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Bush nominates Marine

Gen. Pace could become chairman

Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — President Bush nominated Gen. Peter Pace as the first Marine to serve as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, April 25.

If confirmed by the Senate, Pace will succeed Air Force Gen. Richard B. Myers, when he steps down in September. Myers assumed the office as senior military adviser to the president, the secretary of defense and the National Security Council in October

2001.

The president also nominated Navy Adm. Edmund Giambastiani Jr. to serve as vice chairman. Giambastiani currently serves as the commander of U.S. Joint Forces Command and as NATO's Supreme Allied Commander Transformation. The admiral is based in Norfolk, Va.

Bush said that his most sacred duty is to protect the American people and that choosing the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is one of the most important decisions the commander in chief makes.

"The first thing America needs to know about Pete Pace is that he is a Marine," Bush said at the White House. "To the American people,

'Marine' is shorthand for 'can-do,' and I'm counting on Pete Pace to bring the Marine spirit to these new responsibilities."

Pace said the task ahead of him is exhilarating and humbling. "It's exhilarating because I have the opportunity ... to continue to serve this great nation," he said. "It's humbling because I know the challenges ahead are formidable, but I have great faith in our ability to meet those challenges."

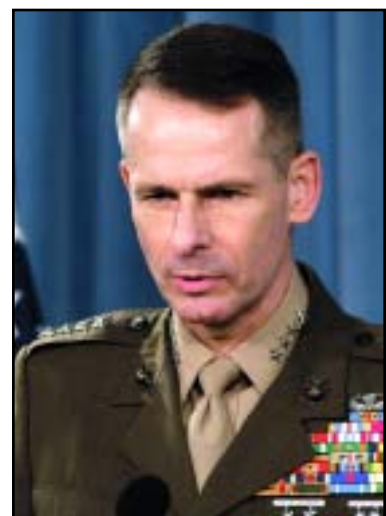
Pace said the reason he has such confidence is "that we have the world's best young men and women serving in our armed forces. Active, guard, reserve, civilian — they simply deliver every time our nation calls."

Bush praised Myers for his work in preparing U.S. military forces for the threats of the new century.

"This is a huge task, even in peacetime," the president said. "Dick Myers did it while defending America from one of the most determined and vicious enemies we have ever faced."

Myers was on Capitol Hill when terrorists hit New York and Washington on Sept. 11, 2001. He sped back to the Pentagon and manned the National Military Command Center with Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

"On General Myers' watch, we toppled two brutal dictatorships in



PACE

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Welcome home 1/3



Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Above — Cpl. Daniel Castillo, electronics technician, Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, accepts a lei from a little girl upon returning to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, from a 7-month deployment to Iraq with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable).

Right — Marines exit the plane Tuesday as they return to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, from a 7-month deployment to Iraq. Approximately 440 Marines from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, and 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, returned after fighting in the battle of Fallujah. See next week's *Hawaii Marine* for the full story.



Pfc. Roger L. Nelson



Photo Courtesy of The Boeing Company

Marines take notes during an Operation Homecoming writing workshop at Camp Pendleton, Calif., in February.

Marines learn how to put wartime experience on paper

Pfc. Roger L. Nelson

Combat Correspondent

A workshop, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, "Operation Homecoming: Writing for Wartime Experience," was conducted Friday, on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, at the Senior Non-Commissioned Officer's Club.

The workshop is an NEA National Initiatives program, which encourages members of all branches of the military and their families to preserve their experiences of serving on the frontlines and stateside or supporting troops from home.

The program consists of four major components. The first of the four is a writing workshop, which is conducted by veteran

writers that include a variety of well-known novelists, poets, historians and journalists. Following is an audio CD that includes examples of wartime writings in the form of letters, poems and memoirs, some dating back to the Civil War. The third and fourth components, yet to be completed, are a creation of an anthology of wartime writing by troops and the creation of a unique historical archive of stories.

This program was organized by the NEA through memorandum of understanding with the Department of Defense and is made possible by the Boeing Company.

At Friday's workshop, Richard

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1st MAW CG tours base, talks with Marines

Thiessen expected to move on to Korea

Pfc. Roger L. Nelson

Combat Correspondent

There are many characteristics that make up a good leader in today's military. Some of these qualities consist of living up to your responsibilities and understanding your troops.

For Brig. Gen. Duane D. Thiessen, commanding general, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, Japan, those leadership qualities were shown at his recent visit to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

Thiessen is expected to transfer to the Combined Force Command, Korea, in June after having served as commanding general since June 2004.

According to 1st Lt. Lauren G. Buonanno, Aide de Camp, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, the general wanted to conduct briefings, have flight time, and walk through different areas of the K-Bay before his tour as commanding general is up.

"I don't really know how I feel about this change," said Thiessen. "But it really isn't a matter of feeling."

Thiessen said that one of the main reasons for visiting K-Bay was to get feedback from Marines who have been to combat, and the troops were receptive to sharing their experiences with the general.

"The general, coming through, was good for Marines at K-Bay's morale," said Cpl. Cory A. Rogers, nuclear bio-

logical chemical specialists, Marine Air Group 24. "I think the troops here really appreciated this visit, especially the Marines who just returned from combat."

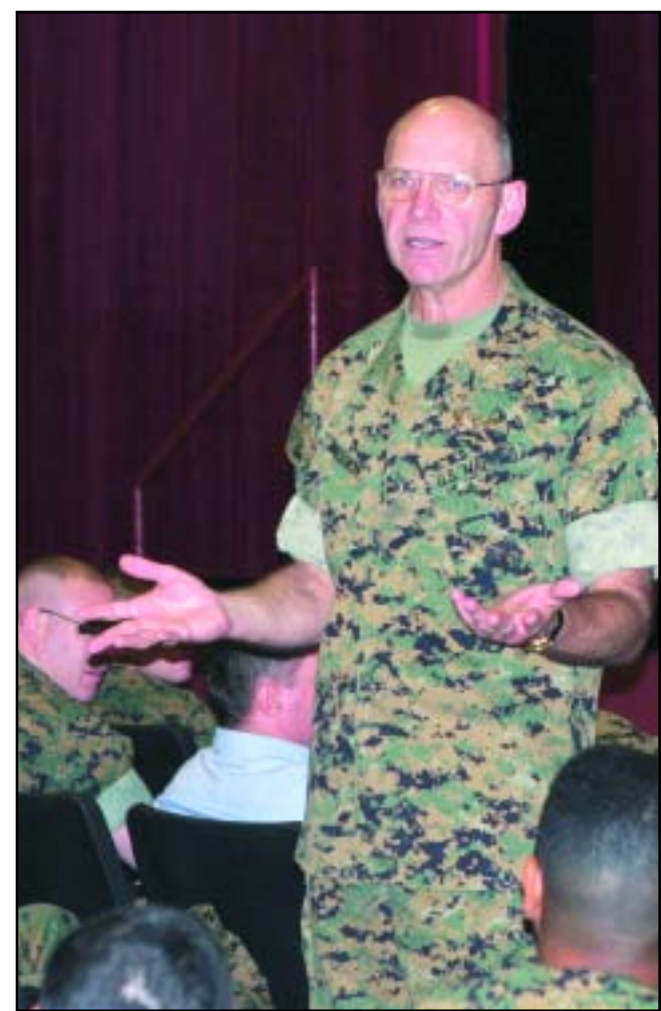
While at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Thiessen gave the first of a series of briefings to members of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit Detachment in the conference room of the Bachelor Officer's Quarters. The general also conducted briefings at the Base Theatre to E-5s and below and also to senior non-commissioned officers and officers.

"I did the briefs because I like to talk to Marines as much as possible," admitted Thiessen.

A portion of the general's briefings included a discussion about the continuous threat of mishaps in the field.

"These Marines have challenges that include accidents. Every Marine just needs to exercise their leadership qualities everyday, and the accidents and incidents will be reduced."

A combat veteran himself, Thiessen explained that the best part of being the CG was working with troops in an



Pfc. Roger L. Nelson

Brig. Gen. Duane D. Thiessen, commanding general, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, Japan, gives a brief to E-5s and below during his recent visit to the Base Theater at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

operational setting that involved aircraft.

"Marines and Sailors are good workers," said the CG. "They work hard at what they do and achieve."

The feedback Thiessen received from Marines will help with the changes that need to be made to improve the quality of life for those in combat zones. The feedback will also serve to show where the Marine Corps is going and what it is

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NEWS BRIEFS

State Alert to Sound Sunday

The State Civil Defense monthly test of sirens and the Emergency Alert System will be held Sunday at 11:45 a.m. The siren test is a steady 45-second tone, used to alert the public of emergencies that pose or may pose a threat to life and property.

Headquarters Battalion Presents "Days of Remembrance"

On Thursday, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the events of the holocaust will be remembered at a luncheon at Anderson Dining Facility. It will be presented by Headquarters Battalion, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, featuring holocaust survivor Jack Adler.

Water Outage will Affect Base

There will be a water outage aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, on May 7, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., in order for workers to replace a portion of the main water line coming into base.

Water will be available for normal use; however, this water will be drawn from a limited supply from reservoirs. Therefore, on May 7, conserve and use water sparingly. Additionally, everyone must conserve and use water sparingly the day after the outage, in order to get the water level in the reservoirs back to normal.

In an effort to help conserve water, residents are requested to refrain from, but are not limited to: watering lawns, washing cars and filling pools.

It is also requested that tenants refrain from high water use activities which include, but are not limited to: watering the Klipper Golf Course, using aircraft rinse facilities, using vehicle wash racks, watering fields and fund-raising car washes.

3rd Marines to Hold Welcome Home and Reunion Ceremony

A "Welcome Home and Reunion Ceremony" will be held at Dewey Square for the returning servicemembers of 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines and Charlie Battery, 1/12. The ceremony will be held to recognize the accomplishments of each Marine, the sacrifices of their families and, especially, the ultimate sacrifice of our fallen Marines. The Welcome Home and Reunion Ceremony will be held on May 12 at 2 p.m. Families and members of the local community who have supported the units are invited to attend.

JEMS to Host Annual Job Fair

The annual MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Job Fair will be held May 20 from 9 a.m. to noon at Kahuna's. The job fair is open to all active duty personnel, retirees, reservists, DoD and Coast Guard employees and their spouses and family members who have a valid identification card.

Bring a resumé and dress appropriately. Due to the professional nature of this event, children will not be admitted. The Marine Corps Base Hawaii's Marine and Family Services and the Joint Employment Management System jointly sponsor this event.

For more information, visit www.JEMS.Hawaii.com and click on Job Fair/Events from the side menu or contact Roberto Katekaru, at 257-7790.

Mentors Sought for DEFY Camp

Kaneohe Bay's Drug Education For Youth camp needs mentors. DEFY, a Navy-founded program, gives children a place to go where they will not feel pressured into doing things that could get them into trouble. To volunteer to be a mentor, contact Daryl K. Picadura at 252-8552.

HI 5¢ Redemption Sites

Automated redemption machines will be stationed in the parking lot across from the Exchange Annex furniture/toy/garden store Tuesdays and Fridays, 12 to 5 p.m.

Call 257-4300 for more information.

Read the Hawaii Marine Online

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Rumsfeld, Myers testify on military budget requests

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American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld asked Congress Wednesday to approve the fiscal 2005 supplemental funding request quickly.

The \$81.9 billion request will fund the military through Sept. 30. The money will cover the cost of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, training Iraqi and Afghan troops, addressing the transformation of the Army and making good on repair and replacement of equipment strained by the increased tempo of operations.

Both Rumsfeld and Joint Chiefs Chairman Air Force Gen. Richard B. Myers stressed the need for continued transformation of the military during testimony before the Senate Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

Rumsfeld praised the sacrifices servicemembers and their families are making. He told the committee that it is "becoming increasingly clear that the sacrifices they are making are making a difference in bringing about a world that is freer and more peaceful, and that rejects terrorism."

The secretary said the past year has seen historic elections in Afghanistan and Iraq, and that extremists in both countries are under mounting pressure.

Three years into the war on terrorism has made two things very clear, the secretary said. First is that the struggle will not be won by military strength alone. He said all

aspects of U.S. government power must be focused on the enemy. This includes long-range policies and programs aimed at alleviating the conditions that force young people to embrace extremism.

The second reality is that the U.S. cannot win this struggle alone. "No one nation can," Rumsfeld said. "It will take cooperation among a great many countries to stop weapons proliferation, for example. It takes nations working together to locate and dismantle extremist cells and stop future attacks."

The secretary told the senators that 60 nations "are now engaged in unprecedented effort to address proliferation of dangerous weapons."

But even with the progress in the war on terror, the Defense Department must move ahead with transformation. Even before the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, the Bush administration was moving to change the defense establishment, Rumsfeld said. "September eleventh added urgency and impetus to make the military more agile, more expeditionary and more lethal."

The entire national security apparatus is making significant changes. The military is moving forces rapidly across the globe. It is functioning as a truly joint force. But it is also fighting a war. Rumsfeld said the military is still "adjusting to a world where the threat is not from a single superpower, but rather from various regimes and extremist cells that could work together to proliferate lethal capabilities."

But while progress has been made, the U.S. military is still largely equipped to confront conventional forces, he said.

Myers told the senators that there are three major processes this year that will help inform decisions in the years ahead. The first is the Quadrennial Defense Review, due in September. "It will provide a comprehensive strategic plan for reforming the armed forces," Myers said. "Second, the base realignment and closure process provides an excellent opportunity to further transform our warfighting capability and eliminate excess capacity."

Third, the department's global basing strategy transforms the U.S. Cold War footprint into one "that's focused on combining the capabilities of U.S.-based rotational forces ... with strategically placed overseas based forces," Myers noted.

Whatever the United States does will have a profound effect on friends and allies in the years ahead, Rumsfeld said. NATO allies are already following the U.S. lead in transformation and the capabilities of allies will be crucial to the country in the future, Myers said.

Myers and Rumsfeld agreed the fiscal 2006 defense budget request keeps faith with servicemembers serving around the world. And they deserve no less, said the chairman. "We are now in the fourth year of sustained combat operations, and all our soldiers, Sailors, airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen and DoD civilians continue to perform superbly under extremely challenging conditions."

Proper ID needed to get through gate

Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

Press Chief

Each day thousands of people come through the gates of MCB Hawaii, and, just like every other base in the Marine Corps, each individual must receive an identification card check by the Military Police Department gate guards in order to come aboard the base.

According to Base Regulation, Chapter 9, military personnel and family members must possess Uniformed Services Identification and privilege cards when entering and exiting the base. Civilians employed by the base or tenant commands must possess an identification card issued by a military command in the State of Hawaii. Identification cards must be shown upon the request of the MPs.

