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## MPs honor their fallen comrade

Spc. Cheryl Ransford  
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On the morning of Aug. 18, hundreds of Soldiers and civilians filled the Post Chapel at Schofield Barracks in honor of a fallen friend, father, husband and leader.

In honor of Col. Roderick G. Demps, U.S. Army Pacific Military Police Brigade commander, who was called home to be with his God at 5:23 a.m., Aug. 15, a service was held to memorialize the great leader and comrade.

"There are many things in the course of our lives that in our humanness we cannot rationalize or even explain," said Maj. Gen. Benjamin R. Mixon, 25th Infantry Division (Light) commander. "Often we find that when we try to do so, we come up short. Such is the case in the loss of such a great Soldier as Colonel Rodney Demps."

During Demps' time in the military, he led Soldiers from military bases around the world — always putting their needs before his own. "He was genuinely concerned

about the Soldiers," said Capt. Kevin Marks, 25th MP Company commander. "You could always depend on him for anything. For every situation, he had an option that we may not have thought of."

Demps' death is a huge loss to the Military Police Brigade, the Army, and most of all, his family and friends.

"It is extremely difficult to express in words, the depth and magnitude of this loss," said Lt. Col. Carter A. Oates, USARPAC MP Bde. acting commander.

"Colonel Demps was a great mentor and commander who served his country proudly for the past twenty-three years as a Soldier in the United States Army.

"The bond that we shared together as an organization grows stronger when we lose one of our own — especially our leader," he continued. "Colonel Demps' passing brings great pain to our hearts, but as he would demand, we must come together as an organization and as a family to endure the grief and con-

tinue to accomplish the mission."

Demps served his nation, his Army and his Soldiers with great honor, said Mixon.

"From Korea to Bosnia to multiple stateside assignments, he left a reputation of a caring and able leader, who always took care of his Soldiers and their families," Mixon said. "Although he has departed this world much too soon, we are all better for having known him and serving with him."

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**COLA Survey**

All military personnel in Hawaii are reminded to complete the military Cost of Living Allowance survey sponsored by U.S. Pacific Command and available through Sept. 30 via the Internet.

Log onto <http://www.peirdiem.osd.mil/oscola/lps/ha>



**Hui O' Na Wahine**

Spouses clubs at Fort Shafter and Schofield Barracks invite all Army spouses to join them in their community activities. B-1

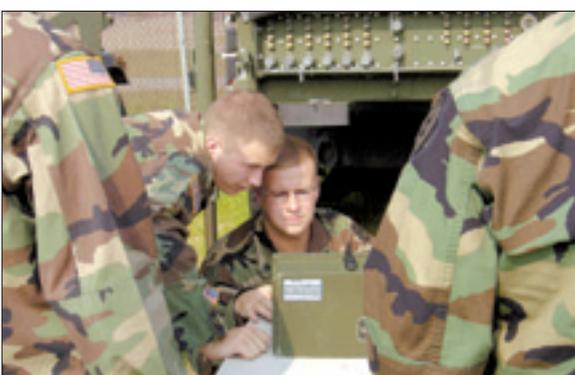


Spc. Juan F. Jimenez

### Sappers rule!

The 65th Engineers began a new legacy when they won their first softball championship at Stoneman Field on Schofield Barracks, Tuesday night. The Sappers defeated Tripler's "Wrecking Crew," 12-6, though Tripler had held the title for more than three years in a row. Both teams had met before in previous championship matches, but Tuesday was the night the Sappers won it all. The engineers now reign as the 2005 Army Hawaii Intramural Softball Champions. Get the full story on page B-5.

## New Signal Company begins training



Members of the new Stryker Brigade Signal Company participate in training at Fort Gordon.

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FORT GORDON, Ga. — Most of the Soldiers coming into the New Stryker Brigade Signal Company are from Hawaii, with some coming from other military bases, and they begin training here this month.

The command group here, as well as Soldiers at Fort Gordon, are also taking part in Stryker Cohesion and Operational Readiness Training, the initial phase of

training, part of the Army's transformation into a quicker, more mobile force.

Once together, the company will stay together for the next three years and be attached to the 2nd Brigade of the 25th Infantry Division. The company's effective date is Oct. 15, and it will provide beyond line of sight communications through high bandwidth satellite to the 25th ID.

During their time at

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## Fast track to OCS seeks 10 nominees

Soldiers may go for the gold through Sept. 30

1st Lt. Lindsey Dane  
Contributing Writer

Have you ever thought about trading in those chevrons or stripes for a shiny butter bar? Now is the time for Tropic Lightning leaders to consider which of their Soldiers may be better suited as an officer, and for Soldiers and NCOs to make their interest in the career change known.

Due to strength increases, changes in structure and recent recruiting challenges, the Army plans to access 300 more officers than originally planned for Fiscal Year 2006.

To meet this demand, the Army G-1 has delegated authority, as an exception to policy to each major command (MACOM), division, installation (with a general officer) and proponent commander to directly select up to 10 candidates to attend Officer Candidate School (OCS) in FY 06.

Although those Soldiers who want to be considered still need to submit an OCS packet, this opportunity gives way for an additional 10 opportunities for 25th Infantry Division (Light) Soldiers to become officers — without the requirement of the local OCS board.

For this expanded program, OCS Soldiers must meet the eligibility requirements of Army Regulation

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## Surveys will determine federal impact aid for Hawaii schools

Compiled by Wayne Yoshino  
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On Wednesday, Sept. 7, Hawaii public school students will bring home a federal census survey card to be filled out by parents and then to be returned to schools the following day.

Parents are reminded it is extremely important they complete the federal survey cards and return them promptly to their child's school.

The data collected from these forms, and subsequently delivered to the Federal Department of Education,

determines the funding received by the Hawaii DOE.

Impact aid is the DOE program that provides payments for a portion of the educational costs of federally connected students. The aid is intended to replace tax revenues lost to a community by the double impact of having nontaxable federal property.

Impact aid is the only federal education program where funds are sent directly to the school district: (Hawaii is a one-district school system.) Funds go directly into the school district's general fund for operations such as purchase of

textbooks, computers, utilities and payment of staff salaries.

### Why fill out the card?

Again, federal impact aid is a partial reimbursement to school districts for educating federally connected students attending public schools. Since the funds pay for teacher salaries and school programs, materials, equipment and supplies, every card not returned means funds lost to Hawaii classrooms, statewide.

Hawaii has the highest number of military children per capita in the nation,

which means the aid bears the greatest impact on our local schools.

### Are there other local impacts of federal funds?

Federal survey card results are the only official, current method to determine the military student population in Hawaii schools.

Aside from determining the amount of impact aid a school district will receive, military children population statistics also determine school eligibility for Joint Venture Education Forum funds — in particular text-

book, technology, and repair and maintenance funds. (For more information about JVEF funding, visit: <http://www.pacom.mil/jvef/funding.shtml>.)

The larger the military children population, the higher the school ranking on the fund eligibility list. These funds go directly to children's schools.

Parents are encouraged to fill out and return surveys to schools promptly. Non-response could result in the loss of millions of dollars in federal funds that benefit both our military and local communities.

# Answers revealed

## How did you fare on the Women's Equality quiz?

Compiled by Sgt. 1st Class Karen Vickers  
500th Military Intelligence Bn.

The 19th Amendment to the Constitution was passed on Aug. 26, 1920, finally enfranchising women in the United States. This year, the nation will commemorate the 85th anniversary celebrating the efforts of women, and countless many others, who led the fight for various women's rights.

In last week's quiz, when you tested your knowledge, how many questions did you answer correctly?

1) August 26 is celebrated as Women's Equality Day to commemorate \_\_\_\_.

ANSWER B: the anniversary of women winning the right to vote

2) In what year did Congresswoman Bella Abzug introduce legislation to ensure that this important American anniversary would be celebrated?

ANSWER C: 1971

3) In what year did women in the United States win the right to vote?

ANSWER C: 1920

4) Who served as president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association in 1920, when Amendment 19 to the U.S. Constitution was passed?

ANSWER B: Carrie Catt

5) Women in most of the western states won the right to vote years before the federal amendment was secured. August 26 is the 90th anniversary of women in Kansas and Oregon winning the right to vote. What other state is celebrating its 90th anniversary of women winning the right to vote?

ANSWER D: Arizona

6) Who was the daughter of an abolitionist and a leader of the women's rights movement, who also helped to organize the first suffrage parades in New York in the early 1900s. In 1907, she formed the Equality League of Self-Supporting Women, the first American suffrage group that included working-class women.

ANSWER C: Harriet E. Blatch

7) Women who worked for their right to vote were often called \_\_\_\_.

ANSWER D: all of the above (radical, immoral and suffragist)

8) The term suffragist is derived from \_\_\_\_.

ANSWER B: a voting tablet in ancient times

9) How many other countries had already guaranteed a woman's right to vote before the campaign was won in the United States?

ANSWER D: 16

10) Which country was the first to grant women the right to vote?

ANSWER C: New Zealand

# Lightning Six sends

The Tropic Lightning commanding general speaks to the 25th Infantry Division (Light) and U.S. Army, Hawaii, Soldiers and civilians, and the community

As many of you know, I recently assumed command. During the last several weeks, I have had the chance to visit many of our communities, tour facilities and meet our dedicated military and civilian staff.

I have also had the chance to meet many of our family members in both formal and informal settings.

It is obvious to me that we have great communities in which to live, work and play. It is evident by the construction and future plans that our communities will continue to improve and provide a great environment for all who reside here.

Having said that, I believe there are many things that we all can do now to make our communities even better. Simply put, I call this being a good neighbor in our community.

I would like to challenge each of you that are members of the United States Army Hawaii team to accept the challenge to be a good neighbor by taking some simple but important actions.

Observe the posted speed limits and parking areas, and ensure your car stereo system cannot be heard outside your own car. Also, be an attentive driver by not talking on your cell phone while you are driving.

Our installations are heavily populated, and school is back in session, so be attentive and courteous, and slow down while driving on and off post.

Finally, it occurred to me that together we could greatly reduce our traffic problem if the Soldiers who live on base would ride a bicycle to work.

Parking is easy; you save money



and get a little exercise in return. So, take the challenge.

Keeping our installations powered up and watered is very expensive. We have a finite amount of resources, especially water. We need everyone's help to conserve energy and water.

