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USAG-HI pushes sustainability

Army Green means building green, buying green and going green for the future

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Use your imagination. Take a moment to dream.

These are not the kind of instructions most employers give to their employees. Instead, employees hear, "I need this by close of busi-

ness" or "do more with less." Overwhelmed by work, employees develop a day-to-day mentality, getting done what needs to be done, and worrying about the rest later.

Employees and guests attending U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii's (USAG-HI) Sustainability Workshop May 21-25 at the 1st Lt. Nainoa K. Hoe Battle Command Training Center were asked to do just the opposite.

Approximately 100 representatives from USAG-HI's directorates, as well as other military agencies and public organizations, such as the Trust for Public Lands and Actus Lend Lease, spent four days dreaming, in a sense.

Workshop leaders asked attendees to imagine what the future sustainable Hawaii should look like – 25 years down the road – and then challenged attendees to figure out what USAG-HI needs to do to make that vision a reality.

Day one of the conference got the momentum going with several thought-provoking and motivating speakers, Col. Howard J. Killian, USAG-HI commander; Tad D. Davis IV, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health; Sen. Russell S. Kokubun, chairman of Hawaii's

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Three are killed over weekend

Helicopter crash and improvised explosive device responsible for cavalry deaths

U.S. ARMY GARRISON, HAWAII,
PUBLIC AFFAIRS
News Release

The Department of Defense announced this week the death of three Soldiers who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Two Soldiers died May 28 in Muqadiyah, Iraq, of wounds sustained when their OH-58D Kiowa helicopter crashed after receiving heavy enemy fire during combat operations.

Killed were 1st Lt. Keith N. Heidtman, 24, of Norwich, Connecticut, and Chief Warrant Officer 2 Theodore U. Church, 32, of South Point, Ohio.

They were assigned to the 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

A third Soldier, Cpl. Casey P. Zylman, 22, of Coleman, Mich., died May 25 in Mosul, Iraq, of wounds sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Tallafar, Iraq.

Zylman was assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division.



Heidtman



Church



Zylman



Warrior ways

The 8th Military Police Brigade beefs up on weapons training and builds camaraderie

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Joint Chief's Town Hall

Joint Chief of Staff Gen. Peter Pace will host a town hall meeting for all Army families Tuesday, June 5, 9 a.m. at the Schofield Barracks Sgt. Smith Theater.

Mission complete

The Army Emergency Relief campaign exceeded its donation goal last week. The campaign collected \$221,750.90.



Pool & penguins

Soldiers and families take time to unwind and enjoy the evening Saturday — some even find buried treasure

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Remembering the fallen

The Schofield Barracks community observed Memorial Day during three separate events, Monday. At dawn, area Cub and Boy Scouts placed miniature flags and plumeria lei at Post Cemetery gravesites; "Wolfhounds" remembered their comrades at the 25th Infantry Division Association's Tropic Light and at 11:30 a.m., veterans — members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart — joined U.S. Army Hawaii, in commemorating patriots with wreaths, a firing squad, and "Taps." See page B-1 for full story.

events, Monday. At dawn, area at 10 a.m., -ning Memorial; Garrison,

Deployed 3rd Infantry Brigade honors fallen comrades

Story and Photos by
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3rd Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs

KIRKUK, Iraq — Soldiers and airmen honored the sacrifice of their fallen comrades during a Memorial Day observance on Forward Operating Base Warrior, here, Monday.

The observance was marked by the traditional moment of silence, prayer, song and a video tribute to the 22 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team Soldiers and con-

tractors killed in action during the unit's current tour in Iraq, and to all service members who paid the ultimate sacrifice serving the nation.

The event's keynote speaker, Col. Douglas Tucker, commander, 506th Air Expeditionary Group, reflected



Tucker

on the price of freedom and praised those who sacrifice to protect that freedom.

"Today, we come together for a purpose. We come together to remember and honor our fallen comrades, those that have done their duty as God has allowed them," said Tucker. Tucker commented that too many Americans today view military service as an abstraction, as an image seen on television and in the movies.

"For too many Americans, Memorial Day has come to mean a three-day weekend," he

said. "Families might still gather for picnics, but for most of those families the core purpose and spirit of remembrance will be absent. Memorial Day, like service in our armed forces, is cut off from the significance of their lives. They have forgotten what the military stands for in the nation's history. They know little about what we do, let alone why we do it," continued Tucker.

"We understand the meaning of Memor-

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Annual luncheon lauds warriors for their service to community

JOHN REESE
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WAIKIKI — Warriors representing all branches of the United States military were honored May 24 at the 22nd Annual Military Recognition Luncheon at the Hilton Hawaiian Village here.

The luncheon is the traditional closing of Military Appreciation Month. Hawaii is the only state to honor the military for an entire month.

More than 1,000 military personnel and community leaders were present for the luncheon, said master of ceremonies Air Force

Col. Tim Saffold.

"Were really excited about the number of people who showed up for this and the great support we've had from the business community," said Jim Tollefson, president and Chief Executive Officer of the Chamber of Commerce, Hawaii.

The keynote speaker was Gen. Paul V. Hester, commander, Pacific Air Forces.

"I love being included in this and carrying arms for my country," said Staff Sgt. James Rivers, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, commanding the joint service color guard. "It's a big honor for me to be in front of everybody while

we show our patriotic duties."

A warrior representing each branch was recognized for his or her volunteer work in the civilian community. Sgt. First Class Sharlinda Warner, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, represented the Army.

In addition to functioning as 8th TSC's Headquarters and Headquarters Company Family Support Group coordinator for deployed soldiers in Iraq, Warner is also an active volunteer for the Special Olympics, the Schofield Barracks Gators boys' basketball team, and



Photo courtesy of Chamber of Commerce, Hawaii

Sgt. First Class Sharlinda C. Warner, right, and fellow community service award winners from each branch of service receive an ovation from an audience at the 22nd annual Military Appreciation Luncheon, May 24.

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We want to hear from you...

The Hawaii Army Weekly welcomes articles from Army organizations, announcements from the general public about community events of interest to the military community, and letters and commentaries.

If you have newsworthy ideas or stories you'd like to write, coordinate with the managing editor at 655-4816, or e-mail editor@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

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Hurricane season returns to isles

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It's hurricane season ... are you ready? It's not a question of if a hurricane will strike, but when. The central Pacific hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30.

This hurricane season, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has forecasted two to three major systems that may affect the Hawaiian Islands. The last hurricane to hit the islands was Hurricane Iniki, Sept. 11, 1992.

Hurricane Iniki was the costliest hurricane to strike the state of Hawaii, causing \$1.8 billion in damage. Although, most of the damage was on the island of Kauai, Oahu suffered significant damage also. Iniki was responsible for six deaths; the low death toll was likely due to well-executed warnings and preparation.

Hurricanes are placed into five categories based on the intensity of the system.

- Category 1: Hurricanes with winds between 74-95 mph, and a storm surge of four to five feet may cause minor damage to building structures.

- Category 2: Hurricanes with sustained winds from 96-110 mph, potentially damaging roofing material, doors and windows and a storm surge of six to eight feet.

- Category 3: Sustained winds of 111-130 mph, may cause structural damage to small residences and utility buildings, and a storm surge nine to 12 feet will cause flooding near coastlines as well as low inland areas.

- Category 4: Winds 131-155 mph, extensive damage to small structures and complete roof failure on small residences. Storm surges over 19 feet will cause major erosions of beaches and flooding inland.

- Category 5: Winds over 156 mph and a storm surge of over 19 feet will cause major damage and flooding.

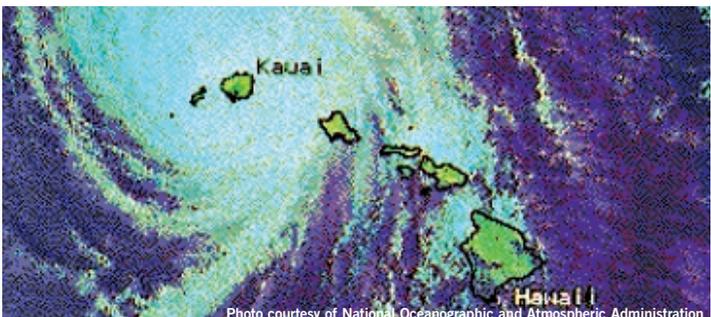
There are several things you can do to prepare for a hurricane. First, you need to know the difference between a hurricane watch and warning, and also what to do

when each is issued.

When a hurricane watch is issued, this means that hurricane conditions are possible in the specified area of the watch, usually within 36 hours.

A hurricane warning is issued when hurricane conditions are expected in the specific area of the warning, usually within 24 hours.

When a hurricane watch is issued:



The most powerful hurricane in Hawaiian Island recorded history, Hurricane Iniki caused more than \$1.8 billion in damage and destroyed 1,400 houses.

Listen to NOAA weather radio or local radio or TV stations for updated storm information.