Reservists and National Guardsmen who possess a valid Armed Forces Identification Card may receive a visitor's pass or appropriate DoD decal when coming on base. Such individuals will be granted liberal access to MCB Hawaii establishments.

Besides formerly mentioned personnel and exceptions such as official visitors, which can be civilian members of athletic teams and youth groups or perspective Marines who have been recruited but are not yet on active duty who are authorized passes by the Provost Marshal, all other individuals are classified as guests and require

proper identification and satisfactory sponsorship to come on base.

According to base regulations, the definition of a sponsor is an activity or individual, 16-years-old and older, that invites a civilian as a houseguest, visitor, employee, or engages in trade or agrees in contract with an individual civilian, commercial firm or its agents, business persons and salespersons.

Juveniles, under the age of 16, who reside on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, are not authorized to sponsor guests except through parental or guardian permission. That consent can be in writing, in person, or telephonically, to the pass house. Any persons sponsoring someone under the age of 16 must meet the individual at the pass house before entry to the installation can be granted.

All persons sponsored on base by a valid cardholder must also present a valid form of identification to an MP in order to enter the gate. If there is a problem with the ID, they may be required to go to the pass house to try to validate their entrance. If a person cannot provide a proper ID, they may not be



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Lance Cpl. Christopher Cherry, formerly a military police department Fleet Assistance Program Marine from Fox Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, waves a person through the gate after checking their identification card.

allowed on base.

Although sponsors are not required to escort their guests everywhere on base, in order for the guests to visit the beaches located on Kaneohe Bay, they must have their sponsor present.

The failure to follow any of the guidelines for sponsorship and for escorting guests on base gives MPs authorization to take immediate action. That action can, at times, require the persons not complying with the rules, to leave the base.

Change of Command



LANDERS



McGOVERN

Patrol Squadron 47 will hold its change of command ceremony May 6 at 10 a.m. in Hangar 104, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. Cmdr. James W. Landers, the squadron's former executive officer, will relieve Cmdr. Thomas F. McGovern.

Important Phone Numbers MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay

On-Base Emergencies

257-9111

Military Police

257-7114

Child Protective Service

832-5300

Fraud, Waste, Abuse & EEO

257-8852

Business Management Hotline

257-3188

Pothole & Streetlight Repair

257-2380

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Weekend weather outlook

Today



Day — Mostly to partly cloudy skies

Night — Partly cloudy skies with isolated rainshowers

High — 81
Low — 72

Saturday



Day — Partly to mostly cloudy skies, isolated MTN showers

Night — Partly cloud skies; winds light and variable

High — 80
Low — 73

Sunday



Day — Mostly cloudy skies in the morning with intermittent rainshowers.

Night — Partly cloud skies; winds light and out of the north-northeast

High — 80
Low — 73

Bringing out the big guns

1/12 trains at Landing Zone Eagle

**Story and Photos By
Pfc. Roger L. Nelson**

Combat Correspondent

Although no Marine from Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Regiment, has seen combat since Vietnam, the unit continues to train just as hard as if they were going to deploy at any time.

"We had a few Marines in combat zones during Desert Storm," said Staff Sgt. Russell A. Sayles, weapons platoon sergeant, Bravo Battery, 1/12. "But we really haven't seen combat since Vietnam."

Marines in Bravo Battery, 1/12, performed training to better their time when setting up weapons by running continuous drills at Landing Zone Eagle on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, on April 20. Once the weapons were set up, dry-fire exercises were simulated.

According to Sayles, these exercises are conducted once a month, and 1/12 just completed field-training exercises at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows.

"This exercise we're doing now is to bring the howitzers out in a timely manner," said Sayles. "We also are going over duties of cannoneer and setting up the weapons."

Sayles said he thinks these field-training exercises are very important to Marines in 1/12 and that the training will be beneficial to the Marines if they were to deploy.

"This training seems very effective," agreed Pfc. Justin D. Ridgeway, cannoneer, Bravo Battery, 1/12. "We are constantly training, so I know we would be prepared if we ended up going to combat."

Ridgeway said with all of the combat training 1/12 goes through, they only get to actually fire the weapons approximately four times a year.

"One of the best training exercises we can do is actual live fire with the weapons," said Ridgeway. "The live fire is by far the most motivating training we do, and I just wish we did more of it."

"I think the field training is good for us," said Cpl. Tom R. Monahan, cannoneer, Bravo Battery, 1/12. "Training like we're doing now is very good for knowledge."

Monahan said that the live-fire and other field-training exercises 1/12 practice are better for strength building and are more closely related to real-life situations.

"We also do infantry-type training sometimes, when we're not doing this type of training," said Ridgeway. "If we do go to combat, I hope I go as a cannoneer."

Sayles said that in mid-July, Marines from 1st Battalion, 12th Marines, will participate in a seven-month union deployment program in Japan. While in Japan, 1/12 Marines will conduct relocation drills and fire a variety of weapons from Mount Fuji.

"I think the field exercises in Japan are going to be really good for 1/12," said Lance Cpl. Christopher Lammers, cannoneer, Bravo Battery, 1/12. "It's more life-like than some of the training we do here. The time it takes to set-up the weapons is about the same time it would take in a real-life combat situation."

Pfc. Justin D. Ridgeway, cannoneer with 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, helps to set up a howitzer during a field-training exercise at Landing Zone Eagle on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, April 20.



Pfc. Justin D. Ridgeway, cannoneer with 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, uses arm signals to help guide a 7-ton truck to set the howitzer in place during a field training exercise at Landing Zone Eagle on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, April 20.



Marines from 1/12 practice dry-fire runs on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, during field-training exercises, that prepare them for possible combat situations.

Sgt. Michael J. Davoren, ammunition team chief, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, writes coordinates during a field-training exercise at Landing Zone Eagle, April 20.



Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, Marines bring an M198 Medium-Towed Howitzer to use in training exercises at Landing Zone Eagle, April 20, on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

A 'way' to remember

Hawaii Sailor honored in Iraq

Sgt. Kristin S. Jochums

2nd Force Service Support Group

CAMP TAQADDAM, Iraq — As the service began, everyone bowed their heads and took a moment of silence to honor a comrade who gave his life Jan. 26 in the Global War on Terrorism.



HOUSE

A memorial and dedication service to celebrate the life of Petty Officer 3rd Class John D. House was held April 16.

"We gather here today to pay our respects to [HM3] John Daniel House," began Navy Lt. Stephen J. Zachary, the chaplain for Marine Wing Support Squadron

371 and Yuma, Ariz. native. "He was a husband to one, a patriot to some and a friend to many, and a Sailor who lived as a Marine."

House, a hospital corpsman, joined the Navy December 1998. After completing recruit training he was assigned to the Field Medical Service School at Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he learned to work alongside Marines.

"The Marines were important and signifi-

cant to John, and he stayed by their side, and they all admired him; the admiration was mutual," said Petty Officer 3rd Class Sandra Mitts, a hospital corpsman with MWSS-371 and St. Charles, Mo. native.

From there, he served in Okinawa, Japan; Camp Pendleton, Calif.; and the Naval Health Clinic Hawaii. While serving in Hawaii, House augmented 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, MCB Hawaii, and deployed with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

House, a Ventura, Calif. native, was conducting security and stabilization operations near Ar Rutbah when the CH-53D Sea Stallion helicopter carrying him and 30 Marines crashed, killing all the servicemembers aboard.

"He definitely was an individual who loved his family, friends and play time, but when it was time to work, he got the job done," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Peter J. Delmolino, a pharmacy technician with MWSS-371 and Housatonic, Calif. native.

To show their love and respect, the Marines and Sailors of MWSS-371 dedicated a road after "Doc" House, so his memory will live on.

"The street naming was important to me. It makes his name and his sacrifice to his country known," said Mitts. "He will be memorialized in history, and each day when someone drives down Doc House Way right here in Iraq, they will know and remember him."



Sgt. Kristin S. Jochums

Petty Officer 2nd Class Peter J. Delmolino (left) and Petty Officer 3rd Class Sandra Mitts, both with Marine Wing Support Squadron 371, of Yuma, Ariz., stand with the road sign dedicated to Petty Officer 3rd Class John D. House, during a memorial service, April 16, at Camp Taqaddam, Iraq.

"I wanted to do something to bring closure, while honoring him, and let everyone know that just because time passes doesn't mean that we will ever forget him or what he gave for all of us," she continued. "I wanted to tell the story of his life and his death."

"When someone asks, 'What is Doc House

Way?' The story will be told of a young man who sacrificed his life for freedom," said Mitts.

House was known by his peers as a devoted husband, an able Sailor, loyal to the Corps and a faithful friend. Mitts said, although House is missing from the ranks today, he will never be forgotten.

DUIs are career killers

(Editor's Note: Per the commanding general of MCB Hawaii, those arrested for driving under the influence [DUI], driving while intoxicated or drug-related offenses shall be publicized in the *Hawaii Marine* newspaper.)

•April 23, Lance Cpl. Devaill T. McCoy, of CSSG-3. Driving under the influence, pending a blood alcohol content test.

•April 23, Lance Cpl. Christopher A. Miller of MCAF. DUI after refusing a BAC test.

PACE: President Bush has confidence in abilities

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Afghanistan and Iraq and liberated more than 50 million people," Bush said. "By removing the Taliban and Saddam Hussein, we have made America safer and put a troubled region on the path to freedom and peace."

The president said that he is confident the work Myers set in motion at the Pentagon will continue under Pace.

Myers, who earned his commission from Kansas State University in 1965, has served in uniform for 40 years. A fighter pilot, he has flown more than 4,100 hours, including more than 600 hours in combat during the Vietnam

War.

Pace was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., and raised in Teaneck, N.J. A 1967 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, he began his military career as a platoon leader in Vietnam at the Battle of Hue City in 1968. He has commanded at every level in the Marine Corps and with joint forces. Bush said Pace's commitment to troops has been central to his success at every level.

Bush noted that under the glass on Pace's desk, the general keeps a photo of Lance Cpl. Guido Farinaro, the first Marine Pace lost in combat during Vietnam.

Before becoming vice chairman, Pace served as the commander of U.S. Southern Command. He was promoted to brigadier general in 1992

and served in the United States, Somalia and Japan before becoming the director for operations on the Joint Staff in 1996.

During his remarks, Bush also lauded Giambastiani.

"He has been leading the effort to bring reform to the NATO military so our alliance is prepared for the threats of tomorrow," Bush said.

He thanked Pace and Giambastiani for their willingness to take on these new assignments.

"We still face ruthless adversaries who wish to attack our country," Bush said. "But with the leadership of men like these, the outcome of this struggle is assured: America will defeat freedom's enemies and ensure the security of our country for generations to come."

THIESSEN, From A-1

trying to accomplish.

"Marines and Sailors at Kaneohe Bay do a wonderful job," said Thiessen. "They've brought a lot of confidence in the CH-53Ds — especially during their deployments during peace and wartime."

According to Thiessen, it matters little where Marines and Sailors are, physically, in the fight. They all contribute one way or another.

"I disagree with context of having to be in Iraq to be in the fight," said the CG. "We're all in the fight and will stay in the fight until it's all over."



Photo Courtesy of The Boeing Company

Military historian Victor Davis Hanson leads an Operation Homecoming writing workshop at Camp Pendleton, Calif., in February.

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Curry, contributing editor for *The Veteran*, spoke to attendees about feelings and how to transfer feelings into the writings.

"If you put your feelings down on paper, it can turn into something very creative," said Curry, a West Virginia native. "Most poems are created by peoples' feelings."

During the workshop, Curry explained the importance of writing, understanding what people write about, and why they write.

"One thing I'll do is give them five minutes to write a short story or poem," said Curry. "When they're finished, they then read them out loud, and we discuss what was meant and what the writer was thinking while he or she was writing it."

Those participating in the program who intend to submit their writings for possible inclusion into Operation Homecoming's anthology can submit their pieces by mail,

fax or e-mail, but they must be postmarked or received by May 31.

The works to be selected for publication will be judged on literary excellence, historical importance, and the desire to present a diversity of genres, according to NEA officials. The anthology will include features, poems, letters, personal narratives, journal writing, stories and other literary forms.

All military personnel, reservists, National Guard members and coalition authority members who served after Sept. 11, 2001, are eligible to submit their writings for consideration in the final publication, said Curry.

The completed anthology of wartime writing will be sold in bookstores and will be distributed free by the Arts Endowment to military installations, schools and libraries.

For more information, contact Monica Glockner, NEA Fellow for Operation Homecoming at (202) 682-5007 or log on to www.operationhomecoming.org.

Headquarters Battalion deploys Marines forward

Cpl. Megan L. Stiner
Press Chief

Marines from Headquarters Battalion, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, are no exception to the rule when it comes to the trend of sending Marines from nondeployable units to Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

"Last year we sent 36 Marines overseas," said 1st Sgt. John T. Waddell, company first sergeant, Headquarters and Service Company, Headquarters Battalion. "We also currently have 24 Marines deployed from the battalion."



Lance Cpl. Miguel A. Carrasco Jr.

Sgt. Robert C. Barham, a military working dog handler from MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, along with his dog, conduct detailed searches for weapons caches in Fallujah. Barham, 25, a native of Jackson, Miss., and his dog were in the city in support of OIF.

The Marines are performing mostly the same jobs overseas as they performed at K-Bay. Some of the jobs that they are doing include administration, K-9 handling and postal service, to name a few.

"Although we get repeated requests for certain billets," said Waddell, "the Marines are supporting the operation overseas in a wide variety of fashions that sometimes fall outside of their primary military occupational specialty.

"We are supporting the fight to the best of our ability. When we receive a tasker for Marines, we get them out there."

Although the individual sections are the ones most impacted by the deployments, according to Waddell, many of the Marines are eager to go to Iraq and Afghanistan to be a part of history.

"I want to go back," admitted Sgt. Phillip J. Graham, Battalion Substance Abuse Counseling Office, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, who just returned from an eight-month deployment to Camp Fallujah, Iraq. "I would like to be a part of the rebuilding of the country."

According to Waddell, most of the Marines who are sent overseas are more than willing to go, which reflects the character of the Marines.

"We have a lot of hard workers in the battalion," said Waddell. "When we send them overseas, we are confident they will do good things out there — just as they have at K-Bay. The fact that they are anxious to go is a really positive thing."

According to Waddell, since the Marines have been deploying, he has received a lot of feedback about how the Marines feel once they return from OIF and OEF, and most of the comments about deploying are favorable.

"They come back with a sense of accomplishment," he said. "They know they contributed to a good cause, and they find it rewarding."

Graham, a Charlotte, N.C. native, has been overseas twice — once with the battalion and once prior to that, while he was an amtraker stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

"I really enjoyed the second deployment because I got to be a part of history," explained the 26-year-old, who was a part of information operations assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment. "We took over the city of Fallujah and got to be there during Iraq's very first elections. It is something I can tell the kids about."