Turn off those lights and unused appliances; limit your watering of grass, fix leaky faucets and so forth. Be a good steward of these limited resources and help us save taxpayer dollars. Be a good neighbor and save energy.

Hawaii Army Family Housing is privatized and beginning to take hold and improve our housing. Future housing developments will be a model for the rest of the Army. Frankly, we could be better neighbors by improving the appearance of the outside areas.

Take a look around your house or apartment. Look at it from the road,

and ask yourself, "Am I proud of the way my front and back yard looks? Do the common areas reflect pride in my neighborhood?"

If you cannot answer that question in the positive, then take action. Remove unsightly items from your back porch area, like old furniture, weightlifting equipment and overabundance of toys. Ensure your pets are under control and have not made your yard unsightly or unhealthy.

Plant some flowerbeds in the front and back yards, and work with your neighbors to improve the common areas.

Take a look at how you may have placed air conditioners in windows — are they safe and do they present a professional appearance? Remove storage sheds that are unsightly. Let's make our neighborhoods models for the rest of the Army. Be a good neighbor.

I am issuing this good neighbor call to action because I know that our families and Soldiers are always up for a challenge. In the days and months ahead, we will put programs in place to emphasize many of the areas I have described above, and others.

Bottom line, let's make our installations the best in the Army.

Thank you. Tropic Lightning.

*Benjamin R. Mixon*

Maj. Gen. Benjamin R. Mixon  
Commanding General,  
25th Infantry Division (Light),  
U.S. Army Hawaii

## Lightning Spirit

# We all can overcome those bouts of discouragement

Chaplain (Maj.) Norman W. Jones  
Family Life Chaplain,  
Fort Shafter Community

All of us have experienced discouragement in our life. It's easy to get discouraged when things are not going right.

As well, no matter how much success and accomplishment we have achieved, discouragement can creep in our lives and have us thinking and feeling like a failure.

When we allow discouragement to take up residence in our life, we can either choose to do nothing, and drown in a sea of self-pity, or we can choose to throw off its menacing weight by an effective combative plan of attack. The end state is to seize and destroy the objective called discouragement so

that we are free to soar to higher heights and deeper depths in our careers, relationships and personal goals.

So how do you overcome discouragement? What are some things you can do to get rid of the slow crushing weight of discouragement?

I believe you would agree with me that we can rule out drugs, alcohol, sexual indulgences, spending binges or any feeble attempt to satisfy or gratify the deep craving of our fleshly nature.

As you have discovered for yourself, your fleshly nature is never satisfied. It has a ferocious appetite. It always wants more.

Any stimulant, sensational or "feel good" means to combat discouragement will end in disappointment and more discouragement.

ment. Multiple studies have shown that people who are in touch with their spirituality are more able to deal with discouragement, depression, trauma or adversities. Psychologists and other professional counselors are discovering that the most powerful healing agent is one's spiritual relationship and connectivity with God.

Those who practice their faith — regularly and faithfully, by reading Scripture or sacred writings, praying, attending service, listening to religious music, fellowshiping with other believers — are able to rebound quicker from despair, trauma, grief, fear and depression than those who try other means.

The Book of Psalm is filled with episodes of discouragement and encouragement that David experi-

**“ God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. ”**

- Psalm 46:1,  
New International Version

enced. Many people who are discouraged turn to the Psalms to find a word of encouragement because

they can identify with some of the things that David experienced.

The next time you are experiencing discouragement, give yourself a test by finding a quiet place, then by reading and meditating on one of the following Psalms: 23, 27, 34, 37, 46, 71, 90, 91, 103, 121 and/or 139. If you found any kind of comfort or relief, take it a step further by praying.

What's more, imagine the transformation that could take place if you started attending a religious service, regularly, and practicing these two simple habits daily.

What are you discouraged about? What have you tried to get rid of your discouragement? Is the method costing you lots of money? Is it working?

How about trying a spiritual approach and see what happens?

## Voices of Lightning: How do you think the increased emphasis on physical fitness training will impact readiness?



"... It will make Soldiers more physically and mentally prepared."

Spc. Barum Bennett  
HHC, 1st Bn., 25th Avn. Rgt.  
ammunition specialist



"...Being fit is a big stress reliever."

Pvt. 2 Nora Hernandez  
Army Reserve  
Dental Assistant



"... If a Soldier is physically fit, there should be no doubt in his or her mind that they are ready to deploy."

Sgt. Santiago Galvan  
1st Bn., 25th Avn. Rgt.  
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"...Being in shape helps out a lot when you are deployed because you are in the heat and carrying heavy stuff."

Spc. Ruth Pizarro  
40th Quarter Master Co.  
food specialist



"... It helps a lot because you are less battle fatigued and more prepared. Troops are more fit to fight."

Sgt. Donald Register  
Co. B, 1st Bn., 21st Inf. Rgt.  
Squad leader

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# 3rd Brigade gives re-enlistment incentives

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*Editor*

In order to stabilize Soldiers within their units, the command group of 3rd Brigade has begun an incentive program.

The program allows brigade Soldiers to attend a military school of their choice, as long as they agree to re-enlist and stay on through the brigade's life cycle — a three-year tenure.

"Listening to Soldiers across the brigade, one of their main concerns [was if

they] could get a military school," said Command Sgt. Maj. Arthur L. Coleman, command sergeant major for 3rd Bde, regarding reasons for pushing Soldiers out to military schools.

The most popular military schools were airborne, ranger and air assault. Coleman said Soldiers were hesitant about re-enlisting because they didn't feel they had support from their chain of command to further their military education.

With help from brigade commander, Col. Patrick T.

Stackpole, Coleman dismissed this stereotype by sending a Soldier to airborne school.

Sgt. Eric Sisen, driver for the command sergeant major driver of 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, graduated airborne training Aug. 12 and became living proof of the brigade's commitment.

"I always wanted to go to airborne school for a long time; it's the history and heritage of it," Sisen said.

Last November, Coleman spoke to Sisen about re-enlisting for airborne. Sisen

agreed and signed up for five more years.

The program, Coleman explains, is a win-win situation for everyone.

"The Army wins; Soldier re-enlists. The brigade wins; Soldier stays with brigade. [And] the Soldier wins because he or she has another school," Coleman explained.

Currently, the brigade has six more Soldiers completing physicals who will depart to Fort Benning, Ga., in the following weeks.

"You have a commander and command sergeant

major who will support you and who will make sure you get [to a military school]," Coleman stressed to brigade Soldiers. "Of course, you have to do your part by passing the physical and passing the school."

Brigade Soldiers interested in re-enlisting for military schools are encouraged to use their chains of command in order to start the process.

"We're serious about retention and we're serious about keeping good Soldiers in the Army," Coleman emphasized.

# News Briefs

**"Freedom Team Salute"** — Soldiers have the opportunity to recognize and thank parents and spouses for their support.

Family members nominated by the Soldiers receive a Freedom Team Salute package, including an official Army lapel pin, a U.S. Army decal, a letter of thanks and a certificate of appreciation.

Soldiers can stop by the "Freedom Team Salute" table at the Schofield Barracks Post Exchange to nominate their loved ones today from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and/or Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Soldiers must provide the names and addresses of those they are nominating.

**Military COLA Survey** — All military personnel in the state of Hawaii are encouraged to complete the military Cost of Living Allowance survey sponsored by U.S. Pacific Command, any time before Sept. 30, via the Internet. Participate at [www.perdiem.osd.mil/oscola/lps/hawaii](http://www.perdiem.osd.mil/oscola/lps/hawaii).

Accuracy in completing the survey is critical to the COLA determination process. For more information, call Eddie Fowler at 477-1396.

**CIF Closure** — The Schofield Barracks Central Issue Facility will be closed for customer service noon, Sept. 1 through close of business Sept. 5. The closure is needed for an emergency change of accountable officer inventory.

In an effort to minimize the impact on Soldiers trying to clear and receive CTA 50-900 items of equipment, only one-half of a workday normally available to serve Soldiers will be lost. Service will resume Sept. 6. For more details, call 656-2236.

**SGLI Changes** — Beginning Sept. 1, all members eligible for Servicemembers Group Life Insurance will become insured for the maximum coverage of \$400,000. Due to this increased coverage, maximum monthly premiums will rise to \$26.

SGLI will be available in increments of \$50,000 instead of the current \$10,000 amount for increments. This SGLI increase does not affect Family SGLI.

If a married member designates a primary beneficiary for his or her SGLI coverage, someone other than his or her current lawful spouse, the Soldier's spouse will be informed that he or she has made such a designation. Also,

See "News Briefs," page A-7



Spc. Juan F. Jimenez

## Flying V

Division Command Sgt. Maj. Jerry L. Taylor (above, right) awaits his introduction at the Flying V ceremony held in his honor on Tuesday on Sills Field, Schofield Barracks. Moments later, unit leaders (left) lifted their guidons and presented arms to the commanding general of the 25th Infantry Division (Light) and U.S. Army, Hawaii, Maj. Gen. Benjamin R. Mixon.

# 225th Forward Support Bn. identifies UXOs

Spc. Juan F. Jimenez  
*Staff Writer*

Newly arrived medics trained on the rough and unforgiving terrain of Schofield Barracks' East Range, on August 17.

"The purpose of this training is to let our new Soldiers know how to identify, react and properly send a spot report of unexploded ordnance to higher authorities," said Spc. Mark Dzamba, a combat medic with the battalion.

The 225th FSB Soldiers tackled three different blocks of instruction during the period of training.

"They received a class on how to

identify various types of bombs, grenades and other explosive devices," said Dzamba. "We want Soldiers to get familiarized with what they might see over in Iraq or Afghanistan."

The second part of the training focused on manual carries and how to evacuate injured Soldiers out of danger areas. Instructors covered many different styles of carries such as the fireman, pistol belt and buddy carries.

"The carries we are teaching these Soldiers have been at some point used either in Iraq or Afghanistan," Dzamba explained.

During the last block of instruction, training focused on real-war

scenarios. East Range quickly turned into a realistic battleground, and medics found themselves walking through a small, simulated village where they soon encountered unexploded ordnance (UXOs).

Their newly acquired knowledge was put to the test. They properly identified and reacted to the UXOs, and then completed the nine-line spot report.

Medics regularly experience this type of training because they work side-by-side with infantrymen when on patrol and other missions.

