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Sgt. Maj. of the Army addresses local Soldiers

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From private first class, all the way up the chain of command to the most senior enlisted non-commissioned officers stationed in Hawaii, Soldiers gathered shoulder-to-shoulder at the Staff Sergeant Smith Theater, Schofield Barracks, to hear what Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston had to say.

Staff Sgt. Clinton Magnuson, 2nd Brigade, 14th Cavalry, and his platoon arrived two hours early just to get seats in the theater.

"It's always important to hear what the Sergeant Major of the Army has to say," Magnuson said. "I want to hear his plans for the Army, his guidelines and what advice he has for his leaders,"

Magnuson added as he and his platoon waited in the crowded theater for Preston's arrival.

Preston spoke mainly about the high operational tempo of today's Army and the need to provide Soldiers with more predictability and stability. He also addressed the issues of retention and re-enlistment.

For senior noncommissioned officers like Master Sgt. Carl Howard, rear detachment G 3/5, 25th Infantry Division, sergeant major, those issues are principal-

ly important.

"Predictability and stability are particularly important to me and my family for several reasons," he said. "We have children, and it is particularly tough on them to have to move every two to three years to establish new friends and get introduced to a whole new environment.

"[Predictability and sustainability] also allows me and my wife to plan out our future with more certainty," Howard continued. "If we like a duty station, we can stay for an extended period of time. Should we not like it, we have the option to leave."

After his speech, Preston took questions, giving Soldiers a chance to speak directly into the

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'Rear D' takes the helm at Schofield

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As the dust settles following the recent deployment of major elements of the 25th Infantry Division (ID), the Tropic Lightning Division's Rear Detachment (rear D) commander, Col. Timothy M. Ryan, visited with the Hawaii Army Weekly about the role of his command and his vision for the next 12 months.

A veteran of peacekeeping missions in Bosnia-Herzegovina and conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq, Ryan has served in Hawaii for five years, four of those in the division. He previously commanded a battalion in Fort Bragg, N.C.

As the rear detachment commander, Ryan commands all 25th ID units and personnel that remain in Hawaii.

"[I'm] a personnel officer, by

trade ... a human resources officer, which affords me some insight into the types of Soldier actions

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that we'll be dealing with in the rear detachment" said Ryan, during a recent interview with Pfc. Matthew Moeller, a photojournalist with the 17th Public Affairs Detachment.

What is your role as rear detachment commander?

I view our (rear detachment) primary responsibilities in three categories: taking care of family members who remain in Hawaii, supporting our deployed commanders and Soldiers through lim-

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Pfc. Tamara Smith (forefront) and her team charge a tier front and prepare to draw fire during ECP training at Camp Buehring, Kuwait.

3rd Bde. readies for entry control points

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CAMP BUEHRING, Kuwait — Back home at Schofield Barracks, Soldiers, civilians and family members pass through them all the time traveling on and off post. To the Schofield community, these rights of passage to the post are known as Macomb, Lyman, Foote, and McNair gates, but for a unit from the 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) forward deployed, these entryways are now known as entry control points.

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3IBCT conducted ECP training Aug. 21 in the deserts of Kuwait, preparing for future missions in Iraq.

"Today we are honing our entry control point procedures and skills," said 1st Sgt. Angelo Lisondra, first sergeant, HHC, 3IBCT.

The 3IBCT is currently training in Kuwait to help support Operation Iraqi Freedom. The brigade will conduct training on various ranges, including periods of instruction on vehicle movement techniques and responding to improvised explosive device (IED),

all to sharpen Soldiers' skills prior to continuing into Iraq.

Before performing the live-fire portion of the ECP range, the unit received a short class on the potential threats Soldiers may face at the gate, how to recognize those threats and respond to possible enemy actions against a forward operating base (FOB).

Soldiers reviewed diverse procedures for verifying personal identification and inspecting vehicles. For example, they surrounded an old, blue sedan positioned on the range and walked through various methods to conduct a thorough vehicle search.

After the classes, Soldiers separated into teams designated as quick reaction force (QRF). A QRF team is called into action when an enemy threat has clearly been determined and when protecting an FOB is critical.

As members of the QRF, Soldiers of HHC, 3IBCT, learned valuable teamwork and respect for the location and position of their fellow team members. They worked side-by-side to engage a quickly approaching enemy.

Within close proximity, each member of the QRF considered how individual actions could impact the Soldier to the left or right, while staying focused on the enemy.

"It's good that we got out here to do this [ECP] training because the Soldiers who will be put on ECP detail will be safer, and they'll have a better idea of what to do," said Sgt. Samuel Allen, Colt team chief, Team 2, HHC, 3IBCT.

Soldiers agreed they learned a great deal during ECP training.

"The best thing about the training was the coaching and team building," said Lisondra, explaining his Soldiers are communicating better in teams and with one another.

"It was pretty good training," said Pfc. Tamara Smith of Supply, HHC, 3IBCT. "It was hands on, and we were doing clearing procedures and firing. It teaches you clearing and muzzle awareness," she said. "I already know it [muzzle awareness], but since we're out here, I have to think about it, and I know that it is really needed. We are taught safety first."

Garrison cracks whip on energy waste habits

AIKO BRUM
Managing Editor

WHEELER ARMY AIR FIELD — A popular hotel chain says, "We'll leave the light on for you," but not so at Army installations across the United States.

With renewed vigilance, Soldiers and Department of the Army (DA) employees are being reminded to turn off the lights, air conditioners and fans — anything that's running unnecessarily and wasting dollars.

National and DA energy policies now aim to reduce or eliminate energy waste, increase energy efficiency, reduce dependence on fossil fuels, conserve water resources, and improve energy security.

Several revived mandates (the August 2005 Army Energy Strategy, signed by both the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Army; the Energy Policy Act of 2005; guidance released by President Bush in September 2005; and Army Regulation 420-1) are holding users accountable for wasted energy.

"The user does actually have control and power," said Joe Feind, resource efficiency manager and Tetra Tech contractor at the Department of Public Works (DPW) here, who's been busy getting out a very simple local message: "If you're not using it, turn it off!"

In north and south areas of U.S. Army Garrison (USAG), Hawaii, building energy monitors (BEMs) and unit energy conservation officers (UECOs) have been charged to help users under their purview become good energy stewards. In the simplest of ways — such as turning off computer monitors, task lighting and fans when not in use — DPW hopes personnel appointed as BEMs and UECOs, and ultimately users, can help cut about 20 percent from the garrison's \$45 million annual utility bill.

"Each year, \$45 million of our resources are spent on energy and water," said Col. Howard J. Killian, commander, USAG, Hawaii. "I am personally committed to sustaining our natural and fiscal resources by ensuring that each of us in the Army community participates in the effort to conserve energy and water," he said.

Killian signed a memorandum appointing UECOs as the point of contact for units and directorates regarding energy and water conservation, and BEMs as the "go-to" people for specific build-

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Provost Marshal Corner

Alcohol a factor in 17 reported cases

(Editor's Note: Information in this column is general in nature and a roll up of incidents as they are reported to the Military Police during the time frames stated.)



Cumbo

COL. JACQUELINE CUMBO
Provost Marshal, 25th Infantry Division

Crime data provided is to make Soldiers and family members aware of trends that may be developing in or around their community. The Provost Marshal Office (PMO) uses this data to direct patrol activities designed to apprehend offenders and eliminate these occurrences.

In our joint fight against crime, PMO asks that you use this information and take proactive measures to avoid being a victim. Report suspicious activity to the Military Police at Fort Shafter, 438-7114; at Schofield Barracks, 655-7114, or dial 911 for emergencies.

Crime statistics Aug. 1 – 15

•At Fort Shafter and south areas

The Fort Shafter PMO reported a total of 21 cases during this period. They included two assault cases, one of which took place

at Aliamanu Military Reservation (AMR) involving two U.S. Army staff sergeants. The other assault took place at Fort DeRussy where an intoxicated Soldier attempted to assault several Department of the Army (DA) police officers.

Three Soldiers were apprehended in these cases, and no serious injuries were reported.

Two reports of housebreaking were reported, one in the Fort Shafter Flats Housing area and the other at Tripler Army Medical Center's (TAMC) housing area.

The Fort Shafter Flats case resulted in the loss of computer equipment, stereo components and other personal items. The TAMC incident resulted in the loss of jewelry. In both cases the occupants were not home, and the method used to enter the housing units are unknown and under investigation.

Another attempted housebreaking also occurred at TAMC where damage was done

to the quarter's rear windows and sliding doors in an attempt to enter the housing unit. The occupants reported that nothing was reported missing.

At Fort DeRussy three privately owned vehicles (POVs) were damaged and had items stolen from them. Criminals punched the drivers' door locks of two POVs to gain entry, and personal items were taken. The other damage involved a Jeep that had its vinyl soft top slashed; plus personal items were taken.

Finally, 13 driving under the influence (DUI) reports occurred. Ten of the DUI reports involved U.S. Army Soldiers who were arrested in Honolulu. They included two sergeants, three specialists, four privates first class and one private.

The other cases were reported after the drivers attempted to enter AMR, Fort DeRussy and Fort Shafter Flats. These cases resulted with the apprehension of a Marine gunnery sergeant at AMR and a civilian at both Fort DeRussy and Fort Shafter Flats.

•At Schofield Barracks

The Schofield Barracks PMO reported 28

cases during this period, three of which were assaults. Two of these cases involved assaults between Soldiers. Two Soldiers were apprehended and one case involved alcohol. The third case resulted when a civilian employee was taken into custody after threatening another employee with bodily harm.

Five cases of domestic assault were reported on Schofield Barracks, resulting in the apprehension of five Soldiers and two family members. Two of these cases involved alcohol, and no medical attention was required in each of the five cases.

A case of indecent assault was reported on Schofield Barracks when a female Soldier reported being assaulted by an unknown civilian male in her barracks room. No further details are available at this time, and an investigation continues by the Criminal Investigation Division.

Three cases of shoplifting were reported at the post exchange (PX). In the first case, two juvenile family members were taken into custody after they attempted

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Why honor Labor Day?

For most people, Labor Day is a day to kick back, relax and enjoy as summer draws to a close and school ramps up. However, Labor Day is the culmination a 100-year-plus movement dedicated to improving working conditions and pay.

Origins

Prior to major organized movements, workers endured 10- to 12-hour days under poor working conditions and for meager pay. And though U.S. workers had been fighting for improvements for decades, other movements around the world may have contributed to their cause.

April 21, 1856 – In a movement for an eight-hour workday (eight hours for work, eight hours for recreation, eight hours for rest), stonemasons and building workers in Melbourne, Australia, stopped work and marched from the University of Melbourne to the Parliament House. The workers successfully achieved the first eight-hour day with no loss in pay.

Printers' Revolt of 1872 – In Toronto, laborers stopped working while attempting to establish a 54-hour workweek. Peter J. McGuire, general secretary of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, and a cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, was said to have received inspiration from this demonstration that led him to organize the first Labor Day in the U.S.

The first Labor Day

Though it is not universally agreed whether McGuire or Matthew Maguire, secretary of the Central Labor Union, founded the holiday, the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1882, in New York City.

In 1884, the first Monday in September was selected as the holiday, as originally proposed, and the Central Labor Union urged similar organizations in other cities to follow the example of New York and celebrate a "workingmen's holiday" on that date.

Labor Day legislation

The first governmental recognition of Labor Day came through municipal ordinances passed during 1885 and 1886. In 1887, five states (Colorado, Oregon, New York, Massachusetts and New Jersey) had recognized Labor Day. Six years later, nearly half the states observed the holiday on various days.

By June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories.

"Labor Day differs in every essential way from the other holidays of the year in any country," said Samuel Gompers, founder and longtime president of the American Federation of Labor. "All other holidays are ... more or less ... connected with conflicts and battles of man's prowess over man. ... Labor Day ... is devoted to no man, living or dead, to no sect, race, or nation."