Gunnery Sgt. Claudia LaMantia

Gabrielle Fritz and her mother, Gunnery Sgt. Nohelia E. Fritz, get reacquainted after her return from Operation Iraqi Freedom II, Monday. The Anaheim, Calif. native left for Iraq last September and spent her combat tour as the exchange staff non-commissioned officer-in-charge at Camp Taqaddam. Fritz deployed as an individual augment from Headquarters Battalion to support the Global War on Terrorism.

According to Graham, the biggest misconception about Iraq is its citizens. He said a lot of people perceive them all to be bad, but the truth is that there are a lot of good individuals who live there.

"They go out of their way to help you, once they know you," he said. "Their culture is very interesting, and I really enjoyed learning about it and meeting Iraqis during my time out there."

Waddell said he was impressed with the battalion and with the Marines, not only while they are deployed and once they get back, but by the way they keep themselves prepared for immediate deployment.

"Personal readiness, as well as unit readiness, is a big factor for Headquarters Battalion," he said. "When we get the word that they need Marines, it can be a matter of days before that Marine is on the plane en route to the fight. We have been successful in the past with physical and mental readiness and that makes a big

difference."

According to Waddell, the future of Marines deploying from the battalion as well as other non-deployable units, probably won't differ much from past contributions to OIF and OEF.

"As long as there are Marines overseas," he began, "we will continue to support the operations and send Marines out."



Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Marines from Headquarters Battalion, MCB Hawaii, board a CH-53D Sea Stallion helicopter, motivated for fast roping in October 2004 to stay ready for deployment — both mentally and physically.

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"We will not tire, We will not falter, We will not fail." — President George W. Bush, October 26, 2001

ANZAC honors Gallipoli battle anniversary

Pfc. R. Drew Hendricks

Marine Forces Pacific

HONOLULU, Hawaii — The white marble staircase gleamed in the brightness of the sun and the world within the National War Memorial of the Pacific stood still in somber silence during 90th anniversary of the Battle of Gallipoli.

The ceremony was in honor of the bravery and spirit the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps demonstrated at the Battle of Gallipoli.

The ANZACs landed, at what is now known as ANZAC cove, April 25, 1915. The landing was marked as a failure, resulting in heavy casualties for both Australia and New Zealand. Even though the landing was considered a disaster, it is the first modern amphibious assault and a textbook example of such assaults, studied by Marine and Navy officers at the Naval War College.

It was the first real show of Australian and New Zealand bravery.

"The men fought hard and long against immeasurable odds and came out with horrendous casualty rates. Even so, their bravery has

never been disputed," according to Lieutenant Col. "Mick" Lehmann, defense attaché for the Australian Consul-General, Hawaii.

"Today the holiday not only celebrates the brave that perished on the beaches of Gallipoli but all the war dead of Australia and New Zealand," said Lehmann.

Marines from all over Hawaii have been helping the Australian and New Zealand military members in Hawaii celebrate one of their most important holidays, ANZAC day, since 1973. This year marks the 33rd year the Marines have participated in the ceremony.

The ceremony kicked off with the marching on of the honor guard followed by the traditional presentation of the colors.

While the Marines stood reverently over the proceedings, speeches were given to honor those who fell, including lines from "For the Fallen," a traditional poem read on ANZAC day, along with a few words from the Australian Consul-General and a number of other distinguished guests.

"I don't know if the Marines know how much this means to us. They have been doing it for years and every year is just as special," said Lehmann.

This year was exceptionally special for one Marine, Sgt. Steven L. Daniels, pass house non-commissioned officer-in-charge, Camp Smith Provost Marshal's office.

Daniels was given the honor of presenting a wreath in memory of his late grandfather, Mehau Phillips, who fought at the battle of Gallipoli and past away in 1983.

Daniels lived in Australia his entire life until the age of 24 when he flew to Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif., to become a Marine.

Since Hawaii Marines have a history of commemorating ANZAC day with their friends from Australia and New Zealand, it seemed only fitting that Daniels be given the chance to participate, according to Lehmann.

There were 32 wreaths laid in honor of the ANZACs. Military and civilian leaders presented wreaths, including Adm. William J. Fallon, commander, U.S. Pacific Command, Brig. Gen. George Trautman III, deputy commander, U.S. Marine Forces Pacific, and the Honorable Linda Lingle, governor of Hawaii.

Daniels laid the last wreath before a lone bugler played "The Last Post" in memory of those who died in the service of both countries.

The Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, also conducted a 21-gun salute.

"It meant a lot to me to be able to participate in this," said Daniels.

"I always watched the ceremonies from the side when I was little, but this is the first time I was able to be a part of it."

It means a lot that the Marines help put this on every year with the similarities that the services share, according to Lehmann.

The battle of Gallipoli is considered the first modern amphibious assault, which makes it only fitting for the Marine Corps to provide support, said Lehmann.

"We have a tremendous respect for the way Marines think and, more importantly, the way Marines act."

Lehmann went on to say that Marines have a can-do attitude which is why we have had such great success working together throughout history and continuing on today in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"There seems to be a good connection between the Marines and the Australian Army," said Daniels, as he looked at his grandfather's wreath and smiled, "that makes it appropriate for us to do this."

Australian native remembers heritage

Pfc. R. Drew Hendricks

Marine Forces Pacific

CAMP H.M. SMITH, Hawaii — A person usually joins the Marines to fight for the rights and freedoms of his homeland and serves to ensure that the way of life that he has become accustomed to is preserved.

Sgt. Steven L. Daniels is the pass house vehicle registration non-commissioned officer-in-charge at the Camp Smith Provost Marshal's office and a native of Sydney, Australia. While still living in Australia, Daniels decided to serve in an armed service away from his homeland — he wanted to join the U.S. military.

It wasn't until he was 24 that he was finally able to join.

Though the Marine Corps was the first branch he called, he had contacted all the branches of service.

"I didn't just join the Marines for the sole purpose of being a Marine, I just wanted to be in the military. When I called all the services, I told them whoever gets back to me first, that's the one I'm going to join," said Daniels.

October 5, 1998, he stepped onto the famed "yellow footprints."

"It was a complete culture shock. While most recruits were trying to adjust to their drill instructors, I was trying to adjust to Americans," said Daniels. "I'm happy where I ended up."

With family far away and nothing but new surroundings in front of him, Daniels had to adjust quickly.

"I like America, I love the cultural diversity, but at the same time, everyone moves too fast," Daniels said smiling, "Don't get me wrong, I enjoy it here, I just miss home sometimes."

This year Daniels was given the chance to bring a little bit of home to Hawaii.

Daniels presented a wreath at the Australian New Zealand Army Corps Memorial Day ceremony, Monday, at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, in memory of his late grandfather Mehau Phillips, who fought in the famed battle of Gallipoli 90 years ago. He passed away in 1983.

"I am extremely excited at this chance to participate in the ANZAC day ceremony, not many Americans understand how significant this is to Australians," exclaimed Daniels.

"For years I have been celebrating ANZAC day with friends and family back

home. I heard about what the Marines did for ANZAC day last year after it was too late, so I missed the chance to be a part of last year's ceremony."

This year, however, Daniels refused to miss it.

"It means a lot to be able to do this," said Daniels

"In Australia, everyone in the military is looked at with such reverence."

"As a kid I always watched people lay wreaths in honor of those who fought at Gallipoli, and now I get to do it. It's an amazing honor."

"Even though I have my family here, I miss home. This was a great way to bring home a little bit closer."



Pfc. R. Drew Hendricks

Sgt. Steven L. Daniels, a military policeman at the Camp Smith Provost Marshal's Office, takes a break from working at the pass house. Daniels, a Sydney, Australia native, came to the U.S. at the age of 24 to join the Marine Corps.

Did You Know?

On this day in ...

1913 — Gideon Sundback patented an all-purpose zipper.

1945 — The Nazi death camp, Dachau, was liberated.

1952 — IBM President Thomas J. Watson, Jr., informed his company's stockholders that IBM was building "the most advanced, most flexible high-speed computer in the world." It was unveiled April 7, 1953, as the IBM 701 Electronic Data Processing Machine.

1990 — The destruction of the Berlin Wall began.

1998 — The U.S., Canada and Mexico end tariffs on \$1 billion in NAFTA trade.

*Information compiled from www.on-this-day.com.

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HAWAII MARINE B SECTION

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Marie Kodama's clay and metal piece, Telesis, resides in the Hawaii State Art Museum. It is a satirical but whimsical sculpture that speaks of the natural and social forces that come in play in the name of progress.



Whirl, by Carol Bennett, is a detailed view of tropical fish found off Hawaii's coasts — Sailfish Tang, Lion Fish and Moray Eel.



Above — The Eye of the Storm, by Fred Roster, speaks of human existence, where mankind sits precariously on a single tree root with storm-like lifestyles that pull us away from the planet. The bird represents nature, calmly sitting, not caring one way or the other.

Left — Gelbick Fret, is a self-contrasting piece of art by Rick Mills. His use of opposing colors and textures is meant to represent the diversity of Hawaii's natural environment.

Cultural Reflections

The Hawaii State Art Museum illustrates the social, historical background of Hawaii through its artists

Story and Photos By
Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

Since it opened in November 2002, thousands of people have graced the steps of the Hawaii State Art Museum to gaze at one-of-a-kind artifacts, sculptures, pictures and paintings found inside.

The museum features one semi-permanent display in addition to other culturally diverse exhibits.

The HiSAM's Inaugural Exhibit, Enriched by Diversity: The Art of Hawaii, is the museum's largest collection containing 162 pieces of art, dating from 1960 to the present day, that display a variety of Hawaii's cultural heritage through the expressions of Hawaii artists.

Reflecting Hawaii is an exhibit of 23 bodies of artwork located in the Diamond Head Gallery, at HiSAM, specifically composed of paintings, mixed media, works on paper, and black and white photographs from an Art in Public Places Collection.

According to David Delatorre, Art in Public Places Collection manager, the Art in Public Places Collection is a compilation of more than 5,000 works of art located throughout the state in public places such as the airport,

local schools, public offices and community colleges. The collection rotates throughout different areas around Hawaii in an effort to display the variety of art forms found within the collection to the communities all over the entire state.

"The program is unique to Hawaii," said Delatorre, a Santa Barbara, Calif. native. "The program began when legislature passed a law that enables us to acquire works of art from local artists and has since become very successful."

Just as the Art in Public Places is an exclusive program, Delatorre said the art found in the museum is very distinctive as well.

"I think it is beneficial for people to come and view the art because the museum contains many artifacts that reflect the social and historical background of this area," said Delatorre, who has worked in the art department for more than 30 years. "The art reflects the islands, which are unique in themselves."

When entering the museum, it is not difficult to see the cultural exhibits that give the museum a very individual feel. The lobby

contains images of ships sailing on the ocean. Once visitors continue into the gallery, paintings of mountain views and images of native Hawaiian families are seen on the walls.

Hawaii is characterized as a beautiful place, explained Delatorre, and the artifacts found in the museum mimic the splendor of the ocean, mountains and other paradise-like characteristics.

The museum also offers special exhibits during certain times of the year such as the Summertime exhibit featuring images and themes of the summer months. The exhibit begins June 3.

Other interesting programs include ARTLUNCH lectures. The lectures are the last Tuesday of every month and are held at noon. The lectures, which are open to the public, offer the opportunity for people interested in art to get together and discuss different topics concerning art.

The museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the Hawaii State Art Museum visit their Web site at www.hawaii.gov/sfca.

Cinco de Mayo spells fiestas at clubs

Yibeli Galindo-Baird
MCCS Marketing

Hang on to your sombreros as you drive to your respective K-Bay Club for the ever-popular Cinco de Mayo celebrations taking place Thursday and Friday. These annual gatherings provide the perfect opportunity for the clubs to demonstrate their ability to prepare Mexican-themed menu items, showcase Latin entertainers and create an atmosphere of revelry like no other base can.

So why celebrate Cinco de Mayo? Contrary to popular belief, this holiday has no relation to Mexico's independence. In fact, Mexico's actual independence took place Sept. 16, 1810, 52 years prior to the actual Cinco de Mayo event, properly referred to in Mexico as the Battle of Puebla. This battle, which took place May 5, 1862, marks the defeat of the larger, French army by a smaller, ill-equipped, native Mexican army in the state of Puebla. This battle was significant in that it demonstrated to the rest of the world that Mexicans were willing to unite and defend themselves against any foreign intervention.

Interestingly enough, Cinco de Mayo celebrations are far more popular in the United States than in Mexico, except in Puebla itself, due to its commercialization. Many southwestern cities celebrate this occasion with parades, mariachi groups and traditional Mexican folk music.

While Hawaii may be a lot farther out west than those states in which these festivities are more traditionally celebrated, at K-Bay we never miss an opportunity to party. And that is

exactly what the base clubs — The Officers' Club, the Staff NCO Club and Kahuna's Sports Bar & Grill — will be doing.

The Officers' Club will be hosting the Cinco de Mayo party sponsored by Combat Service Support Group 3. The event, which will take place at the O' Club Grunge Bar, by the pool, will kick off at 4 p.m. on Friday, making it the perfect venue to start the weekend. A Mexican food bar will be available from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. While great party music will be playing inside, no Cinco de Mayo event would be complete without mariachis. That is why, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. a mariachi band will have you feeling as though Mexico came to the O' Club. In addition, a two-piece band will play contemporary music the rest of the night.

"We expect over 200 officers and their guests at the event. Our Cinco de Mayo celebration is an opportunity to play hard and acknowledge Mexican history," said Col. Brian J. Hearnberger, commanding officer of CSSG-3. "With the margarita machine and Dos Equis beer we are bringin' in for this party, there is no better place for officers and their dates to have a great time among friends. If you haven't seen the Grunge Bar, it's like walkin' into a combat zone to party!"

The Officers' Club members look-



Mexican culture, food and history will be celebrated at each of the base clubs on Thursday and Friday in honor of Cinco de Mayo. Each celebration will feature its own distinctive touches that will bring a taste of Mexico and its traditions to the fiestas.

ing to take part in this fiesta can do so by purchasing tickets from The Officers' Club or K-Bay unit representatives for \$5. Nonmembers can also attend for a modest \$8. For more information, call 254-7650.

Staff Non-commissioned Officer's Club patrons will actually get to celebrate on Thursday with an event that will surely have you thinking "Viva el Club SNCO!" On Thursday, the

Staff NCO Club will host a Cinco de Mayo Fiesta in the Rocker Room starting at 4 p.m. The event will feature a nacho bar, limbo contest, a "no grimace" pepper-eating challenge accompanied by a live mariachi band. Salsa and fiesta music will also be available. Door prizes will be handed out and a piñata will provide something for everyone to take home. Best of all, the party is sponsored by the Staff NCOs of the Marine Corps Air Facility, so a good time is guaranteed. For more information, call 254-5481.