"Because we are medics, we know that when we are on patrol with infantrymen that someone (may) get hurt, and we will have to

treat and get them out of there while everyone else does their job," said Sgt Allison Smith, noncommissioned officer in charge.

"The Soldiers performed pretty good, but we still need to work on it a lot more before we can say that they are ready," said Smith. "They used everything they learned in class; they even identified what type of UXO they faced."

"The future of these Soldiers is in our hands, and we have to teach them everything we know and everything we learned while deployed," Smith continued. "It's our job; it's our duty as NCOs."

# Laser training aids marksmanship

Story and Photos by  
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17th Public Affairs  
Detachment

A new system that improves the marksmanship skills of Soldiers without expending a single round is being fielded for the first time by Soldiers from the 25th Infantry Division (Light).

Noncommissioned officers took part in a week-long class at the Area X training site at Schofield Barracks, which trained them to use the Laser Marksmanship Training System.

"The Laser Marksmanship Training System is designed to

provide realistic training without using live rounds in rifles, pistols and machine guns," said Pat McGilton, MPRI Beamhit.

Throughout the training, Soldiers learned how to fire from various positions, moving and static, while trying to maintain sight picture.

"The system helps to sustain and improve basic weapons handling skills and [establishes] bore sight," explained McGilton.

The system uses the same weapons the Soldiers use at a range with a laser adaptor, he added.

"When a Soldier fires the weapon, the laser is activated," said McGilton. "If the laser is in line with the electronic target, it sends the hit to a computer that is connected to the system."

Since targets are different sizes and designs, more options for firing techniques can be taught using this system.

One technique that was used during the training was setting up one target, approximately 50 meters a way, said McGilton.

"During this part of the training, the Soldiers moved from standing to prone supported, to prone unsupported [with a bear roll] to kneeling," he said. "The Soldiers went through all four positions using both their dominate and non-dominate firing arms."

Since no live rounds were being used, the Soldiers trained on several aspects of marksmanship at one time such as changing position while firing, and approaching and retreating from a target while



**Above — J. Riotte, right, instructs Soldiers on how to improve marksmanship by using the Laser Marksmanship Training System.**

**Left — Staff Sgt. Max Westover, 7th Dive Co., salvage diver, fires an M16A2 rifle using the Laser Marksmanship Training System..0**

maintaining sight picture.

"There is a lot of practice received here that you aren't able to get at the range," said Sgt. Franklin Nicholas, training noncommissioned officer for Company C, 25th Aviation Regiment. "Soldiers are able to take their time and go back to things they didn't fully understand the first time through."

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**- By Sgt. Brock Niehaus, Co.  
D, 1st Bn., 25th Avn. Rgt.**

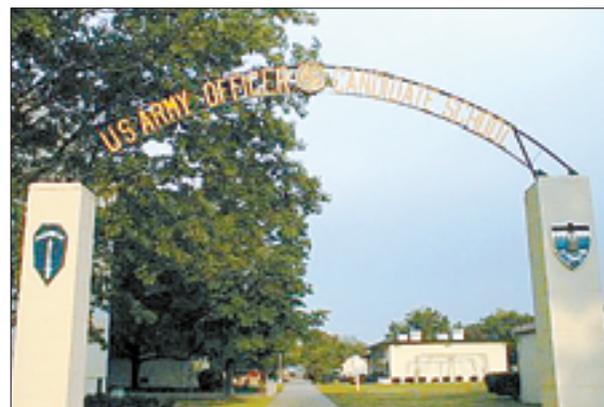
Since only NCOs took part in the recent class, each of them can now teach other Soldiers within their units

to use the system to improve their own marksmanship skills.

"There are many new angles on training that can be taken back to units to teach other Soldiers," said Sgt. Brock Niehaus of Co. D, 1st Bn., 25th Avn. Rgt. "It adds a new level of fun to training. It's not the same thing every time the Soldiers goes to the range. There is so much more that can be done to improve a Soldier's skills with this system."

Even though training is about being trained to standard and not time, the ability to train more people to standard in a shorter amount of time is important, since range time can be difficult to acquire, explained McGilton.

"The emphasis on small arms has increased during the last eighteen months," he added. "All Soldiers are riflemen first and specialists second."



**Passing through the gates to OCS, is just the beginning of the journey for Soldiers looking to be officers.**

## OCS

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350-51, but with a few changes.

Not only has the local board been waived, but so too the Scholastic Aptitude Test or SAT requirement. Further, under the Fast Track program, age restrictions have been loosened. Previously, a Soldier must have been between the ages of 18 and 30; now those up to age 42 can apply.

What has not changed is the requirement for a secret clearance, at a minimum, based on a NACL (National Agency check with Local and credit checks) investigation. Soldiers who require medical waivers will not be considered for the program, as well as Soldiers who have permanent profiles that would prohibit them from doing push-ups, sit-ups, running and overall taking of the normal Army Physical Fitness Test.

Commanders may recommend a waiver for Soldiers who have any civil or military offenses; however, the waiver must be approved by endorsement of the MACOM or installation's commander, if applicable.

Students attending basic training, advanced individual training, One Station Unit Training are also ineligible for the Fast Track program. So too are drill sergeants and recruiters, unless they are in the final six months of their obligation, or unless their commander allows them to participate.

Currently, Army National Guard and Army Reserve Soldiers are ineligible too; however, a separate program is in development by the Army

### ON THE WEB

Get more details about OCS at <https://www.infantry.army.mil/ocs/index.htm>.

G-1 for Reserve Component Soldiers.

Soldiers selected for the Fast Track program are exempt from being deployed or reassigned from their current unit. Soldiers who are deployed or are scheduled to deploy can still be considered, but the availability date for them to attend OCS will be left to the discretion of their commander.

Release and assigned availability dates are also at the discretion of the commander for those Soldiers currently serving in a life cycle unit.

The Directorate of Human Resources (DHR) is the point of contact for Soldiers who are interested in the program at Schofield Barracks. DHR is already accepting application packets for the 10 available slots for FY 2006.

To be considered, packets must be submitted to DHR by Sept. 30, 2005. DHR points of contact for questions are Angelita Dizon and Nan Lucero. All packets must include a letter of recommendation from the battalion commander of the Soldier being nominated.

The federal OCS is a 14-week commissioning program that consists of basic, intermediate and senior officer candidate phases. For more information about OCS requirements or procedures, visit <https://www.infantry.army.mil/ocs/index.htm> or review AR 350-51, U.S. Army Officer Candidate School.

## TRANSFORMATION

# 25th MP Company inactivates

The history and varied accomplishments of 25th Military Police Company were recognized during an inactivation ceremony at Martinez Field on Schofield Barracks Aug. 16. The inactivation is part of the division's transformation to more modular units.

On hand to help retire the company guidon was 25th Military Police Battalion Commander Lt. Col. Tony Carr; Company Commander Capt. Kevin P. Marks and the company's senior enlisted Soldier, 1st Sgt. Marcia Williams.

Carr praised the company and its chain of command for a job well done performing countless missions while deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. Marks expressed how he was "Mighty Proud" to be the company commander of a unit with such history and heraldry.

## Redeployments

Most recently, 2nd Platoon, 25th MP Co. deployed to Iraq on Jan. 12, 2004, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, as the Military Police Combat Support for 2nd Brigade Combat Team in Kirkuk, Iraq. The 2nd Platoon "Blackjacks" redeployed Feb. 22, 2005.

The 3rd Platoon, 25th MP Co., deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan, April 22, 2004, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with 3rd BCT, and the 3rd Platoon "Diamondbacks" redeployed April 23, 2005.

The 1st Platoon, 25th MP Co., deployed to Afghanistan on June 6, 2004, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with 25th ID (L) Division Artillery. The 1st Platoon "Bushmasters" redeployed on June 5, 2005.

## Lineage and Honors

The company's lineage and honors extend back to Aug. 26, 1941, when the unit was constituted as Military Police Platoon, Headquarters and Military Police Company, 25th Infantry Division. Soon after, the unit activated Oct. 1, 1941, and then redesignated June 18, 1942, as Military Police Platoon.

The unit supported the division throughout World War II, in the Central Pacific, Guadalcanal, the Northern Solomons and Luzon. Its Soldiers earned the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation for actions from October 17, 1944, to July 4, 1945.

March 20, 1949, the MP unit reorganized and redesignated as the Military Police Company, and after honorable service during the Korean Conflict, the unit inactivated Feb. 1, 1957, in Hawaii and was relieved from assignment to the 25th Infantry Division.

Upon reactivating July 1, 1963, the company was again assigned to the 25th Infantry Division and adopted the motto "Mighty Proud."

During missions in Vietnam, the unit distinguished itself and was awarded the Meritorious Unit Citation, two Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry with Palm awards, and the Vietnamese Civil Action Medal, First Class.

On Oct. 16, 1986, the 25th MP Co. was reorganized under the light division concept, becoming the newest Light Military Police Company in the Army.

The company continued its quest for readiness by participating in training operations and security missions in Thailand, Japan, the Philippines, Wake Island and the Pohakuloa Training Area.



Courtesy Photo

The unit guidon was cased by Lt. Col. Tony Carr, 25th MP Bn. commander, and Capt. Kevin P. Marks, 25th MP Co. commander, during the inactivation ceremony that was held at Martinez Field on Schofield Barracks Aug. 16. The inactivation is part of the transformation to more modular units throughout the 25th Infantry Division (Light). The history of the units dates back to Aug. 26, 1941.

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# Experts discuss Asia-Pacific region's biosecurity threats

Elise Leroux and  
Mary Markovinovic  
*Contributing Writers*

HONOLULU — Biosecurity experts came together in Hawaii Aug. 8-11 at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies here, to look at ways to enhance national and regional understanding of biological threats and strategies in order to prevent and respond to biological incidents.

The "Biosecurity Threats in the Asia-Pacific Region" conference focused on sharing information and ideas. Participants shared their diverse expertise in hopes of developing approaches to strengthen capacity building and influence policymakers to effectively deal with both natural and manmade biological threats.

More than 35 civilian and military experts in the field attended the conference that was cohosted by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies and the Center of

Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance. Attendees included distinguished health professionals from the United States and Asia-Pacific regions. The diverse group was an example of how "biosecurity is an 'all' agency problem, not just a Defense problem," said Dr. Jim Lackey, executive director of the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies. "It is a team effort in every country."