Prepare to bring inside any lawn furniture, outdoor decorations or ornaments, trash cans, hanging plants, and anything else that can be picked up by the wind.

Prepare to cover all windows of your home. If shutters have not been installed, use precut plywood. Note: Tape does not prevent windows from breaking, so taping windows is not recommended.

Fill your car's gas tank.

Check batteries and stock up on canned food, first aid supplies, drinking water, and medications.

When a hurricane warning is issued: Listen to the advice of local officials, and leave if they tell you to do so.

Complete preparation activities. If you are not advised to evacuate, stay indoors, away from windows.

Be aware that the calm "eye" is deceptive; the storm is not over. The worst part of the storm will happen once the eye passes over and the winds blow from the opposite direction. Trees, shrubs, buildings, and other objects damaged by the first winds can be broken or destroyed by the second winds.

Be alert for tornadoes. Tornadoes can happen during a hurricane and after it

passes over. Remain indoors, in the center of your home, in a closet or bathroom without windows.

Stay away from flood waters. If you come upon a flooded road, turn around and go another way. If you are caught on a flooded road and waters are rising rapidly around you, get out of the car and climb to higher ground.

In the event an evacuation is issued, families and personnel not living on U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, (USAG-HI) installations should listen to the NOAA weather radio, local radio and TV stations for the locations of designated evacuation shelters in their area.

For residents and personnel on USAG-HI installations, announcements to proceed to designated shelters will be made via the Mass Notification System, by telephone or by military police throughout the community affected by an evacuation.

Courts-Martial

Sergeant jailed three years for porn

To deter misconduct and to inform the division's Soldiers and civilians of military justice trends, the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate publishes the results of the following recent courts-martial:

Over the past month, three Soldiers were tried, found guilty, and sentenced for various offenses occurring on and off Schofield Barracks.

A sergeant from Rear Detachment, 3rd Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, was sentenced at a general court martial to be reduced to the grade of E1, to be confined for 40 months, and to receive a dishonorable discharge, for indecent acts with a minor and possession of child pornography.

A private first class from B Company, 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, was sen-

tenced at a general court martial to be reduced to the grade of E1, to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for 30 months, and to receive a bad-conduct discharge, for wrongful use and distribution of a controlled substance and dereliction of duty.

A private from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 225th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, was sentenced at a general court martial to be reduced to the grade of E1, to be confined for seven months, and to receive a bad-conduct discharge, for indecent assault.

In addition to forfeitures of pay, either adjudged or by operation of law, confinement, and a punitive discharge, Soldiers will also have a federal conviction that they must report when filling out a job ap-

plication. This federal conviction may strip these Soldiers of some civil rights, such as the right to purchase and maintain firearms and the right to vote.

Q: Why does the Hawaii Army Weekly publish court-martial findings?
A: The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate releases the results of recent courts-martial for publication to inform the community of military justice trends and to deter future misconduct by Soldiers.

Families can stay and play together despite differences

CHAPLAIN (MAJ.) KEVIN P. STROOP
 25th ID Rear Detachment Chaplain

"The family that plays together, stays together" – unless that family is playing golf. This familiar adage reminds me that the attempt to keep together family bonds is one worth the risk.

In our quest to find quality family time, my wife and I have attempted many things. Soccer, baseball, football, and lacrosse have filled many hours of our children's time. Not to mention Tae Kwon Do, piano, trumpet, bass guitar, and tennis. We have spent hours and dollars on finding the one thing that keeps the four of us occupied and together – at least for a few moments.

The one new twist in our familiar relationship is golf. All four of us now play. I can say without reservation that golf is a subtle, yet powerful reminder that we are not all alike, even though we live in the same house.

Son number one likes to smash the ball into submission – like John Henry's hammer. He has a graceful set-up, but then proceeds to

swing like Paul Bunyan against a tree.

The powerful clunk at impact reminds all of us to take cover as the ball is sent in various directions. Flora and fauna are not spared. A few years back, this would have sent son number one into a flord rage, but today he just enjoys the feeling of raw power; college does that to a man.

Son number two imagined golf as "a good walk spoiled," until recently. Now he is into the technology of golf.

Titanium, forged cavities, maximum coefficient of restitution (COR), and the like fill his brain. Technology and perfect technique equal golf perfection. Did I mention that cart riding is a must? Why walk when you can ride?

He looks like a phenom as he takes his practice swings – a young Phil Michelson. Then somehow, as technology and technique meet as ball and club – the ball races along the ground at amazing speed and little direction. It is off to the tech manuals for more research.

My wife has just picked up the game. She is a purist, golf for fun and leisure, a joyous

walk amongst God's green creation. For years she could not understand my love of the game, but after a set of clubs as a gift and reminders that walking is great exercise, she has jumped into the game.

Encouraged by her youthful athleticism, she swings with gusto and putts with passion – until the ball fails to find its mark...

I have found that my spouse is very competitive. It is a new side of her that I rarely see. Her quest to become better is laudable and makes for something to look forward to in the years to come.

And me? Well, I drink it all in. There is no better time for me than to walk with my youngest son and play a game that draws us together with a common passion.

As I play with my college man, I am finding a new friend. New conversations arise about life in new depths; golf has become a medium for growing closer as men.

As I golf with my wife, I am reminded of all the things that drew me to her years ago. I admire her passion and exuberance. The golf course has become our ancient dinner table

The student survey nears completion

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICE
 News Release

Earlier this year, the Department of Education (DOE), with the University of Hawaii (UH), conducted a survey of more than 3,000 randomly selected military households on Oahu to measure their perception of Hawaii public schools. The data generated from the survey will provide useful information that will assist public schools, which support military children and families in Hawaii.

It is very important that selected families who received the survey in the mail respond. They have been given a great opportunity to share their personal experiences with Hawaii's public education system for the benefit of other military families.

The first round of surveys that was sent did not receive an adequate number of responses, which is necessary in order to make the results statistically valid. Therefore, the survey coordinators sent another batch. Since every household was randomly selected, each response is important to the completion of the project.

The military survey is a project of the Hawaii State Department of Education (HI DOE) in partnership with the U.S. Pacific Command (PACOM) through the Joint Venture Education Forum (JVEF). JVEF is a multi-component committee comprised of educators, from the Board of Education and DOE, and leaders from military commands, government, community, and businesses. The HI DOE funded the survey.

This study guides the efforts of the JVEF to improve Hawaii's schools and foster mutual understanding and cooperation between the state's military and civilian educational communities. The results will assist the JVEF in developing a strategic plan to help build on the strengths and improve upon the challenge areas identified in the survey.

The 2005 survey revealed the following strengths identified by parents in rank order:

- Students are able to learn at school (87%),
- Teachers care about students (78%),
- Students feel safe at school (78%),
- Students feel welcomed at school (77%),
- Schools provide information about student progress (71%),
- Students learn critical thinking (71%),
- Teachers are well qualified (70%).

To view more survey results visit the JVEF Web site at www.pacom.mil/qol/edusurvey.shtml#results.

The project is nearing the end of its collection phase. Mahalo to the parents and students who have participated in the project, your feedback is very important. Currently, UH researchers are following up on outstanding surveys by email or telephone.

For questions regarding the survey, contact Amanda Quijano or Dr. Kathleen Berg at the University of Hawaii, College of Education, at 956-4729.

198 days since last fatal accident

Soldiers, remember to think safety in everything you do.

The two division training holidays are scheduled to be awarded June 8 and 22 for 200 consecutive days with no accidental fatalities. Current as of 5/30/07.

Voices of Lightning: What are your travel plans for the summer?



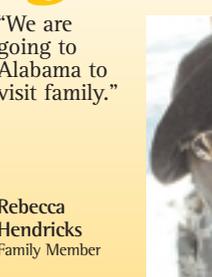
"I'd rather be in the field than anywhere else."

Spc. Briana Baker
 1101st GSU Military Police



"We are going to Alabama to visit family."

Rebecca Hendricks
 Family Member



"As soon as our unit is done with this tour, I'm going home to relax with family."

Staff Sgt. Xenthrus Mainor
 5th Bn., 4th Bde, 100th Provision Instructor



"I'm going to Kauai – my favorite Hawaiian island."

Cpt. Rachel Moulton
 Central Pacific Vet. Command Veterinarian



"My husband is deployed, I'll be spending my summer here in Hawaii."

Valerie Stadthagen
 Family Member



Upcoming changes in command

The 25th Infantry Division and U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, community is invited to attend several changes of command ceremonies taking place in June and July.

The change of command ceremony is a time-honored tradition that formally symbolizes the continuity of authority when a command is passed from one commander to another.

Local ceremonies will be preceded by an awards ceremony, 30 minutes prior to the change of command ceremony. Point of contact for more details is Sgt. Maj. Robert Pittman, 655-0283 (unless otherwise noted).

The following ceremonies will be held at Sills Field, Schofield Barracks, unless otherwise noted.