Last, but never least, is the Kahuna's Sports Bar & Grill event. Taking place on Friday from 6 p.m. to 3 a.m., enlisted patrons will have a myriad of activities from which to choose in celebration of the Mexican holiday. For the competitive types, a salsa contest will take place from 8 to 9:30 p.m. First- and second-place winners will receive prizes for showing the rest of the dance floor how to really groove, Latin style. Making the evening really jump will be El Conjunto Tropical, a local band which performs at Kahuna's every month and plays a wide selection of merengue, salsa and bachata music. Their rhythm is just right to get your blood pumping and make the temperature rise!

The event will also feature door prizes, drink specials, Mexican food specials and Kahuna's very own bal-

loon drop full of prizes. "We want folks coming out to Kahuna's to feel like it was worth the trip. We'll have great specials and prizes that will get everyone in the mood to salsa the night away, enjoy the Mexican refreshments and find out why Kahuna's is the best place to party any time," said Alexis Swenson, general manager of Kahuna's. For more information, call the club at 254-7660.

If you have not been to any of the clubs on base, let Cinco de Mayo celebrations be the excuse to get to know these great facilities, which have jointly been rated as best in food quality in the Marine Corps, according to Claes Fornell International in their Fall 2004 associate and customer satisfaction survey.

In addition, be sure to inquire about membership promotion details to join both The Officers' and Staff NCO clubs. Now through June 20, a national membership drive will reward new members who sign up for the Chase membership card with the opportunity to win a grand prize of a \$500 credit applied to their membership card. For those who think their chances of winning that drawing may be too slim, MCB Hawaii also offers an incentive that will make your ears perk and your toes tap — literally. New members from K-Bay or Camp Smith who sign up for the Chase membership card will also be entered to win an iPod mini, the latest in portable music at the touch of your fingers. All members who join the club through June 20 will automatically be entered for a chance at the iPod.

For more information, call 254-5481.

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Kahuna's Bar & Grill

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Sugah Daddy Live — Need a little music to start off your weekend on the right note? Come down to

the club tonight to listen to a live performance by Sugah Daddy.

The band starts playing at 10 p.m.

Kahuna's Texas Hold 'em — Got a full house? That's what we want at the club on Saturday for a great game of Texas Hold 'em. Game starts at 6 p.m. with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Buy in is only \$5 and those interested in dealing will get a free meal and a Kahuna's t-shirt. No bluffing.

Dita Holifield at Kahuna's — Kahuna's Sports Bar & Grill is proud to feature local country performer Dita Holifield and Red Handed, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Their performance is sure to have you two-stepping in no time so be sure not to miss it.

Kahuna's Offers a New Thursday Evening Line-up — Change is good, but at Kahuna's, it's great. We've switched Thursday's events to Saturdays and vice versa.

Starting this Thursday, Kahuna's is the place to hit the dance floor with the DJ Dance Party kicking off at 9 p.m. And if the hunger bug bites you, you can still enjoy our delicious wings at only 25 cents each when you dine-in. At this price, it truly is a cheap night out.

Saturdays, the club will continue to feature Logo Glass night, when refills are just \$1 all night long with the purchase a \$5 logo glass. For the songbirds in the house, Island Mobile Productions will encourage you to take your singing out of the shower and into the club with their karaoke setup. Is change good or what?

Staff NCO Club

254-5481

Last Day to Treat Your Administrative Professional to a Lunch Special — If you wanted it to be a surprise, but you forgot Wednesday was the actual Administrative Professionals' Day, don't sweat it. Come to the club for

lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to enjoy the last day of their weeklong salute. Tasty lunch specials will still be available.

All Hands

Family Picnic and Band Concert

— Head to the Child Development Center for a day of fun under the sun and music in the park. Head to the common playground at 5 p.m. to listen to the MarForPac band play their unparalleled repertoire.

This free event is the perfect opportunity to bring the family together in one of the final celebrations for the Month of the Military Child.

For more information, call 257-1388.

Battle of the Restaurants Golf Tournament at the Klipper

— As a benefit for Kailua High School's Project Graduation, this golf tournament will tee off Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. Check in will be at 11:30 a.m.

The format will be shotgun scramble, three players per team. Golfers are still needed. Fee for the shotgun scramble is \$95 per player; early bird special is \$85 per player. Fee includes range balls before play, goodie bag, special contests, 18 holes of golf, beverage stations, prize drawings and an open buffet after the tournament.

For more information, call Patrick Adams at 256-4767.

Mother's Day Craft Fair

— Looking for a good gift for Mother's Day on May 8? Then you need look no further than the Mother's Day Craft Fair taking place at Camp Smith, Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Building 4, opposite the Marine Corps Exchange.

From homemade goods to holiday craft items and baked goods, it will all be there in honor of the one woman without whom we would not

be here: Mom!

For more information or to sign up for a booth call 477-5143. The deadline to reserve booths is today.

Armed Services YMCA Father-Daughter Dance — Tickets are now on sale for the ASYMCA's 6th Annual Father-Daughter Dance, to be held May 14.

This special evening engagement will take place in The Officers' Club Lanai Ballroom, from 5 until 9 p.m. Fathers are expected to wear formal civilian or military dress, and daughters may wear a formal or party dress.

Professional pictures will be available upon request for an additional fee.

Girls, treat your father to an evening of formal fun, and remind them to register.

Tickets are \$12 per person, and include a dinner buffet, door prizes and entertainments.

Space is limited for this affair to remember, so call the ASYMCA today, at 254-4719, for tickets.

MCB Hawaii Job Fair — The annual MCB Hawaii Job Fair will be held May 20, from 9 a.m. to noon at Kahuna's Community Ballroom.

The job fair is open to all military and DoD/Coast Guard identification card holders with base access; this includes spouses and family members, active duty personnel, retirees, reservists and DoD/Coast Guard employees.

This is a great opportunity for job seekers to network with local and government agencies and apply for job vacancies. Bring your résumés and dress appropriately. Due to the professional nature of this event, children will not be admitted.

For more information, visit the Joint Employment Management System's Web site at www.JEMS.Hawaii.com and click on Job Fair/Events in the side menu or contact Roberto Katekaru, at 257-7790.

This event is jointly sponsored by the Marine Corps Base Hawaii's Marine and Family Services and the Joint Employment Management System.

Ongoing

Get your lunch on the go at Kahuna's — Need to grab a tasty bite to eat, but don't have time to sit down at Kahuna's? No problem — just call the lunch pick-up line at 254-4183 and place your lunch order between 10:30 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Mondays through Fridays for quick and convenient pick up at the bar.

Discount at Fairways Sports Bar and Grill for Staff NCO Members — The Staff NCO Club may be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, but Fairways is now offering reduced pricing for Staff NCO members from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on those days.

Remember to show your valid membership card to activate your discount.

For more information, call 254-5481.

Storage Lockers at Kaneohe Bay Reservations — Locker reservations are being accepted for one of more than 250 units — now that the new reservation system has been installed.

Have your credit card information ready when calling to reserve a unit.

For reservations, requirements and more information, call The Lodge at 254-2806.

ASYMCA Playmornings — Military parents and kids can spend quality time together on a daily basis from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at one of our five different sites on base. There are games, crafts, songs and other entertaining activities. Parents can also receive information on positive parenting techniques. The program is free, requires no registration, and takes place at the following locations: Mondays at the ASYMCA in Building 1638, Tuesdays in Building 477 (old Teen Center), Wednesdays at the Super Playground, Thursdays at the Connor Loop Playground, Fridays at the Super Playground, and on rainy days activities will be held at the ASYMCA in Building 1638.

Call the Armed Services YMCA at 254-4719 for more information.

SM&SP



All events are open to unaccompanied E-5 and below who are active duty Marines or Sailors. The SM&SP Office is located in Building 1629, inside the Kahuna's Recreation Center. Get more details on activities at mccshawaii.com under the "Semper Fitness" icon, or call 254-7593.

Service Members Invited to Meet Sharks: Head out on to the high seas for a shark viewing spectacle and adventure May 14. For only \$85 per person, patrons will receive transportation to and from the boat, a tour, as well as gear. This adventure is open to all single service members and unaccompanied E-5s and below. However, space is limited, so register with the Single Marine & Sailor Program now by calling 254-7593.

SM&SP Offers Maui Island Excursion: If you have yet to visit Maui, this is the perfect opportunity to explore in good company. The excursion takes place Memorial Day Weekend, and costs \$350 per person. The fee includes airfare, shared accommodations and rental vans. A nonrefundable deposit of \$100 along with your registration is due by May 16. There is a limit of 12 participants. Note that the event may be cancelled if minimum participation is not met. Spread the word and get ready to travel with your closest buds! To secure your seat, call 254-7593.

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Prices for 7:15 p.m. shows are \$3 for adults, children 12 and older, \$1.50 for children 6 to 11. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Prices for evening, Wednesday, Sunday and late shows Friday and Saturdays are \$2 for adults, \$1.50 for children. Children 5 and younger are always free. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16-years-old and younger. Show your ID card at the box office.
Sneak Preview Policy: One hour and 45 minutes prior to the movie, tickets will be issued to first priority patrons waiting in line, then second and third priority patrons.
Call 254-7642 for recorded information.

The Pacifier (PG)	Today at 7:15 p.m.
Million Dollar Baby (PG-13)	Today at 9:45 p.m.
Be Cool (PG-13)	Saturday at 7:15 p.m.
Man of the House (PG-13)	Saturday at 9:45 p.m.
Man of the House (PG-13)	Sunday at 2 p.m.
Million Dollar Baby (PG-13)	Sunday at 6:30 p.m.
Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13)	Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Ice Princess (G)	Friday at 7:15 p.m.
Be Cool (PG-13)	Friday at 9:45 p.m.



Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Hawaii Pacific University students from Southern Thailand pose for a photograph with a fellow student during HPU's 21st Annual Intercultural Day. The event was established as a means for international students to introduce others to their homeland's culture.



Pic. Roger L. Nelson

Na Keiki O Manana, a children's choir from Manana School, sing for the hundreds who participated in and helped observe Hawaii Pacific University's Intercultural Day Friday in downtown Honolulu.

A Hawaii Pacific University student demonstrates a Malaysian form of volleyball at Fort Street Mall during the Hawaii Pacific University's Intercultural Day, Friday.



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Intercultural day shows ethnic pride

Diverse cultural heritages shared with games, music, traditional garb

Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Combat Correspondent

If you were at the Fort Street Mall in Honolulu on Friday, you would have thought that you were in a whole new world, as a number of the people there were dressed in the attire of 15 different nations and waved the flags of the countries they represented. This showing of ethnic pride was all part of Hawaii Pacific University's 21st Annual Intercultural Day.

Free and open to the public, all were welcome to experience the cultures of Thailand, Japan, Samoa and Israel, among many others, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Food was available from the vendors at the Fort Street Mall Business Improvement District all day, and a variety of students, displaying the culture of their home countries, treated onlookers with traditional dance and music performances.

Originally established in 1984, Intercultural Day was created as a means for international students to introduce others to the cultures of their homeland, said Ann Newton, director, International Student Services, HPU.

"What I tell the students is that it's a day for them to come in and be somebody other than just another student in a classroom," said the Honolulu, Hawaii native. "It's a day for them to share who they are and where they come from."

The day is not only an opportunity for students to show their origins, it is a day to have fun and earn money for their school clubs, said Newton.

"It's sort of a competition in the way that each

country is given points for the one who has the best exhibit, puts on the best performances, and does the best in the parade. The points are then added up, and the winners get money for their clubs in school."

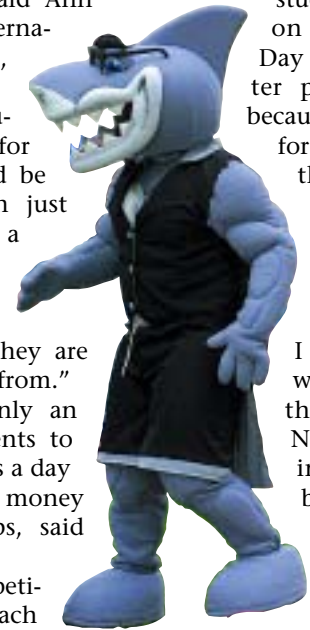
The day began with the exhibit tents that were judged by 10 a.m. Shortly thereafter, the parade took place in the downtown area, followed by performances from the different groups as well as cheerleaders, the school dance team and the school mascot, a shark.

There was a difference this year in comparison to the other years, said Newton, which made the day a little more interesting to visitors.

"This year we included interactive activities for all of the people who chose to experience the day with us," said Newton. "There would be an activity at each exhibit that is native to that country — either a certain game or perhaps lei making. Whatever the event, spectators were welcome to take part and experience it."

Newton said that some students begin working on the Intercultural Day projects the semester prior to the event because it is so important for some of them to get the opportunity to share their culture with others.

"The best thing about the event is the excitement that I see in the students who are representing their country," said Newton. "This is definitely one of the biggest events that we take part in all year and definitely one of the funnest."



K-Bay units take time out for base

Marines and Sailors clean up during base-wide Pride Day

Cpl. Megan L. Stiner
Press Chief

Marines and Sailors are familiar with picking up trash and keeping the area they live in and around clean, but twice a year, residents and workers of MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, take the initiative to go all out and execute an entire base cleanup, known as Pride Day.

According to Master Sgt. Sheldon A. Comer, deputy base inspector, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, every unit on base took time away from normal, everyday tasks and worked toward one common goal, Friday.

"The significance of Pride Day was to focus on an intense, thorough, systematic field day of the entire installation," said the Detroit, Mich. native. "Every unit on base sent representatives out to clean different areas on base until the job was done."

Personnel spent the morning picking up everything — from candy wrappers and ciga-

rette butts to old useless car batteries that had been abandoned on different areas of the installation.

This most recent event officially kicked off at 8 a.m. Some units had individuals still working into the afternoon, but most Marines and Sailors were finished before noon.

An additional focus for the base this year, during Pride Day, was Nuupia Ponds. The Environmental and Protection Agency paid special attention to the ponds in order to get rid of unwanted invasive species of plants that have made the ponds their home.

"It was important to have environmental personnel out there," said Comer. "We have Pride Day in order to maintain environmental compli-

ance as well as to beautify the installation. To have them out there on the same day, participating in the event, was good."

The semi-annual cleanup event

created a lot of feedback this time, and planning is already in progress for the next event to focus on areas in greater need of care.