Experts shared lessons learned in past biosecurity threats, including the SARS and flu outbreaks, and on weapons of mass destruction.

"The enormous complexity of health security has been evident in our discussions, and it is health practitioners like these that will help all civil and military institutions address the challenges we all face," explained Pete Bradford, director of the Center of Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance.

The medical professionals



Photo byline

Experts in biosecurity attend the "Biosecurity Threats in the Asia-Pacific Region" conference cohosted by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies and the Center of Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance.

noted that biosecurity threats cut across multiple sectors, including the economy.

"The example of bird flu in Asia highlighted the economic and human health impacts from uncontrolled animal diseases," said Dr. Sharon Hietala, an expert in animal health in the California Animal Health and Food Service Laboratory System, at the University of California, Davis.

Participants applauded the multi-sectoral civil and military collaboration that the conference fostered. All agreed that the conference was a first step to begin building communications to

See "Biosecurity," page A-10



Pvt. 2 Kyndal Brewer

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Alfred Pena, an aviator with 25th Aviation Brigade, being honored with the traditional wash down to celebrate his final flight before his retirement.

## Blacksheep aviator takes final flight

The "wash down" is a rite of passage for top aviators

Warrant Officer 4 Marlin Phillips, aviation maintenance officer for 3-4th Cavalry, Pena's aircraft touched down at exactly 2 p.m. in front of a robust crowd of spectators. He then completed aircraft shutdown procedures, exited the aircraft and removed his aviation life support equipment.

As Pena moved to take his place of honor for the occasion, he was ceremoniously washed down with champagne by other senior warrant officers from throughout the Aviation Brigade — a time honored tradition symbolizing recognition of the aviator who has completed his final flight, his career officially "all washed up."

After drying off, Pena was joined by his wife, Sandy. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to Army aviation during more than



Pvt. 2 Kyndal Brewer

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Pena conducts his last flight in an OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter.

22 years of service, Col. A.T. Ball, Aviation Brigade commander, presented Pena with the Silver Order of Saint Michael on behalf of the Army Aviation Association of America.

On behalf of the Soldiers of the brigade, Mrs. Pena was presented with traditional Hawaiian lei in thanks for her many years of

dedicated service to both her husband and aviation Soldiers throughout the Army.

"CW5 Pena is not just a seasoned aviator, but a proven leader that embodies the Warrior Ethos," said Maj Brian Rae, Company C (AVIM), 25th Avn. Rgt. commander. "If you are present here today, and less than 23 years old, CW5 Pena was

serving as an infantry platoon sergeant before you were born," Rae explained, noting Pena's 30 years of military service.

Ball highlighted that Army aviation is very much a "master and apprentice" profession.

"The sergeants, junior warrant officers, lieutenants and captains here today have directly benefited from mentorship in training received from CW5 Pena," Ball explained.

In keeping with his tradition of quiet professionalism, Pena was short on words, but big in displaying his trademark smile as he greeted hundreds of well-wishers at the completion of events. Pena officially retires at the next retirement ceremony at Sergeant Smith Theater, Oct. 20 at 2 p.m.

## News Briefs

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members who submit a new SGLV 8286 form, which declines or reduces SGLI coverage by Sept. 30 will not be required to pay the full \$26 premium in September.

Election changes made after Sept. 30 will result in a pay deduction of \$26 for September coverage. For more information, contact Personnel Support.

**CFC** — The 2005 Hawaii-Pacific Combined Federal Campaign will run from Sept. 19 through Oct. 28, and this year's theme is "Heroes of the Pacific — Be One!" The 25th ID (L) is the designated Army agency for all Army units participating in Hawaii's campaign, and staffs look forward to coordinating an effective and rewarding campaign.

As the largest workplace charity campaign in the country, and the only campaign authorized to solicit and collect contributions from federal employees in the workplace, the mission of the CFC is to promote and support philanthropy. For more details, contact Capt. Andrew Thompson at 655-3984.

**FRALS** — Family Readiness administrative liaisons will be assisting family readiness groups in the creation of Web sites and virtual FRGs through the new Web site [www.armyfrg.org](http://www.armyfrg.org).

Currently, the Family Readiness Program has created an instructional class, "The World of FRGs Online," to assist FRG leaders about the online capabilities available to them.

Contact the FRAL team at 655-2734, or Family Readiness trainer Jewel Csiszar, at 655-2736, for more info.



Left — Sgt. 1st Class Amber and Jose Barbosa, One-by-One Foundation, hand out fliers telling the homeless along the Leeward Coast to come in July 30 to wash their clothes. The foundation provides all detergent, softener, bleach and money needed for each family to wash up to five loads of laundry each month.

## Soldiers, civilians serve homeless in Waianae

Story and Photos by  
Spc. Cheryl Ransford  
17th Public Affairs Detachment

WAIANAЕ — Dozens of people stand in line with trash bags full of laundry. They hold blue or yellow tickets they received the previous day.

As first in line, they can get their laundry cleaned and dried, and then get back to their tents they call home on the Leeward Coast, all before nightfall.

Since January, Soldiers and civilians have been providing this monthly laundry service as well as clothing donations to homeless families who live along the Waianae Coast.

### Making a difference

The humanitarian venture all started with an idea to help others and has grown into a nonprofit program called the "One-by-One" Foundation.

"On the last weekend of each month, we set aside two days to help others, said Sgt. Maj. Jose Garcia-Aponte, Transient Billets sergeant major at Schofield Barracks. "Everything we do is funded with donations made by the

people who help."

By saving their change, and adding to that amount donations from a local church, the foundation raises the \$800 that is required to help dozens of families each month.

Every month, two laundromats are used, one in Nanakuli and another in Makaha.

"When we go out, we provide the funds and detergent for the people to do their laundry," said Garcia-Aponte.

Since the Waianae Coast is so large the group is broken into two groups, so Soldiers and civilian helpers can assist as many people as possible.

Walking up and down the coast, volunteers visit the homeless who live at the beach parks and in the woods, showing them someone cares and is there to help.

"What we do for these people isn't much, but it is the least that we can do," said Sgt. Ruth Iturrino, supply sergeant at Transient Billets.

Going out to help others is more than just community service for the people

involved. An internal drive to help others keeps them going back each month.

"For whatever reason, these people have ended up in this situation," said Sgt. 1st Class Amber Barbosa, military police investigations noncommissioned officer in charge, 13th Military Police Detachment. "My husband and I have been blessed to be in a situation that we are able to help others, and we want to do our part to help the people in the community that aren't as lucky as we are."

### Taking time for others

During the two days that are set aside for the program each month, the team spends the last Friday evening handing out flyers for homeless to get their laundry cleaned the next day.

When the homeless arrive at the laundromats the following day, volunteers hand out clothing donations and pay for them to wash their clothes.

"Many times you will see the same faces each month," said Sgt. 1st Class Jose Barbosa, rear battle noncommissioned officer, 58th Military Police Company. "It

is sad to see how many people live this way, but it is not for us to judge them.

We are here to help.

"Some of these people have been living on the beach for many years," he continued, "and now they know that someone is out there that cares and respects them enough to come out and provide assistance."

Providing assistance to those who don't have the means to help themselves is what makes the program worthwhile for these men and women.

"You go out there and you see cities of tents," said Staff

Sgt. Patrick Leavy, section sergeant, Transient Billets. "Sometimes it's weird to see them living like this and you wonder why. What happened that they are out here? But that's not something we ask.

"We aren't out here to make them ashamed of who they are. We are here to show them they are still people regardless of where they live."

But the people don't always voice their gratitude, said Master Sgt. Raul Ortiz, sergeant major assistant, Transient Billets. "While we hear a lot of people say 'thank you', it's the look in

their eyes that really gets to your heart," he explained. "Helping this group of people makes you realize how lucky we really are. You get out there and suddenly your problems aren't problems anymore."

### Providing open arms

"We get close to them," said Garcia-Aponte. "If they need a hug, we give it to them. If they need a hand-shake, we give it to them."

Getting close can be hard for some people, but it's exactly what is needed for

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# Honor

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Demps loved his country and went out of his way each and every day to ensure he made a difference in the lives of the Soldiers and civilians he worked with, said Oates.

“He always greeted every person who came to his office with a smile and the greeting of the day, prior to discussing business, just to say ‘no matter how difficult the task, we will learn from our mistakes and be a better organization,’” said Oates.

The day before Demps’ tragic death, his main concern was getting out to the softball game to show his support for his Soldiers who played in the championship game, he continued.

“That was the type of commander and leader he was,” Oates explained, “always putting the Army and his Soldiers first.”

Demps’ focus was always on the positive, said Command Sgt. Maj. Michael D. Hayes, U.S. Army MP Bde. - Hawaii.

“I could talk quite a while about Colonel Demps, but I would just keep saying the same things over and over again,” said Hayes. “He was an excellent commander — one of the best I’ve seen in over twenty-six years of service. And he was a good man — unselfish, sincere and genuinely humble ... one of the finest men I’ve been blessed to know in almost forty-five years of life.”

Demps is survived by his wife Gloria, son Gregory, and daughter Sarah.



Spc. Cheryl Ransford

**Soldiers conduct a 21-gun salute at the close of a memorial service held in honor of their former brigade commander.**



Courtesy Photo

**A couple days before Col. Roderick G. Demps, the former USARPAC MP Bde. commander, passed away, he shook hands with the female softball champions of the 58th MP Co.**

# Serve

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people receiving assistance.

“Many times, people say that if they want out of this situation, they could do it,” said Garcia-Aponte. “But we aren’t concerned with that. We are there to serve them.”

“You would be amazed at how what is insignificant to us is gold to them,” he continued. “I remember one month when a woman came up to me and said, ‘Jose, look you dressed me today.’ Everything she had on, down to her shoes, was from the donations that had been provided.”

“I am very appreciative of everything they are doing for us,” said Sonya Kim, who lives in Nanakuli. “It is good to know that someone is out there who cares enough to take the time to do this. Without their help, many people would be doing laundry by hand — or not at all.”

More than a hundred people are helped each month, and the program continues to grow.

“This week there were so many people that came out to have their laundry done that we spent close to five-hundred dollars at the Nanakuli site alone, said Garcia-Aponte, “almost a hundred more than normal.”

“It feels good to know that what you do makes a direct impact on the life of another person.”