- June 4, 11 a.m., 2nd Squadron, 14th Cavalry Regiment. Lt. Col. David Davidson will pass command to Lt. Col. Timothy Gauthier.
- June 8, 2 p.m., 30th Signal Battalion. Lt. Col. Darryl Shaw will pass command to Lt. Col. Joseph Dworaczyk. (RSVP by today at 655-9321/8057.)
- June 13, 10 a.m., 728th Military Police Battalion. Lt. Col. Douglas Ingros will pass command to Lt. Col. Brian Bisacre.
- June 15, 2 p.m., Special Troops Battalion. Lt. Gen. John M. Brown III will host the activation ceremony at Palm Circle, Fort Shafter.
- June 19, 11 a.m., Flying V ceremony for the incoming Installation Management Command-Pacific director, Ms. Debra Zedalis, at Palm Circle, Fort Shafter.
- June 20, 11 a.m., 84th Engineer Company. Lt. Col. R. Mark Toy passes command to Lt. Col. Nicholas W. Katers. (The point of contact is Master Sgt. Daniel Harr, 655-9537.)
- June 23, 2 p.m., 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. Brig. Gen. Joseph J. Chaves passes command to Col. Bruce E. Oliveira.
- June 27, 10 a.m., U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii. Col. Howard J. Killian passes command to Col. Matthew Margotta. (The point of contact is Ms. Bev Shintaku, 655-4356.)
- June 27, 1 p.m., 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team. Col. Stefan Banach passes command to Col. Todd B. McCaffrey.
- July 6, 10 a.m., 516th Signal Brigade. Col. Edrick A. Kirkman passes command to Col. Bruce T. Crawford at Fort Shafter's historic Palm Circle, with reception and refreshments following at Palm Circle Gazebo.
- July 10, 10 a.m., 29th Engineer Battalion. Lt. Col. Christopher Benson will pass command to Lt. Col. Scott Petersen at a re-flagging ceremony at Fort Shafter's Palm Circle. (The point of contact is Capt. Jeffrey Soderling, 655-9633.)

Bachelors find affordable on-post homes

AHFH offers open house at Tripler community for single officers, enlisted June 8 from 4–6 p.m.

ANN WHARTON
Army Hawaii Family Housing LLC

Finding an affordable town home or apartment in Hawaii can be a challenge, especially if you're single with just one source of income. If you do find a suitable place, chances are it's not close to work, requires a costly safety deposit, and includes high monthly utility fees. To assist single Soldiers and bachelor officers with housing needs, Army Hawaii Family Housing (AHFH) has opened its communities to them.

At Schofield Barracks, qualified single Soldiers E-6 and above can enjoy apartment-style living on-post that costs just 80 percent of their Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH). For example, an E-6 with four years of service will receive nearly \$1,000 each month from collecting 20 percent of his or her BAH, coupled with the Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) and Cost

of Living Allowance (COLA). Other benefits include no security deposit, free utilities and lawn care, washer and dryer, a complete kitchen, 24/7 maintenance, a pet-friendly community, and living minutes from work, the post exchange, commissary and other services.

Townhomes in the heart of Honolulu are available to bachelor officers at Tripler Army Medical Center, and officers who choose to share a two-bedroom or three-bedroom home will receive 20 percent or 40 percent, respectively, of their BAH each month. The same benefits offered to single Soldiers residing in AHFH communities also are extended to officers.

"I am very happy with my new home on post at Tripler," said Lt. Col. Kevin Knack, who recently moved into the community. "The house is in good condition and the community center is actively involved in looking after their residents' well-being. They provide me with a comprehensive range of complimentary maintenance services, which I highly value in my fast-paced life. I also now enjoy the peace and security of living on post, and the convenience of living just up the road from my duty station."



An open house June 8 will feature spacious, two-bedroom townhomes available to single officers at the Tripler Army Medical Center community.

"We've had a great response from those residing in our homes," said AHFH Leasing Manager Connie Yu-Pampalone. "Not having to live in a high-rise apartment complex and being a part of our communities has helped create a sense of place – a sense of family – for our single Soldiers and officers."

AHFH will host an open house for bach-

elor officer homes on June 8 from 4–6 p.m. at its Tripler community. For details contact Yu-Pampalone at 275-3805 or cpampalone@armyhawaiiifh.com.

For information about apartments available to single Soldiers at Schofield Barracks contact AHFH's North Regional Office located at Schofield Barracks at 275-3700 or SouthRegional@armyhawaiiifh.com.

**Save a life...
Wear a seatbelt**



Above — Soldiers and airmen honor the sacrifices made by their fallen comrades during a Memorial Day observance at Forward Operating Base Warrior in Kirkuk, Iraq, Monday.

Left — While holding the Moment of Remembrance program, a Soldier reflects upon the occasion.

Memorial: Warriors salute patriots

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Memorial Day and we pay tribute to the ideas and values of our fellow Soldiers, Marines, airmen and sailors who stood for and died defending. You have seen heroism firsthand. You have witnessed both physical and moral courage, and sacrifices like few others in your generation. Remember those moments. Reflect on those moments and on our comrades who have died in service to our country. They will not be forgotten."

Capt. Marques Bruce is one of thousands of Soldiers who will never forget his fallen friends, among

them Capt. Shane Adcock and 1st Lt. Joshua Deese, both of whom were killed in action in separate incidents last October. Bruce sang during the observance.

"The last time I was in Iraq, we lost three Soldiers. I felt the hurt, but I did not personally know the Soldiers," said Bruce, projects officer, 3rd Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team. "During this deployment, I've lost two dear friends that I love. Memorial Day will never be the same for me. It will always be bitter sweet, but it did my heart glad to be able to participate here today."



Leslie Woods | Fort Shafter Elementary School

Seuss story

FORT SHAFTER — The Honorable Tad Davis IV, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health, reads *Lorac* by Dr. Seuss to a captive audience of 8-year-old students in Leslie Woods' third grade class at Shafter Elementary School, May 23.

Luncheon: Community says 'mahalo'

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the family empowerment center, where she serves on the Deaconess Board and as the assistant president of Women Of Influence, a women's church group.

Last month she graduated cum laude from Hawaii Pacific University with a bachelor's degree in business management.

At the luncheon diners were entertained before the meal by members of the Old Guard Fife and Drum

Corps, 3rd Infantry Regiment, clad in Revolutionary War uniforms and distinctive tricorne hats.

The Army musicians performed at the White House for the Queen of England during her visit last month. Fifer Sgt. 1st Class Ismael de Los Santos enjoyed the support and spirit of Aloha.

"[We were] very warmly received, [it was] a very good experience for us," said de Los Santos.

Jazz music was provided during the meal courtesy of the Air Force's "Hana Ho Combo of the Pacific."

Brigade officers train, bolster weapons knowledge

Story and Photos by
SPC. TYECHIA BOUNTHONG
8th Military Police Brigade Public Affairs

Officers from the 8th Military Police (MP) Brigade continued to expand their weapons knowledge during a recent officer professional development course here, May 16.

Focusing on the Mark 19 and .50 caliber machine guns, officers spent the morning in classrooms and on the range learning the functions and operation of each of the weapons.

"The classroom was very informative and prepped me for when I got on the weapon itself. [The instructors] kept it interesting and [went] step by step, which was very helpful; we didn't rush," said CW2 Tujuanna Salaam, 8th MP Bde.

After overcoming the cease fires that occurred throughout the morning and early afternoon, officers broke into teams and mounted the weapons on up-armored humvees before engaging targets with

both weapons systems.

"It's something most officers don't get to do often, but it's a combat necessity [we] need to know. Shooting heavy weapons is a perishable skill, and you need to know what you're doing," said Capt. Tyler Duncan, 8th MP Bde.

Each team member had a role, whether it was calling out distances, shooting weapons or helping reload ammunition. Next, the officers and range detail ate dinner and built on the camaraderie the Soldiers within the brigade share.

"I liked being broken down into teams ... it force[d] us to step outside our comfort zones," said Warrant Officer 1 Astra Williams, 8th MP Bde.

When nightfall hit, the officers took more ammunition to the trucks and engaged the targets downrange. Once complete, the officers and range detail cleaned the trucks and range before heading home.

"[Overall] it was good training," said Salaam.



Above — Capt. Polaris Luu, Brigade S6, 8th Military Police Brigade, fires an MK-19 downrange during the brigade's weapon's training, May 16.



Right — Chief Warrant Officer Lori Layne, brigade property book officer (PBO), center, and Capt Darryl Heller, assistant PBO, right, receive instructions from senior noncommissioned officers on the M-2 machine gun prior to firing the weapon during training.

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Advisory Meeting — The Schofield Barracks Post Exchange/Commissary/Nehelani Advisory Council will meet June 4 in Koa 1 Room of the Nehelani, Schofield Barracks, from 10:15–11:15 a.m. The bimonthly forum provides an opportunity for patrons to share their ideas with representatives from these facilities. Call Melvin Wright, 655-0497, for more details.

