 8 a.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange food court lanai. Besides a pancake and bacon breakfast and a framed picture with Santa, the event will include glitter tattoos, balloon twisters, and holiday arts and crafts for children. The cost is \$12 for children and \$8 for adults. The event is for authorized patrons only. FMI: 423-3287.

CHRISTMAS ORIGAMI

SATURDAY — Parent and child Christmas origami will be held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The event is for children ages 6 to 12 years old accompanied by a parent. The cost is \$20. Another Christmas origami class for youth ages 12 and older will be held Dec. 20 at the center. FMI: 448-9907.

HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS

14, 18, 20-24 — Annual Honolulu City Lights: holiday display tours will depart at 6 and 6:30 p.m. Dec. 14, 18 and 20-24 from Bloch Arena. The cost is \$15 per person ages 5 and older, and free for children ages 4 and under (on an adult's lap). FMI: 448-2295.



MEET DALLAS COWBOYS CHEERLEADERS

15 — MWR patrons can meet the Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders beginning at 3 p.m. at the Club Pearl Brews & Cues, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Patrons can bring their cameras to take photos. The event is open to military affiliated personnel of all ages and their sponsored guests. In addition, shuttle service to Club Pearl (for single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen only) will depart from Liberty Express at 1:45 p.m., from Beeman Center at 2:30 p.m., and from Makai Rec Center at 2:45 p.m. FMI: 473-2583 or www.greatlifehawaii.com.

SPACE AVAILABLE BRIEF

19 — Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Air Mobility Command (AMC) Passenger Terminal will hold a "space available" brief beginning at 10 a.m. at the Hickam Memorial Theater to anyone interested in exploring this benefit. Space available travel is a means where military affiliated personnel can travel on aircraft when excess capability allows. FMI: 449-6833 or visit the Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/HickamAMC.

UGLY SWEATER RUN

20 — An Ugly Sweater Run will begin at 8 a.m, at Hickam Fitness Center. The free event is open to active-duty military, Department of Defense civilians and their family members. Awards will be given to first and second place winners in mens, womens, youth and stroller categories. Special awards will be given to top three participants with the ugliest sweaters. Participants can sign up at the Hickam Fitness Center. FMI: 448-2214.

ALOHA CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

25 — A free Aloha Christmas breakfast will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. for single Sailors and Airmen at two locations on the Pearl Harbor side of the base (Gabrunas Hall recreation room and Parche Memorial) and one on the Hickam side of the base (The Gathering Place, building 1856). Breakfast will include waffles, bacon, eggs and homemade cinnamon rolls. The event is sponsored by the JBPHH Chapel community. FMI: Johnathan Reilly at (716) 698-8953.

LIBERTY'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH

25 — A free Liberty's Christmas lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. at all Liberty Centers. The event is for single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-2583.

CHRISTMAS DAY DOUBLE FEATURE

25 — Patrons can watch two movies for the price of one admission ticket at 7 p.m. at Sharkey Theater. Moviegoers can check out the Sharkey Theater link on www.greatlifehawaii.com. FMI: 473-0726.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

31 — A New Year's Eve party will begin at 8:30 p.m. at the Country Bar. The event will include party favors and pupus. Open to patrons ages 18 and older. FMI: 473-2583.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CRUISE, FIREWORKS

31 — A free New Year's Eve dinner cruise and fireworks off the shore of Waikiki with Liberty will be held. Shuttles will depart from the following Liberty centers: Express at 8:30 p.m., Beeman at 9 p.m., Instant at 9:15 p.m. and Makai Recreation at 9:30 p.m. The event is for single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-2583.

Interstellar chronicles the adventures of a group of explorers who make use of a newly discovered wormhole to surpass the limitations on human space travel and conquer the vast distances involved in an interstellar voyage.