By the numbers

- 181 million workers, according to U.S. Census
- 7.5 million workers who hold more than one job
- 5.1 million state employees
- 2.7 million civilian employees in the federal government (as of December 2005)
- 10.5 million self-employed workers
- 5 million people who work from home
- 38.4 minutes – The average time for commute in New York City, which has the longest commute among U.S. cities with 70,000 or more people.

(Editor's Note: Information compiled from: www.wikipedia.com, www.dol.gov, www.census.gov. and http://people.howstuffworks.com.)

LIGHTNING SPIRIT

God's rest allows break from labor

CHAPLAIN (MAJ.) SCOTT C. KENNEDY
Family Life Chaplain

Certainly Biblical and legal precedence exists for observing days of rest.

In Genesis we find that God created the heavens and the earth in six days, and "on the seventh day, having finished His task, God rested from all His work. And God blessed the seventh day and declared it holy, because it was the day when He rested from His work of creation" (Genesis 2:1-3 New Living Testament).

Various faith groups and denominations have interpreted "rest" in different ways and have observed their day of rest on different days, but the idea of taking time out to rest each week is a Biblical principle and a time-honored tradition all over the world.

Genesis also reminds us that we are created in God's image, so if God took a break from his labor – sat back and enjoyed the work of his hands – should we be any different?

God knew that all work and no play would lead to burnout, depression, anxiety, irritability, pessimism, anger and, eventually, hopelessness and despair, so he instituted the first "Labor Day." He called this day "holy," which meant it should be set apart from the other days as a time of rest and relaxation, a time to appreciate hard work accomplished, a time to give thanks to God, and an opportunity to become rejuvenated for another week of work.

Stephen Covey, in "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People," picks up on this principle of rest in

his seventh habit. He calls it "sharpening your saw," and Covey tells a story of a man who came up on two woodcutters in the forest. They were working tirelessly for hours to cut down a tree with a crosscut saw.

A passerby watched the two men work very hard, for quite some time, without much result. He suggested that the men take a break to rest their bodies and to sharpen their saw blade.

The dedicated woodcutters shrugged off the suggestion with a brusque, "We don't have time. We've got to get this tree cut down right away!"

The observer walked away shaking his head, wondering to himself how much quicker and easier the

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"And here we have an example of the new Digital Pattern Battle Dress Uniform"

2nd Louie By Bob Rosenburgh

19 days since last fatal accident

As of 8/30/06

Soldiers, as your daily reminder to be safe, place a "red dot" on your wristwatch.

Remember, a division training holiday will be awarded for the first 100 consecutive days with no accidental fatalities.

Voices of Lightning: "With Labor Day in mind, what do you think makes America the nation it is?"



"The pride of the people in their nation of just being an American."

Staff Sgt. Michael Morton
Hawaii Air National Guard



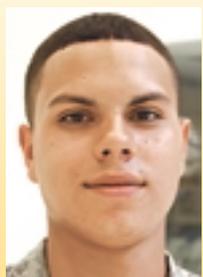
"The principles it was founded on. The people that sacrifice to keep this country free."

Sgt. Dennis Reddish
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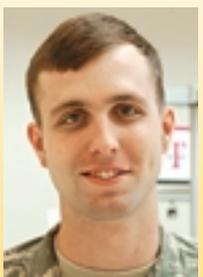
"Time off to spend with the family."

Sgt. Jorge Anaya
556th PSB Automated Logistical Specialist



"The patriotism that we have inside us makes this country run."

Sgt. Jonathan Castro
HHC, 2-25th BSB Food Service Specialist



"We focus on long-term goals, and that's what Labor Day is all about."

Spc. William Morden
2nd Bde Transformation Audio-Video Asst.



Rear D: Soldiers, families, transformation are key focus

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ited reach-back capability, and ensuring that transformation remains on track for 2nd Brigade and all associated units.

Additionally, we will continue to serve as caretakers of Schofield Barracks and of the 25th Infantry Division in the absence of General Mixon and the division's senior leaders.

As the "Rear D," what relationships and responsibilities do you share with the division's commanding general, although he is deployed?

General Mixon remains the commanding general of the 25th Infantry Division. I see myself as a steward of this command, to continue to carry forward his vision and intent.

Prior to deployment, the CG placed great emphasis on caring for and communicating with families. He also wants to ensure that Soldiers, who were not able to deploy with the division, receive timely and comprehensive support.

We will continue the emphasis in both of those areas. We also have a responsibility to maintain our community relationships. I expect we'll get routine azimuth checks throughout the deployment, several times a week, over e-mail, and at least monthly during a video teleconference.

What makes up the rear detachment?

There is essentially a commander and a senior noncommissioned officer in every battalion-sized organization. Brigades and separate battalions maintain a small staff, but occupational specialty does not always match the staff function, so we are continuing to learn each

Left — Rear Detachment Commander Col. Timothy M. Ryan

other's jobs.

The division staff also has a cadre to cover each primary and special staff area. In total, the rear detachment has 149 cadre; however, we lean very heavily on our family readiness groups (FRGs), our great Army civilians and our garrison community support agencies to help us accomplish all that needs to be done.

What are your visions and goals for forces that remain in Hawaii?

In the broadest terms, our purpose is to serve as caretakers of Soldiers, family members and facilities in Hawaii, to ensure that our leaders and Soldiers downrange are not distracted from our nation's most important mission, fighting the global war on terrorism.

Specifically, I believe we can improve and strengthen our community sponsorship programs by keeping everyone aware of our Soldiers' progress, contributions and accomplishments while deployed.

During past deployments, the local community has done an exceptional job supporting our deployed Soldiers; I'd like to see similar support extended to our family members. Their sacrifice is just as significant, and many times their challenges are greater.

In addition, as Schofield Barracks continues along the path of transformation, we need to make sure that the range complexes, and all associated infrastructure necessary for transformation, remain on track.

Do you anticipate any challenges?

Our cadre is extremely lean; however, regardless of size, I think the greatest strength of the rear detachment and the Schofield community is its experience.

I've traveled around the installation and met with many of our community leaders. I have been wholly impressed with the level of commitment of everyone on the team, from Army Community Service (ACS) to our chaplains' corps, to our family life consultants, to our local school principals.

While I am convinced that we have the best support system in the Army, I am concerned

that some families will not be familiar with all of these services and live in isolation throughout the deployment.

"Our purpose is ... to ensure that our leaders and Soldiers downrange are not distracted..."

Col. Timothy M. Ryan, "Rear D"

Are there already resources or entities in place that will benefit the rear team?

This year, FRGs — to the Army's credit — were recognized as official organizations, and with that, dollars are appropriated to support them.

Our ACS has hosted numerous training opportunities for not only our family members, but also our rear detachment command teams.

Our chaplains' corps has invited local pastors onto the installation to train them on some of the unique requirements that family members going through deployment might experience.

This is a great example of drawing on the local community in order to expand our support to families beyond the Schofield gates.

Are there any actions you plan to implement right away? What's up first on your agenda?

Our immediate focus is to train and process our first group of replacements, either those new to Schofield Barracks or those who were unable to deploy with the main body. We are also in the process of migrating some missions to garrison as part of USARPAC's (U.S. Army Pacific's flagship installation initiative.

When you say flagship installation, you mean Schofield Barracks?

The Army has adopted a philosophy that expeditionary headquarters need to maintain their focus on training, readiness and, ultimately, on deployment. Accordingly, many of the functions conducted in garrison will be assigned to the garrison leadership — that's everything from reception, to SRPs (Soldier

Readiness Processing), to installation security, to range and facilities management.

The principle behind Army modularity is for expeditionary commanders to be able to focus exclusively on warfighting. They will be able to plug into and out of the installation with minimal impact on installation operations.

My final question, how can family members help the rear detachment during this transformation and deployment?

The most important thing a family member can do is to remain engaged with their family readiness group and rear detachment commander. Information flow is probably the most difficult task we will face. Oftentimes the first rumor out of theater is incorrect.

My greatest concern is for family members who, either by choice or through inexperience, lose their association with the Army or spend the next year trying to manage their families' affairs on their own.

There is a tremendous network of support throughout our community. If family members simply plug in and stay associated with these organizations by volunteering for services on the installation, or picking up the phone or sending an e-mail, they will stay connected.

This support network is not only for immediate families remaining in Hawaii. We need to extend it to our families on the mainland — mothers and fathers, and other family members. They can stay connected through programs such as the virtual FRG or through the rear detachment.

Do you have any final thoughts you'd like to share with the community?

I believe this will be a challenging year for our Army family at Schofield, but I cannot think of a family or a team of teams that is better prepared to succeed and thrive in the year ahead.

It is the greatest honor and privilege of my Army career to be able to serve this great community.

SMA: Preston promises 'predictability, stability' for deployed units

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ear of the highest ranking noncommissioned officer in the Army.

Questions ranged from how to reimburse Soldiers who ruin their Army combat uniforms when they are training in red dirt, to whether or not Soldiers are overextended in Iraq and ready to answer other potential flare-ups throughout the world, such as in Iran and North Korea.

Preston tackled the latter question head on.

"Right now, we're trying to work ourselves out of a job in Iraq. There are all kinds of places in the world that can flare up and need 'boots on the ground,' tomorrow. We'll respond if we need to, but keep in mind that our leaders are leveraging other means so that we won't necessarily need Soldiers on the ground," Preston explained.

There are currently 252,000 Soldiers deployed in 120 countries around the world, and Preston pointed to what he called "Life Cycle Management" as the way ahead for the Army.

"In the future, when someone in the world dials 9-1-1, you'll have predictability and stability regarding when your unit is scheduled to deploy."

Preston recognized the 25th Infantry Division for its substantial contribution during the last five years to the global war on terrorism. Referring to "the long war," he noted that today's all-volunteer Army has been fighting for the past five years, longer than forces during World War II.

Howard, who listened intently in a

standing-room-only section of the auditorium, felt it was especially important for young Soldiers and noncommissioned

"Right now, we're trying to work ourselves out of a job in Iraq."

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston

officers to partake of the Sergeant Major of the Army's words of wisdom.

"How can you beat getting professional development from the Army's top sergeant major?" Howard said. "It goes without saying — it's a chance of a lifetime to take advantage of his visit. The Sergeant Major of the Army is the senior enlisted



Hundreds of Soldiers from various units throughout Hawaii listen up to Sergeant Major of the Army Kenneth O. Preston as he delivers a speech at Sgt. Smith Theater on their role in today's Army. Preston also took time out to answer questions, during his visit Monday.

The SMA interview

Q: SMA Preston, during your career you have served in leadership positions in both deployed and garrison environments. What is the most important piece of advice you want to impart to today's junior and senior NCOs (noncommissioned officers)?

A: As I look back in my career, I get asked a lot of times what has made me a success. With us right now being an Army at war, supporting a nation at war, we've got a lot going on out there.

You tell Soldiers out there to focus on being good Soldiers everyday. You focus on being an expert in your profession. You know the warrior tasks, the battle drills.

For noncommissioned officers out there, the basis of

our noncommissioned officer creed has always been "the welfare of my Soldiers and the accomplishment of the mission," and those are the two basic responsibilities for a noncommissioned officer.

The Soldiers' Creed has been demonstrated over the past two-and-a-half years as we have really worked very hard at transitioning who we are as Soldiers. Word for word, the Soldiers' Creed defines who we are as Soldiers and leaders, and what our roles and responsibilities are in our units and organizations.

Q: SMA Preston, your responsibilities as SMA require you to be away from your family a great deal. With more than 7,500 of our 25th Infantry Division Soldiers deployed what advice you want to give to the families and friends of these deployed Soldiers?

advisor to the Chief of Staff, U.S. Army."

With so many important issues facing today's Army, from privatization of Army housing, to transformation, to lengthy deployments, Soldiers left the theater with a lot to think about.