"We clean areas such as the flight line,"

Comer, "but the personnel that work on the flight line perform thorough cleanup everyday; therefore, we probably don't need to have personnel focusing on that area next event, so we are taking factors like that into consideration for next time."



Photos By Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Marines work with the Environmental and Protection Agency at Nuupia Ponds to get rid of unwanted invasive plants that have made the ponds their home. Pride Day is a biannual base-wide cleanup effort all units aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, participate in.



Marines of 3rd Marine Regiment took part in the Pride Day cleanup Friday at Fort Hase Beach. Next time Pride Day comes around, coordinators plan on working off the feedback from this last Pride Day and focus on specific areas that need more attention.



Garbage found around base, from small pieces of loose paper to large items such as couches, sit at disposal locations throughout base as a result of cleanup efforts during Pride Day, Friday.

WORD TO PASS

Color it Fun With Sesame Street Live Friends

Red, yellow and blue are the primary colors of Elmo, Big Bird and Cookie Monster. Mix them together and discover a rainbow of "Sesame Street Live" friends in the production of "Elmo's Coloring Book" at the Blaisdell Concert Hall June 16 to 26.

Ever feel blue? How about mellow yellow or red-hot? Colors evoke many emotions, but what would happen if they all disappeared? Join Elmo and his friends as they explore ancient Egypt, the land of the dinosaurs and a musical junkyard, with Professor Art and his helpers, the Palettes, through their drawings. The colors begin to vanish as the characters perform an array of musical numbers, including, "Fuzzy and Blue," "Red-Hot Tango," and "Yellow Polka." Along the way, they learn the importance of sharing, diversity and acceptance of others — even those with no color at all.

Each "Sesame Street Live" production features timeless lessons for all ages. Through the razzle-dazzle of a full-blown Broadway-quality production, children learn about patience, cooperation and teamwork. Adults will appreciate the high-tech stagecraft and cleverly written scripts.

Tickets go on sale Saturday and cost \$11 for all opening-night seats and \$15 thereafter. A limited number of premium seats will also be available for \$19. A fee of \$1 will be added to all ticket prices. To charge tickets by phone, call Ticketmaster at (877) 750-4400 or purchase them online at www.ticketmaster.com.

For more information, call 591-2211 or visit www.sesamestreetlive.com.

Doug Stanhope To Headline At Laugh Factory

Doug Stanhope, named "one of the Top Ten Comics to Watch" by both *Variety* and the *Hollywood Reporter*, comes to the Laugh Factory for three shows in the Pikake Room at the Blaisdell Center.

Acclaimed for "some of the sharpest and most biting cultural commentary you'll see in a comedy club," Stanhope co-hosts "The Man Show" on Comedy Central. He also has been seen on "The Howard Stern Show," "Spy TV," "Comedy Central Presents," "Premium Blend," and NBC's "Late Friday."

Tickets go on sale Tuesday for the performances, which are June 10 at 8 p.m. and June 11 at 7:30 and 10 p.m., priced at \$25 in advance and \$30 on the day of the shows. Tickets are available at the Blaisdell Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations, by calling (877) 750-4400 or logging on to www.ticketmaster.com.

Stanhope is also known for raw and rowdy comedy and, with a parental advisory in effect, he wrote, produced and starred in Fox's "Invasion of the Hidden Cameras," which aired in 2002.

Final Dance Concert of the Season Set

"Spring Footholds: Moving Images" will showcase new choreography by Master of Fine Arts candidate Nicole Pouliot and Bachelor of Fine Arts candidates Desmond Kane Balbin, Kelly Del Rosario, Arturo C. Mariano, Elizabeth Merida, and Jacqueline Nii. This final dance concert of the season will display a wide variety of modern dance styles as well as digital media technology, original and live music.

The dance concert will show at Earle Ernst Lab Theatre at Kennedy Theatre Wednesday through May 7 at 8 p.m., and May 8 at 2 p.m. Ticket Prices are \$10 regular, \$8 non-UHM students, seniors, military, UH faculty/staff, \$3 UHM students with validated spring 2005 UHM student ID.

For more information, call 956-7655.

Na Leo To Present Mother's Day Concert

Na Leo, the Na Hoku Hanohano award-winning trio made up of three of Hawaii's most musical moms, invite families to join them for a Mother's Day celebration on May 8, at the Sheraton Waikiki Hawaii ballroom from 9 to 12 p.m.

Family women first, these three women are doing more than just nurturing ears with



The Sesame Street gang will appear at the Blaisdell Concert Hall for fun-filled afternoons and evenings in "Elmo's Coloring Book" June 16 through 26.

their timeless, signature music.

Nalani Choy, mother and one-third of the dynamic trio, said, "The best gift a mother can get, is simply sharing the good times together, enjoying the family, and being treated to a wonderful morning of food, music and fun, and that's what we try to do in our show."

Annual Charity Walk to Dedicate Funds To Hawaii's Military

Dust off your slippers and get ready for a good time at the 27th Annual Visitor Industry Charity Walk on May 21.

This year's theme is "Mahalo to our Troops." "We understand the hardships that families of servicemen and women are experiencing while serving in the Middle East," said Alan Cambra, charity walk chairperson.

The 2005 Visitor Industry Charity Walk is Hawaii's largest single-day

fundraiser, taking place simultaneously on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and the Big Island.

This year, Oahu walkers will be treated to ono food, fun games and live entertainment as they stroll through 17 checkpoints along the seven-mile walk.

The walk will begin at Ala Moana Beach Park's McCoy Pavilion at 6 a.m., continue on a tour through Waikiki, Kapiolani Park and along the Ala Wai Canal, and end back at McCoy Pavilion, where participants will enjoy a plate lunch and post-walk entertainment featuring Da Bomb 102.7 FM's Paul Ogata, Gregg Hammer and the Flashback Band and Ka Hula O Ululani.

Last year, more than 11,009 walkers on four islands raised \$960,400 for more than 170 local charities.

For more information and applications, visit www.charitywalk.org or call Tina Garcia at 923-0407.

Day on the Docks promises fun for all

Edward Hanlon V
MCCS Marketing

Nothing beats a relaxing Sunday spent fishing, except for a fun-filled Sunday spent at Marine Corps Community Services' 7th Annual Day on the Docks Fishing Tournament. The event will take place Sunday, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the MCB Hawaii Base Marina, and includes all of the excitement that you and the family can handle — well, at least on a Sunday.

"This event is simply a really fun family fishing tournament, with great interactive activities for families with children all ages," stated Neil Morgan, the marina and outdoor recreation manager.

The best part of the event is that it is an affordable way to spend the day with the entire family. In fact, the fishing tournament only costs \$12 per child. "The entry fee includes lunch, bait for the day, as well as an event T-shirt, to the first 100 entries, and prizes" enticed Morgan. "We have over \$1,000 worth of prizes to be awarded and raffled off, and last year every kid that stayed for the awards presentation won raffled prizes" he added. The grand prize will be an Izuo Brothers' bicycle, compliments of the Marine Corps Exchange.

Families can also learn more about the Hawaiian ocean's ecosystem at the Day on the Docks. This year's theme is "Protecting our Fragile Marine Environment."

"With the Hawaiian Islands being surrounded by water and the earth's oceans being such a limited resource, it is extremely important that our kids learn the value of protecting this resource for their use as well as future generation's," added Morgan.

If you can't make the fishing tournament, stop by for the free family fun activities, games and demonstrations from programs



Photo Courtesy of Randy Lee

Keiki and grownups alike can enjoy a fun-filled and educational day out at the docks at the many activities planned for Sunday morning.

across the base. From fish displays to water safety and pollution awareness demonstrations, to U.S. Fish & Wildlife and Environmental Department booths, the Day on the Docks is as interactive and educational as it will be fun. And, of course, the famous bouncy house will be on-site.

The event is open to military families, DoD civilians and guests. To register, call 254-7667, or stop by the Base Marina and Outdoor Recreation Building.

ON THE MENU

AT ANDERSON HALL

Today

Lunch

Beef Balls Stroganoff
 Baked Fish Fillet
 Macaroni and Cheese
 Garlic Roasted Potato Wedges
 Mixed Vegetables
 Raisin Drop Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Dinner

Tacos (Ground Beef)
 Chicken Enchiladas
 Chili Conquistador
 Burritos
 Refried Beans
 Mexican Rice
 Raisin Drop Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar
 Pasta Bar

Saturday

Brunch/Dinner

Roast Turkey
 Chicken Cordon Bleu
 Mashed Potatoes
 Boiled Egg Noodles
 Spice Cake w/Lemon Cream
 Frosting
 Sugar Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Sunday

Brunch/Dinner

Swiss Steak w/Mushroom
 Gravy
 Glazed Rock Cornish Hens
 Rice Pilaf
 Mashed Potatoes
 Southern Style Green Beans
 Yellow Cake w/Butter Cream
 Frosting
 Salad Bar

Monday

Lunch

Beef Stew
 Baked Fish Fillets
 Baked Macaroni and Cheese
 Steamed Rice
 French Fried Okra
 Oatmeal Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Dinner

Italian Veal Steaks
 Braised Pork Chops, Bone In
 O'Brien Potatoes
 Steamed Rice
 Peas w/Onions
 Oatmeal Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar
 Pasta Bar

Tuesday

Lunch

Chicken Parmesan
 Cajun Fish Fillet
 Steamed Rice
 Boiled Egg Noodles
 Simmered Asparagus
 Oatmeal Raisin Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Dinner

Southern Fried Chicken
 Beef Balls Stroganoff
 Parsley Butter Potatoes
 Boiled Egg Noodles
 Simmered Pinto Beans
 Oatmeal Raisin Cookies
 Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar
 Taco Bar

Wednesday

Lunch

Chili Macaroni
 Roast Turkey
 Grilled Cheese Sandwich
 Mashed Potatoes
 Glazed Carrots
 Brownies
 Fruit Pies

Dinner

Meat Loaf
 Pork Ham Roast
 Mashed Potatoes
 Tossed Green Rice
 Cauliflower Combo
 Brownies
 Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar
 Country Bar

Thursday

Lunch

Mexican Onion Corn Soup
 Burritos
 Mexican Rice
 Mexican Corn
 Taco Shell

Dinner

Beef Yakisoba
 Orange Chicken
 Fried Rice
 Steamed Rice
 Fried Cabbage w/Bacon
 Brown Gravy
 White Cake w/Lemon Cream
 Frosting
 Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar
 Taco Bar



MARINE MAKEPONO

HAWAIIAN FOR "MARINE BARGAINS"



Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

K-Bay's own mascot, Shamrock's Full O'Blarney, will be one of many pets worthy of taking part in the Cutest Pet Contest, happening now through May 20.

Facility seeks cute pet entries

Yibeli Galindo-Baird

MCCS Marketing

They make us laugh; they make us cry; and throughout May, they'll make us appreciate them more than we normally would. Our pets deserve all the treats they can get ... well at least from May 22 to 28. That's because the last full week of May marks National Pet Week.

At MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, our Veterinary Treatment Facility has come up with a fun and creative way of recognizing our best nonhuman friends. Enroll them in the Cutest Pet Contest, the first ever to be held at K-Bay. Simply have your pet make a "gotta love me" pose and snap away.

The contest is open to all military ID cardholders and family members. Photographic prints no larger than 4 inches by 6 inches will be accepted. Submissions will

not be returned. Label each picture with your name, your pet's name, your military status and a contact phone number, taking care not to mark through to the image on the front side.

Entries can be dropped off at the VTF or at any of the drop boxes located at the K-Bay Commissary, the Marine Corps Exchange, Lava Java's, Kahuna's, the Semper Fit Center, or the Child Development Center. At Camp Smith, look for drop boxes at PaCom Eatery and at the MCX/ITT Lobby, on the second deck of the MarForPac building. Deadline for submissions is May 20, with a winner being selected over the following weekend.

All photos will be posted on the MCCS Web site and at the VTF. First-, second- and third-place winners will receive flea, tick and heartworm preventative medicine.

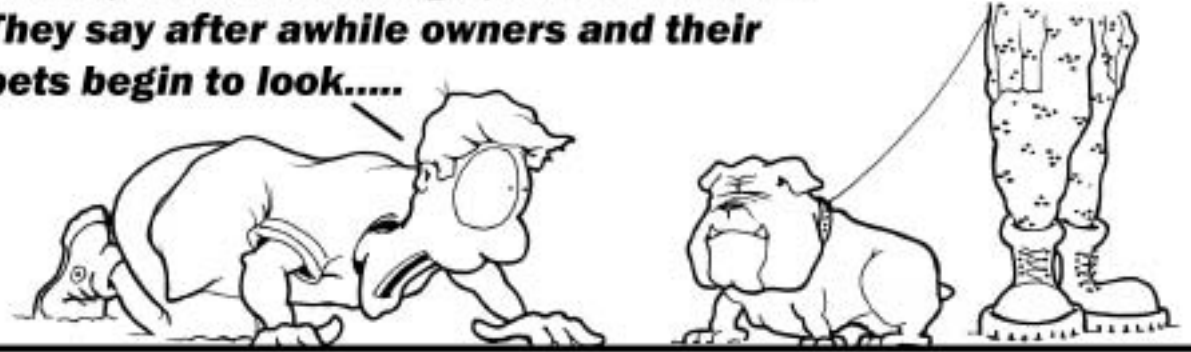
For more info, call 257-3643.



Sempertoons

By Staff Sgt. Charles Wolf

"Wow!, Marine Bull dog..., I love animals! They say after awhile owners and their pets begin to look....."



"AAAAAALike!"



"OOHH-RAHH!"



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sempertoons.com

Free Makepono Ads

Ads are accepted from active duty and retired military personnel, their family members and MCB Hawaii civil service employees.

Ads are free, but should consist of no more than 20 words. Ads will appear in two issues of the **Hawaii Marine**, on a space available basis. Those interested in advertising must bring a valid DoD-issued ID to the **Hawaii Marine** office.

The deadline for submitting ads to the **Hawaii Marine** is 4 p.m. the Friday of the week prior to publication.

Forms may be filled out Mondays through Fridays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the MCB Hawaii Public Affairs Office, located in Building 216 aboard Kaneohe Bay.

Makepono may be used only for noncommercial classified ads containing items of personal property. Ads must represent incidental exchanges, not of a sustained business nature, which are run on a first-come, first-served basis.

To renew an ad or for more information, call the **Hawaii Marine** office at 257-8836 or 257-8837.

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HAWAII MARINE C SECTION

APRIL 29, 2005

MAG-24 champs

Cpl. Nathan C. Benson
Contributing Writer

The MAG-24 Black Sox and the Knights of Headquarters Battalion squared off Monday and Tuesday for the first two games of the best-of-three intramural baseball championship series.