## A Poem for Col. Demps

“I stand before you all today, but not one eye can see my way. My time arrived to leave this earth, a fact so planned to every birth. It happened where I had to go, my torch for life was a glow. I transferred while in uniform, protecting freedom through a storm. Should I resent I died for you — not on my life red, white and blue. Please help family through each day, tell all my friends try not to stray. And of the country, I did love, still think of me through God above.”

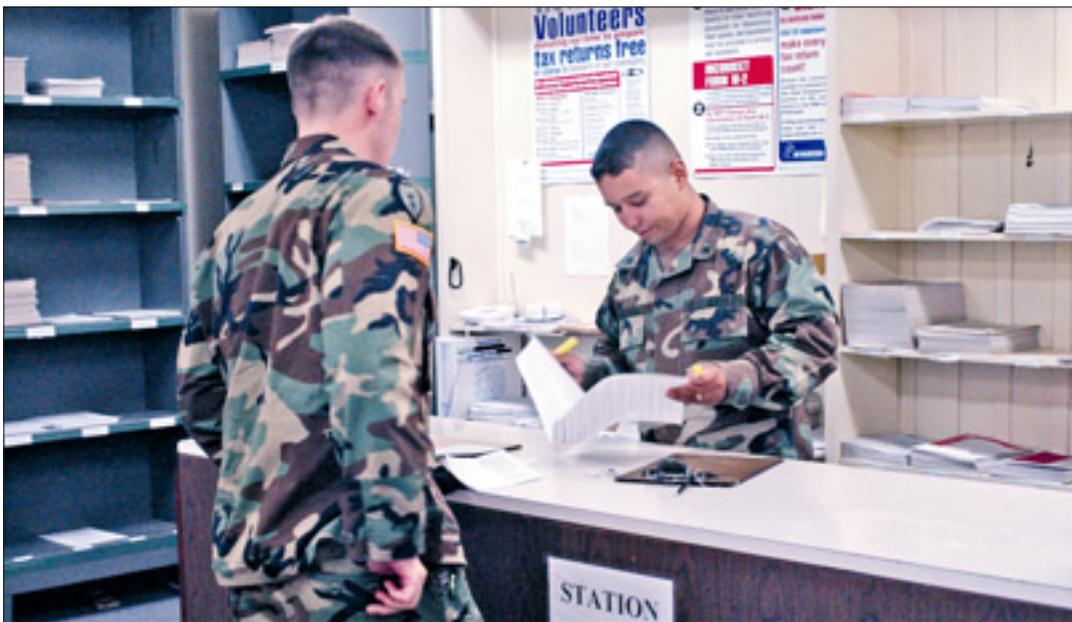
— Narrated by  
Lt. Col. Carter A. Oates,  
Acting Commander,  
USARPAC Military Police Brigade

## Here's a Sobering Thought



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# Tax Center closing

Spc. Pedro Santana, tax preparer, goes over a questionnaire filled out by Sgt. Shaun Craft, Co. A, 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, prior to having his taxes prepared. The Tax Center located in Building 361 on Schofield Barracks will be closing Aug. 31 at 5 p.m. and will remain closed for the remainder of the tax season. It will reopen at the beginning of the 2005 tax season. For more information, call 655-5144.

# War Memorial project slowly inches upward toward goal

25th Infantry Division Association  
News Release

The 25th Infantry Division Association, a 56-year-old nonprofit veterans organization, is

the prime sponsor of the 25th Infantry Division War Memorial, adjacent Fernandez Hall at Schofield Barracks.

To date, the Association has received a total of \$93,928. toward the cost of the memorial.

Contributions are accepted from the community at large at the following address:

25th Infantry Division Association  
P.O. Box 7  
Flourtown, PA  
19031-0007.



# 25th ID

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Fort Gordon, members of the company will be training on the new Joint Network Node. The initial training will give leaders a baseline initial training into the JNN, which provides interoperable communications with other service branches.

JNN training combines hands-on experience with computer-based training, including some 3D computer simulations.

Capt. James Jackson, company commander, said he has positive feelings about the JNN.

"I think it's great. It's IP based; it's a new generation of data and voice communication," he explained. "It increases the capability of bandwidth."

In addition to learning about the JNN, leaders will learn about the Battalion Command Post communications package and the Ku Band Satellite equipment.

# Biosecurity

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deal with a potential pandemic outbreak in the Asia-Pacific Region.

"With this meeting, we've seen an exciting vision of global veterinary and public health, with civilian and military interests closely aligned to respond and ultimately prevent similar threats," said Hietala regarding the outcome of the conference. "It's exciting that from this meeting we have a vision from which we can start working."

The civilian and military experts represented the World Health Organization, U.S. Pacific Command, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. National Institute of Health,



U.S. Health and Human Services, the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the U.S. National Defense University, the University of Hawaii-Manoa, the University of California at Davis (animal health), the U.S. Army Medical Research and

Materiel Command, and Hawaii's State Department of Health.

Experts from Vietnam's National Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology, the Hong Kong Hospital Authority, and Singapore's Armed Forces Medical Corps, among others, also attended.

Editor's Note (Elise Leroux is the public relations manager at the Center of Excellence, which promotes effective civil-military management in international humanitarian assistance, disaster response and peacekeeping through education, training, research and information programs.)

Mary Markovnikov is the chief of public affairs at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, which enhances cooperation and builds relationships through the study of security issues among military and civilian representatives of the United States and 45 Asia-Pacific nations, part of U.S. Pacific Command's objective of developing professional and personal ties with the militaries and national security establishments in the region.)



# COMMUNITY & SPORTS



## Serving the Community

*Spouses' clubs have fun helping others*

Joy Boisselle  
Staff Writer

The Hui O' Na Wahine at Schofield Barracks and its sister club, the Hui O' Wahine at Fort Shafter, are not the officers' and enlisted wives' clubs of yesteryear.

Gone are the "ladies that lunch," complete with white gloves and formal attire.

Those days have been replaced by women willing to roll their sleeves up, break a sweat, and knuckle down for the betterment of their communities.

Both clubs contribute to their communities. They offer the expected social outlet at their monthly luncheons, where women of varied backgrounds can meet, establish new friends and contacts, and enjoy information provided by guest speakers.

But perhaps more importantly, over the years both clubs have evolved into more philanthropic-oriented organizations, rather than just purely social.

Proof positive is the Hui O

Na Wahine club's constitution, which states the club's two-fold goal: "The purpose of this organization shall be to promote and foster friendship, goodwill and community spirit through the coordination of revenue-producing projects to finance community needs."

The Hui O Na Wahine began in the 30s as a social club for officers' wives. Today, each club's membership consists of spouses of active duty, retired military, Department of Defense civilians and Soldiers.

Kara Anderson, president of the Hui O' Na Wahine for the 2005 to 2006 club year, explained the evolution of the club.

"This is an all-ranks spouses club, which used to be two separate clubs, the Officers' Wives Club and the Rainbow Club, the enlisted spouses club," she said, adding,

"The clubs combined in the late 1990s because there was a duplication of

effort on the clubs' parts."

As for the philanthropic base, Anderson continued, "Back in the 60s when the Division deployed to Vietnam, the club was needed for different reasons, more than just social. It started to have more of a purpose.

"I believe in the club's purpose, and I am passionate about this," she emphasized. "We help as many people and groups as we can, and we provide opportunities where doors may have been closed."

The Hui O' Na Wahine, like its sister club, is a club with a cause. Last year alone, the club presented \$37,000 back to the community in the form of welfare grants to various agencies, and scholarships to military children and spouses.

Fort Shafter's Hui O Wahine, though a smaller club, dispersed nearly \$10,000 to deserving agencies and students in their area as well.

The Hui O Na Wahine earns money through various fund-raising events held during the club year, which runs from September to August. However, the largest money maker for both organizations is monthly revenue generated by each clubs' thrift stores.

Paid staff run each shop, helped by a contingent of committed volunteers who perform everything from hanging clothing to stocking shelves with new merchandise and cleaning the shop.

Thrift Stores directly benefit their communities by providing quality items at very low and affordable prices, which in turn support Soldiers and their families.

One popular fund-raising event is "Tour of Homes," held around Christmas time at Schofield Barracks. This special event features many on-post homes that are decorated for the holiday season and open to the public, including the commanding general's home on General's Loop.

The Hui O' Na Wahine begins its 2005 to 2006 year Aug. 29 with a "Super Sign-up" new membership and activities event, to be held at the Nehelani Club from 5 to 8 p.m. Not only will participants have the opportunity to check out the spouses club and join, if desired, but also more than 50



Above — Monthly club luncheons feature vendors and local artisans selling their goods.

Below — The Hui O' Na Wahine features a basket auction fund-raiser annually. Members look over the baskets provided by various family readiness groups and community agencies.



vendors, artisans and community organizations will be present to sell their wares or provide information on various community activities.

According to Anderson, the Hui O' Na Wahine membership is likely to jump from last year's 300-plus members strong to nearly 400. And while the membership night is an easy and convenient way to join the club, members are accepted year-round.

Annual membership for the Schofield Barracks club is \$20 for spouses of staff sergeants and below, and \$25 for spouses of sergeants first class and above.

At Fort Shafter, membership is \$20 for all. A spouse wanting to join both clubs can do so at a reduced rate.

"Our luncheon programs, which are every third Thursday of each month, will feature programs of

local interest, many with Hawaiian island themes. Members also receive our monthly magazine, 'The Hui Lei,' and they can join various special interest groups to bond with other women and build camaraderie," Anderson said of membership benefits.

Fort Shafter's club held its super sign-up yesterday, and the Fort Shafter club will hold its first luncheon at the Hale Ikena on Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Of the super sign-up, Anderson said, "This event is a great opportunity to learn about the Hui and the community — to figure out where you can fit in, especially if you are a newcomer."

(Editor's Note: For Hui O' Na Wahine information at Schofield Barracks, call Steffanie Beissel at 624-5491. For Hui O' Wahine information at Fort Shafter, call Sandy Goetz at 838-1645.)



The Tour of Homes fund-raiser begins with an outdoor reception at the commanding general's home. Here volunteer members do last-minute decorating chores.

# MWR Briefs

Serving America's Army in Hawaii

## AUGUST

### 26 / Today

**Hawaiian Luau** — Taste a traditional Hawaii style feast today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hale Ikena on Fort Shafter, or 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Nehelani on Schofield Barracks. Cost is \$9.95 per person.