556th PSB notice — The 556th Personnel Support Battalion will be minimally staffed from June 4–22, due to Personnel Service Delivery Redesign (PSDR) at Schofield Barracks. Customers of 556th PSB can expect longer waiting periods and limited services during this time. Contact Chief Warrant Officer 2 McDonald at 655-4829 for more information.

SIM — The next Spouse Information Meeting (SIM) is scheduled for June 4, at 09 a.m. at the Nehelani Banquet and Conference Room.

5 / Tuesday

Garrison Organizational Days — Come enjoy a week of fun-filled events during Garrison Organizational Days. Activities, which run Tuesday–Friday, June 5–8, include:

- 5K Fun Run/Walk — Tuesday, 7 a.m. Call 655-8789.
- Golf— Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., at the Leilehua Golf Course
- Bowling — Thursday, 12:30 p.m. at Fort Shafter, 2 p.m. at Schofield Barracks
- Picnic — Friday, from 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. at Schofield Barracks' Bowen Park

Call Project Manager Kathy Giannetti, 655-0110, for more information.

6 / Wednesday

Memorial Services — Memorial services will be held at the Wheeler Army Air Field Chapel, Wednesday, June 6, at 10 a.m. for Cpl. Casey Zylman, 3-4th Cav., 3rd IBCT; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Theodore Church, 2-6th Cav., 25th CAB; and 1st Lt. Keith Heidtman, 2-6th Cav., 25th CAB.

9 / Saturday

Army Ball — Celebrate the Army's 232nd birthday, Saturday, June 9, at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel from 6 p.m. to midnight. Attire is formal and tickets costs \$55 per person. Contact your command sergeant, unit representative or Marjorie Barrell (U.S. Army, Pacific) at 438-9761 for tickets or more details.

19 / Tuesday

Oahu North Town Hall — Let your voice be heard at the bimonthly Oahu North Town Hall meeting Tuesday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Schofield Barracks' Sgt. Smith Theater.

22 / Friday

USARPAC Centennial Dedication Ceremony — The premier event commemorating Fort Shafter's centennial will be held June 22 from 5 a.m.–5 p.m. The day's events will begin with the Perry and Price Morning Radio show broadcasting from the Hale Ikena.

Food booths, static displays, keiki activities, and other activities will begin at 9 a.m. on the Palm Circle Parade Field. A dedication ceremony designating Fort Shafter as a National Historic site will start at 11 a.m. Call 438-9761.

Sustain: Garrison leads by example, begins mindset change



Kevin Palmer, Center for Sustainable Solutions, guides U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii's Community Interaction team in developing sustainability goals and a strategic plan to reach those goals. Team members brainstormed ideas for a sustainable Hawaii.

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Sustainability Task Force 2050; Brian Natrass, Sustainability Partners; and Kevin Palmer, Center for Sustainable Solutions.

Natrass showed the group a short video, "Shift Happens," to illustrate how rapidly the face of the world is changing and to provoke thoughts on the implications of these changes.

For example, the video stated that the number of text messages sent and received every day exceeds the world population; the 25 percent of the population in China with the highest IQs is greater than the total population of North America; and if MySpace was a country, it would be the 11th largest in the world.

Natrass drove these points home, localizing issues such as rising ocean levels.

Leading scientists predict ocean levels

will rise at least two feet over the next century, he said. When these water levels rise, a sizeable portion of Oahu will be under water, and that's something the military needs to take into account because it could affect training.

Furthermore, there have been no major new discoveries of oil in the past five years. "We're not discovering any new oil," Natrass said. "This is something the military needs to understand."

Already this "sleeping giant" — the military — has started recognizing the importance of changing its actions to 'sustain the mission, secure the future.' (Army Strategy for the Environment)

"We're not in this by ourselves," Killian said. "This is not about politics. It's about core values. It's about doing the right thing for the right reasons."

It's true, the military is not alone. Hawaii

established the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Task Force in 2005, and mainstream companies such as Wal-mart, General Electric, Toyota, Home Depot and Nike have jumped on the bandwagon, as well.

"Sustainability has moved from margin to mainstream," Natrass said.

"This whole sustainability movement has been picking up steam for quite some time," added Davis. "Now is a great moment for you all to jump on board that train and keep moving forward with us."

At the Department of Army level, Davis said officials are working on a sustainability strategic action plan that will reinforce what's already being done at the installation or grassroots level. Fourteen Army installations have embraced sustainability, and six more, including the Army National Guard, are jumping on board this year.

USAG-HI is one of those six installations, and the garrison has taken an ambitious approach, pushing to develop and approve its strategic sustainability plan by September.

Conference attendees at the workshop took a step towards this plan by developing sustainability goals for each of the garrison's six teams, Military Training, Infrastructure, Workforce Development, Procurement, Transportation, and Community Interaction. Attendees also formulated the strategic objectives, performance measures, milestones and action plans necessary to achieve each goal.

"The idea here is that we have to take the

time to look," said Palmer, who has been working with the Army for seven years on its sustainability programs. "It takes all of us caring about [sustainability]."

Big Army cares.

"Starting in 2008, every building that we construct in the Army is going to be a minimum LEED [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design] silver standard build-

On The WEB For more information on Army sustainability, visit www.sustainability.army.mil.

ing," Davis said. "...that's huge when you think about the fact that over the next five years, we in the Army are going to spend over \$6.9 billion in new construction for our facilities."

Now it's just a matter of spreading the awareness and caring at the installation level, where the work gets done.

"We need to understand ourselves...we need to be able to connect our actions to associated costs," Killian said.

Costs, like the \$42 million the garrison spent on electric bills alone last year, add up. Each light left on, each faucet left running, each degree colder the air conditioning is set, every little action adds up.

The challenge now before the garrison, is to lead by example, changing behaviors and mindsets so that every little action still adds up, but that it adds up to a step in the sustainable direction.

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"When work is finished."

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2007



Sgt. James Sproul, bugler and one of two members of the 25th Infantry Division's Tropic Lightning Band who supports rear detachment events, plays "Taps."

25th ID pauses to remember

Story and Photo by
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Chief, Command Information

Befitting the occasion, a light rain showered a modest group of Soldiers, family readiness group leaders and children attending a brief memorial service at the Tropic Lightning Memorial, Monday at Schofield Barracks.

Most were members of the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment "Wolfhounds," some the 1-27th Wolfhounds, a Stryker battalion, which will deploy to the Middle East later this year. Representatives from both units had gathered at the 25th Infantry Division Association's memorial to remember their division comrades who are still fighting an unpopular war, oceans and continents away in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"With everything that's been going on in society for the last couple years, this memorial is like a living memorial," said retired Master Sgt. Jerry McKinney, a veteran of the Vietnam War with Delta Company, 2-27th. "We want to show our support of Soldiers who are in harm's way, especially since we have more going."

Staff Sgt. William King, Pfc. Adam Nichols, and Pfc. Daniel Tierney, all infantrymen in 2-27th, placed memorial wreaths at the Tropic Lightning Memorial. Nichols and Tierney were both wounded in Iraq, and King returned to American soil when he was diagnosed with cancer.

Command Sgt. Maj. Leonard L. Letoto, a Vietnam veteran who last served with A Company, 1-27th Inf.

Colonel asks, 'What is Memorial Day?'

Story and Photos by
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Chief, Command Information

Courage, bravery and sacrifice were familiar themes commemorating patriots at Memorial Day ceremonies throughout the nation, Monday.

Similarly, Soldiers, families and community members paid homage to both deployed and deceased military of all U.S. armed forces during a remembrance ceremony at the Post Cemetery, Schofield Barracks.

As Col. Howard J. Killian, commander, U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, stressed, it's up to us to give meaning to their sacrifice.

Killian queried, "What is Memorial Day?" "It is a mother running her fingers over her son's name on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C. It is a monument of six Marines raising Old Glory above Mount Suribachi. ... It is a solitary guard at Arlington National Cemetery's Tomb of the Unknowns maintaining his silent vigil," he answered.

These images, he continued, are constant reminders

for all Americans to pause and reflect because the fallen "gave their lives for something greater than themselves."

"All who enjoy the blessings of liberty live in their debt," he emphasized.

Killian reminded that a "debt of gratitude" extends to families, as well, who also pay a price. And, now, he exclaimed, "a new generation" is defending the flag and our liberty.

"Today over a 150 thousand U.S. military personnel, which includes almost eight thousand Soldiers from the 25th Infantry Division's 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, and the division headquarters — together with mobilized Hawaii and Guam Army Reserve and National Guard Soldiers — are proudly serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, the Philippines, and in the Horn of Africa, in support of the global war on terrorism."

Before ending his remarks, Killian reminded that many "still stand on the ramparts of freedom — fate unknown."

Then Army veterans from the Military Order of the Purple Heart and Command Sgt. Maj. Edmond O.