As it turned out, two games were all the Black Sox would need, as the high-powered offense of MAG-24 made for a lopsided 23-8 win Monday night, followed Tuesday night by an equally dominant pitching performance by Larry Drake and David Fults to put the Sox on top 9-1 to take the series.



Sgt. Joseph A. Lee

Jared Rigby (right), MAG-24 pitcher, celebrates the victory with his teammates Tuesday night after the winning play sealed up the series.

Game one started with a lead-off home run by Rory Chapin on the second pitch of the bottom of the first inning, followed by a free trip to first base for Kenny Coquillard after being hit by a pitch. A single by Joseph Dunn then set up a three-run home run by clean-up hitter Sean O'Connor. Logan Carraway, Louis Overstreet, and Joseph Rollins also scored in the inning, putting MAG-24 up 7-0 heading into the second frame.

Headquarters Battalion produced some offense of their own in the second, scoring four runs off of three walks, a double and a single to cut the MAG lead to within three. The Sox came back in the third with singles by Coquillard and Dunn, just in time for O'Connor to contribute one more three-run homer to put the Sox up 10-4. The Knights added one more run in the third, with two walks and two singles, two more in the fourth and one in the sixth. MAG-24 combined for 19 hits on the night. Sean O'Connor went three for five with six runs batted in. Joseph Dunn was four for five with four RBIs. Starting pitcher Jared Rigby picked up the win, saving Drake to start Tuesday's game.

"We are really having troubles in our bullpen," admitted Knights coach, Ubaldo Trujillo. "Going into the second game, we are just hoping to bring a better attitude onto the field to give MAG the best challenge we can give them. We're thankful to be here just to play in the championship series, and I want to thank a friend of mine, Mr. Patoya, for donating our uniforms this year."

Tuesday's game two featured less total runs, but more of the same from MAG and starting pitcher Larry Drake, who has been the "ace" of their pitching squad all year, though the intramural scene hasn't seen much of him. Recently selected,

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Sgt. Joseph A. Lee



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'Up the creek without a paddle'

Above — The leader of the "Swampaholics" shoots up a "shaka" as he treads through the deep mud of the Nuupia Ponds. Wearing blue bandannas, the Swampaholics, like most teams, traveled together during the race so that they finished together during Combat Service Support Group 3's 11th Annual JN Chevrolet Swamp Romp, Saturday. With just under 1,200 competitors, the Swamp Romp is known as Oahu's muddiest foot race and attracts military and civilian competitors from around the island to join together to "be a Marine for a day." Teams of six competed against one another in several categories, and some were dressed the part, wearing some pretty fantastic outfits throughout the entire race.

Left — John W. McJunkin (left), pay non-commissioned officer, tries to submerge Dwight Perkins, a lifeguard lieutenant with the city and county of Honolulu, in the thick mud of the Nuupia Ponds. For the past 11 years, CSSG-3 has hosted the Swamp Romp as their premier source for raising funds for their Marine Corps Ball. The course was just under 5 miles, and included several muddy ravines, low-crawls on the beach, machinegun blasts, log obstacles, and even a wade in the Pacific Ocean. A sunny day on the Windward side made Saturday's race that much more enjoyable for the participants, and according to Regina Reiche of Marine Corps Community Services, Saturday's race went off "without a hitch," as competitors got exactly what they came for — dirty. For the full story, see page C-4.

Athlete of the Year takes gold

Lance Cpl. Karim D. Delgado
Combat Correspondent

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP FOSTER, OKINAWA, Japan — He focuses on his opponent with a fierce look of determination in his eyes. A cold drop of sweat sounds like thunder as it hits the familiar blue mat. Carefully circling within the ring, he is part wrestler, part warrior and all Marine.

Cpl. Jacob Clark, 26, a traffic management specialist with the Traffic Management Office here, spends the majority of his time wrestling as a part of the Marine Corps Sports Program.

Clark came back from the Armed Forces Wrestling Championships April 8 with two gold medals in the 84-kilogram weight class from both the Greco-Roman and freestyle sessions.

He went straight to work at TMO the next day.

"I'm a Marine first and foremost," explained Clark, standing at 5 feet 10 inches, 185 pounds. "If I'm not out there wrestling and representing the Marine Corps, I'm performing the duties my job demands of me."

Clark, a South St. Paul, Minn., native, credits his interest in wrestling to his older brother's influence on him in his early childhood.

"When I was four, I would go to my brother's wrestling tournaments and try to wres-

tle the other participants' little brothers," laughed Clark with fond memory. "Growing up in Minnesota, wrestling was a huge thing. I was pushed into the wrestling world and grew into it naturally."

Clark was recently selected as the Marine Male Athlete of the Year for 2004. He will accept his award in Quantico, Va., later this year.

Clark said he takes wrestling very seriously and is honored to represent the Marine Corps in competitions.

"It's not just a sport; it's a lifestyle," Clark stated, as he tugged at his red, swollen ears. "It's a grueling thing, and a lot of [wrestlers] feel the tradition behind it. It's like I'm carrying on something that's been here since before, well, all of us."

One of Clark's most cherished "trophies" is not made from metal, but are his ears, which he calls a "wrestler's trademark."

"Cauliflower ears are the call sign of any true wrestler," Clark laughed. "If I meet somebody new, the first thing I'll do is look at their ears. It's instant, like, 'Oh, you too?'"

Clark's command is very supportive of his wrestling ambitions, but Clark doesn't expect any special treatment for his unique position, said Staff Sgt. Omar Valdez, staff non-commissioned officer in charge of outgoing traffic at TMO here.

"Wrestlers have drive and a will to succeed, but so do Marines," Valdez said. "In our

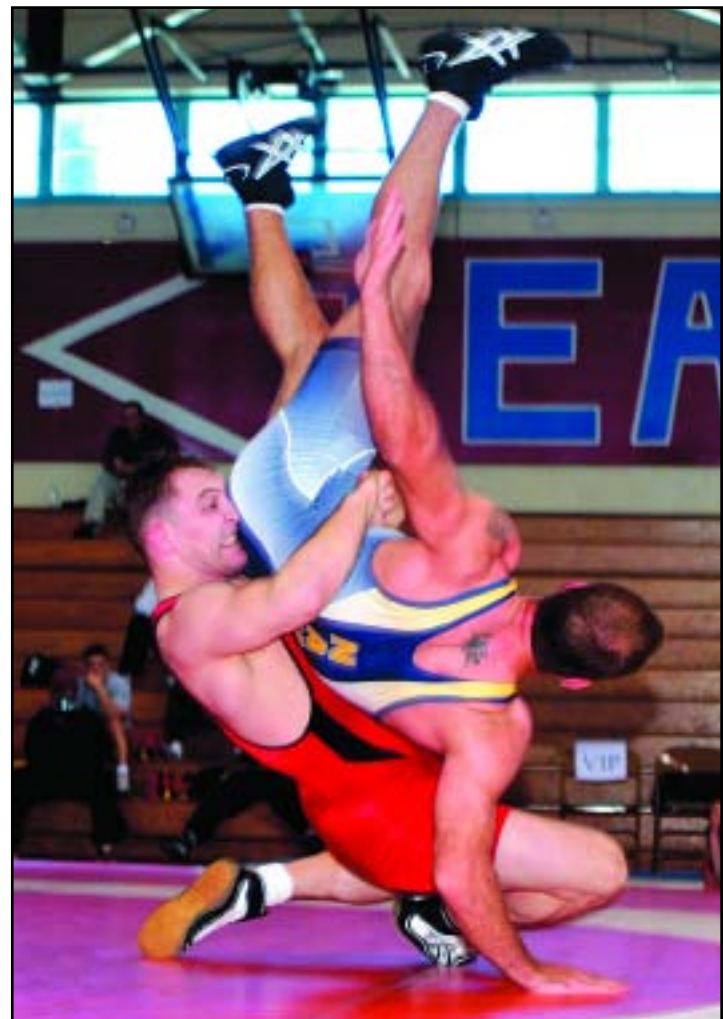
office, Clark works just like any other Marine - he works well."

Clark was also an alternate for the 2004 Olympic games in Athens. His goal is to someday participate in the

Olympics, he enthusiastically explained.

"I'm just going to keep trying until I make it," Clark stated. "I'm confident I'll get

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Lance Cpl. Lydia L. Collison

Marines Corps wrestler, Cpl. Jacob Clark (in red), takes down US Navy wrestler Joseph Axiotis to win the gold medal at the 2004 Armed Forces Wrestling Championships held at Archbishop Rummel High School, New Orleans, La. March 6, 2004.



Sgt. Joseph A. Lee

Larry Drake uses his high leg kick to assist him in obtaining the power he is known for possessing on the mound. Drake was chosen last year by Lloyd Dawson, head coach for the All-Marine team, to compete for the Marines in an all-service league that was comprised of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The games took place in San Diego from April to the last week in July, 2004. After pitching in the winning game of the league championship against the Navy on July 28, 2004, Drake was chosen as one of three people picked from approximately one hundred players to represent this league at an all-star game in Wichita, Kan. According to MCCS Sports, Dawson has chosen Drake to pitch for the All-Marine team this coming season and wants him to help with the younger pitchers as an assistant pitching coach for the team.

BASE SPORTS

Saturday

10k Run Aboard MCB Hawaii — You still have time to register for the 12th Annual 3rd Marines 10k run, happening Saturday aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. This race is open to the public, and begins and finishes at the Pop Warner Field.

The course winds throughout the base, that overlooks the beautiful Kaneohe Bay. For the shorter-paced runners, there will be a 1-mile Family Fun Run to take place after the 10k, at no charge to families. Day-of-event registration fees are \$20 for individual runners and \$100 per 10-runner formation.

This race is part of the Commanding General's Semper Fit Series and runners in formation will receive points for participation.

Pick up registration forms or race packets (for runners already registered) at the Semper Fit Center between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. today. All competitors under the age of 18 must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian.

For further information, please contact MCCS Athletics at 254-7590 or the Semper Fit Center at 254-7597.

Paintball Tournament — Team captains of five-person, randomly drawn teams, will meet at 8 a.m. at the Lemon Lot for a paintball showdown. Equipment rental is \$30, and all-day air is an additional \$20 during tournament play. Paintballs must be purchased on the field only, and payment is to be made on the day of the tournament.

To register, send an e-mail to pbhawaii@paintballhawaii.com. For additional information, call Paintball Hawaii at 265-4283.



Kaneohe Bay Pool Opens — The Kaneohe Base Pool will re-open Sunday after being closed for resurfacing. The Kaneohe Base Pool will be open for normal operational hours which are: Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from noon to 5 p.m., closed on Mondays and open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. for lap swimming, 1 to 5 p.m. for recreational swimming and from 5 to 6 p.m. for lap swimming.

Call MCCS Aquatics at 254-7655 for additional information.

Tuesday

Intramural Soccer Coaches Meeting — For those interested in coaching an intramural soccer team, there will be a coaches meeting at the Semper Fit Center Basketball Gym on Tuesday at 2 p.m. The league will begin on May 23. Call 254-7591 for more information.

Wednesday

Intramural Volleyball Coaches Meeting — For those interested in coaching an intramural volleyball team, there will be a coaches meeting at the Semper Fit Center Basketball Gym on Wednesday at 2 p.m. The league will begin on May 23. Call 254-7591 for more information.

May 14

Kaneohe Bay Summer Splash — Join the MCCS Aquatics crew for the 2005 Spring Splash to be held on May 14 at the newly renovated Kaneohe Bay Base Pool, from noon to 4 p.m. It's free to military, family

members, DoD civilians and reservists.

Enjoy music, games, athletic demonstrations and more with numerous other events. Kids can take introductory lessons to snorkeling and surfing and watch awesome demonstrations. The Summer Splash will have swim lesson signups and information ready for parents interested in enrolling their children. To get in on the water action, call MCCS Aquatics at 254-7655.

May 20

One Hundred and One Days of Summer — Give or take one or two days, this is the period of time we all know as summer. Memorial Day and Labor Day unofficially bookend this most popular season filled with fun and sun.

For the Marines and Sailors of MCB Hawaii, 101 Days of Summer means flag football, races, Bayfest, and volunteer opportunities, all with the goal of beating other units to the top of the summer heap.

The 101 Days of Summer Campaign began as a letter from the commandant on drug reduction.

The goal of the program is to offer healthy alternatives to drug and alcohol use. It has worked.

Last year's positive urinalysis tests were down 24 percent from the previous year during the 101 Days of Summer campaign. Last year's top three units were MALS-24, MCAF and Headquarters Battalion, in that order.

This year, who knows? Go for it. The 101 Days of Summer kicks off this year with a 5k run, May 20. For complete information on the 101



Days of Summer schedule for 2005 contact Dan Dufrene, the MCCS Health Promotions Coordinator at 254-7636.

May 21

MAG 24 Triathlon Hits Kaneohe Bay — Run, bike or swim to MCB Hawaii for the 9th Annual MAG-24 Sprint Triathlon.

This hard-core event includes a 500-meter swim, an 11.1-mile bike leg, and concludes with a 3.5-mile run. Check in is at 5:30 a.m. at the Base Marina pier. Military registration is \$22 and civilian fee is \$27. Three-person team fee is \$66. The early registration deadline is May 13. Late fee is \$3 for individuals and \$9 for teams.

Call the Semper Fit Center at 254-7597 or stop by to register.

Ongoing

Camp Smith Intramural Softball League

Registration Now

— Camp Smith Athletics is currently accepting registrations for the Intramural Softball

League. The league will begin on June 13.

Game days and schedules will be announced in the near future. Submit your team rosters to Camp Smith's Fitness Center, located in Building 2C,, or call Angela Pittman at 477-0498 or 477-5197.

Semper Fit Center Offers Personal Trainers

— For those looking to get in to a tailored exercise regiment, or for those just looking for some good advice on weight management and control, the Semper Fit Center offers free Personal Training consultation.

You can schedule an appointment with a trainer, who will take body fat, blood pressure, heart rate readings and more, and tailor a program based on your physical needs and ambitions. For only \$5 per workout, your trainer will actually train with you to ensure maximum efficiency.

Pick up a personal training appointment card at the Semper Fit Center now, or call 254-7597.

Aerobics Room Gets a Little Cooler — The Aerobics room at the Kaneohe Bay Semper Fit Center is getting a facelift! Air conditioners will be installed, which will impact class schedules.

The renovations will last from Monday through May 31, but the room will only be closed from Monday through May 13. Aerobics classes will remain at the center, but held in different rooms. Call 254-7597 for scheduling information.

Campground and Picnic Sites — For picnic and camping sites, MCB

Hawaii offers some of the most scenic beaches on the island.

Three of those beaches, Pyramid Rock, Hale Koa and Fort Hase are available by reservation for picnics and parties from dawn to dusk. Hale Koa Beach may also be reserved for overnight camping.