Call Hale Ikena at 438-1947 or the Nehelani at 655-4466 for lunch buffet reservations or information.

### 27 / Saturday

**Latin Night** — Relax and dance the night away to the rhythm of Latin music at the Tropics. DJ Richie Sanchez will be spinning the tunes, and doors will open at 8 p.m.

Admission is free and open to individuals 18 and older. Call 655-0002 for more details.

### 29 / Monday

**Seafood Bucket for Two** — Back by popular demand, seafood lovers can dig into a variety of seafood including shrimp, crab, clams and mussels, complete with selected side dishes and a pitcher of beverage at Reggie's.

Stop by between 5 and 8 p.m. to enjoy this delicious dinner for two for only \$19.95.

### 30 / Tuesday

**Preschool Story Time** — Give your child an opportunity to love books. The preschool story time program will be held Tuesday at the Fort Shafter Library. Sessions will also be held Wednesday at the Sgt Yano Library and on Thursday at the Aliamanu Military Reservation Library.

Start time for all sessions is 10 a.m. Call your nearest library for more information.



## SEPTEMBER

### 1 / Thursday

**Schofield Fall Camp** — Registration will begin Sept. 1 for the Schofield Fall Youth Camp. Middle School students and teens interested in meeting new people and going on field trips are encouraged to sign up for this activity running Sept. 26 to Oct. 7.

Cost is only \$25 per week and registration is at the Resource and Referral Office at Schofield Barracks. Parents must sign a waiver for their child to participate. Call 655-0451 for more information.

**Battle of the Bands** — Get your band together for the Battle of the Bands competition on Sept. 1 at the Tropics. The deadline for registering your band is Monday by 4 p.m.

Winning bands from the local competition will receive an opportunity to attend the All-Army Battle of the Bands competition. Call 655-0112/0111 to enter your band or for



Tech. Sgt. Andrew Leonhard

## Country Showdown

Spc. Aiain Thompson won second place in the 24th annual Colgate Country Showdown to give talented vocalists a chance at fame and win a contract, at the Enlisted Club on Hickham Air Force base Aug. 12 and 14.

more information.

**Military Idol** — Performances continue at the Tropics tonight at 7 p.m. Come and be a part of the audience to support and select your favorite idol.

Cast your vote and have an impact on who wins and advances to the national Army-wide competition.

Performances will be held every Thursday until the grand finale on Sept. 15. Call 655-8522 for more information.

### 2 / Friday

**Tropics Texas Hold'em** — The Tropics will hold a Texas Hold'em Tournament on Sept. 2 from 1 to 7 p.m. This card-playin' event is open all military and patrons who present DoD ID cards at registration.

Registration goes from 12:30 to 12:50 p.m. on Sept. 2. For more information, contact Richard Bautista at 655-4804, or e-mail bautistar@schofield.army.mil.

### 7 / Wednesday

**Homeschool Support Group** — Homeschool families are invited to the Schofield Bowling Center from 1 to 3 p.m. for an afternoon of bowling and fun on Sept. 7. For more information, call 655-2263.

**Tropic Lightning Week** — A meeting will be held today for those organizations interested in operating a food booth during Tropic Lightning Week, Oct. 3 to 7. The meeting will take place at Building

556 on Schofield Barracks at 9 a.m.

Interested organizations must designate a point of contact to complete the 25th Infantry Division (Light) Family Readiness Group Food Service Sanitation Training prior to the fundraising event in October. For more information, call 655-0110/0112 or online at [www.mwrarmyhawaii.com](http://www.mwrarmyhawaii.com)

### 9 / Friday

**Fondue and Wine at Reggie's** — Savor a diverse fondue menu with friends tonight from 5 to 8 p.m. The selection includes a variety of fruits, breads, cheeses and chocolates, and a bottle of wine.

Cost is \$24.95 for a party of four; however, each additional person is \$5. Call 655-4466 for more information.

### 14 / Wednesday

**U.S. Army Field Band Performance** — The U.S. Army Field Band, the Army's premier touring musical group, will present a musical showcase to audiences at the Nehelani on Schofield Barracks beginning at 5:15 p.m. today.

Stop by to enjoy the entertainment as well as the diverse selection of foods the Nehelani has to offer. For more information, call 655-4466.

### 23 / Friday

**Soap Talk** — VIP seats to attend a live taping of "Soap Talk" are available to all military ID card holders. This taping is scheduled for

Sept. 23, at 11 a.m., at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. "Soap Talk" co-hosts Lisa Rinna and Ty Treadway will bring you exclusive interviews, video clips, star chats and much more.

VIP seats are limited to the first 100 people who sign-up, and sign-ups are first-come, first served. Bus transportation will be provided and will depart from the Tropics, Building 589 on Schofield Barracks, at 9:30 a.m. The bus will return to the Tropics at approximately 1:45 p.m.

Don't miss the opportunity to see this 10-time Emmy-nominated show. To sign-up, visit the Tropics today or call 655-0002 for more information.

## ONGOING

**Family Child Care** — Individuals interested in caring for children in their home should inquire with the Child and Youth Service's Family Child Care program. Benefits include free training, additional income and flexible hours.



For more information, call either the Aliamanu Military Reservation FCC office at 837-0236 or the Schofield Barracks FCC at 655-8373.

**Tropic Lightning Museum** — The Tropic Lightning Museum on Schofield Barracks will be closed on Saturdays effective due to a shortage of staff. Hours of operation will be from Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 655-0438.

**Army Community Theater** — Tickets are now available for Richardson Theater's 63rd season featuring "Guys & Dolls," "Kismet," "Cats," and "Damn Yankees." Ticket prices range from \$12 to \$20, and season subscriptions and individual tickets can be purchased from the box office open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tickets may also be purchased from the ACT Web site at <http://www.squareone.org/ACT/tickets.html>. Call 438-4480 for more information.

**Sunday Brunch** — Experience a delightful meal featuring brunch favorites along with numerous other choices at Reggie's on Schofield Barracks from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or at Fort Shafter's Hale Ikena from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cost varies by location and children's pricing is available. Call Hale Ikena at 438-1947 or the Nehelani at 655-4466 for reservations or information.

**Karaoke at Waianae Beach** — Sing along to popular music at this activity held Mondays through Thursdays from 7 to 11:30 p.m., and Fridays from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Call 696-4778 for more information.

**Tropic Lightning** — Enjoy a fast and hot lunch buffet, Monday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Reggie's.

## HACN TV Schedule

Morning	
6:00	Sign On
6:30	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
6:35	Coqui Frog Invasion in Hawaii
6:55	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 3
7:00	Bulletin Board
7:30	What's Down the Drain
7:38	White Face
7:53	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 3
8:00	Hawaii Army Report
8:36	Army News Watch
9:00	Pentagon Channel
10:00	White Face
10:20	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
10:26	Bulletin Board
11:00	Coqui Frog Invasion in Hawaii
11:21	Jake Shimabukuro
11:34	Mau
12:00	Hawaii Army Report
12:33	Pentagon Channel
Afternoon	
2:00	After the Storm
2:23	Bulletin Board
2:53	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
3:00	Shamu: The Sea Turtle Story
3:33	Coqui Frog Invasion in Hawaii
3:57	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 2
4:00	Pentagon Channel
Evening	
6:00	Hawaii Army Report
6:30	What's Down the Drain
6:38	Community Focus
6:53	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
7:00	NFL: Turf Talk
7:53	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
8:00	What's Down the Drain
8:09	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 4
8:14	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 5
8:24	Coqui Frog Invasion in Hawaii
8:50	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
8:56	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 1
9:03	White Face
9:32	Bulletin Board
10:03	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 5
10:11	NFL: Throwbacks
11:01	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 6
11:06	White Face
11:20	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 5
11:27	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 4
11:32	Coqui Frog Invasion in Hawaii
11:52	Welcome Home Redeployment Montage 3
Overnight	
	Pentagon Channel

## Community Calendar

### AUGUST

#### 29 / Monday

**Hui O Na Wahine Super Sign-Up** — The Hui O Na Wahine, an all-ranks spouses club, will host an annual sign-up on Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Nehelani on Schofield Barracks. Local vendors and community organizations will attend.

If you are interested in joining the club, annual membership is \$20 for spouses of staff sergeants and below, and \$25 for sergeants first class and above. Call Steffanie at 624-5491 for vendor requirements or general information.

#### 30 / Tuesday

**Pacific Century Fellows Program** — The Pacific Century, a charitable community service organization, is accepting applications statewide for its 2005 to 2006 Pacific Century Fellows Program. The program, established by Mayor Mufi Hannemann in 1996, is modeled after the White House Fellows Program and is designed to recognize and encourage Hawaii's future lead-

ers. The deadline to apply is Aug. 30.

The nine-month program is open to 25 promising individuals in the community who are in their mid-20s to early 40s, including military personnel. Fellows will be selected by a committee based on their ability to set and achieve goals, leadership qualities and volunteer and civic activities. Past graduates include many of our top business and community leaders today.

Application forms and more information are available by calling Charlyn Dote, program coordinator, at 235-3733. Applications are also available on the program's Web site at [www.pacificcenturyfellows.com](http://www.pacificcenturyfellows.com).



## SEPTEMBER

### 1 / Thursday

**Special Olympics Hawaii** — Special Olympics Hawaii needs your help. We are recruiting volunteers for the "2005 Cop on Top" Law Enforcement Fundraiser to be held Sept. 1 through 3 at various Safeway

store rooftops.

Officers will take to the rooftops of 12 Safeway stores with a commitment to remain up on the roofs for three consecutive days to raise money for Special Olympics Hawaii. Volunteers are needed to create excitement and collect money on the ground, while police officers atop roofs.

Contact volunteer coordinator Cindy at 943-8808, extension 27, or e-mail [volunteers@specialolympicshawaii.org](mailto:volunteers@specialolympicshawaii.org).

### 6 / Tuesday

**Protestant Women of the Chapel** — PWOC will kick off its fall session with a luncheon on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 9 a.m. in Room D-9 of the main post chapel. Fall Bible studies will be introduced, as well as speakers, special music, sign-ups for book clubs, scrapbook clubs and a potluck lunch.

Free, prearranged child care is available. Call Effie at 624-8251 for more information, or call Kristi at 674-0909 for child care sign-up.