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 12/12

7:00 p.m. Interstellar (PG-13)

SATURDAY 12/13

2:30 p.m. Big Hero 6 (PG) 5:00 p.m. Dumb and Dumber To (PG-13)

7:20 p.m. Beyond the Lights (PG-13)

SUNDAY 12/14

2:30 p.m. Big Hero 6 (3-D) (PG)

4:40 p.m. St. Vincent (PG-13) 6:50 p.m. John Wick (PG-13)

THURSDAY 12/18

7:00 p.m. Interstellar (PG-13)

FRIDAY 12/19

7:00 p.m. The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Pt. 1 (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 12/19

6:00 p.m. Big Hero 6 (PG)

SATURDAY 12/20

4:00 p.m. Big Hero 6 (PG) 7:00 p.m. Interstellar (PG-13)

SUNDAY 12/21

2:00 p.m. Interstellar (PG-13)

No movie showings from December 22-25.



Diane Tanoura, Cookie Caper volunteer, sorts cookies in the cookie command central at the Makai Recreation Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Cookie Caper spreads holiday cheer

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Members of Team Hickam and the local community helped kick off the holiday season Dec. 3 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam with the annual Cookie Caper.

The volunteers took a brief break from the daily grind to become Cookie Caper "elves," collecting dozens of cookies for this year's drive.

The Cookie Caper program solicits donations for freshly baked cookies from base and community members. Caper "elves" then collect and sort the cookies in holiday-themed bags, which are distributed to base Airmen.

"It's all about spirit. The purpose of the Cookie Caper is to see Team Hickam's holiday spirit," said Kristianne Swanson, Hickam Enlisted Spouses Club (HESC) president.

"Especially during the holidays, people want to find ways to give back to the community and this is a good way."

Swanson said the fresh baked goods can also help brighten an Airman's holiday season.

"Most of the Airmen are young and here alone away from their families," she said. "Sometimes this offers that little bit of cheer they need."

According to Swanson, volunteer bakers far exceeded the 600 dozen cookies that were needed to give each single Airman 12 cookies apiece.

Though the HESC headed the operation, Swanson said the event was a true community effort with volunteers coming from the active duty community, Hickam Officers Spouses Club, the First Sergeants Association, the Friends of Hickam and 15th Wing leadership, among others.

"Our job is people, and giving back to our Airmen is part of our mission," said Master Sgt. Alfred Wells, 15th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron first sergeant.

Wells said the Cookie Caper was a good opportunity to take care of Airmen while also strengthening partnerships.

"Taking care of our Airmen is everybody's business," he said. "This was fun. To partner with the Friends of Hickam and our spouses' clubs and other helping agencies on base was fun. This gives us a chance to come together for a good cause and strengthen those partnerships."

Wells said at the end of the day it's about coming together as a community and being a family.

"I think this gives a little piece of home," he said. "It lets them know somebody is thinking about them and we are their family away from home."

Armed services blood drive schedule updated

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives as part of the Armed Services Blood Donor Program (ASBP).

Currently scheduled drives include:
• Dec. 15, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3rd Marine Regiment, Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

• Dec. 22 and 23, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Blood

Donor Center, room 2A207, Tripler Army Medical Center.

Jan. 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Club 14, U.S.
Coast Guard Sector Honolulu, Sand Island.
Jan. 7, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Camp Smith
Pollack Theatre, Camp Smith.

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

JBPHH food service to offer holiday meals Dec. 25

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The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam food service team will offer special holiday menus on Christmas Day at the Hale Aina Dining Facility and the Silver Dolphin Bistro Galley.

The Hale Aina Dining Facility meal will be offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with ala carte pricing. The meal will include appetizers such as shrimp cocktail and assorted nonfat yogurt, soup, salad, vegetables, entrees such as baked ham, roast turkey and boneless rib of beef, gravies and dressings, breads and rolls, assorted desserts and beverages.

The meal is open to all military, retirees and family members.

The Silver Dolphin Bistro Galley meal will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. and the price is \$7.70.