Reservations are required. For reservations, call 254-7666 for Kaneohe or 477-5143 for Camp Smith.

Semper Fit Center Offers it All

— The Semper Fit Center has an aerobics class for anyone and everyone trying to meet fitness goals. Check out as many of the following programs as you would like: Yoga, Cycling, Tai Chi, Cardio-Kick, Gut Cut, Step-Challenge, Water Aerobics, Pilates, Marathon Training and much, much more.

For class information, call the Semper Fit Center at 254-7597.

Fishing Charters Available at MCB Hawaii — Spend the day aboard one of Mahalo Kai's charter fishing boats.

Mahalo Kai has been serving MCB Hawaii since 1992, offering a day of fishing in the bountiful waters off the Windward side.

For more information, stop by the Base Marina located in Building 1698, across from Hangar 101, or call 254-7666/7667.

Inexpensive, Fun Entertainment

— Look no further for economical entertainment Mondays through Thursdays at the K-Bay Lanes where all E-5 and below can receive free rental shoes and discounted games at only \$1.50 a game.

This discount is good for open play, but does not qualify for tournaments, leagues or unit functions. Call the K-Bay Lanes at 254-7693 to get the spin.

Color Pin Special — Every Wednesday, roll a strike. When a colored pin is in the headpin position, you can win up to three free games of bowling. All patrons are welcome to take advantage of this deal. If you make the play, you win! Call the K-Bay Lanes at 254-7693.

Parents for Fitness — This cooperative baby-sitting effort is available at the Semper Fit Center for children 6 weeks and older.

All active duty servicemembers and their families may participate; however, PFFP participants are required to volunteer baby-sit three times per month.

Call 235-6585 for more information.

Paintball Hawaii — Weekend single-day cost is only \$25 per person, and the fee includes one air refill, equipment and the field fee.

The field is open on weekends. Call 265-4283 for Friday appointments.

Semper Fit Group Exercise April 2005

Monday

8:45 – 10 a.m. — Step 2 It
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. — Gut Cut
4:45 – 5:45 p.m. — Cycling (\$3 / \$1 active duty)
5:45 – 6:45 p.m. — Kick Interval
6:45 – 7:45 p.m. — Pilates

Tuesday

6 – 7 a.m. — Cycling (\$3 / Free to active duty)
8:30 – 9:30 a.m. — Muscle Conditioning
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. — Yoga
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. — H.I.T.S.
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. — Butt Cut
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. — Step & Tone

Wednesday

6 – 7 a.m. — H.E.A.T.
8:45 – 10 a.m. — Step Challenge
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. — Gut Cut
4:45 – 5:45 p.m. — Cycling (\$3 / \$1 active duty)
6:45 – 7:45 p.m. — Pilates

Thursday

6 – 7 a.m. — Cycling (\$3 / Free to active duty)
8:30 – 9:30 a.m. — Muscle Conditioning
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. — Butt Cut
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. — H.I.T.S.
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. — Step & Tone

Friday

8:45 – 10 a.m. — Step 2 It
11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. — Gut Cut
4:45 – 5:45 p.m. — Cycling (\$3 / Free to active duty)
5:45 – 6:45 p.m. — Pilates

Saturday

9 – 10:30 a.m. — Step & Tone

Note: A book of 10 single-class coupons for \$2 each can be purchased for \$15 at the Semper Fit Center.

COMMUNITY SPORTS

HTMC to Hike Kalani

Join the Hawaii Trail and Mountain Club May 8 and May 14 for some challenging hikes here on Oahu.

May 8 at 8 a.m., the club will be hiking to Kuolani-Waianu. A 5-mile hike, located deep in Waiahole Valley, we ford a stream or two and take the old ditch trail, following the contour of the mountains. Watch for the bird-nest ferns. The loop route provides variety and panoramic views. Coordinator is Doug Klein, at 235-8330.

May 14 at 8 a.m., hikers will be taking on Kawaeae, a 3-mile ridge hike in Kaneohe. We start in the pleasant Friendship Gardens in residential Kaneohe with an easy hillside stroll, but the route quickly moves a bit beyond the "novice" category. The views are great and provide a different perspective on Kaneohe and the Bay. Contact coordinator Dayle Turner, at 384-4821 or turner@hawaii.edu. A \$2 donation is requested for each nonmember, 18 and older. A responsible adult must accompany children under 18. Bring lunch and water on all hikes and wear sturdy shoes and clothing. Firearms, pets, radios and audio devices are prohibited on hikes.

Check out the HTMC Web site at www.geo.cities.com/Yosemite/Trails/3660 for more information. For detailed information, call coordinator Joyce Oka at 384-2221 or 735-2220.

2005 Sports Car Racing Gears Up

The Hawaii Region Sports Car Club of America will host six major races in 2005 and Solo II races on Oahu and Maui.

Solo II, or Autocross, is held at the Hawaii Raceway Park at Campbell Industrial Park on Oahu and costs \$25 per driver. About 70 to 90 cars, from stock vehicles to race cars, usually compete. The event is purely amateur, but anybody can participate.

Each driver receives four runs through the sports car course, and the driver with the single fastest time in the class wins.

Points acquired throughout the year accumulate for prizes and trophies presented at year's end. Minimum participation in more

than half of the year's races is required to be in the running for points and the run-off championship.

Races are scheduled as follows: May 1, June 5, July 3, Aug. 14, Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Nov. 13 and Dec. 26. For more details, call Curtis Lee at 262-5987.

The Wheel-to-Wheel and Solo I racing events are regional sports car races at Hawaii Raceway Park. All drivers must pass a driver's school to obtain a competition license, as the cars are raced at speeds of up to 140 mph and passing is permitted. Both the driver and vehicle must comply with a number of safety features before they are granted race entry. Future races will be on the following dates: May 15, July 10, Sept. 5 and Nov. 26.

For more details, call Ed Hollman at 488-1782.

MPRRC to host 10K runs

The Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club will host a 10k run on the Pearl Harbor bike path, May 8 at 7 a.m. The race will begin at Lehua School.

There will be an elite division along with age divisions. Another 10-mile run will take place at Schofield Barracks, May 22 at 6:30 a.m. MPRRC members pay only \$2 to register; the general public pays \$5.

Runners can register online at www.active.com or sign up on race day. Directions to Lehua School are available at www.mprrc.com/cdphbikepath.html.

Bikefactory to Host Triathlon

Mokuleia Beach Park on Oahu's North Shore will be the setting of the Tarlavsky's North Shore Triathlon 2005, May 28. The race will begin at 6 a.m. and consist of a 400-meter swim, 10-mile bike ride and a 3-mile run.

The race is in honor of Army Capt. Mike Tarlavsky, who was killed in Iraq, Aug. 12, 2004.

Classic beverage stein awards will go to the top three finishers in each individual division and mugs will go to members of top three teams in each division.

Individual divisions include: elite, age groups in five year increments and military for both men and women. Relay divisions include: men, women, military and mixed.

North Shore residents may pick up packet at Mokuleia Beach Park on May 27, from 4 to 7 p.m. Honolulu residents may pick up their packet at Boca Hawaii, 330 Cooke St. (behind Bike Factory) May 22 and 23, from noon to 4 p.m. Please make every effort to come to packet pickup; there will be a \$5 charge to pick up your packet on race day.

Registration costs are \$60 per individual and \$100 per team. Check-in and race marking will be race morning from 4:30 to 5:45 a.m. Volunteers are welcome and will receive a shirt and refreshments. For more information call Chris Gardner at 372-8885.

State Offers Outdoor Education

The Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources is offering education classes to the public. Subjects covered include firearms and archery safety, survival and first aid, wildlife identification and conservation, regulations, game care and outdoor responsibility. Attendance at two sessions is required for certification, and classes are open to anyone 10 and older who enjoy the outdoors — not just hunters.

The next two-day session is Friday from 5:45 to 10 p.m. and May 7 from 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. in classroom A-212A at the Nimitz Business Center, 1130 N. Nimitz Hwy. (Drive up the ramp to the classroom, which is the first room on the right.) A picture ID is required for entry to the sessions. For more information about outdoor education, or to sign up for this course, call 587-0200 or visit www.hawaii.gov/dlnr/Welcome.html.

Mango Days 5K to benefit The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

The 5K course is completely contained in beautiful Ala Moana Beach Park. All proceeds support The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in finding a cure for blood cancers. The race kicks off June 5 at 6:30 a.m.

Registration fees are \$20 for individuals and \$20 for the baby jogger division. A post-race breakfast banquet will be held at Compadres for \$8. Breakfast is limited to 300 people. Register online at www.active.com through June 2. Packet pick-up is June 4 at Niketown Honolulu. Overall awards will be given for the top three male and female, overall masters

male and female, 10 year age categories, three deep. There is also an additional category for baby joggers with prizes, compliments of Stroller Strides.

Hawaiian Half-Marathon

The 5th Annual Hawaiian Half-Marathon will start at 5 a.m. on June 12 at Ala Moana Park Drive next to the Waikiki Yacht Club. Participants should be at the start by 4:45 a.m. The 5-Mile walk will start at 7 a.m. on Monsarrat Avenue., in front of the Waikiki Shell. Race packets can be picked up at the Running Room, 819 Kapahulu Ave., June 10, from 4 to 7 p.m., or at Runners Hawaii, 98-390A Kamehameha Hwy., June 11 from 9 to 4 p.m. Friends or relatives may pick up packets with a valid ID.

Parking will be available in the Magic Island parking lot only until 4 a.m. No vehicles will be allowed to enter or exit Ala Moana Park after 4 a.m. No parking will be permitted on Ala Moana Boulevard or Ala Moana Park Drive. Parking will be permitted in the Waikiki Bandstand and Waikiki Shell Parking lot. The Honolulu Zoo parking lot will also be available. There will be a clothing drop off at the entrance of Magic Island and all clothing must be picked up at Kapiolani Park no later than 9 a.m.

Restrooms will be available in the start area; however, it is recommended that you use the restroom at your home or hotel prior to coming to the race. It is recommended that you drink plenty of water 24 hours prior to the race. Water aid stations will be approximately every 2.5 miles along the race. Should you need medical assistance, medical personnel will be on duty in the finish line area. Upon completion of the race, proceed to the bandstand area for refreshments and the awards ceremony, which will be held at approximately 8:30 a.m.

For more information, send an email to HawaiianHalfMarathon@kihnl.com, or to volunteer, call RRH Productions LLC at 923-0492.

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THE BOTTOM LINE

(Editor's Note: "The Bottom Line" is the *Hawaii Marine's* weekly sports commentary from two sports aficionados who rarely see eye-to-eye when it comes to America's one true obsession — sports. Chances are you'll either agree with one of their takes or disagree with both. The *Hawaii Marine* welcomes your e-mails of no more than 250 words. We will print the top comment of the week from our readers. Send "Readers Strike Back" comments to editor@hawaiimarine.com. Remember, "If you don't speak up, you won't be heard.")

Back in the mix, or an NFL mix-up?

Sgt. Joe Lindsay

The Goat

Picking the winners and losers of the NFL draft before any of the players have played a down is a little like being told to perform final drill by your drill instructor on the first day of boot camp. That being said, "By the right flank, read."

Winners

Arizona Cardinals: After this year's NFL Draft, there is no way Dennis Green is going to lose to the 49ers twice in 2005, even with Alex Smith landing in San Francisco with the number-one overall pick. Handing the Niners their only two wins of the season last year was embarrassing, but it isn't enough to be their motivational calling card.

Rising from the ashes of mediocrity like a Phoenix is more like it. Hey, if the Suns can turn it around in one year, why not the Cardinals?

Taking Miami's Antrel Rolle with the 8th pick made more than just a little sense, considering Arizona's problems at corner last year. Nabbing Cal's J.J. Arrington, the nation's leading rusher, with the 44th selection was just icing on the cake. Never mind that Virginia guard Elton Brown, a fourth-round pick, is good enough to start off the bat. Not saying they are going to be celebrating a Super Bowl victory in the desert this season, but the Cardinals definitely made people stand up and take notice with their astute draft selections. Arizona is a team on the rise.

Oakland Raiders: Al Davis, you sly dog you.

After trading blankets and trinkets to Minnesota for Randy Moss in the off-season, Davis out did himself once again in this year's draft by trading Doug Jolley and moving up to select CB Fabian Washington from Nebraska with the 23rd selection. Washington will be one of the faster guys in the NFL next year, and if he ever runs into trouble, he'll have Stanford Routt, a DB from Houston, who the Raiders nabbed with the 38th pick, to help him out. On top of all that, the Raiders got some quarterback insurance by landing Arizona State's Andrew Walter with the 69th pick.

To all who question Al Davis' genius, just remember, South Carolina's Troy Williamson might turn out to be a good wide receiver for the Vikings, but he'll never be worth losing Manhattan.

Losers

Detroit Lions: After taking wide receivers with top 10 picks in the last two drafts, the Lions felt that it was the perfect time to do exactly the same thing again. Mike Williams, a partner in the Clarett, Robbins and Williams Law Firm based in Deliverance, Penn., has spent more time litigating than playing football this past year. Detroit would have been better served by taking any one of the 10 selections following Williams, all of whom were defensive players.

Hopefully, fellow Trojan Shaun Cody, a DT taken with the 37th pick, is as good as Detroit thinks he is. You have got to believe Matt Millen

See *GOAT*, C-6

Capt. K.D. Robbins

The Professor

Take away the world's strongest marketing machine, the legacy of Bronko Nagurski and Curly Lambeau and the national holiday known as "Football Sundays," and what do you have? The ultimate competition in professional sports, where parity is encouraged and one draft can make a difference. You have the NFL.

As "The Bottom Line" entertains our "Draft Review" annual football fix, the inherent beauty is that it's April...and this is only the beginning:

Top 3:

1. **San Francisco 49ers** — When you're down, there's nowhere to go but up. The 49ers did what they could to restore their once glorious franchise to Bill Walsh-Joe Montana-Jerry Rice standards. Protecting QB Alex Smith, the best available QB in the draft, with C David Baas and T Adam Snyder and surrounding him with weapons like RB Frank Gore and WR Rasheed Marshall gives Niners fans hope. It will just take time.

2. **Minnesota Vikings** — History rarely sees a full-scale upgrade like the one the Vikings committed in the 2005 off-season. Dropping Randy Moss in exchange for draft picks and a defensive line change is what economists call a positive opportunity cost. The brilliance continued into the

draft from the acquisition of WR Troy Williamson and DL Erasmus James early and the steal of the draft, RB Ciatrick Fason in the fourth round.

3. **Arizona Cardinals** — Simple: CBs Antrel Rolle and Eric Green, LBs Darryl Blackstock and Lance Mitchell, RB J.J. Arrington and G Elton Brown will all start. That's like striking gold...even for the Cardinals. Dennis Green makes things happen.