### 8 / Thursday

**Hui O Wahine** — Fort Shafter's Hui O Wahine, an all ranks spouse club, will hold a membership welcome tea on Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. to noon at Fort Shafter. For more information contact, Cuddy Eyre at 841-

1978 or Sandy Goetz at 838-1645.

**Army Career and Alumni Program** — ACAP will host a lunchtime workshop to help you prepare for a job fair. The "How to Work a Job Fair" class will be held on Thursday, Sept. 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Schofield Barracks ACAP Center located in the Aloha Center, Building 690, Room 3H.

The workshop is open to all ACAP clients and their family members. Call the ACAP Center at 655-1028 to reserve a seat.

### 13 / Tuesday

**Joint Employment Management System Job Fair 2005** — JEMS will hold its annual job fair on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at Club Pearl on Pearl Harbor from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year JEMS anticipates 100 companies will participate in this extraordinary event.

The job fair is open to military family members, active duty personnel, military retirees and reservists, and DOD/Coast Guard employees with base access. No children will be admitted.

This job fair is a great opportunity to talk to recruiters, drop off resumes, pick up applications and research the job market. For more

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## Sgt. Smith Theater

Today	Fantastic Four 7 p.m. (PG-13)
Saturday	The Island 7 p.m. (PG-13)
Sunday	High Tension 7 p.m. (R)
Wednesday	Fantastic Four 7 p.m. (PG-13)
Thursday	The Island 7 p.m. (PG-13)

The theater is closed Monday & Tuesday.

# Family child care seeks community helpers

Story and Photo by  
Spc. Juan Jimenez  
Staff Writer

Every parent wants the best for their kids — from the best medical insurance to the best diapers, the best toys and the best child care service. However, military parents know all too well about the struggle to find and enroll their child in a daycare center.

The Family Child Care Center is making it easy for parents to have a good, safe and inexpensive child care service. The U.S. Army, Hawaii, Family Child Care Program prides itself in providing certified caregivers that work in a home environment for children of government employees.

The FCC is a service provided by an adult family member living in military housing. The service ensures a safe and healthy environment for children while their parents are at work. It also ensures quality by conducting an extensive background check on every FCC provider, his or her spouse and children who are 12 years of age and older.

The FCC director and inspectors visit and evaluate the FCC provider's home to make sure it meets their safety standards.

"Their homes go through safety, health and fire inspections," said Cindy Beland, Schofield Barracks' FCC director.

Future providers must attend classes on health, nutrition, child abuse and neglect identification and reporting procedures. They are also required to be certified in infant and adult CPR and first aid before they



Laura Olson, (top right) a FCC provider works closely with Mathew Voog.

are allowed to care for children.

Each year following their initial training, providers take a CPR recertification course to refresh and maintain their skills.

"We make a provider go through all this training because we want the children in our care to enjoy the safest, cleanest and

healthiest environment possible," said Beland.

Each provider is limited to offer care to six children including his or her own. This arrangement works very well for stay-at-home mothers.

"The number one reason I do this [program] is so I can stay home with my kids and still earn my own

income," said Laura Olson, an FCC provider on Schofield Barracks. "Plus, I love what I do. It's fun.

"We're like second parents to these kids and it's really nice to have them around," she added.

As part of the FCC service, Olson and other providers carry out daily activities to enhance

social, emotional, physical and cognitive development.

Providers are trained to arrange activities with a variety of toys and equipment. They also plan activities that include group play, outdoor play, language and muscle activities.

To participate, parents must first register their children with the Child and Youth Services Registration Office at the Schofield Barracks, or Aliamanu Military Reservation [AMR]. Registration is \$18 for one child, \$36 for two children and \$40 for three or more.

When called by the registration office, parents will receive the name of a provider with an opening date. When parents choose a certified FCC home they are responsible for scheduling an interview with the provider. After the interview, they will enter into a contract with the selected FCC provider.

The FCC is currently looking for interested child care providers who want to get certified to become a FCC provider and work from home.

"Due to PCS [permanent change of station] and ETS [expiration term of service], we have lost a lot of our staff, and we need people to help the program by becoming certified and providing this service to those parents who want their kids in a home environment," said Susan Tanoue, AMR FCC director.

"This is a great opportunity for people to work from home, provide a service to parents and make your own income," said Beland.

For more information on how to become a Family Child Care provider, call AMR at 837-0236 or Schofield Barracks at 655-8373.

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information, visit the JEMS Web site at <http://www.JEMSHawaii.com> and click on "Job Fair/Events," or contact Rita May at 473-0190.

### 28 / Wednesday

**Hale Koa "Oktoberfest"** — Experience the best Oktoberfest this side of the Rhine River at the Hale Koa Hotel's Banyan Tree Brauhaus from Sept. 28 through Oct. 2.

Practice your chicken dance and polka with traditional music provided by Neil Gow and the Five Knights, and then enjoy authentic German cuisine prepared by German-born executive chef, Rolf Walter.

Specialties include bratwurst, sauerbraten, apfel strudel and Black Forest cake, and tickets for this most popular event go on sale Monday, Aug. 29. Call 955-0555, extension 546, to reserve your spot at this annual sell-out event.

### 30 / Friday

**Joint Spouses Conference Registration** — The 11th Annual Joint Spouses'

Conference — a forum for military spouses from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard — will be held Friday, Sept. 30, and Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Nehelani, Schofield Barracks.

Registrants may choose from more than 65 workshops with an array of interests including cultural arts, cooking, health and fitness, parenting, career enhance-

ment, military benefits and more.

The cost is \$25 for both days or \$15 Friday or Saturday only, and the fee includes workshops, two continental breakfasts, two lunches and a conference tote bag.

Seating is limited to 400, so get your registration forms in early. All forms must be postmarked by Friday, Sept. 16.

Children are not permit-

ted to attend and child care is not available.

Registration begins today through Sept. 16. Forms may be picked up at military exchanges, commissaries, support centers, thrift shops and chapels.

Or, register online or download the registration form at [www.jointspousesconference.com](http://www.jointspousesconference.com).

For more information, contact Army liaison Beverly

Tate at 778-8696.

## ONGOING

**The Hawaiian Humane Society** — The Hawaiian Humane Society, along with participating veterinarians, is offering a \$5 microchip service for cats and dogs during the month of August.

To take advantage of this opportunity, contact your veterinarian for more details.



U.S. Army Photo

U.S. Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur signs the Instrument of Surrender, as Supreme Allied Commander, effectively ending World War II.

## Battleship Mo marks the 60th anniversary of war

The September 2 event will honor all veterans

USS Missouri Memorial Assoc.  
News Release

PEARL HARBOR — On the 60th anniversary of the formal end of World War II, veterans will commemorate the historic date where America was drawn into the war, on the very same vessel where it ended — the Battleship Missouri.

The USS Missouri Memorial Association will host "The End of World War II," a ceremony in honor of all World War II veterans, celebrating the day peace was restored to the world.

The event will be held on Sept. 2 beginning at 8:45 a.m. at the Battleship Missouri Memorial — which coincides with the timing of Japan's 1945 surrender on the USS Missouri. The event will take place at Pier Foxtrot-5, Ford Island, Pearl Harbor; however, space is limited, and preference will be provided veterans.

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye of

Hawaii is the event's honorary chair. The third most senior member of the U.S. Senate, Inouye earned the nation's highest award for military valor, the Medal of Honor, for his service in World War II as part of the U.S. Army's 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the famed "Go for Broke" regiment of Soldiers of Japanese ancestry.

The keynote speaker will be Adm. Gary Roughead, commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet. Other distinguished guests include Hawaii State Governor Linda Lingle and decorated veterans who survived the war, including the Bataan Death March.

### The historic date

On Sept. 2, 1945, World War II ended with Japan's formal surrender on the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay. Today, the Missouri is operated as a floating museum on Battleship Row in Pearl Harbor, berthed a mere ship-length away from the USS Arizona.

More than 2,000 sailors and Marines stationed on the Missouri jammed into every possible observation area to watch Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Adm. Chester Nimitz and a contingent of U.S. and Allied officers accept Japan's unconditional surrender in Tokyo Bay.

"As the world approaches the 60th anniversary of the formal end of World War II, we hope to ensure that humanity will always remember the courage and sacrifices of those who served," said retired U.S. Navy Vice Admiral Robert K.U. Kihune, chairman of the USS Missouri Memorial Association, caretaker of the battleship.

### Modern-day commemorations

The Missouri ceremony will be the culmination of a multitude of commemorative events taking place this year to mark various important milestones.

For more event details or an invitation to the ceremony, call 455-1600, extension 244, or visit [www.ussmissouri.org](http://www.ussmissouri.org).

### Part Two of Two

## Prior planning helps to ensure delivery of scratch-free vehicles

Capt. Irene D.A. Hanks  
Chief of Claims

A successful permanent change of station move is the result of planning and hard work. Unfortunately, the possibility always exists that some items will be lost or damaged during a shipment.

In Part One of this two-part series, last week, we looked at what it takes to ensure a smooth household goods move. Today, we provide tips to help ensure your vehicle makes its way to your destination, scratch-free.

What are things I should accomplish before shipping my vehicle?

- Ensure that your vehicle is thoroughly cleaned. This task will allow the Vehicle Processing Center (VPC) to complete a thorough inspection of your vehicle.

Therefore, remove all nonessential personal property from your vehicle. The only items that should remain in your vehicle are items that reasonably belong in a car such as floor mats, jumper cables and other items needed for roadside repairs.

CDs, money and personal items should not be left in the car during shipment.

- Make sure all electronic and other stereo equipment is bolted to the automobile. If these items are not bolted to the vehicle, your claim for stereo equipment will not be paid.

- Make sure the VPC inspector notes the true condition of your vehicle. Just as with your household good items, once you sign the DD Form 788 for your vehicle, you have agreed to any pre-existing damage to your vehicle. Make sure you read this form prior to signing.

If the inspector writes a pre-existing damage that you do not agree with, make sure you note this disagreement in a statement on the DD Form 788 prior to signing the form.

What are things I should accomplish after shipping my vehicle?

- Thoroughly inspect your vehicle upon delivery. Do this prior to leaving

### ON THE WEB

Get "Its Your Move" online at [ftp://pubs.army.mil/pub/epubs/pdf/p55\\_2.pdf](ftp://pubs.army.mil/pub/epubs/pdf/p55_2.pdf).

the PVC. You must attempt to discover all damage, both physical and mechanical, before you leave the PVC premises. Otherwise, you will have a difficult time demonstrating that the damages occurred during shipment.