"The most important thing I took from his speech was the reason we are staying the course in Iraq," said Howard. "We must not leave Iraq less than we found it. We will not turn our backs on our allies."

"We must support the Iraqi government in their endeavors of securing a stable and structured country," Howard said. "We have assisted numerous countries in this process of rebuilding ... which has positively affected countless civilians who want nothing more than to be free."

Howard paused then said, "This is why I serve!"

A: The key to success with any relationship, especially with keeping families together, is communication. You have to communicate, communicate, and communicate.

When you're back in garrison, it's important for Soldiers and families to spend time together. To take time out of each day to spend time with each other, whether it's sitting down at a dinner meal, just to talk about what they've done during the course of the day, or spending the evening activities together, doing things on the weekend.

And of course, during the long deployments, I think that what we've done as an Army right now is to provide the systems out there for Soldiers to stay in communication with their families.

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Reserve engineers with A/411th wrap training at PTA

Story and Photo by
BOB MCELROY

Pohakuloa Training Area Public Affairs

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA — A Company 411th Engineers, U.S. Army Reserve, completed a successful annual training rotation here Aug. 25, accomplishing all of its commander's goals.

Their training was especially important because it had been more than a year since the company had been together for longer than a weekend drill, and half of the Soldiers, to include the company commander, were new to the unit.

Company Commander Capt. Mark E. Green said his goals for the annual training were to qualify Soldiers on individual and crew-served weapons, conduct individual skills and Combat Lifesaver training. Once those tasks were completed, his focus became training Soldiers on sustainable military occupational specialty (MOS) skills for engineers.

Green assumed command in June 2005, and said he was in "assessment mode" to ascertain "...who is capable of what." Given the approximately 35 new Soldiers in his unit, ranking from private to specialist, Green said it was incumbent on his experienced noncommissioned officers to teach the young Soldiers.

"We have seasoned NCOs [noncommissioned officers] who operated heavy equip-



Staff Sgt. Remel Venegas a carpenter with A Company 411th Engineers (USAR) nails a piece of plywood siding on the new range house and observation tower his unit built atop Pu'u Ahi at Pohakuloa Training Area during their annual training.

ment in Iraq. They will teach the young Soldiers how to operate it safely ... safety is paramount," Green emphasized.

Alpha Company comprises Soldiers from the Big Island, primarily Hilo and Maui. Green said that of the 68 Soldiers who were at PTA during this annual train-

ing, 23 were from Maui. The company has both a vertical and a horizontal Engineer Platoon. The Vertical Platoon constructs buildings and structures that rise from the ground; the Horizontal Platoon's focus is road building, pouring concrete and other like tasks.

When Alpha Co. Soldiers had completed weapons qualification and Combat Lifesaver training, they turned their attention to several engineer projects for PTA that would test the skills of both platoons.

The Horizontal Platoon focused on improving selected roads and ranges. At the site of PTA's new Known Distance Range Engineer Soldiers graded the ground and laid crushed rock along the road. They repeated the same task at the site of one of the forward operating bases in the training area.

The Vertical Platoon spent its time building a new structure out in the training area and renovating older ones in the cantonment area.

At Pu'u Ahi, in the training area, Engineer carpenters built a combination range house and observation tower for use by Army aviation attack-helicopter units. On PTA's cantonment area, the Engineers renovated a female Quonset hut and a shower.

Staff Sgt. Lawrence Pinheiro, from the Maui Detachment, led the carpenters at Pu'u Ahi and was impressed by his Soldiers' motivation and work ethic.

"They're quick learners and eager to work," Pinheiro said. "We have a new crew every day; we rotate them to get everyone hands-on experience."

The skills the new Engineer Soldiers gained during their annual training will help them the next time they are deployed, likely in 2009, according to Green.

Pinheiro, who has been with the company since 1995, can attest to that. He deployed to Iraq with the unit from 2004 to 2005. During the company's time in Iraq, A/411th Engineers were attached to the 1st Cavalry Division from Fort Hood, Texas, and executed a great number of carpentry and construction projects.

Despite the company's focus on unit and individual training and construction projects, some Soldiers found time to visit students at Keahu Middle School. The Engineer Soldiers joined PTA Soldiers in handing out dictionaries and other school supplies to the students.

Green said that he was extremely pleased with the annual training and that it had met all of his pre-training goals.

"All of the Soldiers stepped up well; I'm impressed beyond words," Green said.

For Pinheiro, annual training was all about leaving something behind: the knowledge he imparted to his young charges and the range house they built together.

"I like being with the new Soldiers; they're eager to learn, and we always leave something behind," he said, with quiet pride.

Deadline nears for filing body armor reimbursement claims

WASHINGTON — The Department of Defense has established Oct. 3 as the claims filing deadline for Soldiers seeking reimbursement for certain private purchases of protective, health and safety equipment such as personal body armor.

Pursuant to a 2004 Act of Congress, the armed services began reimbursing service members in November 2005 for private purchases of qualifying equipment made between Sept. 11, 2001, and April 1, 2006, if purchases were made in anticipation of or during the service member's deployment to Iraq or Afghanistan.

Soldiers who made purchases that qualify for reimbursement, and have yet to file claims,

must do so by Oct. 3. Claims should be filed with the Soldier's current unit. Former Soldiers should mail their claims to the U.S. Army Claims Service at Fort Meade, Md. These claims must be postmarked by Oct. 3.

More information on the reimbursement program, including qualifying details, instructions on how and where to file a claim, and a copy of the requisite claims form, is available at www.jagcnet.army.mil. Follow the link to the "Protective Gear Reimbursement Program."

Soldiers also may contact Maj. Paul Cuzzella at the Claims Service at 1-301-677-7009, extension 431, or by e-mail at paul.cuzzella@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil.

Online program eases uniform ordering

ARMY NEWS SERVICE
News Release

ARLINGTON, Va. — Soldiers deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait and the Horn of Africa can order uniforms via the online Army Direct Ordering (ADO) program and expect to receive them within two weeks.

ADO allows Soldiers to order ACUs complete with nametapes, rank insignia and patches. Socks, boots and other items on the Organizational Clothing and Individual Equipment list may also be ordered.

Soldiers can place ADO orders through their Army Knowledge Online accounts at <https://army.kyloc.com>. Orders are sent to the Soldier's unit ordering official for approval, then

forwarded to the Kentucky Logistics Operations Center for completion and shipment.

The program has served more than 100,000 Soldiers since its inception in 2004, and new users are signing on daily, said Harry Veneri, ADO program manager.

"This Internet-based program allows Soldiers to receive all their sustainment clothing in one box. It provides



each Soldier personalized service," Veneri said. "The response we've received via customer surveys has been overwhelmingly positive."

Units must enroll in the program before Soldiers can use it. Unit representatives can enroll 30 days before deployment, and should contact Capt. Anna M. Garcia, ADO administrator, at adoc4@arcent.army.mil, (404) 464-1963 or DSN (312) 367-1963.

94th AAMDC to oversee new Japan-based radar

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Public Affairs

HONOLULU — A new radar system being fielded by the U.S. Army will be stationed in Japan and is scheduled for activation sometime in late September as part of the Pacific missile defense shield.

The forward-based x-band transportable radar, or FBX-T, will fall under the command of the 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command (AAMDC) headquartered here and will play a large role in ballistic missile defense for the Pacific region.

FBX-T radar is capable of detecting ballistic missiles early in their flight and provides precise tracking information, according to

information provided by the Missile Defense Agency. The radar is currently in Japan going through trials until scheduled activation. The addition of this key piece of equipment will help bolster the capability of the 94th AAMDC to provide better ballistic missile defense coverage for the region.

“This radar will provide the type of coverage we need to identify threats early and defeat them quickly,” said Brig. Gen. John E. Seward, commanding general of the 94th AAMDC.

The activation of this radar has been planned for many years and is not the result of ballistic missile launches by North Korea in early July.



Spirit: Rest allows time to ‘sharpen saws’

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tree could have been cut down if only the woodcutters would have stopped to sharpen their saw.

In the Army, we have a saying, “Work smarter, not harder.” This saying would certainly apply to the woodcutters’ situation, but Covey carries his idea a little further by suggesting that whenever we take a vacation, a day off, enjoy a hobby or attend a professional development conference, we are actually sharpening off the jagged edges of our frazzled emotions. Our weary bodies will respond with increased productivity and improved mental health and personal fulfillment.

After God created humans, he gave us a mandate: “Multiply and fill the earth and take dominion over it.” Needless to say, this task was monumental, if not impossible. Aware of human tendencies to strive, to please and to perform, God built a season of rest right into the very fabric of creation.

Tides ebb and flow. Storms come and go. Wildfires rage and then the rains come. We

have approximately 12 hours of sunlight each day, and then it is dark. Even soil is not exempt from this declaration of rest. Wise farmers know they must rotate their crops, occasionally allowing some of their fields to lay fallow for a season, so that fields have time to rebuild the nutrients necessary for a good crop.

Our founding fathers were aware of this principle of rest, but as the Industrial Revolution got into full swing, production quotas and competition often caused manufacturers to drive their laborers seven days a week, with 12 to 15 hour days. Sound familiar?

So, in response to this violation of the divine principle of rest, labor unions and later the federal government, worked hard to give us back our rest. Work weeks were reduced and hours shortened, and one day each year was set aside to honor the social and economic achievements of American workers.

Labor Day constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our country. But with many of us

working long hours and rarely getting a full day off each week, we must labor to enter into God’s rest. In other words, we must work hard at making time to be at rest in the midst of our busy and hectic schedules.

The Bible says that “there is a special rest still waiting for the people of God. For all who enter into God’s rest will find rest from their labors, just as God rested after creating the world. Let us do our best (or labor) to enter that place of rest” (Hebrews 4:9-11).

Eugene Peterson paraphrases Jesus in this way:

Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me.

Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest.

Walk with me and work with me — watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you.

Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly” (Matthew 11:29; The Message).

Upcoming school events

(For a more detailed listing, contact the parent community networking coordinator, or PCNC, directly.)

Hale Kula Elementary (622-6380, ext. 237)
9/5–9/11, Parent/teacher conferences. School ends at 12:45 p.m.
9/12, Picture taking.
9/14 & 9/19, Chaperone training at 8 a.m.
9/29, Chaperone training at noon

Helemano Elementary (622-6336)
9/11, Picture taking.
9/18, Parent coffee hour, 8:30–9:30 a.m. in the library.
9/25–9/29, Spirit Week.

Leilehua High School (622-6550)
9/11–9/15, Homecoming week.

Shafter Elementary (832-3560)
9/15, Complex Professional Collaboration Day. No school for students.

Solomon Elementary (624-9500)
9/1, Reader's Digest fundraiser.
9/1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22 & 29, "Eat With Your Child" days.
9/18, Picture taking, grade 4.
9/25 & 9/26, Picture taking, all other grades.

Wheeler Elementary (622-6400)
9/22, Planning and Collaboration Day. No school for students.

Wheeler Middle (622-6525)
9/11–9/14, Scholastic Book Fair open during school hours at auditorium stage.
9/12, Scholastic Book Fair, 6–8 p.m.
9/15, Waiver day. No school for students.

Survey worth millions for schools

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School Liaison Office, U.S. Army Garrison

Survey cards brought home Tuesday by the children of federal employees could add up to millions of tax dollars reimbursed to the Hawaii Department of Education.

Schools receive federal Impact Aid based on the number of survey cards completed and returned. These cards determine the number of federally-connected students in the public school system. Federally-connected students are those children whose parents or guardians reside or work on federal property (see information box).