Killian



Remembering family. Melissa Manzano and her husband, Sgt. Carlos Manzano, A Company, 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, mourn their family members — Melissa's dad, a veteran of the Korean War and Vietnam Conflict who passed in 2003, and several of Carlos' comrades who were killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Carlos deploys a third time this year.

Murrell saluted the fallen. They laid wreaths at the foot of the National Ensign, flying at half-mast.

Closing the remembrance ceremony, a seven-member rifle detail volleyed three salutes.

A lone bugler, Sgt. James Sproul with the 25th ID Tropic Lightning Band, played "Taps."

Boy Scouts, Webelos 'do a good turn' at Post Cemetery

Story and Photo by
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Chief, Command Information

Somber, overcast skies kept the sunlight from peeking at dawn as 60 or so Boy Scouts commemorated fallen service members at the Post Cemetery, Schofield Barracks, Monday.

In keeping with tradition, every Memorial Day scouts from Wahiawa and Mililani join their peers on post to place miniature American flags at cemetery gravesites to "do a good turn" — the Boy Scout slogan.

This year, scouts also draped yellow plumeria lei at the foot of tombstones.

Members of the Wahiawa Rainbow Seniors Club had meticulously strung all the blossoms then presented them to the 25th Infantry Division (ID) and U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, to acknowledge veterans in their community.

"[The Boy Scouts] have their little memorial service, with the raising of the national flag and the playing of 'Taps,' and then they go through their scout oath," said Les Stewart, chief, Casualty and Mortuary Affairs operations in the Pacific. His office maintains the grounds of the Post Cemetery, as well as handles casualty notifications for the 25th ID and garrison.

After reveille and the brief scout ceremony, Stewart gave parents, children, scouts and leaders a brief history lesson on the cemetery, which was established in 1912. He explained that only Schofield's Post Cemetery and Kaneohe's Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery still hold casket burial services for veterans, family mem-



bers and retirees. Schofield holds about 25-30 burials a year, he said.

As birds chirped and darted hither, parents quickly teamed with their Webelos and Boy Scouts to commence the community service project. In less than an hour, they blanketed the cemetery and placed the single, fresh lei and the diminutive U.S. flags in front of gravesites.

Cub Scout Ethan Willoughby, 6, places an American flag at a gravesite with an assist from his father, Master Sgt. Charles Willoughby of G-4, U.S. Army, Pacific.

For many scouts like Michael Palmer, of Wahiawa's Pack 171, just one parent could attend the observance. Michael's mom, Marci Palmer, assisted him, since his dad is currently deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The occasion served a dual purpose for Terrence Bega, a forklift operator with Kano Trucking. He brought his 8-year-old son Vincent, Pack 171, to honor his country and his grandfather.

"I miss him, my dad, a lot," Terrence Bega said. "I intended to come anyway, so this is even more special for me with the Boy Scouts. My son was as excited to come as I was."

Bob and Lori Sanchez accomplished a few "good turns," too. As Wheeler's Pack 166 gathered round them, their den completed tasks in pursuit of their Citizenship Activity Pin.

"We're talking about things they need to do to be good citizens, things they personally can do, and examples of good citizens in our community in the past and now," said Lori Sanchez.

Den leader Bob Sanchez added, the Memorial Day community service project fully amplified the scout slogan. Throughout the coming week, his scouts will also practice good turns in the community. Each will log how they are being good citizens, doing good turns, even at home.



Rhonda Mixon, wife of the 25th Infantry Division commanding general, reflects upon the many lost lives represented by memorial bricks at the Tropic Lightning Memorial.

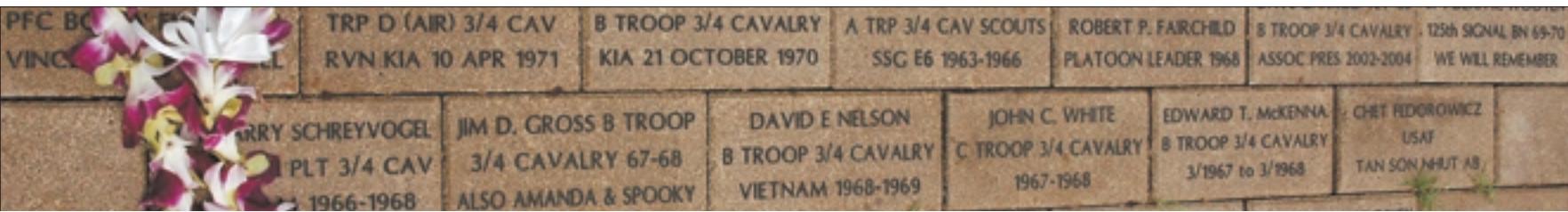
Regt., said each generation bears many burdens.

"I remember things that happened in 1966. It doesn't leave me, and I don't get stressed out," he said. "I don't have any qualms because I did what I had to do."

Susan Meyerowich (2-27th) and Katie Payne (1-27th), family readiness group leaders, placed lei on the monument — replicas that depict Soldiers from World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, and a Soldier from the Global War on Terrorism who mourns a fallen comrade.

"Our hallowed grounds ... receive a new generation of heroes," noted Lt. Col. Flip Wilson, commander, 1-27th Inf. Regt., "men and women who gave their lives in places such as Kabul, Mosul and Kandahar, Baghdad and Ramadi."

He explained, "Like those who came before them, they did not want war, but they answered the call when it came. ... Those who serve know that one day this war will end, as all wars do. Our duty is to ensure that its outcome justifies the sacrifices made by those who fought and died in it."





1/Today

Soldiers' Artwork — View digital reproductions of Army Soldiers' drawings and paintings in the exhibit "Global War on Terror: Soldiers' Artwork" display at Fort DeRussy's U.S. Army Museum of Hawaii's "Changing Gallery," located next to the Hale Koa Hotel.

Artwork depicts scenery and people Soldiers met while deployed in Afghanistan and Iraq. The exhibit will be open Tuesdays-Sundays, 10 a.m.-4:15 p.m. (except June 8). Call 438-2821.

July 4 Picnic Sites — Picnic sites for the "Fourth of July Spectacular" can be reserved for \$60 beginning June 1, 9 a.m., at the Leisure Activities office, Kaala Community Activities Center. The 20-by-25 foot sites will be located on the perimeter of Sills Field.

These areas are the only areas authorized for cooking on grills. Call 655-0111 or 655-0112.

4/Monday

Laugh it Up — This year's Summer Reading Program begins June 12. Children must read at least one book per week to receive a prize. Registration begins June 4 at all libraries.

For more information and event schedules, call 655-8002 (Sgt. Yano Library), 438-9521 (Fort Shafter Library) or 833-4851 (Aliamanu Library).

5/Tuesday

Gymboree — SKIES Unlimited, in partnership with Army Hawaii Family Housing, is offering Gymboree to children 6 months-5 years old. These classes will help children build strong motor skills, social skills and self-esteem — all the ingredients they need to grow into confident, happy, successful people.

Classes will be held the first four Wednesdays of each month beginning June 5. Call Child and Youth Services (CYS) at 655-9818.

9/Saturday

Cooking with Titus Chan — Learn top-of-the-line Chinese cooking techniques with Master Chef Titus Chan, well-known for his cooking shows on PBS and Warner Brothers. Three sessions will be held June 9, 16 & 23. Participants will get a first-rate cooking demonstration, a full-course gour-



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Corps critique

At left, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Greg Balvanz, commander, Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, watches as the Corps performs for more than 150 Soldiers and family members at Schofield Barracks' Sills Field, May 23. The Corps made numerous appearances during its two-week visit to Oahu.

met meal and recipes to take home.

Chan is also offering the military community a 50-percent discount. Total cost for all materials is \$216 (\$72 each session).

Register by June 4 with the Leisure Activities Office, 655-0112/0110.

Parents Night Out — Parents are invited to enjoy a night out June 9 at the Fort Shafter Child Development Center (CDC) and June 23 at the Peterson CDC.

Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis at the Central Enrollment Registration Office.

Children enrolled in Parents Night Out must be registered no later than Thursday at 12 noon, prior to the event of that month. Call Child and Youth Services (CYS) at 655-8313 for more details.

12/Tuesday

Blue Star Card Holders — Enjoy a breathtaking hike up Diamond Head Crater, June 12 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information call Leisure Activities at 655-0112.

15/Friday

Hot Country Nights — Join DJ Charlie Garrett, the Ghost Rider & Kathleen, and Rodeo Radio Girl, June 15, 8 p.m.-midnight for some great music, contests, giveaways and much more at the Schofield Barracks Tropics.

Patrons must be 18 or older, and admission is free. Call 655-5697.

Ongoing

Auto Detailing — The Schofield Barracks Auto Skills Center is offering a new auto detailing service for a limited time. To make an appointment or to find out more information, call 655-9368.

Hawaiian Luau Lunch Buffet — Enjoy the "ono" taste of a traditional Hawaiian-style feast, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter, or 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Schofield Nehelani.

Cost is \$9.95 per person. Call the Hale Ikena (438-1974) or the Nehelani (655-4466) for lunch buffet reservations or more information.