The meal will include chicken and wild rice soup, shrimp cocktail, oven roasted turkey, baked spiral ham with raisin sauce, carved steamship round with au jus, giblet and turkey gravy, cranberry sauce, bread stuffing with sausage, baby red mashed potatoes, baked macaroni and cheese, candied sweet potatoes, glazed baby carrots and green bean casserole.

The Silver Dolphin meal will also include assorted hot rolls, fresh salad bar, crab salad and potato salad, assorted pies, cakes and cheesecake. The meal will also include an ice cream bar with assorted toppings, nuts and hard candies, and a Silver Dolphin Bistro holiday cake.

The meal is open to all active duty military, Department of Defense employees, retirees and their families with a valid ID card. Attendees are asked to bring exact change to reduce time spent at the cashier stand.

For more information, call 473-2948 or email Robert.Pare@navy.mil.

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NORAD ready to track Santa



North American Aerospace Defense Command

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — The North American Aerospace Defense Command is ready to track Santa's yuletide journey. The NORAD Tracks Santa website, www.noradsanta.org, has been launched featuring a mobile version, a holiday countdown, new games and daily activities, and more. The website is available in eight languages: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese and Chinese.

Official NORAD Tracks Santa apps are also available in the Windows, Apple and Google Play stores, so parents and children can count down the days until Santa's launch on their smart phones and tablets. Tracking opportunities are also offered on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Google+. Santa followers need to type "@noradsanta" into each search engine to get started.

Also new this year, the website features Santa's elves in the North Pole Village. NORAD Tracks Santa is introducing the newest elf and asking the public to help choose the perfect name for him. Details can be found via NORAD Tracks Santa social media or in the "Name the Elf" video in Santa's North Pole Movie Theater at www.noradsanta.org.

Starting at 12:01 a.m. MST on Dec. 24, website visitors can watch Santa make preparations for his flight. NO-RAD's "Santa Cams" will stream videos on the website as Santa makes his way over various locations. Then at 4 a.m. MST (6 a.m. EST), trackers worldwide can speak with a live phone operator to inquire as to Santa's whereabouts by dialing the toll-free number 1-877-Hi-NORAD (1-877-446-6723) or by sending an email to norad-trackssanta@outlook.com. Any time on Dec. 24, Windows Phone users can ask Cortana for Santa's location, and OnStar subscribers can press the OnStar button in their vehicles to find Santa.

NORAD Tracks Santa is a global experience for generations of families everywhere. This is due, in large part, to the efforts and services of numerous program contributors

It all started in 1955 when a local media advertisement directed children to call Santa direct; only the number was misprinted. Instead of reaching Santa, the phone rang through to the crew commander on duty at the Continental Air Defense Command Operations Center. Thus began the tradition, which NORAD carried on since it was created in 1958.

JBPHH Chapel events planned for this month

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam chapels will be holding a variety of events celebrating Christmas and New Year's Day. They include:

Catholic services at Hickam Chapel Center

- Dec. 24, 5 p.m., Christmas Eve Family Mass.
- Dec. 24, 10 p.m., Christmas Eve Mass.
 Dec. 25, 11 a.m., Christmas Day Mass.
- Jan. 1, 11 a.m., Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation).
- Catholic services at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel
 Dec. 24, 5 p.m., Christmas Eve Family Mass.
- Dec. 25, 9 a.m., Christmas Day Mass.
- Jan. 1, 9 a.m., Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation). **Protestant services at Hickam Chapels**
- Dec. 21, 5 p.m., Children's Christmas Program, Hickam Chapel Center.
- Dec. 24, 7 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Hickam Chapel Center.
- Dec. 31, 10 p.m., Watchnight Service, Hickam Nelles Chapel. Protestant services at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel.
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m., Children's Christmas Program.
- Dec. 24, 7 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.
- Aloha Christmas Breakfast for single Sailors and Airmen
 Dec. 25, 9 to 11 a.m. Hickam Gathering Place, King Hall, building 1856.

For other religious observances, call Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel at 473-3971 and Hickam Chapel Center at 449-1754.

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