Bottom 3:

1. **New York Jets** — "And with their first pick in the 2005 NFL Draft, the New York Jets select, Mike Nugent, K, Ohio State..." Enough said.

2. **St. Louis Rams** — Taking a risk on character flaws like T Alex Barron and C Richie Incognito is not the way that this internal combustion franchise needs to go.

3. **Atlanta Falcons** — Is UAB WR Roddy White really a first-rounder? The list continues: LB Jordan Beck, LB Michael Boley, T Frank Omiyale...Who?

Bottom Line: The 49ers big miss appears to be Bay Area native TE Joe Lindsay from the University of San Diego. The former junior college basketball star reminds scouts of Chargers Pro Bowler Antonio Gates. His hands and route running have no downside...that said, Coach Nolan will take his chances with this crop of talented young stars.

READERS STRIKE BACK

Dear Bottom Line,

"As for the Professor ... you should be ashamed of yourself ... "

Last week's "Bottom Line" may have only been offensive to us religious readers, but the oh-so sacred music of hip-hop was abolished by the one the bottom line calls the Goat. However, it was at least a true representation of how most people talk about basketball.

Next time, just stay away from Jay-Z's Hard Knock Life.

As for the Professor, all but using the Lord's name in vain, you should be ashamed of yourself for having no regards for the Christian faith.

**Amy Goss
Auburn, Maine**

Swamp Romp attracts 1,200

Story and photos by: Sgt. Joseph A. Lee
Sports Editor

Military members, civilians and adventure seekers from around Oahu joined Combat Service Support Group 3 Saturday for their 11th Annual JN Chevrolet Swamp Romp to raise money for this year's CSSG-3 Marine Corps Ball.

"Oahu's dirtiest footrace" began at the Boondocker building, neighboring the Marine Corps Exchange Annex parking lot at 7 a.m. on MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe

Bay. The starting gun gave the eclectic group of runners their first chance to get into the combat training mood, as the nearly 1,200 runners commenced to get dirty.

According to Marine Corps Community Services, the Swamp Romp boasts a course that gets even the grunts grueling every year. The event is open to the daring, and CSSG-3 and JN Chevrolet invite everyone and anyone who thinks they can hack it, to race.

See SWAMP, C-5



One motivated Marine lets everyone in the surrounding area know that he has weathered the Swamp Romp storm. Every year, Combat Service Support Group 3 tries to improve the Swamp Romp to make it more enjoyable and attractive for participants. By the expression on this Marine's face, CSSG-3 was successful, this year, in providing a challenging, yet rewarding experience for military members and civilians alike.



One eager racer speeds by another, more relaxed Swamp Romp competitor. While some treated the Swamp Romp as a competition and a race, others just participate every year to get as muddy as possible and to have a good time.



Pfc. Roger L. Nelson

Left — Leanne Gutkowski flexes her muscles and lets out a roar of enthusiasm as she exits the deep creek. A member of the Installation Personnel Administration Center, Gutkowski and her team weren't afraid to roll up their sleeves and get more than just a little dirty, Saturday.

Above — One teammate hitches a ride, using every method imaginable to get through the muddy creek and into the Nuupia Ponds, Saturday. Teamwork was key in the Swamp Romp, and while some carried their teammates, there was no strategy that wasn't experimented with as teams found some areas of the course to be tremendously difficult to manage.

Right — A Swamp Romp competitor squints his eyes, trying to see through the thick mud. Covered from head to toe, some of the racers later regretted getting so "into" the race, as the Nuupia Ponds and the creek competitors swam through, goes by another, more commonly known name to base residents, due to it's not-so-pleasant smell.



SWAMP, From C-4

The teams of six were required to finish together, and teams that finished without a teammate were penalized 60 seconds from their total race time.

Leaving the Boondocker Landing Zone area, runners continued past the rappel tower into a thick mud pit and over a hill and a log-wall, before continuing along another treacherous 100-ft strip of mud that led to the back of LZ Boondocker to the street.

"That first part there was the most exciting part of the race for sure," said Joe Au, intramural sports coordinator for MCCA. "People were just diving into the mud head first. It was awesome!"

According to Au, there was a huge crowd gathered at the first portion of the race, booing and heckling those who chose to take the dry route to avoid getting muddy. Cheers of excitement came from the crowd after every face-first nosedive. Runners circled back along the only paved portion of the route until they came to a slight decline into the "waste"-deep creek.

"It stunk to high heaven," said Nathan DeWeerd of the Provost Marshal's Office. "The mud under the water was up to your waist, and I could swear that something was eating my skin, but who knows."

The race trail entered into the Nuupia Ponds, and it was there that participants met up with the most daunting por-

The "G-Men," overall winners, dredge through the thick mud in a tight formation, passing the bulk of the competitors early, and not wasting any time at all through the thick mud of the Nuupia Ponds. The "G-Men" could be identified by the words "Federal Agent" on the backs of their T-shirts.



tion of the run — almost a quarter-mile stretch of waist-deep mud, where even the most fit of the 1,200 participants was slowed to sluggish pace. The trail continued through a pathway used primarily for armored, tracked vehicles, where the runners encountered a simulated combat environment. Sounds of machineguns blazing filled the Nuupia Ponds as the runners passed over, under and around a series of log obstacles. Just when they thought the torture had ceased, runners crossed Mokapu Road and were hit with a fire hose before commencing the beach-run portion and turning around in the ocean at Fort Hase Beach.

Somewhat relieved of the stinky mud, the runners continued their run along the beach, low-crawling their way back to Mokapu Road where they crossed again for the final leg of the near 5-mile run. As the teams looped around LZ Boondocker, it was painfully obvious what they had all just experienced, as some teams hobbled, hopped, were carried and crawled across the finish line.

"It's been tremendous," said coordinator, Regina Reiche of MCCA. "There were absolutely no hitches whatsoever, and everyone got completely covered in mud, which is exactly what we wanted, so it was a huge success. People said that it was a great course this year, and they were happy because they got what they wanted — to be completely

covered in mud."



A few hardened Swamp Romp veterans take the knee-deep mud in stride, Saturday, during the Swamp Romp.

covered in mud."

According to Reiche, the 197 teams of six that registered for the run was just three shy of their goal of 200 teams, far more than last year's approximately 150 teams.

Col. Brian Hearnberger, commanding officer of CSSG-3, agreed that the event was a spectacular success.

"Everything has gone extremely well this year," said Hearnberger. "We had more participants this year than the

last, and we hope to continue to help this thing grow by offering an even better Swamp Romp next year."

After the event, runners showered and enjoyed complimentary refreshments while they awaited the announcement of the winners, which were as follows:

The overall first place winners were the "G-Men," who could be identified by the words "Federal Agent" on the back of their T-shirts.

The women's masters winners were Kelly Noonan's "Wicked Cool." For the young men, Gary Harbison's team captured first, while the men's masters first place winners were Tim Noonan's "Why us?" The women's open winners were "T&A," or "Tactically Disadvantaged," led by Maureen Manufeka. In the warriors category, Rob Adams' team, "Steel Rain" captured gold, and the overall military team was "3rd Marine Nokadi," led by Jason Kut.

The mixed-team winners were Mark Bustamante's team, called "Living Aloha."



Timm Heisey carries "Drunken Monkeys" teammate Sarah Nicholas through the thick mud of the Nuupia Ponds. All of the women on the team were from Hickam Air Force Base Dental clinic.

GOAT, From C-3

has orchestrated a behind the scenes trade agreement on this one, or else he's gonna end up hearing the phrase Donald Trump unsuccessfully tried to copyright.

New York Jets: The Jets literally gave their first round draft choice to Oakland for Jolley. Then, they went out and selected a kicker with the 47th pick. That's right, a kicker. Mike Nugent had a pretty good career at Ohio State, but when your top choice is a player who probably isn't going to end up being any better or worse than any other kicker who you could have landed in free agent camp, you've got problems. And, he's not even related to Ted.

To all the draft pundits who are shouting the Minnesota Vikings' praises, just remember what you gave up to get what you got. To all the

cheeseheads who are excited about their QB heir apparent - relax. Taking Cal's Aaron Rodgers wasn't a bad move given what we know, but Favre's magic isn't going to just automatically rub off on Rodgers. It's gonna take time, and considering how time moves slower in Green Bay, it was probably a pretty good fit. Bill Parcells earned his money in Dallas by taking Troy DE DeMarcus Ware with the 11th pick, though he just as easily could have gone with Maryland LB Shawne Merriman. Either way, it was a good move by the Cowboys.

Bottom Line: Still, it was the Cardinals and Raiders who scored touchdowns in this year's NFL draft. The Lions caught the ball, but instant replay showed they bobbled it and had only one foot in bounds, while the Jets shanked one off the goal post — on an extra point attempt.

MAG, From C-1

he moves on Monday to become part of the All-Marine Baseball team.

It was slow going for both teams early in the game, as the Headquarters Battalion team came out to the field Tuesday with an obvious determination not to have a repeat of Monday night. Both teams refused to allow runners on base, and while Larry Drake's pitching intimidated the Knights, smart fielding kept the Knights alive until the top of the third. When MAG batter, Carraway, drove in Coquillard and Chapin off a double to post the first two runs of the game, the Knights team collectively sighed, as if this was to be the start of another Monday night episode. Headquarters hung in there though, and scored one in the fourth on a walk and a throwing error.

MAG-24 started the fifth with a single from Joseph Dunn, followed by a two-run home run by Logan Carraway to go up 4-1. Frustrated but not yet defeated, the Knights rallied together to keep their spirits high. But the scoring continued with a big MAG sixth inning, scoring four more off singles by Louis Overstreet, Chapin, Dunn, and Chris Bradley. Drake picked up the win, striking out three and allowing only one earned run, though Rigby closed out the game.

"After last year's disappointing loss, it really felt good to get this win," admitted coach and third baseman Joseph Dunn, who went six for eight in the series. "The guys really stepped up their level of play towards the end. The bats came through, and our depth in pitching really proved its worth."



Sgt. Joseph A. Lee

A Black Sox batter smacks a line drive early in Tuesday's game. The strong bats of MAG-24 quickly wore out the Knights bullpen.



Sgt. Joseph A. Lee

Aaron Bowman, Knights Pitcher, takes the mound from Dan Trevino Monday. The Knights had to recycle pitchers as they worked through their shallow bullpen throughout the series.

CLARK, From C-1

there one day. I'm going to personally put money on myself to get in."

Clark said he plans on continuing his training and is trying to form an Okinawa Wrestling Team.

Clark wants to form the team as a way to help train other Marines interested in trying out for the All-Marine Wrestling Team.

"There are several Marine wrestlers here that used to be teammates of mine," said Clark. "We could be a big help to Marines pursuing their wrestling goals and dreams."

Getting it Straight

In the April 22 edition of the *Hawaii Marine*, 1/12 was incorrectly credited with defeating HSL-37 in the playoffs. MCAF beat HSL-37, 50-49.

In the 'baseball' story, "ground-roll" double was mis-spelled, and should have read "ground-rule" double.

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Army Maj. Gen. Gale S. Pollock (front left), commanding general, Pacific Regional Medical Command and Sgt. Phillip J. Graham (front right), HQBN, salute the flag.

Salute to Hawaii's servicemembers



Lance Cpl. Adam Binning, armorer, Headquarters Battalion, escorts guests to the evening's events.

20th Annual Hawaii Military Appreciation Month Events

The theme for the 20th Annual Hawaii Military Appreciation Month is "Welcoming home our returning heroes; honoring our fallen sons and daughters; praying for the safe return of those that remain in harm's way."

May 1

What: "Salute To The Troops" — Bishop Museum

The museum will host games, entertainment, food booths and displays.

Hosted By: Bishop Museum

Time: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Cost: Open to the public; \$3 admission; free for military.

May 7

What: 9th Annual Twilight Tattoo — Fort DeRussy

Traditional day-ending concert by the Army's Tropic Lightning Band, Pacific Fleet Band, Air Force Band of the Pacific, Marine Corps Band of the Pacific, and Hawaii's 111th Army National Guard Band.

Hosted by: Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division

Time: 4 p.m.

Cost: Free and open to the public.

May 14

What: Combined Military Band Concert — Hawaii Theatre

Hawaii's top military musicians perform in a rare concert featuring Broadway musicals, marches, classics, and pops.

Hosted by: AT&T and the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce

Time: 7 p.m.

Cost: Free and open to the public.

May 18

What: Annual Military Recognition Luncheon held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel

This is an opportunity to welcome home our returning heroes and recognize military community service awardees.

Hosted by: Alexander and Baldwin, Inc.; First Hawaiian Bank and the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce

Time: Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Cost: Luncheon tickets; open to public.

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Hawaii Military Appreciation month kicks off

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HONOLULU — Roughly 1,200 civilians and members of the military turned out and boarded the retired battleship USS Missouri on April 21 to participate in the opening ceremonies of the 20th Annual Hawaii Military Appreciation Month.

Military Appreciation Month, sponsored by Hawaii's Chamber of Commerce, was first celebrated on Oahu to recognize the need to involve the military in the community, said Bryna Stankiewicz, director of marketing, communications for the Chamber of Commerce.

"We also wanted to celebrate the military, in general, for their contributions," said the El Paso, Texas native. "This year was even a little different, and a little more special than the other years — due to the fact that so many military are returning home from deployments. This year there are about 14,000 returning, and we wanted to welcome them home while praying for those who are still abroad."

The event began at approximately 6 p.m. with speakers like Hawaii's Governor Linda Lingle who directed her remarks to servicemembers of

all branches of the military, relaying her appreciation for all that they do for the state and country. Stankiewicz echoed the governor's sentiments.

"We just basically want to show how much we recognize and appreciate all the sacrifices that our military servicemembers and women make for us," she said. "We need to show them how important they are to the state of Hawaii."

Topics of discussion included the importance of having the military and business community interact and the role the military plays in the safety and economy of Hawaii.

According to Stankiewicz, because of the importance of the military to Hawaii, it is important that military family members are taken care of.

"We need to support the families

while the military is deployed," she said. "They play a key role in our economy, and we need to recognize and appreciate that."

In addition to involving the military in the community, Stankiewicz said that it is paramount for the business community of Hawaii to be involved with the military.

"Businesses have the ability to provide ways for the military to enjoy Hawaii through sponsorships," said the University of California, Los Angeles graduate. "By making things more available to the military community through this, we hope it only demonstrates more how grateful we are to them."

Military Appreciation month continues through May 21.



Hawaii Governor Linda Lingle speaks to military members and civilian guests during the opening ceremonies that kicked off Military Appreciation Month.



Cpl. Travis Eslinger (right), traffic management office, Headquarters Battalion, escorts guests to the evening's events.