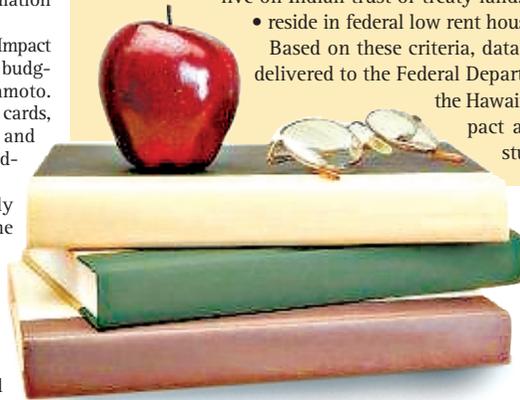
"Hawaii's public schools rely on federal Impact Aid as a significant part of the education budget," said Superintendent Patricia Hamamoto. "By filling out and returning the survey cards, parents are helping our schools claim and benefit from their authorized share of federal support."

Impact Aid is intended to partially compensate the Hawaii DOE for the families of federally-connected students who pay less in taxes into the school district than local residents. It partially makes up for local tax losses resulting from tax-free federal installations.

For example, people living on federal property do not pay local property tax. People working on federal property in turn work for companies that don't pay local property tax. Also, military families have the ability to shop at their post exchange without paying sales tax. Hawaii's school districts lose not only property tax revenue,

The law recognizes the following as eligible for Impact Aid: Children whose parents or legal guardians ...

- both live and work on federal property.
- are members of the uniformed services and reside on a military base, including children of foreign military officers.
- are members of the uniformed services, but who reside off the military base including children of foreign military officers.
- are civilian employees of the federal government or who work on federal property.
- reside on federal property, but who work on taxable land.
 - live on Indian trust or treaty land.
 - reside in federal low rent housing (not including Section 8 housing)



Based on these criteria, data is collected from survey cards and is delivered to the Federal Department of Education, which reimburses the Hawaii Department of Education (DOE) in impact aid for educating federally-connected students.

During the 2005-2006 school year, the state counted more than 29,000 federally-connected students and received more than \$44 million in federal Impact Aid, or an average of \$1,502 per student. The amount represents about 16 percent of the state's average per-pupil expenditure of \$9,338 (2004-2005 data).

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 military and civilian communities. Every card not returned will result in lost revenues to classrooms statewide.

but also sales tax and licensing fees.

Impact Aid is used in the areas that the DOE needs it most as determined by the locally-elected school board. These funds can be used for teacher salaries, school programs, materials, equipment and supplies.

Army Corps graduates first-ever class of unexploded ordnance techs

HONOLULU DISTRICT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

News Release

FORT SHAFTER – Fourteen island of Hawaii residents recently graduated as Level One unexploded ordnance technicians from the first-ever certified Ordnance Safety class sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Honolulu District, in ceremonies held at Hawaii Community College in Hilo.

"The course was presented through a validated Department of Defense facility jointly developed by our Waikoloa contractor, American Technology, Incorporated [ATI] and the University of Tennessee," said project manager Charles F. Streck Jr. of Honolulu District Waikoloa's Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS).

All participants received academic credit for the class through the University of Tennessee.

"We had great cooperative partnering from the Hawaii Community College/University of Hawaii system, Parker Ranch, and Strategic Solutions Incorporated, a nonprofit Native Hawaiian advocacy group," Streck said.

The training is paid for and sponsored



A graduate of the first-ever certified ordnance safety program class proudly displays his new level one unexploded ordnance technician t-shirt. The course was sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Honolulu District, and the graduation ceremony was held at Hawaii Community College in Hilo.

through FUDS, administered by the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Secretary of the Army's office. The training was presented to increase public awareness and sensitivity to the potential health and safety risks from unexploded ordnance on the island of Hawaii, and the Waikoloa-Waimea area specifically.

During the six-week certified course, participants were encouraged to disseminate all that they had learned during the class with their families and local communities in order to heighten public awareness and safety. Before the current course was offered, training was only available at two certified ordnance safety programs located at Texas A&M University and the University of Tennessee. Because of the cost and time investment required, few local residents who expressed an interest in the UXO course had been able to attend.

All graduates, if they choose, receive a certificate qualifying them to function as a UXO Tech I for unexploded ordnance projects.

The certification provides a journeyman-like status, which qualifies a person

to work on UXO projects, but provides no management-decision making authority. The class instruction program, however, was oriented towards satisfying the personal interest of local community members whether they wanted to use the education for vocational purposes or not. If people choose to continue this work as a vocation they can build up experience and expertise for advancement to UXO Tech job categories II & III, which affords management-decision making functions.

"Local training provided Hawaii residents an alternative from the associated travel costs and family separation, and a somewhat expensive \$15,000, six-week training at Texas A&M University or the University of Tennessee," said Clayton Sugimoto from Wil-Chee Associates, the primary contractor for organizing the training, entirely on the Big Island.

The first class of UXO technicians is representative of a diverse local community, including members of a variety of local ethnic communities including a large number of Native Hawaiians. Ages spanned from 19 to more than 60 years.



Mark Jackson | Tripler Army Medical Center Public Affairs

Col. Rhonda Cornum, command surgeon, U.S. Army Forces Command, gives a motivational speech about her experiences as a prisoner of war in the Persian Gulf during a celebration of Women's Equality Day, Aug. 21, at Tripler Army Medical Center's Kyser Auditorium.

Tripler celebrates women's equality

Former prisoner of war stirs Tripler audience with an account of her ordeal in Persian Gulf

CAMMIE MENARD

Tripler Army Medical Center Public Affairs

HONOLULU — In recognition of Women's Equality Day, Col. Rhonda Cornum, Armed Forces Command Surgeon for the U.S. Army, spoke here about the importance of Women's Equality Day and what it means to women serving in the U.S. military.

She shared her words of wisdom, courage and motivation with more than 100 attendees at Tripler Army Medical Center's Kyser Auditorium, Aug. 21.

In 1991, while serving in the Persian Gulf conflict, Cornum's Blackhawk was shot down during a search and rescue mission for one of her fellow Soldiers. She was then taken prisoner by the Iraqi Armed Forces.

Despite suffering from a multitude of injuries, Cornum drew upon her emotional strength and sense of duty to overcome all the obstacles that prisoners of war typically face. She said her heroic story illustrates that women in the military are capable of exercising bravery and leadership in times of war.

Every year, Aug. 26 commemorates Women's Equality Day. The observance was enacted through the efforts of Bella Abzug culminating in 1971.

Abzug, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, presented Congress with the idea of establishing a Women's Equality Day and picked Aug. 26 to commemorate the 1920 passage of the 19th Amendment, which is the Women's Suffrage Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that granted women the right to vote.

The annual observance of Women's Equality Day aims to bring awareness to women's' enduring efforts towards achieving full equality.

25 YEARS AGO

June 25 - 31, 1981

- The Army placed a ceiling on female enlistment, not to exceed an end strength of 65,000 this year. Women were restricted from serving in infantry, combat engineers, armor, field artillery and low-altitude, air-defense artillery units of battalion size or smaller.
- The Army changed a policy to allow up to five percent more active duty command sergeants major to stay in the Army for up to 35 years.

- The U.S. Helicopter Team, comprised of four Army crews and one civilian crew, captured both the team and individual championships in the Fourth World Helicopter Championships in Piotrkow Trybunalski, Poland.

- The bands "Heart" and the "Blue Oyster Cult" rocked Aloha Stadium this week during "Summer Blowout '81."

(Editor's note: Information compiled from Hawaii Army Weekly archives.)

News Briefs

Send calendar announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

September

Commissary meat sale — The Schofield Barracks commissary will host its first Meat Truckload Sale Sept. 1-3, in meat department display case. Due to workload requirements, meats will be sold in the cry-o-vac packaging with no further processing.

In addition, the commissary's meat department will undergo renovation Sept. 5 through 19. During the renovation, Hickam commissary will process all meat and transfer back to Schofield daily.

The commissary will be open during normal business hours (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.) for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4, and will open for early bird shoppers with 15 items or fewer at 8 a.m.

Road Closure — Due to construction work, Foote Avenue will be closed between Lewis Street and Heard Avenue Sept. 5 through Oct. 31. Road closure and detour signs will be posted through the duration of this road closure. Contact Owen Ogata at 624-7234 regarding concerns.

In addition, the Macomb Gate will be closed for the duration of the 25th Infantry Division's deployment.

South Town Hall — The next Oahu Base Support Battalion Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the AMR Chapel. A town hall meeting is a proactive forum designed to assemble directors and agency chiefs to provide information on matters pertaining to the Fort Shafter Community.

For more information, contact Rosey Stone at 438-6147.

Physician Assistant Brief — The 25th Infantry Division Surgeon is hosting an IPAP (Intra-Service Physician Assistant Program) Information Briefing Sept.

6 from 12 to 1 p.m. and Sept. 13 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Tropics on Schofield Barracks.

Topics of discussion will include: pre-application requirements, new standards for delayed acceptance and detailed information on submitting your packet for the upcoming board. There will be a question-and-answer period following the briefing.

ROCKS Ice Breaker — The Talented 10th Aloha Chapter of The ROCKS, Incorporated is hosting an ice-breaker for all warrant, field grade and company grade officers, Thursday, Sept. 7 at 5 p.m. in the Post Conference Room.

The primary goal of this non-profit organization is mentorship of junior officers to increase their success rate in the military. Eligible members are active duty, reserve, retired officers, former commissioned officers of the U.S. Armed Forces, former spouses of deceased members, and other uniformed services.

Contact Maj. Brigitte Williams at 438-2712, or email brigitte.williams@us.army.mil by Sept. 5 to R.S.V.P.

For more information, contact Capt. Princeton Wright, 655-8249 or visit the national Web site, www.rocksync.org

Prayer Luncheon — Commanders, 8th TSC and 25th ID (Rear Detachment) will host a prayer luncheon Sept. 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Schofield Barracks Nehelani Conference and Banquet Center. The purpose of the luncheon is to provide spiritual leadership and pray for Soldiers and families during this deployment cycle.

The guest speaker will be Chaplain (Col.) Hanson Boney, installation chaplain.

The 8th TSC and 25th ID (Rear Det) chaplains will distribute tickets through the command. Ticket holders will be guaranteed seats at the event. Walk-ins at the event may be admitted based on seating availability.

The event is free; however, donations may be given at the door and will support Soldier and Family Ministries through the Chaplain Tithe and Offering Fund.

Combat Chaplains — Hamilton Library celebrates the combat chaplains of Japanese-American

World War II units of the 100th Infantry Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team, Sept. 10, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Architecture Auditorium, UH-Manoa Campus.

The event, titled "Their Legacy of Service," celebrates the service of the chaplains, honors their important role in Hawaii's heritage, and applauds the publication of Israel Yost's "Combat Chaplain: The Personal Story of the World War II Chaplain of the Japanese American 100th Battalion."

This event is open to the public, and parking and admission are free. For more details, contact Jonelle Sage at 956-9932.

Sept. 11 Commemoration — Schofield Barracks will host a Sept. 11 Commemoration ceremony from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Main Post Chapel.

In addition, Fort Shafter will host a commemoration ceremony at 3 p.m. at the Palm Circle gazebo. For more information, call 836-4599.

Army Family Team Building classes — AFTB offers a variety of classes monthly to empower family members, civilians and Soldiers.

• Military Spouse 101: Sept. 7-8 at Schofield Barracks Army Community Service, and Sept. 21-22 Fort Shafter Outreach Center.

• Level 3: Sept. 12, 14, 15 at Schofield ACS. Geared towards emerging leaders in the community (FRG leaders, boy/girl scout leader, etc.) Classes include building a cohesive team and group conflict management, just to name a few.

Free child care is provided for day sessions with advance notice to the servicing Child Development Center. Children must be registered with CYS.

For more information, visit www.mwrrarmyhawaii.com, click on ACS, or call 655-4227.

Special Education Workshop — ACS Exceptional Family Member Program is hosting a free workshop series on special education and state and federal law requirements.

Workshops will be held in the ACS classrooms, Sept. 19, 21, 26, and 28, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 2091. Registration is required. For more information, call 655-4777.