New MWR Calendar Feature — Visit the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Web site, www.mwrarmyhawaii.com and check out the new calendar feature, which allows users to view the calendar by day, week, or month, in a list or tabular format.

Other features allow users to search for events, receive event reminders or notifications of event changes by e-mail or text message, as well as download event info, e-mail event information to friends, and import events to a calendar.

Leilehua High School Students — Looking for an air-conditioned ride from high school? The Schofield Barracks Teen Center

will offer students rides from high school straight to the teen center at no cost for all registered teens.

Limited seats are available, and a waiver form is required. Call 655-0451.

SKIES Driver Education — Learn to drive with Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration and Skills (SKIES) at Valentine's Driving School, Schofield Barracks. The session is taught by qualified instructors and includes 32 hours of classroom instruction and six hours of behind-the-wheel instruction.

The fee is \$295 and must be paid at the time of registration. Call 655-9818.

"Paint It & Take It" — Ceramic parties offer a unique way to celebrate get-togethers, coffees, children's birthday parties, showers or any occasion. Your Arts and Crafts Center provides a varied selection of ceramic bisqueware to paint and take home.

Call 655-6330 at Schofield Barracks or 438-1315 at Fort Shafter.

Salvage Yard Auto Sales — Fort Shafter and Schofield Barracks salvage yards will be sponsoring sealed bid auto sales twice a month. Bidding will end on the first and third Saturdays of each month, and the highest bidder will be notified the following day.

A minimum bid will be marked on each auto that is for sale. Call 655-9368 (Schofield) or 438-9402 (Fort Shafter).

ian Waters Adventure Park, with free all-day park admission. Session 1 (June 11-23) and Session 2 (July 9-21) will meet from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Hawaii Theater Apprenticeships — The Hawaii Theatre's Education Program is accepting applications for apprenticeships for the 2007-2008 season. Open to all interested public and private high school students, as well as home schoolers, the program pairs apprentices with mentors to study set, costume and lighting design; stage management; and directing.

The lab fee for the season is \$200, with scholarships available. Interested students should contact Hester Kamin, director of education, at 732-0358.

2/Saturday

Honolulu Zoo Military Appreciation Day — The United Service Organization Hawaii, in partnership with City and County of Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hannemann, and the Honolulu Zoo, will once again host a Military Day at the zoo, June 2 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

This event promises to be a fun-filled day for service members and their families at one of Honolulu's finest attractions. All military will enjoy free admission with food, beverages and entertainment.

Ala Moana Centerstage — The Ala Moana Center kicks off summer with an assortment of dance and musical performances to entertain shoppers in June:

- Saturday, Pearl City's Highlands Intermediate School Jazz Band, 6-6:45 p.m.
- Sunday, Keiki Hula Show, 10-11 a.m.
- Sunday, Contemporary Christian group, Pacific Island Praise, noon-12:45 p.m.
- Monday, The Spectaculars tap, jazz and Broadway dance, noon-12:45 p.m.
- Tuesday, Polynesian Cultural Center, 6-6:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, Island Winds, Hawaiian musical group noon-12:45 p.m.

4/Monday

Starbucks — Need a latte, cappuccino or espresso pick up? Get your java fix when the Army & Air Force Exchange Service hosts a small ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of Starbucks at the post exchange Schofield Barracks.

Monday's grand opening begins at 9

a.m., complete with giveaways and door prizes. Beginning Tuesday, Starbucks will be open at 6 a.m. till 9 p.m.

5/Tuesday

Careers on the Go — Learn how to have a career on the go that enables you to relocate yet continue to earn a living.

A Portable Career Workshop will be held June 5 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Army Community Service, Schofield. Register online at www.mwrarmyhawaii.com or call 655-4227.

6/Wednesday

Pacific Aviation Museum — Visit the museum June 6, 6-7 p.m., to discover the miracle of the Battle of Midway and the myths and mysteries that surround it.

The museum is hosting a special after-hours tour of the exhibit hangar, followed by a lecture by Hawaii's own hometown historian and Midway expert, Alan Lloyd, from 7-8.

The Blue Heaven Café, located in the museum, will be open for dinner before and after the lecture. Make reservations at 441-1000 or RSVP at pacificaviationmuseum.org.

Costs are \$10 & \$5 for military/kamaaina and kids; \$14 & \$7, general admission. Limited seating is available. The museum is located at 319 Lexington Blvd., Ford Island.

8/Friday

Laugh Factory — Catch Charlie Murphy at the Hawaii Theatre, 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35-45 at the Box Office, 1130 Bethel Street. Call 528-0506 or visit www.hawaiitheatre.com.

This performance contains language and subject matter not suitable for children. Youth 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

9/Saturday

Aloha Pumehana — Families are invited to attend the next Aloha Pumehana, June 9 from 3-5 p.m. at the Helemano Community Center.

Enjoy free food, prizes and an opportunity to meet new people. Plus, learn about home-based businesses from several consultants or see what's available.

Register to attend at the Army Hawaii Family Housing (AHFH) Web site, www.armyhawaiiifamilyhousing.com. Follow the calendar link (located in the low-

er left hand corner of the main page) to the event date to register. Call 275-3179 or 275-3178 for more details.

11/Monday

Employment Orientation — Looking for a job in Hawaii? Attend an ACS employment orientation and get employment information on federal, state, private sector and staffing agencies. Reference materials, job listings, computers and more will be available for use.

Two workshops will be held, June 11 and 25 from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Fort Shafter Outreach Center. Register on line at www.mwrarmyhawaii.com or call 438-9285.

13/Wednesday

Teen Programs — The Hawaii Theatre presents "Summertheatre 2007," an intensive summer drama program open to students 13-18 years old.

The program allows students to create their own theater work as they study playwriting, improvisation and acting; participate in workshops with guest artists; and perform a showcase of their own work on July 13 at 7 p.m. at the historic Hawaii Theatre.

The program runs June 13-July 13, Mondays-Fridays from 1-5 p.m. at both the Hawaii Theatre and the Mission Memorial Auditorium on the Civic Center grounds. Tuition is \$500, with scholarships available. Call Kamin at 732-0358.

15/Friday

Salsathon — Catch the 7th Annual Puerto Rican Salsa Festival's Salsathon 2007, June 15 (4-9 p.m.), 16 (11 a.m.-9 p.m.) & 17 (11 a.m.-7 p.m.) at McCoy Pavilion, Ala Moana Beach Park. Enjoy a salsa dance competition, beginners' workshops, DJs and more.

Donation entry ranges from \$8-\$10; military with ID enter for \$8. Children under 12 are free. Visit www.salsathon.com.

21/Thursday

Small Business Seminar — Have you ever thought about or desired to start your own small business? Then attend the Starting a Small Business Workshop, June 21, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at the Fort Shafter Outreach Center where you can learn about loan programs and financing, resource materials and more. Register online at www.mwrarmyhawaii.com, or call 655-4227.

Community Calendar

Send calendar announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

1/Today

Thrift Shop Bag Sale — Patrons can browse the Fort Shafter Thrift Shop for great bargains, special sales and one-of-a-kind treasures. The store will remain open all summer (except June 26 & 29 and July 3 & 6). Hours are Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and consignment hours are 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Donations are welcome.

Families that are making a permanent change of station move, should make an appointment for consignment.

Also, the Thrift Shop is always looking for volunteers, so if you have a military ID and are able to commit four hours per week, drop by and inquire at Building 342, Pierce St., or call 842-1074.

Waikiki by Moonlight — This event is back at the Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center and Waikiki Beach Walk areas and showcases the very best Waikiki has to offer. The public is invited to this very special street festival under the romantic Waikiki moon from 6-10 p.m.

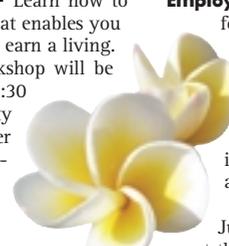
Attractions include stellar entertainment, a variety of wonderful cuisine, unique art, crafts and fashions. Call Mona Wood at 218-5546.

Sunshine Generation Hawaii — Give your child the summer of a lifetime when you register him or her for two weeks of accelerated courses in singing, dancing, showmanship and confidence offered by Sunshine Generation Hawaii, by today. Bonus workshops are also available for hula, acting, music theory and more.

Two locations provide activities: the Catlin Community Center at 3144 Nimitz Rd. and Mililani Waena Elementary School at 95-502 Kipapa Dr.

Sunshine Generation is open to boys and girls, ages 3-16. The program costs \$125, \$100 for each additional child. Call 489-1998 or visit www.SunshineHawaii.net for more details.