- You may have the option of settling the claim immediately. The VPC may offer to pay your claim on the spot. The decision to accept an on-site settlement is up to you.

If you do accept an on-site settlement, you will be precluded from making a claim against the government for the same damages. You will not have the opportunity to get a repair estimate for the on-site settlement, and your acceptance or refusal of the on-site offer is final.

- Note any damage. Damage should be noted on the DD Form 788 at the time of pickup. If your vehicle is dirty at the time of pickup, and no car wash facilities are available, take and wash your vehicle immediately.

If new damage is discovered, bring your vehicle to the claims office for inspection within 24 hours. If you are unable to come to the claims office, call the office and explain the situation and the damage.

If you wish to file a claim, contact the local Army claims office, and personnel will provide you with the necessary information for filing a claim. The claims office will need your DD Form 788, a copy of your orders, insurance documents if you have private insurance, and, if you do not have private insurance, two estimates of repair.

For more information concerning the shipment of your vehicle, ask your transportation office for a copy of the pamphlet "Moving Your Mobile Home and Shipping Your POV."

# Sappers win it all!



Spc. Juan F. Jimenez

The Sappers celebrate their sweet victory over Tripler on Tuesday night at Stoneman Field on Schofield Barracks.

Spc. Juan F. Jimenez  
Staff Writer

Pitcher Brian Cox from the Tripler "Wrecking Crew" team and pitcher Walt Howell from the 65th Engineer Company's Sappers met again for the fourth year in a row to put on a classic pennant race at Stoneman Field on Schofield Barracks, Tuesday night.

The Tripler team came in proud and confident after beating the Sappers for the last three years in a row. They knew it was going to be a tough game, but they had confidence in their team.

When the game began, the Sappers hurried to score four runs in the first inning to demoralize Tripler, who in turn tried to answer back, but failed, only producing high pop flies that hung over the outfield giving the fielders all the time in the world to make the play.

The Sappers seemed unstoppable until the fourth inning when Tripler took advantage of the errors committed by the Sappers, giving Tripler an opportunity to close the gap to create a comeback.

Bottom of the fifth, Sappers at bat, the pitcher readied himself. He

looked, he threw, and bing, bing, that was all Tripler pitcher Cox heard.

The Sappers took advantage of the frustration they saw building up in Tripler's pitcher and team.

"He didn't have any control of anything he pitched, and they started making mental mistakes, so we took advantage of that," said Scott Miles, shortstop for the Sappers.

Tripler had a tough fifth inning. Cox gave up a walk and Sappers earned another six runs batted in (RBIs).

The inning was over and Tripler knew it didn't have a chance, but still players held their heads high and continued to play.

The last two innings of the game, the Sappers were flawless, showing they deserved the championship. Sapper defense played a great roll in keeping the Tripler team down to only six runs.

The game moved on and both teams looked as if they couldn't play anymore. Both were tired and ready to go home until the seventh inning.

Bottom of the seventh, two outs, man on first and third, it was the last chance for Tripler to make something happen. A high fly ball went to center

field, and both teams waited to see what would happen next.

They watched center fielder Ariel Romero as he called his players off the ball to make the catch.

The Sappers won the U.S. Army Hawaii Men's Intramural Softball Champions.

"What a great game it was," said Tripler Head Coach Steve Burton. "I don't think the team did anything wrong; we just got beat by a better team tonight. I just give credit to the 65th Engineers because they played a very complete game, both defensively and offensively.

"They hit well, they didn't make many big errors and they did what they needed to do to win the game," he added. "That's the way it goes; someone has to lose."

"This is the first official thing [championship] for 65th Engineer Company," said Sappers Head Coach Walt Howell. "So, obviously we are setting the standards right off the bat. You'll see more good things come from us in the future. It felt sweet to finally beat these guys," Howell emphasized.

The final score was Sappers 12, Tripler 6.

# Community Sports

## AUGUST

### 27 / Saturday

**Women's Equality Day Run** — The 11th Annual Women's Equality Day Celebration will be held tomorrow on Stoneman Field, Schofield Barracks, at 7 a.m.

Attendees can participate in the 5K fun run, the one-mile children's run, children's activities, and information booths on women and community issues. Plus, enjoy guest speakers and refreshments.

Early registration goes today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Foote Gate Guard Post. Race day registration goes from 6:30 to 6:50 a.m.

This event is sponsored by the 500th Military Intelligence Brigade. Call Sgt. 1st Class Vickers at 655-6111 or Sgt. 1st Class Finholm at 655-3631 for information and registration forms.

## SEPTEMBER

### 1 / Thursday

**Sergeant Audie Murphy Club Run** — The club is sponsoring a 5K charity run on Sept. 1 at Sills Field, Schofield Barracks. Its purpose is to give back to the local community for all the help and support provided to the club over the years.

Registration continues through today at the Tropics from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Or, register with your unit Sgt. Audie Murphy brigade representative or brigade command sergeant major, immediately.

Check-in time for this run is 5 to 6 a.m. Each team



can have a minimum of five runners, and all runners in the group must complete the run to place. First through third place teams will receive a trophy, and trophies will be awarded to the top four individual finishers in male and female categories.

Runners can designate which charity they would like their proceeds to go to from the names listed on the registration or flyer. The registration fee is \$12 and includes a T-shirt. For more information, call 782-9535 or 655-2879.

### 24 / Saturday

**National Hunting and Fishing Day** — The Hawaii Hunter Education Program presents the 34th National Hunting and Fishing Day at the Kokohead Shooting Range near Hanalei Bay. Bring a canned food or cash donation for the Hawaii Food Bank, and you will receive an activity coupon to participate in a skeet, .22 cal rifle/handgun, muzzleloader, archery, airgun, or a fish-casting contest.

Lots of fun and demonstrations, food and prizes will be the order of the day. This event will be held Saturday and Sunday from 10

a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 587-0200.

## ONGOING

**Schofield Junior Bowling League** — The fall youth bowling season has begun, but interested youth can still register for at least the next two weeks.

This handicap league gives novice and experienced youth bowlers a chance to compete not only at the Schofield Bowling Center but also in travel league competition across Oahu.

The league will last 30 weeks, costs \$7 each session and is open to bowlers under 22 years of age. All skill levels are welcome.

Costs include coaching for all levels, trophies and United States Bowling Conference membership. Contact Phil Weyl at 623-3009 for registration information.

**Local Sports Calendar Briefs** — Do you have sports announcements of upcoming events or activities you'd like to post in the Hawaii Army Weekly?

If so, e-mail your information to editor@hawaiiarmyweekly.com at least two weeks in advance.

# MWR Sports

## AUGUST

### 26 / Today

**Company Level Flag Football** — The deadline to register for company-level intramural sports flag football is today. The season will run from Sept. 6 to Dec. 2. Visit your nearest fitness center for more details or call 655-0856/0101.

### 27 / Saturday

**Hawaii Championship Wrestling** — The action is back at the Tropics. Pro wrestlers will face-off live from 7 to 10 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Cost is \$5 for general admission, \$3 for 11 years and under, and free for age 5 and under. Call 655-0002 for more information.

### 30 / Tuesday

**Basketball Shootout** — Parents and children can team up in this unique basketball shootout event. The event format positions parents as rebounding and then passing the basketball to children.

The shootout is open to children in ages 5 to 14 and will be held at both the Fort Shafter Youth Gym and the Schofield Barracks Bennett Youth Center Gym.

The shootout for youth, ages 9 to 14, will go Friday, Sept. 30, while youth ages 5 to 8 will shoot it out on Friday, Oct. 7.

Registration begins Aug. 30 and will continue through Sept. 21. Cost is \$10 and includes a T-shirt for the youth participant. For more information, call 438-9336.

## SEPTEMBER

### 4 / Sunday

**Ladies Golf Clinic** — A free golf clinic will be held today at the Leilehua Golf Course located right outside the gate of Wheeler Army Air Field. The clinic will last for one hour and will begin promptly at 3:30 p.m.

All required equipment will be provided to participants and advance reservations are recommended. For more details or to reserve your space, call 655-4653.

### 7 / Wednesday

**Fantasy Football** — Fantasy Football Draft Night starts this week and continues every Wednesday throughout the NFL season.

Individuals are invited to put on their coaching hat and draft their team of players for the first game of the NFL season being held on Sept. 8 at Reggie's.

An all-you-can-eat taco bar will be available to enjoy for only \$9.95, and it comes with a pitcher of a selected beverage.

Participants who draft a winning team have an opportunity to win great prizes. Visit Reggie's today from 4 to 7 p.m. to partake in the fun.

For more information, call 655-0660.

**Pick-Up Sports** — Army youth, ages 10 to 18, can be active in sports without league rules or practices. Various activities such as volleyball, basketball, badminton and kickball will be conducted weekly at both the Bennett Youth Center on Schofield Barracks and at Aliamanu Military Reservation Youth Center every Wednesday from 3 to 6 p.m. beginning Sept. 7.

This program is free and no registration is required. For more information, contact your local area Youth

Sports director.

### 8 / Thursday

**NFL Season Kick-Off** — Visit Reggie's today to watch the first NFL game of the season and cheer your favorite team on. Individuals participating in the Fantasy Football Draft Night promotion held on Wednesdays have an opportunity to receive a prize if their team wins.

Stop by and enjoy contests, games, prizes and food specials beginning at 5 p.m. Call 655-0660 for more details.

### 20 / Tuesday

**Youth Mini-Sports Basketball** — Youth can learn about basketball and basic skills in the Youth Mini-Sports Basketball program. All youth born in 2000 to 2001 are invited to participate in the program, which runs from Sept. 20 to Nov. 10.

Registration runs through Sept. 13. Cost is \$10 and includes a T-shirt for the participant. For more details, call your nearest Army Youth Sports Center.

## ONGOING

**Personal Trainers** — Personal trainers are available to help individuals develop a specialized program to improve their fitness level. These experts can assist with building muscle, losing body fat, and increasing flexibility and nutrition.

Cost is \$30 per hour. Call 655-8007 for more information.

**Muscle Moves** — Tone your muscles using a variety of equipment, including bands, dumbbells, exercise balls and more. Classes are offered every Friday at the Schofield Barracks Health and Fitness Center at 11:45 a.m. Call 655-8007 for more.