Mark Brown | Army Hawaii Family Housing

Energy Conservation — Newly constructed homes at Schofield's Kalakaua Community feature photovoltaic cells (PVs), which will provide up to 30 percent of a home's electrical needs. When electricity is not being used by a home, it will be directed to an electrical grid and shared by the entire community.

Energy: Garrison hopes to trim electric bill

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ings and facilities. Appointed for accountability purposes, these representatives are already spot-checking compliance with established energy conservation measures and ensuring that corrective action is taken within two weeks when deficiencies are discovered.

Eventually, metrics compiling energy statistics will enable DPW to more thoroughly analyze energy and water consumption at Army Hawaii installations.

"It makes a huge difference because everyone is using utilities; each of us is taking a little bite out of that pie," Feind said. "But we are realistic and know that we won't get that twenty percent, boom, right off the bat — because it does take time to change attitudes. But if we only go five percent in the first year," he continued, "that amounts to more than two million dollars in savings."

The 20 percent reduction in utility expenses represents more than \$8 million in saved energy dollars, according to Feind. He said, last year the garrison purchased \$38 million of energy. This year the projected purchases are \$50 million. The increase of two-thirds, Feind said, is due to price and one-third is due to increased consumption.

To practice energy conservation ...

- Set thermostats at 74 degrees.
- Close windows & doors in air-conditioned spaces.
- Turn off lights, fans & A/C when not in use.
- Turn off all office equipment when not in use: computers, monitors, printers, shredders, and peripherals.
- Load washers & dryers till full.
- Water lawns only between 5 p.m. & 9 a.m.
- Set sprinklers for only 15 minutes duration, per day.
- Promptly repair broken appliances/equipment.
- Call DPW service desk at 656-1275 when facility maintenance is needed. *(Courtesy of Utilities Division, Department of Public Works.)*

"Every year our [nation's] consumption goes up," said Lyman Parkhurst of the U.S. Army's energy assessment team, "but energy is not limitless.

Our [energy conservation program] is about getting people to notice. ...At the operational level, the key is awareness."

Killian added, "[Parents must ensure] kids, teenagers 'get it,' too. There's a huge payoff in really doing little, simple things."

When BEMs and UECOs make their rounds through office spaces, they check an extensive list to see who and what are the biggest offenders when it comes to wasted energy dollars. For example, their checklist requires all thermostats to be set at 74 degrees and all electricity-driven equipment, except refrigerators and fax machines, to be turned off at the close of every business day.

When you walk into a room and soon are shivering, said Feind, that's a clue that the air conditioner is probably not set at 74 degrees. You shouldn't need to don a sweater to sit comfortably in an air-conditioned room, he said.

Water conservation is also part of the garrison's energy awareness program, and on-post residents must comply with established watering hours: before 9 a.m. and after 5 p.m., and limited to a 15-minute sprinkling per area.

Naturally, when watering lawns, residents and employees must also ensure that sprinklers are in fact watering grass, not streets and roadways.

Mainland posts are mailing utility bills to privatized homes

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

News Release

WASHINGTON — Some families living in privatized housing on Army installations will become responsible for their utility consumption starting Sept. 1.

Residential Communities Initiatives (RCI) will begin billing for electricity at five installations where a yearlong mock billing program was recently completed. The mock billing program established a baseline for electricity consumption through consumption patterns, housing type and size.

Residents who use less energy than what was established by their baseline will earn a rebate or credit. Those who exceed their baseline will be required to pay the difference. Residents should see their first bill on or around Oct. 1, 2006.

The installations where billing will begin are Fort Carson, Colo.; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Meade, Md.; Fort Lewis, Wash.; and Fort Campbell, Ky.

Only those residents living in new and fully renovated houses will receive energy bills.

"These homes feature Energy Star appliances, as well as additional insulation and energy-saving windows," said Ivan Bolden, RCI assistant for policy and program manager. "Energy Star is the housing industry's highest energy-saving rating."

"The majority of old homes are not individually metered so it would be difficult to gauge energy consumption," he said. "But once they are fully renovated, they will be included in the billing program."

Congress passed the Military Housing Privatization Initiative in 1996, allowing the services to privatize family housing. Guidance published by the Office of the Secretary of Defense in 1998 required service members in privatized housing to be responsible for the utilities they consumed.

The billing program was established by the Department of Defense to conserve energy and track energy usage. Eventually all military branches will require residents living in privatized housing to be responsible for their energy use.

Under the RCI program, more than 72,000 family housing units at 33 Army installations have been turned over to private developers. The companies manage the housing and collect rent through Soldiers' Basic Allowance for Housing. In return, the companies provide property management services, renovate existing homes and build new housing.

Dollars saved through conservation will mean more money for construction of new homes and community facilities at the installation. The savings will stay local.

"It's all about providing quality housing for the Soldiers and their families and using our nation's energy wisely," Bolden said.

PMO: Protecting neighborhoods, installations is everyone's business

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to remove several items of women's clothing and lingerie. In addition, three juvenile family members were apprehended after they tried to remove video games from the PX without paying for them. In the third case, a civilian was taken into custody when he attempted to remove undisclosed items from the PX.

Two housebreaking cases were reported at Wheeler Army Air Field (WAAF). The first case occurred in housing after an unknown person removed a variety of electronic devices and games from quarters. A second case occurred after someone removed Article 15 packets from a secured office space. Investigations continue in both cases.

Thirteen cases of larceny of personal property were reported; five of these larcenies involved the removal of items

from unsecured vehicles. Another five cases involved items being taken from unsecured barracks rooms. The remaining cases occurred in housing and common areas on the installation. The items taken included wallets, debit and credit cards, laptop computers and accessories, electronic games, an Ipod, stereo equipment, CDs and a variety of uniforms, women's clothing and TA-50 equipment.

A Soldier was later apprehended for stealing the above-mentioned women's clothing off a clothesline and a civilian was apprehended trying to exit the installation on a bus with an NBC (nuclear, biological and chemical) bag filled with the above-mentioned uniforms and TA 50.

Finally, only one case of DUI was reported during this period. A Soldier was taken into custody as he tried to enter Lyman Gate.

Hot topic of the week: minimizing theft

If you have been following these articles during the last few months, you have noticed that theft is a continuing problem. It happens everywhere, so we are not unique. However, each of us can make a difference towards eliminating theft and other crimes by securing personal property and following a few simple steps.

First, pay attention to what is going on around you. Be vigilant. A little situational awareness goes a long way. If you see a stranger or suspicious person in your residential area, barracks or workspace, observe what he or she is doing.

Second, make a mental inventory of this person's description. Remember what the person is wearing by noting the style and color of clothing. Be sure to make a

mental note about what the person is carrying and which direction the person was headed. If a vehicle is involved, write down the make, model, color and license plate number.

Third, ask the person(s) if you can help him or her. This simple question serves two purposes: If that person is lost, you may have just helped him/her get to where he/she wants to go. More importantly, you may have just let a potential thief know that you are watching and aware of his/her presences in your area. This factor is likely to influence that person to move on.

Finally, if this person's response to your inquiry does not seem logical or if the person continues to act suspiciously, call the Military Police (MP) and report the incident. Protecting our installations is everyone's business. Your efforts will minimize theft on the installation and help us to protect our community.

Traffic Safety

Traffic safety is a constant concern for everyone. Please be aware that what we do while operating a motor vehicle can result in dire consequences for others and ourselves.

PMO conducts seat belt, safety inspection, registration and vehicle insurance checks. Make sure that yours are all current. Help us to increase traffic safety by obeying the law.

Here are traffic statistics for Aug. 1 – 15:
Speeding, 27
DUI alcohol, 3
Stop sign violation, 10
Seat belt violations, 3
Expired registration, 8
Expired safety, 6
Driving without drivers license, 11
Driving without insurance, 10
Parking, 56



Staff Sgt. Russell Lee Klika | 133rd Mobile Public Affairs

Taking charge

CONTINGENCY OPERATING BASE, SPEICHER, Iraq — Col. A.T. Ball, commander of the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, and Command Sgt. Maj. George Kingston, salute their unit colors after unfurling it during a Relief in Place Ceremony, transferring authority for air operations in Northern Iraq from the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) to the 25th Infantry Division. Read the full story in next week's Hawaii Army Weekly.

SMA Q&A: Senior enlisted leader frankly answers tough questions

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Telephone systems, the Internet and, of course, the regular mail and care packages ... sharing back and forth all the time, those are the kinds of things that help Soldiers and families to communicate with each other and stay connected.

Q: Last year when you were here, a big issue that you addressed was the new Army Combat Uniform. At that time, you emphatically stated that Soldiers would be "expressly forbidden to starch or press these uniforms," and your remarks were met with praise. How has that played out?

A: In your opinion, have most Soldiers embraced the new uniforms?

A: It's been very positive. I've gotten a lot of e-mails from Soldiers, with a lot of positive feedback.

Soldiers are very pleased right now with the decisions that the leadership have made. There are always Soldiers out there who have ideas on how we can make things better.

We look at those recommendations and try to improve on them. Recommendations and feedback from the field is what we are going to continue to look at to try to make the uniform even better for those Soldiers who will come behind us.

Q: In your travels around the Army, what is your impression of Soldier and family member morale as we enter the fifth year of the long war on global terrorism?

A: There are a lot of examples out there, but the one that comes to mind is one in the news right now. I would say that the example is the 172nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, out of Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

These Soldiers have been extended in Iraq for one hundred twenty days. That's four months beyond their one-year deployment because they have an absolutely important mission.

Even with the extension, they have one of the highest re-enlistment and retention rates in the Army. Sixty-one percent of their Soldiers re-enlisted to stay in the unit, knowing that the 172nd Brigade Combat Team is slated to go back on another major deployment next year.

I made a special trip to Alaska to visit their families, and although it has been difficult for them, they have accepted the decision and are very proud of their Soldiers.

Q: Is there anything else you would like to say to our readers?

A: I'm just very proud of our Army Soldiers and families. This is the next greatest generation. They really see the value of service.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4



Step 5



Step 6

'Ukulele Building 101:

from
scraps to

sonatas

Upcoming classes start Friday, Sept. 8 at Schofield Barracks Arts and Crafts Center

For more information, call 655-4202.

braces on the top and bottom faces of his ukulele. A woodworker, Kimzey is using koa and spruce woods to build a ukulele (actually pronounced ooh-koo-ley-ley in Hawaiian) for his son, who teaches autistic children in Los Angeles.

Jarrold Mathena, a senior at Koolau Baptist Academy, along with Lora Copeland, a physical therapist assistant at the Schofield Barracks Health Clinic, entered the Schofield class a week late. However, Takeya accommodated them. He also decided to accelerate the class by meeting two and sometimes three times per week for another student, Dennis Anderson, a contractor who was moving back to Colorado at the end of the month.

"We figured this was the best time to take it, before the school year started," said Jeanette Mathena, Jarrod's mother.

The students' reasons for taking the class were as distinct as their backgrounds and occupations.

Joe Cane, who recently retired from the Air Force, is building a ukulele for his son. He made his last ukulele, which had a Spartan helmet as the head, for his daughter, a student at Michigan State University.

"I'm hoping they'll both play some day," he said, and joked about eventually making one for himself.

Lee and Ashley Williams are using the class as their date night. Neither knows how to play the instrument, but Ashley plans to learn. Lee, a deputy science advisor under Kimzey at USPACOM, intends to give his ukulele to his parents.

"Or maybe I'll hold onto it for a duet with Ashley," Lee said.

Takeya's own personality and expertise enliven the class as well. He measures distances accurately with his stubby fingers and moves power tools like a Jedi.

Ukulele sensei

To learn the building process well, Takeya built his first ukulele completely by hand, without power tools. Now, he uses special jigs and templates, which he designed, to keep the class moving. These same jigs allow him to do in one day what it takes students nearly 10 two-and-one-half-hour sessions to complete.

He sells his ukuleles for as much as \$1,600 a pop, but it's not all about the money.