Also, register for performances at Hawai-



Worship Services

Aliamanu (AMR) Chapel, 836-4599

- Catholic Sunday, 8:30 a.m. — Mass Sunday, 9:45 a.m. — Religious Education (Sept.-May only)
- Gospel Sunday, 11 a.m. — Sunday School (Sept.-June only)
- Sunday, 12:30 p.m. — Worship service
- Protestant Sundays, 9:45 a.m. — Worship Service Sunday, 11 a.m. — Sunday School (Sept. — June only)

Fort DeRussy Chapel, 836-4599

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. — Mass in Chapel (May-Aug.) Saturday, 6 p.m. — Mass on Beach
- Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. — Worship Service

Fort Shafter Chapel, 836-4599

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. — "The Wave" Worship

Helemano (HMR) Chapel

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 10 a.m. — Worship Service & Children's Church

***Main Post Chapel, 655-9307**

(Note: During renovation, services normally held in the sanctuary will take place at the Wheeler Chapel.)

- Catholic Sunday, 9 a.m. — CCD & RCIA Collective Protestant Sunday, 10:30 a.m. — Sunday School
- Gospel Sunday, 10:30 a.m. — SUNDAY SCHOOL

MPC Annex, Building 791

- Chalice Circle Tuesday, 7 p.m.
- Islamic Prayers and Study Friday, 1 p.m.
- Buddhist 4th Sunday, 1 p.m.

Soldiers Chapel

- Catholic Friday-Saturday, 12 p.m. — Adoration (24 hours)
- Protestant Sunday, 9:30 a.m. — Worship Service

Tripler AMC Chapel, 433-5727

- Catholic Sunday, 11 a.m. — Mass Monday — Friday, 12 p.m. — Mass Saturday, 5 p.m. — Mass
- Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. — Worship Service

Wheeler Chapel

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. — Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. — Mass
- Collective Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. — Worship Service
- Gospel Sunday, 12 p.m. — Worship Service

This Week at the MOVIES Sgt. Smith Theater



Blades of Glory (PG 13)

Friday, 7 p.m. Wednesday, 7 p.m.



Meet The Robinsons (PG)

Saturday, 2 p.m.



Perfect Stranger (R)

Saturday, 7 p.m.



Pathfinder (R)

Sunday, 7 p.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

No shows on Mondays or Tuesdays.

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FORT SHAFTER — Although the title commanding general of the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command might imply “fun and games,” Brig. Gen. Belinda Pinckney’s visit to Oahu May 21–24 was all business.

Pinckney, who is responsible for Army-wide programs such as Army Community Service (ACS) and Child and Youth Services, met with more than a dozen senior spouses and program leaders to discuss the effectiveness of these and other programs in supporting Soldiers and families’ needs.

Her four-day visit came in the wake of Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey’s visit April 26–28, in which he outlined his seven initiatives for balancing strategic requirements and resources.

Achieving Casey’s second initiative, to enhance the quality of support to Soldiers, civilians and families, is Pinckney’s number one priority.

“It’s crucial today that we get [support for families] right,” Pinckney said to the small, captive audience of spouses and program leaders at the Hale Ikena, here. “We have to do even better because family members are making so many sacrifices.”

Pinckney spoke frankly with attendees about information she had gathered from families and leaders around the Army, and the ways in which money will be allocated for programs throughout the rest of the year.

More than \$12.8 million will provide funding for an additional 185 positions at ACS nationwide, which was second only in priority to the \$7.1 million for funding the family readiness support assistants. An additional \$20 million will fund child care for children of deployed Soldiers, Exceptional Family Member respite care and the expansion of youth programs,



Brig. Gen. Belinda Pinckney, commander, Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command, discusses increases in funding for programs such as Army Community Service and child development centers with senior spouses at Fort Shafter’s Hale Ikena, May 22.

Pinckney said.

Also, recreation programs will offer discounts for activities such as family bowling, golf lessons and greens fees.

However, Pinckney made it clear she was not just giving out money to every organization with open hands.

“I wanna see a plan for who’s getting what and when,” she said. “It must be a deliberate process where you know specifically what those dollars are going for.”

After discussing current funding priorities, the general solicited information from attendees.

I need for all of you to look at the delivery of resources, and be honest about whether we need to change, Pinckney said.

“We don’t need new programs,” said Rhonda Mixon. “We need to enhance and make better the ones we have.”

As others weighed in, the bulk of conversation centered on the dissemination of information to families, rather than specific changes in programs.

“It’s not a lack of information; it’s getting it out there,” said Carolyn Killian, referring to various programs including the Military and Family Life Consultants. “[The information] is too compartment-

alized.”

Several members of the panel, like Tina Pierce, agreed.

“We have to figure out a way to really put resources in [the families’] hands – it’s not just about advertising,” Pierce said. “We have to communicate all those resources in a way they can hear it,” she said.

Chaplain (Col.) Hanson Boney, who indirectly revealed his age before the meeting by stating stamps were three cents when he was born, pointed to differences in the ways various age groups receive information.

“Soldiers today are visual,” he said. “You can’t give them a flyer. You have to give them quick blurbs, not a 45-minute brief.”

Boney said whether a command is intentional about bringing resources and families together is a determining factor for success as well.

Sgt. Maj. Willie Wilson, Family and Morale Welfare and Recre-

ation Command, advocated the opposite – a bottom-up approach.

“It’s great the commanders know it, but the Soldiers need to get [the information],” Wilson said. “At the unit, Soldiers are worried about warfighting; everything else is irrelevant.”

Wilson recommended integrating information on available resources into the Noncommissioned Officer Education System and Warrior Leader courses.

Pinckney agreed. “It’s gotta be part of the culture,” she said. “This is our window of opportunity to get it right.”

In addition to meeting with senior spouses and program leaders at the Hale Ikena, Pinckney visited and conducted assessments of all the facilities under her purview, including child development and ACS centers, the Leilehua Golf Course, Hale Koa and various lodging facilities, equipment rental offices, libraries and gyms.

Support group shares ideas on parenting

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A potluck dinner punctuated the final monthly family deployment night meeting at the Main Post Chapel here, May 16. A weekly support session with a similar focus will begin July 11.

Family Deployment Night began in November 2006 and has continued to flourish, with as many as 300 participants some weeks. Every Wednesday, families enjoyed a free meal and classes for various age groups, including Bible studies, crisis response training, and counseling. Free child care was also provided.

The final monthly meeting focused on a “Deployment Survival” class and featured subject matter experts who addressed relevant topics that affect the military community.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Joel Lytle, Schofield Barracks community chaplain, facilitated the meeting, which centered on parenting during deployment.

“We want to think about creative ways to help families going through deployment,” Lytle said. “We bring in experts to teach the class on very specific issues that will and do happen to our deployed families.”

Led by the family life chaplain, the handful of attendees introduced themselves and gave a brief background on their expertise or situation.

Representatives from the Military and Family Life Consultants (MFLC) provided information about their programs and therapy tools for both young children and teenagers during deployment.

MFLC is a free, confidential program designed to provide support and assistance to Soldiers, families and civilian personnel. Representatives of the organization stressed leaning on an outside source for help, stating that “deployment is not something a child can get through on their own, which is why MFLC is here.”

Sarah Horrigan, deployment program coordinator, Army Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, spoke to mothers about programs to assist families of deployed Soldiers, including events and special programs specifically designed for deployment. Horrigan urged family members of deployed Soldiers to sign up for the Blue Star Card program, a discount card intended to enhance the well being of families during deployment.

“A lot of our activities are designed to help solve problems, but also

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Family members share ideas and express concerns regarding parenting during a family deployment night meeting at Schofield Barracks' Main Post Chapel, May 16.

Support: Wives express concerns

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to take a load off and try to have some fun during the deployment." Horrigan said. "We can't make deployment a good situation, but we try to make the best of the best and a little more pleasant for you."

Mothers shared ideas and stories about their children and compared behavior and experiences. Some offered suggestions, including story-time taping at the Sgt. Yano Library. This service allows deploying Soldiers to record themselves reading a story on DVD or VHS, leaving their children several different videos to watch while away. Families can also utilize the service by recording a greeting for their Soldier.

Julie Dalson, wife of deployed Soldier, Sgt. David Dalson, 3rd Battalion, 25th Aviation, attended the deployment survival meetings to share her experiences with other family members and obtain more information about the programs currently offered.

"This setup is more intimate," said Dalson. "I got more information tonight than I ever have before because different organizations were represented. These resources are open to everyone, and taking what you need ... will help ease the negative side of deployment"

Michelle Howard, wife of Jay Howard, Tripler Army Medical Center, attended the meeting to gain information for her husband's upcoming deployment.

"Learning from what other people have already done — what has worked and what hasn't — will help me prepare," said Howard. "I want to be armed with information when my husband leaves so I can have more control over the situation."

Howard was especially concerned for her young children.

"The older kids can talk to their friends. I just don't know if my younger kids will fully understand or have that support," Howard explained. "There are enough unknowns with deployment; I want to be able have the knowledge to help them through this process."

Lytle assured the group that the Main Post Chapel and all of the organizations designed to provide assistance would aid families through personal guidance and spirituality.

"The total goal is to have them expand their faith and grow in community," Lytle said. "We want to help them get through the deployment. That is our job as rear detachment."