After spending 24 years as a project manager in the construction business, Takeya needed a change of pace. He has been building and selling ukuleles for the past seven years and teaching the craft for the past three years.

In 2004, he started the Ukes For Kids Program, which donates nearly 200 ukuleles to disadvantaged elementary, middle school and high school kids in the state each year.

When not teaching ukulele building, Takeya splits his time between martial arts (he has a black belt in Judo) and instructing at the Honolulu Community College Construction Academy, which allows high school students to obtain vocational college credit.

Takeya has the ability to orchestrate numerous projects, all at different stages, simultaneously. It's like his luthiery (instrument-making) switch is always on — he's automatic.

For special projects, though, he has a different approach.

"I just listen and let the wood talk to me," Takeya said. Apparently the wood has a lot to say.

Last year, Takeya made a "sharkbite" ukulele, which nabbed "Best in Show" at the Ukulele Guild of Hawaii's annual exhibition.

"I thought it would be cool to see what it would look like if a shark came up and bit a chunk out of the ukulele," he said.

This year he's inlaying several clown fish on a ukulele for the Guild's festival in November.

Ironically though, for someone with so many ukuleles swirling around him, Takeya owns only one — the first ukulele he built.

"I don't want to get attached — it's a business," he said.

Story and Photos by
JEREMY S. BUDDMEIER
Assistant Editor

Norman Takeya is an enigma. He teaches three ukulele building classes during the week, and is currently making nine that he will sell. He breathes ukuleles, but doesn't play the instrument.

He claims he's lazy, but his teaching style is more laissez-faire. However, his students wouldn't have it any other way.

Through his feigned refusal to do work, Takeya has discovered an efficient means for relaying information and instilling confidence in students taking his ukulele building class. His technique is simple — he demonstrates once and supervises as students teach each other.

Students begin with what resembles a small box of scrap wood and parts, then cut, bend and sand their way to a four-stringed instrument that sings.

Creativity and curiosity are encouraged, but Takeya forbids one question.

"Don't ask me if it's good enough; you are your own quality control," he said during the first session.

Classes, which usually meet once per week for 10 weeks, are small by design to allow for personal interaction. Takeya's favorite part of teaching is the mix of personalities in his classes.

Personalities in the grain

Chuck Kimzey, a U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM) science advisor, is taking the class for the second time at Fort Shafter.

"I'm a slow learner," Kimzey said straight faced as he positioned

Step 1: Before and after — Students in Norman Takeya's ukulele building class begin with these materials and after 10 weeks, cut, bend and sand them into their own style ukulele. **Step 2:** Dennis Anderson glues several braces for support on the bottom face of his ukulele. The tall stick-like stilts, called "go bars," apply pressure using rubber bands to keep the braces in contact with the wood face while the glue dries.

Step 3: Jarrod Mathena bends one of the two slats of wood that will become the ukulele's side panels as Norm Takeya, the course instructor supervises. **Step 4:** Dennis Anderson, a contractor for Schofield Barracks Army Community Services, prepares his ukulele with glue before clamping the top portion of the box. **Step 5:** (Left to right) — Ashley Williams attempts to decide between various shapes for the bridge of her ukulele while her husband, Lee, sands the top of his ukulele. The Williams decided to take Takeya's ukulele building course at Fort Shafter as a substitute for their "date night." **Step 6:** With the neck attached and the fretboard in place, Jarrod Mathena works on potential designs for the bridge and top face overlay for his ukulele during one of the final sessions of the ukulele building class at the Schofield Barracks Arts and Crafts Center. **Above:** After numerous coats using a gunstock finish, the completed instrument is ready to play.



MWR Briefs
Serving America's Army in Hawaii

September

Today

Fall Teen Camp — Registration begins today for fall teen camp at Schofield Barracks. Camp will be held Oct. 2 through Oct. 10, Mon. to Fri., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. This year's theme will be Brains vs. Buff. A waiver form is required to participate. For more information, call 655-0451.

Teen Social — Join friends for an evening of fun at the Schofield Barracks Teen Center for the Black and White Party, 7 to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for members and \$4 for nonmembers, and an ID card is required. For more information call 655-0451.

6 / Wednesday

Blue Star Card Preview Night — Blue Star Card holders are invited to a special preview of the Army Community Theater production "Sweeney Todd." Enjoy an evening out, which includes light refreshments, transportation and child care. For more information or to register, call 655-0112.

7 / Thursday

Sweeney Todd — Get your tickets today for the Army Community Theater musical thriller "Sweeney Todd." Performances will be held at Richardson Theatre, Fort Shafter, Sept. 7-9, 15, 16, 22 and 23. Tickets are available at the box office, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or online at www.squareone.org/ACT/tickets.html. This performance is not recommended for children. For more information, call 438-4480

8 / Friday

Mongolian Barbecue — Select your favorites from a large variety of meats and vegetables and have them grilled to your liking. The barbecue will last from 5 to 8 p.m. outside Nehelani with seating in the air-conditioned KoleKole Bar & Grill. Cost is 65 cents for each ounce and reservations are recommended. For more information, call 655-4466.

9 / Saturday

Yu-Gi-Oh — Get ready to duel at Tropics. Registration for the Yu-Gi-Oh tournament starts at noon and matches will start at 1 p.m. Cost is \$6 and includes a pack of the latest Yu-Gi-Oh cards. Prizes will be awarded, and all ages are welcome. Call 655-8522 for more details.

Parents Night Out — Leave your kids with CYS at the Peterson Center and Aliamanu Center on Parents Night Out, and then enjoy a nice night out on the town. Children enrolled in Parents Night Out must be registered with the CYS Registration Office no later than noon Sept. 8. Reserva-



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Wild things

Sidney Flannery, 3rd grade parades around Hale Kula Elementary in her rendition of a red panda mask that won prize for Best Adaptation during the kick off of the Rainforest Rampage book fair.

Juliet Turner, 4th grade, follows in her rendition of a blue and yellow macaw that won prize for Most Creative.

tions are first-come, first-served. For more information, call 655-8313.

13 / Wednesday

Military Idol — Who is going to be the next Hawaii Military Idol? Don't miss the final performance, Sept. 13, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Come cheer on the contestants, vote for your favorite idol and win door prizes. For more information, call 655-8522.

15 / Friday

Right Arm Night — Come and welcome the KoleKole Bar & Grill to the Nehelani family at Right Arm Night, Sept. 15, beginning at 4 p.m.

Enjoy samplings from KoleKole Bar & Grill, entertainment, and a dart tournament. Door prizes include tickets to the Pearl Jam and U2 concert at Aloha Stadium.

Tickets can be purchased at the Nehelani and are \$5 in advance and \$7 the day of the event. For more information, call 655-4466.

16 / Saturday

Boys & Girls Club Kids' Day — Kids are invited to Aliamanu Community Center and Bennett Youth Center from 1 to 4 p.m., Sept. 16. Enjoy games, bounces, face painting, tattoos, Iron Chef, giant checkers, baby crawling contest, dance revolution, and more.

There will be prizes and free refreshments. For more information, call 655-1230.

19 / Tuesday

Special Education Workshop — Army Community Service Exceptional Family Member Program is hosting a free workshop series on special education and state and federal law requirements.

Workshops are designed to empower families that have children with special needs. Workshops will be held Sept. 19, 21, 26, and 28. Registration is required. For more information, call 655-4777.

20 / Wednesday

Taste of MWR Expo — Come and enjoy a "Taste of MWR" at the Nehelani, Sept. 20, from 3 to 7 p.m. Enjoy free food, entertainment, activities, and live

demonstrations at the expo.

Build your own upside-down sundae while finding out what MWR has to offer here in Hawaii. Grand prize includes a trip for four to Kilauea Military Camp on the Big Island. For more information, call 438-2911 or 438-2192.

25 / Thursday

Hale Ikena Birthday — Join with the Walter J. Nagorski Golf Course, Mulligan's and Hale Ikena as they celebrate their 7th birthday. Weeklong festivities will include a special \$5 lunch buffet, Sept. 25-28; a Luau Lunch Buffet Sept. 29; and a free birthday celebration, Sept. 28. The celebration will begin at 4:30 p.m. with heavy pupus, action stations, and live entertainment. For tickets or more information, call 438-1974.

Ongoing

Leilehua High School Students — Are you looking for an air-conditioned ride from the high school? The Schofield Teen Center offers all registered teens a free ride from the high school to the teen center each school day. Limited seats are available and a waiver form must be signed. For more information, call 655-0451.

Pacific Teen Panel — The Aliamanu Teen Center is recruiting for two high school teens to serve on the Pacific Teen Panel for the Aliamanu and Fort Shafter area. Interested teens need to be registered, participating in Keystone Club, and volunteering eight hours at the teen center. Teens will also participate in a monthly video teleconference with other region teens. For more information, call 833-0920.

Kolekole Bar & Grill — Come check out the newest addition to the Nehelani, the Kolekole Bar & Grill, which features a fresh new menu of pupu and entrée selections. Join us for Wahine Wednesdays and Tropic Lightning Thursdays. Enjoy darts, pool, games, karaoke and more. For more information, call 655-0664

SKIES Payment Plan — SKIES Unlimited is now offering a payment program for families enrolling their children in the Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration, and Skills classes. Families can enroll their children for a full semester and pay month by month. For more information, call 655-8380 or 833-5393.

Family Child Care — FCC provides in-home child care by an adult family member living in government quarters or housing, complete with flexible hours and a comfortable family-like setting.

In Hawaii, certified FCC homes are available on Schofield Barracks, Wheeler Army Air Field (WAAF), HMR, AMR and Fort Shafter.

If you are interested in placing your child in FCC, or want information on becoming a provider, call 655-8373 (Schofield Barracks) or 837-0236 (AMR).

Youth Sponsorship — If you are new to Hawaii and between the ages of 5 and 18, CYS has a welcome gift for you, and a youth sponsor who wants to be your friend. Call 655-2263 for more information.

SKIES Unlimited — Your one-stop program for child and youth instructional classes is SKIES Unlimited. Current offerings include music, martial arts, gymnastics and driver education classes, as well as babysitting certification, which include CPR and first aid courses.

Hula, "Introduction to Dance" for 3- to 9-year-olds (tap, ballet, movement and tumbling) and street dancing are also available. Coming soon are modeling and tiny tot opportunities to round out offerings. For more information, call 655-9818.

Tropic Lightning Museum — Visit the Tropic Lightning Museum, Schofield Barracks, to learn about the rich history of the 25th Infantry Division and Wheeler Army Airfield. Public and Private Tours, and Sergeant's time training programs are available. Every Saturday at 1 p.m. a free war movie or documentary is shown. For more information call 655-8301.

ing. Stepping goes from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Center Atrium of Aloha Tower Marketplace.

Richardson Theatre — The Army Community Theater opens its new season Sept. 7 with "Sweeney Todd," the hottest Broadway revival of 2006, with University of Hawaii music professor Larry Paxton in the title role. This show will run Sept. 7-23 at 7:30 p.m. at Richardson Theatre, Fort Shafter, with performances opening night and subsequent Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets (including for "Annie," "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and "Grease") are on sale at the Army Community Theater box office for the entire season. Individual show tickets for "Sweeney Todd" are \$15-20 for adults and \$12-15 for children. Call 438-4480 or visit www.squareone.org/ACT.

11 / Monday

Theater Auditions — Army Community Theater will hold auditions Sept. 11, 12 and 13 for "Annie," the popular family musical known for such songs as "Tomorrow." For more information, call the ACT Box Office at 438-4480.

Running Start Scholarship — Juniors and seniors in Hawaii public high schools have until Oct. 30 to apply for the Running Start Scholarship for the Spring 2007 semester. The program allows students to attend college classes while earning both high school and college credits. Each year GEAR UP funds \$75,000 in Running Start Scholarships to low-income students statewide. The scholarship can be used to waive tuition and fees for three or four credits and a one-time bookstore allowance of \$100. To apply for the scholarship, visit www.hawaii.edu/runningstart.

12 / Tuesday

Sunshine Performers — "Sunshine Gen-

SEE COMMUNITY CALENDAR, B-4

Worship Services

Aliamanu (AMR) Chapel

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

Fort DeRussy Chapel 836-4599

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. – Mass in chapel (May – Aug.) Saturday, 6 p.m. – Mass on the beach
- Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Worship service

Fort Shafter Chapel 836-4599

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – "The Wave" worship service

Helemano (HMR) Chapel

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 10 a.m. – Worship service and children's church

Main Post Chapel 655-9307

- Catholic Sunday, 9 a.m. – CCD & RCIA Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Mass
- Collective Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Worship service Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Sunday school
- Gospel Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Sunday school Sunday, 12 p.m. – Worship service

MPC Annex, building 791

- Chalice circle Tuesday, 7 p.m.
- Islamic prayers and study Friday, 1 p.m.
- Buddhist 4th Sunday, 1 p.m.

Soldiers Chapel

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

Tripler AMC Chapel 433-5727

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

Wheeler Chapel

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. – Mass
- Collective Protestant Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Worship service and children's church

This Week at the Movies

Sgt. Smith Theater



Monster House

(PG)
Friday, 7 p.m.
Saturday, 2 p.m.
Thursday, 7 p.m.



My Super Ex-Girlfriend

(PG-13)
Saturday, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.



Clerks II

(R)
Sunday, 7 p.m.

The theater is closed Monday & Tuesday.

Community Calendar

Send calendar announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

September

1 / Today

Employment Orientation — At this event, learn how to prepare for your job search process; get employment information on federal, state, private sector and staffing agencies; see reference materials, job listings, computers and more that are available for use at the Army Community Service (ACS) employment resource area. A company representative may also be attending and speaking with spouses about job vacancies. Workshops will be held on Fridays in September (1, 8, 15, 22 and 29) from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at ACS Building 2091. Call 655-4227 to register.

Labor Day Sale — The Boutiki Gift Shop, located on the Naval Station at Pearl Harbor, will hold a Labor Day Tent Sale on Friday, Sept. 1 and Saturday, Sept. 2 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. All merchandise under the tent will be 20-40 percent off regular store prices. Items for sale include candlesticks, lamps, jewelry, ceramics, picture frames and more.

2 / Saturday

Mighty Mo' celebration — The USS Missouri Memorial Association will salute all U.S. veterans at a ceremony commemorating the 61st anniversary of the end of World War II, Saturday, Sept. 2, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. onboard the USS Missouri. The program will coincide with the time of day that representatives from 10 nations signed the formal Instrument of Surrender 61 years prior on the USS Missouri, bringing history's most devastating war to a



close. The keynote speaker will be Lt. Gen. Daniel P. Leaf, deputy commander, U.S. Pacific Command.

The ceremony is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 423-2263 and press 7 immediately following the greeting.

Harvest Moon Festival — Come relive the plantation days Sept. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hawaii's Plantation Village, 94-095 Waipahu Street. The festival will include a Chinese lion dance, taiko drums, food tastings, plantation games and activities, and entertainment. Cost is \$4 for kamaaina and military with ID, \$7 for general admission, and free for children under 12 years and HPV members.

Audition Workshop — To prepare for "Annie" auditions, Broadway veteran Richard Vida from "Les Miserables" and local musical director Don Conover will conduct special workshops for youngsters on Saturday, Sept. 2, at 10 a.m. at Ballet

Hawaii's studios in the Dole Cannery.

Registration is \$25, with individual coaching sessions available after the group class for an additional \$25. For information and registration, call 732-7733.

Miss 2007 — Keiki pageant contestants are sought for Hawaii's Miss 2007. Applications are open to young ladies from 12 months to 16 years old, and no pageant or modeling experience is necessary.

Cost to enter is \$100 and includes lessons in poise, walking, speech (if applicable) and etiquette. The application deadline is Sept. 10, and the pageant will be held Sunday, Sept. 24, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Aloha Tower Marketplace Center Atrium. Admission is free; for more details call 384-7659.

3 / Sunday

Line Dancing — The Oahu Line Dancers invite you to learn a few steps with them at their next monthly performance of country, Latin and contemporary style of line dancing.

Aloha Festivals starts Sunday

60th anniversary celebrates the spirit of cowboys, the *paniolo*; events continue through mid-Oct.

CHARLIAN WRIGHT
Executive Director, Aloha Festivals

Celebrating a time when Hawaii boasted the only reigning monarchy in the U.S., Aloha Festivals illuminates a culture and experience found nowhere else in the world.

The 60 year-old festival will bring to life what makes Hawaii truly distinct during September and October, and will span six islands.

The Aloha Festivals 60th anniversary theme is "Na Paniolo Nui O Hawai'i: The Great Cowboys of Hawaii," a tribute to the life, music, spirit and family of the Hawaiian cowboy, or paniolo.

Just like the paniolo, Aloha Festivals has its own place in the history of the islands and strives to perpetuate and share the Hawaiian culture with visitors and residents alike.

The purchase of an Aloha Festivals ribbon not only provides admission benefits to festival events, it is a demonstration of support of the only statewide cultural festival in the United States.

Aloha Festivals events

• **Aloha Sunday:** Sept. 3, 9 a.m., Kawaiaha'o Church – Join the Aloha Festivals Royal Court on for traditional Hawaiian services at this beautiful and historic church.

• **Opening Ceremony:** Sept. 7, 5:30 p.m., Iolani Palace (free) – Traditional chant and hula will signal the official commencement of the Oahu celebration. The O'ahu Royal Court will gather on the steps of the palace.

• **Waikiki Hoolaulea:** Sept. 8, 7-10:30 p.m., Kalakaua Avenue (free) – The annual Waikiki Hoolaulea is Hawaii's largest block party. Thousands of party-goers will take to the streets, with dancing, entertainment, ethnic foods and Hawaiian arts and crafts. Entertainment stages, hula halau performances, Hawaiian food and international cuisine, as well as flower, shell and feather lei will be showcased. Kalakaua Avenue, from Lewers Street to Kapahulu Avenue, will be closed to vehicular traffic from 5:30 p.m. until midnight.

• **Keiki Hoolaulea:** Sept. 9, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Pearlridge Center – Keiki (children) celebrate with special activities, games and demonstration. Festivities will take place at both the uptown and downtown center court stages. The Aloha Festival's royal court will join the celebration with an appearance at the uptown center court at 11 a.m. Participants with Aloha Festival ribbons, can ride free on the Pearlridge SkyCab. For more information visit www.pearlridgeonline.com or call 488-0981.

• **Paniolo Exhibit:** Sept. 9-17, Bishop Museum – The Bishop Museum will host a Paniolo Exhibit showcasing the life of the Hawaiian cowboy. Visitors with Aloha Festivals ribbon will receive discounted admission. For more information, call 847-3511.

• **Aloha Sunday:** Sept. 10 at 9 a.m. – Join the Aloha Festivals Royal Court on for traditional Hawaiian services at Central Union Church.



Courtesy photo

A Pa'u Rider strolls down Kalakaua Avenue as part of last year's Aloha Festivals Parade.

• **Paniolo Sunday and Stew Cook-off:** Sept. 10 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bishop Museum – The Bishop Museum will host the amateur Stew Cook-Off competition. There will also be plenty of entertainment, games, food and craft demonstrations. Discounted admission with ribbon. For more information, call 847-3511.

• **14th Annual Hawaii Woodshow:** Sept. 11-14, Aloha Tower Marketplace – The event will be open to the public from noon to 9 p.m. Monday to Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m., Sunday. Admission is a suggested \$2 donation per person or free with an Aloha Festivals ribbon.

History

In 1947, Aloha Week was created as a public festival to honor the cosmopolitan heritage of Hawaii through music, dance and history. The first Aloha Week was held during the fall as a modern-day makahiki, the ancient Hawaiian festival of music, dance, games and feasting.

By 1974, Aloha Week expanded to a monthlong slate of activities, with events on six islands. In 1991, it was renamed Aloha Festivals to reflect the festival's expansion. The 60 year-old celebration now encompasses hundreds of events.

(Editor's Note: For the most current schedule of events, visit www.alohafestivals.com.)



Spc. Jason Murphy (far right) and Spc. Justin Budd, both of Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 8th Theater Support Command, seek out giving motorists to donate and "catch a cure" for MDA.

BOSS nets dollars for MDA

Story and Photo by
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Managing Editor

KAPOLEI – "Youth is wasted on the young," said George Bernard Shaw, but that's not necessarily so. The young showed up in droves to aid Jerry's kids – children and adults who benefit from the annual Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon – by collecting donations at busy intersections fronting Kapolei and Ala Moana shopping centers, Saturday and Sunday, to fight neuromuscular diseases.

"We volunteer every year for this," said Carol Kalani, a local resident whose son is stricken with muscular dystrophy.

Tens of service members, including single Soldiers who are active participants in the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) program, also allotted time for the community service project. Their turnout numbers stunned local Muscular Dystrophy Association organizers, but literally netted them hundreds for their cause.

"We're doing this to help out people who have diseases with their muscles," said Spc. Justin Budd of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th Theater Support Command.

Petty Officer Lindsay Brindley of Naval Intelligence Operation Detachment, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp Smith, said a chief sent out an e-mail about the community project. Since she likes to volunteer, she immediately wanted to help raise money to find a cure.

In its 41st year, the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon attempts to "raise one dollar more" than the previous year's total – \$54.9 million in 2005. National goals are supplemented by local grassroots efforts.

BOSS is no stranger to the MDA charity. Soldiers first aided youth during the weeklong MDA summer camp in June at YMCA Camp Erdman on Oahu's North Shore. Military volunteers helped make pie-eating contests, boat races, egg-drop

Upcoming BOSS events

- This weekend, surfing
 - Sept., Big Brother/Big Sister
 - Halloween Bowling Night
 - Oct., Haunauma Bay
 - Oct. 17, Movie on the Run
- Get details at BOSS, 655-1130.

contests, dances, talent nights and other regular camp activities loads of fun for participating youth.

"Their [Soldiers and other service members] volunteer work is huge to us because they help them use the bathroom, they help them with their bathing, they help them with their feeding," said Tamara Moreno, district field representative for MDA about volunteers at the camp. "A lot of the clients, they can't use their hands and they're not really mobile, so the military volunteers do everything that their parents, their caretakers, would do."

Excitedly and with abundant passion, Moreno continued, "Bless them for doing that. They do a lot of hard work for us."

About BOSS

President of BOSS-Hawaii, Spc. Danielle Colson of Installation Troop Command, Schofield Barracks, said BOSS concentrates on three main goals: quality of life, recreation and community service.

"[Community service is] the Soldiers giving back to the community, the good neighbor program," she said. "Every unit has two BOSS reps. They are the voice of the Soldier. It's the only program that reaches out directly to single Soldiers."

Colson said BOSS reps meet afternoons, the last Friday of every month at the Schofield Barracks Tropics. BOSS has community projects and recreational activities planned through October.



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'We can do it!'

When double-prize winner Farraro Choi & Associates took home "Best Use of Labels" and "People's Choice Award" for "Da Pineapple," Andrew Tang, team captain and member of American Institute of Architects (AIA), said "I feel honored, but I think the most important thing is helping out the hungry. I'm thankful to everyone who helped out and voted for ours."

Other team members David Akinaka (AIA), Ryan Tang, Kim Farrant and Ella Dedicatoria shared in the project as well for "CANstruction," designed in collaboration with the members of the Honolulu Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Architects and University of Hawaii students took the opportunity to create architectural structures made entirely out of cans at Pearlridge Center.

Local businesses donated canned goods, which will go directly to the Hawaii Foodbank.

AAFES alters operating hours at several north, south stores

ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE

News Release

As a result of the 25th Infantry Division's deployment to Iraq, many Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) stores will change their operating hours at several facilities.