For more information on the summer classes offered at the Main Post Chapel, call 655-6643.

MWR makes splash at Richardson with 'Picnic, Pool & Penguins' extravaganza

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Saturday brought sunny skies, smiling faces and a pool party and movie event provided by Army Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) at Richardson Pool, here.

The Picnic, Pool and Penguins event was designed for Blue Star Card holders and families of Soldiers currently serving in Iraq. Throughout the day, family members enjoyed a festive, communal atmosphere, which included a nickel dive at the pool and the movie "Happy Feet" on a large screen at Sills Field.

Elizabeth Thunstedt, recreation program specialist for MWR, hoped the event would bring families together and ease the stresses of deployment.

"We want the families to relax and have a good time," said Thunstedt. "We'll take care of the rest."

Lourdes McMoore, wife of Chief Warrant Officer Tomi McMoore, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, brought her daughters to the event.

"We are new to the island," explained McMoore. "This is a great way to get to know the area. Anything MWR does, we participate and appreciate."

Nadath Gyity, wife of Staff Sgt. Walter Gyity, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, has participated in many of the MWR sponsored events.

"MWR does a great job with events like this," said Gyity. "It's little things like this that ease the extension and helps time go by a little faster."

Children splashed in the water on flotation devices, which were allowed in the pool for this special event, and jumped off the diving board. As dusk approached, a \$100-bounty of nickels was scattered across the bottom of the pool for the scores of scavenging children.

As the sun went down, lights on the movie projector went up and families lounged on Sills Field eating free hot dogs and popcorn. The movie "Happy Feet" played, and children snuggled on their parents' laps.

"Our basic design is to get families out of the house," said Kathy Giannetti, leisure activities director for MWR. "It gives them a break, and hopefully they have a little fun."

MWR provides support to military families through a plethora of programs, such as the Blue Star Card and special events geared toward family members of Soldiers currently serving in Iraq. The events range in attendance from a handful of people to as many as 4,000.

"Our attendance rate fluctuates depending on the event... but numbers do not matter," said Giannetti. "If

only one person shows up, it was worth it for MWR to put on the event."

MWR, the Great Aloha Run and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service sponsored the Picnic, Pool & Penguins event.



Above — Children plunge into Richardson Pool during the nickel dive portion of the Picnic, Pool & Penguin event, Saturday. Nickels totalling \$100 were scattered across the bottom of the pool for children to gather.

Right — Pfc. James Casey helps his son Christopher prepare for a swim. Families flocked to Richardson Pool and Sills Field to take advantage of the Picnic, Pool and Penguins event.



MWR family programs

- Bowling, Thursdays from 1–5 p.m. at Schofield and Ft. Shafter; Mondays at Wheeler from 1–4 p.m.; 75 cents per game with shoes. Maximum of three games per cardholder per day.
- Golf, \$10 discounts on green fees and golf lessons for Blue Star cardholders and families.



For more information on MWR events, visit www.mwrmilitaryhawaii.com.

Community Sports

Send community announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

1/Today

Officials Wanted — If you are a football or soccer official, or if you've ever thought about becoming one, call Larry Cravalho at 780-4099 or 455-4575. Officials are needed (paid positions) prior to the intramural season that will start the first week of September.

Games will be played weeknights at either Schofield Barracks or Fort Shafter. The youth season will start shortly after with games played Saturday mornings at Schofield Barracks, or Helemano and Aliamano Military reservations.

2/Saturday

Hike Oahu — Come join the Hawaiian Trail & Mountain Club on its next adventure, tomorrow at 8 a.m.: a 9-mile, intermediate trek on the wild side to Pupukea Summit (coordinators Kris Corliss & Larry Oswald, 638-7268), or a shorter 6-mile, leisurely jaunt (coordinator Joyce & Grant Oka, 674-1459), also for intermediate hikers, to Kaunala.

A \$2 donation is requested of nonmembers 18 and older. Children under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Hikers meet at the Iolani Palace, unless otherwise noted. Bring lunch and water on all hikes; wear sturdy shoes and clothing as extra caution may be required on some trails.

8/Friday

Patriot Walk Run — The theme for this year's Patriot Walk Run is "No Veteran Left Behind," and you are invited to participate, June 16, 8 a.m.; however, entry deadline is June 8.

The 5K-course (3.1 mile) is a flat, fast run around Iroquois Point Island Club, which finishes at the beach. Cost is \$17 for military and

\$20 for general admission. Late entries up to race morning are \$25. Call 441-9999.

Prizes will be awarded in many age and gender categories. For more details, call the Island Club, located at 5105 Iroquois Ave., Ewa Beach, at 441-9999, or visit www.islandclubhawaii.com.

All proceeds go toward helping veterans get off the streets or having an affordable place to stay.

Oahu Inline Hockey League

— The league is hosting the 2007 USA Hockey Inline NARCH Club Qualifier, June 8-11. This event will take place at the Kamiloiki Community Park Inline Hockey Rink in Hawaii Kai. For more details, visit www.oihl.org or call Teddy Biesecker at 352-3283.

10/Sunday

Volksmarch — Menehune Marchers are sponsoring a 10K Mililani Mauka volksmarch, or walk, June 10. This walk will start at the Mililani Mauka Community Park (corner of Kuaoa Street and Meheula Parkway) at 8 a.m. It should finish by noon. Cost is \$3; call Carol at 626-3575.

30/Saturday

Jackpot Rodeo — The Hawaii Women's Rodeo Association will host a Jackpot Rodeo tomorrow at the Kawailoa Ranch Arena in Haleiwa. Action will begin at 10 a.m. with open, 3D and keiki barrel racing followed by pole-bending.

Admission and parking are free. Call Lu Faborito at 668-9006 or visit the HWRA online at www.rodeoohu.com for more details.

Ongoing

Bike Hawaii — Join Bike Hawaii's professional nature guides, and explore Oahu from the rainforest to the reef. Packages can include downhill biking, waterfall hiking, and sailing off Waikiki with exclusive access to a remote Hawaiian rainforest.

Meals are included. To schedule your adventure, call 734-4214 or visit www.bikehawaii.com.



Staff Sgt. Derrick C. Goode | Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command

Four miles of fun

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE — Members of the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) run through a tunnel during their Memorial Day Fun Run here, May 24. The 4-mile run was led by the JPAC deputy commander, Marine Col. John Hahn. JPAC's mission is to achieve full accounting of all U.S. service members lost during past conflicts.



1/Today

Swimming Pools — Effective June 1, the operational hours for three of the four U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, swimming pools will be changed in order to conduct staff in-service training. Call Aliamano (833-0255), Tripler (433-5257) or Richardson Pool (655-9698) for new hours of operation information.

Learn to Swim — Classes begin in June at TAMC (433-5257) HMR (653-0719) and AMR (833-0255) pools.

2/Saturday

Ladies Golf Clinic — Ladies, sharpen those golfing skills at a free golf clinic. This clinic will be held June 2 at the Leilehua Golf Course located outside the Wheeler Army Air Field front gate.

The clinic will last for one hour and begin promptly at 2:20 p.m. All required equipment

will be provided to participants, and advance reservations are recommended.

For more details or to reserve a space, call 655-4653.

3/Sunday

Bowling Tournament — A "5 Game, No Tap" tournament will be held at the Schofield Bowling Center, June 3. Check-in will be at 1 p.m., and cost is \$20 per bowler. Call 655-0573.

6/Wednesday

Teen Fit — Teens will be taught the basics of proper strength training, cardio, and stretching in a fun and productive setting by Kristy Osborn, a certified personal trainer & strength and conditioning specialist.

This four-week class will be held June 6, 13, 20 & 27, 3 p.m., at the Schofield Barracks Health & Fitness Center. Cost is \$35 per teen or \$60 per sibling.

To sign up, call 381-5944.

Ongoing

4th of July 5K Fun Run Registration — Entry forms are available at all Army fitness

centers and can also be downloaded on-line at www.mwrmilitaryhawaii.com. The cost of registering on race day, beginning at 6:30 a.m., will be \$27 with T-shirt/\$14 without T-shirt. The run will begin at 9 a.m. Sills Field side of Trimble Road, across from the commissary. The 5K male and female, 1st-3rd place awards will be presented for the following categories: Under 12, 13-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, over 70.

The children's one-mile fun run registration on race day will begin at 9 a.m. The run begins at 10 a.m. at the same start line as the 5K and registration is free. All fun run finishers will receive a finisher's ribbon. For more information, call Michelle McQuery, 655-8789.

Targeting Your Well-Being — Pickup a Lifetime Sports & Recreation (LS&R) brochure today at any Community Recreation Division (CRD) facility and start earning LS&R points for participating in award-winning activities and special events. Points can be used toward free LS&R items.

Quantities are limited. Completed cards can be turned in at the Schofield Barracks Health & Fitness Center or the Fort Shafter Physical Fitness Center. For more information on the LS&R program, call 655-0110.