Changes become effective Tuesday, Sept. 5, and they will allow AAFES to continue to offer good customer service and maintain optimum quality of life for those who do not deploy — all while protecting Morale, Welfare and Recreation dividends.

At Schofield Barracks

Schofield Main PX

9 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Saturday
10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sunday

Schofield Concessions

9 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Schofield Mall

10 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday

Kolekole Shoppette

7 a.m.-7 p.m., daily with/gas

Area X

12-8 p.m., daily

Paradise Shoppette

24 hours daily

Sunset Shoppette

8 a.m.-6 p.m., daily

Schofield MCSS

9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday

Anthony's Paradise Kiosk

6 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday

Closed Saturday, Sunday

Anthony's - Sunset

6 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday

Closed Saturday, Sunday

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday

Closed Saturday, Sunday

At Helemano Military Reservation

Helemano Shoppette

8 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Friday

9 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday, Sunday

At Wheeler Army Air Field

Wheeler Shoppette

7 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Friday

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday

Barber Shop

8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday

Closed Saturday, Sunday

At Aliamanu Military Reservation

Aliamanu Shoppette

5 a.m.-midnight, with gas daily

At Fort Shafter

Laundry/Dry Cleaning

9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday

Closed Sunday

Alterations

9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday

Closed Saturday, Sunday

Barber Shop

8 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Closed Sunday

Community Calendar

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eration" of Mililani-Wahiawa will be starting this Sept. 12 at the Wheeler Army Air Field YMCA. Open to all participants, not just military family members, the most attractive characteristics of this program are wholesome values coupled with the music that today's generation knows and loves to sing.

Parents will be amazed at the hidden talents that their children develop, so come to the open house Sept. 12 from 5-6 p.m. and see if your child or teen wants to take his or her first step out into the spotlight.

For more information, call Angela Harris at 422-6019 or visit www.geocities.com/sunshine-generation.

14 / Thursday

Mock Interviews — Come dressed for an interview. Learn to answer mock interview questions from experienced recruiters. Receive a critique and advice to ace the interview.

This workshop will be held Thursday, Sept. 14, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at ACS Schofield Barracks. To register, call 655-4227.

15 / Friday

Hawaii Woodshow — The 14th Annual Statewide juried furniture and woodworking show of the Hawaii Forest Industry Association displays wood pieces from the finest

woodworkers around the state. This event is designed to impart public appreciation for participating artists and materials they use and to promote the positive role of forests in our economy and ecology.

Catch the woodworking show Monday through Saturday, 12 to 9 p.m., or Sunday, 12 to 5 p.m., at the second floor Mauka Lanai of Aloha Tower Marketplace, from Sept. 15-24.

24 / Sunday

Keiki Pageant — Cheer on your favorite contestant in the Hawaii Miss Pageant (for children) from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Center Atrium Stage of Aloha Tower Marketplace. The contest is open to young ladies of all ages. Call 566-2337 or visit www.alohatower.com for more details.

Triathlon examines Cavalry's endurance, teamwork

Untimed competition pushes the confines of mental fortitude

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Competition in the military is as common as cake and ice cream at birthday parties. However, for the 5th Squadron, 14th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, a ritualistic test of endurance distinguishes them from the rest of the 2nd Brigade.

During the unit's first ever Strykehorse Triathlon — a competition involving a six-mile road march with an 40-pound rucksack, a round-trip run to the top of Kolekole Pass, and a 50-meter swim to close out the event at Richardson Pool — endurance and brute strength were keys to finishing.

"Each Soldier must complete the challenge with their buddy. It's not really a timed event as much as it is a test of endurance," said Staff Sergeant Adrian Rosales, S-4 noncommissioned officer in charge.

Rosales was responsible for assisting Soldiers who could not complete any event. He later boasted that he only witnessed two fall-outs.

"They start off in a section of about six and then break off into smaller teams of two or three people," he said, explaining the concept of the triathlon.

Each Soldier was pushed to flex physical and mental endurance in three distinct physical challenges. First, the triathlon began with a road march at 5 a.m. Every Soldier was placed on a team.

Six miles and about 90 minutes later, when Soldiers reached the KR5 range site marker, they entered Transition Point Two. There they dressed in the Army physical fitness uniform, assumed positions in two- and three-man teams, then ran to the top of Kolekole pass and back down.

Next, teams ran onto Lyman Road, past the Schofield Cemetery,



Above — Pfc. Calvin Schreck continues to push his body to complete the 50-meter swim for the 5-14th Cavalry Strykehorse Triathlon as team members encourage him onward.

Right — (Left to right) 2nd Lt. Christopher Demo, Sgt. Christopher Ford, and Staff Sgt. Garrett O'Keefe combine to form a buddy team as they head down Kolekole pass and make their way to Richardson Pool during the first Strykehorse Triathlon.



then rounded the Central Issue Facility to Richardson Pool. There at Transition Point Three, they finished the triathlon with a 50-meter swim.

"It pushed my limits; I was out there trying to push the Soldiers to stay with me," said 2nd Lt. Chris Demo, an assistant plans officer, S-3, 5-14th Cavalry. "There was no way you were going to complete this without getting tired out."

Capt. Scott Virgil, commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, stressed that the competition was not timed. It was a chance to test Soldiers' abilities to think and function as a team.

"We want to see how much the Soldiers can take," Virgil said. "They have to realize that they are teams, and teams aren't always timed."

The triathlon also tested the buddy system. Through shared adversity, Soldiers gathered enough mental energy to push on to the next objective.

"It comes down to the ability of the Soldiers to see the mission through no matter how tired," said Demo. "Each team member, no matter what rank you are, has to really rely on each other, and I think we did great."



2 / Saturday

Ladies Golf Clinic — Ladies, do you want to brush up on your golfing skills? A free, hour-long golf clinic will be held Sept. 2 at the Leilehua Golf Course at 2:30 p.m.

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

3 / Sunday

Bowling Tournament — A “5 Game, No Tap” tournament will be held at the Schofield Bowling Center, Sept. 3. Check-in is at 1 p.m., and the cost is \$20. Call 655-0573 for more information.

9 / Saturday

Hawaii Championship Wrestling — Come watch Hawaii Championship Wrestling at Tropics, Sept. 9. Doors open at 6 p.m. and matches start at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$5 for ages 12 and up, \$3 for ages 11 and under, and free for children ages 5 and under. Call 655-5697 for more information.

30 / Saturday

Punt, Pass, and Kick Competition — Youth ages 8 to 15 are invited to participate in the Pepsi NFL Punt, Pass, and Kick Competition, Sept. 30, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Aliamanu Sports Complex. The competition is free and sign ups will be on-site. Youth need proof of age and parents must sign a waiver to participate. For more information, call 438-1159.

Ongoing

101 Days of Summer — Students, kindergarten through twelfth grade, are invited to the Fort Shafter and Schofield bowling centers through Sept. 4 to bowl their way through the “101 Days of Summer.”

Each day of summer, participating students can receive one free game of bowling for each paid game, each day of summer. Free games can be played any day from opening until 5 p.m.

Grand prizes include a trip for four to an “Aly & AJ” concert and a private movie screening of “How to Eat Fried Worms” for one lucky winner and 100 guests. Other prizes include a portable DVD player, iPod shuffle, video games and prizes from the Schofield and Fort Shafter bowling centers.

For more information, call 655-0573 (Schofield) or 438-6733 (Fort Shafter).

Brazilian Capoeira — Develop the mind, body and spirit to include physical fitness, self-defense and self-discipline through Brazilian Capoeira. Classes are offered Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Fort Shafter Physical Fitness Center.

For more information, call instructor Mestre Kinha at 247-7890.

BMX Track — The BMX track on Wheeler Army Air Field is now open on Wednesdays from 5 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. For additional information, call 655-0883 or visit www.mwrarmyhawaii.com/cys/bmx_track.htm.

Water Aerobics — Come for a new and exciting workout at Richardson Pool. July classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. There is a \$2 fee per class or a punch card will be available for \$15. Water aerobics provide a safe and effective exercise alternative that improves your overall level of fitness without stress on the joints. For more information, call 655-1128.

Leilehua Golf Course Driving Range — The golf driving range is open until 9:30 p.m. on weekdays, Monday through Friday, at the Leilehua Golf Course. Call 655-4653 for more information.

What's Up Gymnastics — SKIES Unlimited is partnering with What's Up Gymnastics to offer a military discount program for all upcoming classes. What's Up Gymnastics provides several classes to choose from, including recreational and competitive classes and the only indoor climbing wall on Oahu.

Classes are provided for all ages, even as early as 1 year old. Discount cards can be picked up at the Child and Youth Services registration offices. For more information, call 655-9818.



Send community announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

September

3 / Sunday

Honouliuli Preserve Hike — The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii will conduct an interpretive hike along the Palikea Trail (Waianae Mountains) Sunday, Sept. 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person and reservations are required.

Hikers should bring lunch and water, wear sturdy shoes and clothing, and give extra caution on some trails. Firearms, pets, radios and other audio devices are prohibited.

For more information, call 587-6220. A \$2 donation is requested from non-members older than 18, and children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Wiamalu Uka — This beautiful seven-mile, intermediate valley-ridge trail winds its way above Waimalu Stream to the backcountry behind Pearl Ridge. Pay attention to the coordinator's instruction since this hike is sometimes a loop and other times we backtrack to the trailhead. For more information, call Thea Ferentinos at 375-0384.

A \$2 donation is requested from non-members older than 18, and children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Hikers should bring lunch and water, wear sturdy shoes, and give extra caution on some trails. Firearms, pets, radios and other audio devices are prohibited.

8 / Friday

Meals on Wheels Golf — Kimo Kahoano, honorary chair for the 11th Annual Lanakila Golf Tournament at the Hawaii Prince Golf Course, personally invites and encourages golfers of all skill levels to come out and enjoy a round of golf, Friday, Sept. 8. Check in and lunch will run from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., the shotgun start at 11:30 a.m.

Cost is \$180 per person, \$540 per team of three; sponsorships are available. All entries include closest to the pin contests, golf carts, lunch and on-course refreshments, golfer gift packages and an awards banquet. Prizes include interisland trips, golf certificates, restaurant certificates,



Catherine Ballard Leffler

A good swift kick...

Courtney Ballard uses fancy footwork to outmaneuver a throng of opponents. A 5th grader at Moanalua Elementary, Ballard plays HYSL Pee Wee 1 on the Hickam Tigers team and for AYSO Pyro Pirates of the Pink Caribbean.

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Proceeds will benefit the Lanakila Meals on Wheels program, which serves more than 1,600 meals a day to seniors island-wide. Need for meals is rapidly increasing, and without the program, thousands of Oahu homebound seniors and people with disabilities would be hungry and alone. For more details or to register, call Marlena Willette at 356-8533.

GiRLFeST Surfing — Girls of all ages are invited to join the fun at the GiRLFeST surfing workshops, Sept. 8 & 9 and Sept. 15 & 16 at White Plains Beach, near Barbers Point.

Surfing is a great way for young ladies to gain confidence and independence, and these workshops will teach the ins and outs of surfing, etiquette, ocean safety and

proper technique.

Register by visiting www.girlswhosurf.com/register/girlfest. Cost is \$30 for participants ages 17 and under, and \$40 for ages 18 and over. For more information, call 221-7316.

17 / Sunday

Streetball Classic — Hot Sauce, the world-recognized number one streetballer brings “The Killer Crossover Tour Streetball Classic” to Hawaii. You’ll see broken ankles and monster dunks as Hot Sauce and his team take on the Hawaii Streetballer All-stars.

Games will be held Sunday, Sept. 17, 5 to 8 p.m., at the Blaisdell Arena on Ward Avenue. Ticket prices start at \$17.50 and can be purchased at the Blaisdell box office or any Ticketmaster location.