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## 58th MP Company returns

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8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD – Soldiers with the 58th Military Police Company returned from the hot desert sun in Iraq to tropical trade winds and lush landscapes during a redeployment ceremony, here, Friday.

During the ceremony, family members and friends welcomed home more than 150 Soldiers who spent the last 15 months at Forward Operating Base Normandy in the Diyala Province of Iraq.

"I have to say, I have a much greater appreciation for my husband since he has been gone," said Shila Dennis, wife of Capt. Frank Dennis. "I am really, really glad that he is finally home."

While in Iraq, 58th MP Soldiers played a vital role in training, coaching and mentoring Iraqi police forces as the Police Transition Team for the province.

Soldiers also carried out more than 1,000 combat patrols, trained more than 20,000 police forces, and conducted validation ceremonies for more than 15 Iraqi police stations.

"The Soldiers did a great job," said Capt. Frank Dennis, 58th MP Co. commander. "They accomplished what they went there to do and more, and I couldn't be more proud of them."

When the troops return to the workforce and settle into their daily routines, they will conduct police patrols on post, along with additional training, to prepare them for their next deployment to Afghanistan in 2010.

"All in all, I think the deployment was a success. We accomplished our mission and did what we needed to do to get back here to our family and friends," said Spc. Jeremy Muncert, military police officer, 58th MP Co. "I'm glad to be back ... and that we came back with everyone we left with. Now I'm definitely looking forward to some down time."



Staff Sgt. Listan Ballard Jr., 58th Military Police Company, 728th MP Battalion, greets his children Isaiah and Shelly at the Multifunctional Deployment Facility during a redeployment ceremony, Friday. The 58th MP Co. returned from a 15-month deployment where it was responsible for training Iraqi police in Iraq's Diyala Province.

## Sergeant dies in Tikrit

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News Release

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS – The Department of Defense recently announced the death of a Soldier who was supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Sgt. Devin C. Poche, 25, of Jacksonville, N.C., died March 31 at Contingency Operating Base Speicher, near Tikrit, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a noncombat-related incident.

He was assigned to the Special Troops Battalion, 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division.

Poche joined the Army in February 2005, and was assigned to Schofield Barracks in October of the same year.

The circumstances surrounding his death are under investigation.



Poche

## Former HI commander, 52, passes in Utah

Steadfast leader gave his all during 'most turbulent' times

U.S. ARMY GARRISON-HAWAII  
Public Affairs Office

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS – Retired Col. David L. Anderson, former U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii commander from June 19, 2002, to June 16, 2004, passed away, Friday, at the age of 52.

Anderson served the garrison, here, perhaps during its "most turbulent and challenging" times, noted the Legion of Merit he received upon his departure.

Although faced with a wide range of challenges, Anderson still managed to provide the best possible services, housing, facilities and training environment during his tenure.

He met initiatives to privatize housing and installation utilities systems, realign in accordance



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## Serving proudly

Former Army brat and customer-friendly NCO is a role model for young Soldiers.

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## Macomb Gate closes

Schofield's Macomb Gate will be closed through April 23 to install additional force protection measures.

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## Surf like a pro

FMWR will host surfing lessons Saturday, 7-10 a.m. Cost is \$35 and includes equipment rental and round-trip transportation.

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## 'Lunch and Learns' serve up prevention

NPSP team members visit child development centers during the month of April

Story and Photo by  
**AMY L. BUGALA**

Staff Writer

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS – Quintin Ewing and Bernadette Wong are on a mission. They are members of a small army of education and support professionals working to raise awareness about child abuse prevention, one family at a time.

Ewing, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii (USAG-HI), New Parent Support Program

(NPSP), team lead, and Wong, prevention and education team member, are conducting "Lunch and Learns" at USAG-HI Child Development Centers (CDC) during the month of April.

At the events, the team offers parents a large menu of prevention, education and support services through the Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program. Parents hungry for information about child rearing or family nurturing will likely find it here.

"The Lunch and Learns give the team an opportunity to talk to parents to find out

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## Sexual assault victims have options

**AMY L. BUGALA**  
Staff Writer

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS – The team at U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii's (USAG-HI) Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program is teaching Soldiers the principles of the Army's new I. A.M. Strong sexual assault campaign.

Rooted in Army values, the campaign maintains that it is every Soldier's duty to intervene, act and motivate others to stop sexual assault. But, what should Soldiers do if they become a victim?

"Report it," according to Brenda Huntsinger, USAG-HI, sexual assault response coordinator.

Fear, shame, embarrassment, career repercussions and concerns for privacy and confidentiality are just some of the reasons Soldiers may not report sexual assault.

"Victims shouldn't sit in silence; there are choices," said Huntsinger.

The Army recently created two avenues to allow victims to feel more comfortable in reporting sexual assault – restricted or unrestricted reports.

"Policy changes now allow Soldiers to maintain confidentiality by making a restricted report," said Shannon Poppa, USAG-HI, victim advocacy/sexual assault prevention education and training specialist.

Restricted reporting allows a victim to report a sexual assault to any of several people: a garrison or unit victim advocate (VA), a sexual assault response coordinator (SARC) in garrison or downrange, a health care provider or a chaplain.

In a restricted report, a criminal investigation is not initiated, and the victim's chain of command is not notified. Victims

have access to counseling, medical treatment and a forensic exam.

"Restricted reporting gives the victim time to think and figure out what step they want to take next," said Poppa. The victim decides when to move forward with an investigation, but there are limitations.

"Because there is no criminal investigation, the offender will not be held accountable, and a protective order cannot be issued," she stressed.

To ensure separation and protection from the offender through a Military Protective Order, a Soldier victim must make an unrestricted report. An unrestricted report can be made to any of the following agencies: VA/SARC, a health care provider, a chaplain, the chain of command, the military police

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## Team Hawaii cooks burn 22 teams, earn spot at regional competition

**SGT. KYNDAL GRIFFIN**

8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

FORT SHAFTER – After months of long days and preparation, the hard work of seven Hawaii Soldiers has finally paid off as they prepare to compete in the American Culinary Federation Regional Culinary Arts Competition in North Carolina, April 18.

The team of Soldiers, which is a special skills team, is the first-ever military team to compete at this level.

"We are the first military team to get invited to something of this caliber; the only other team that actually does this competition on a civilian level is the US-ACAT team (Army Culinary Arts Team)," said Sgt. 1st Class Clinton Francis III, team leader and

chief food operations noncommissioned officer with U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii.

"We are the first installation team to ever make it this far ... so this is a pretty big deal," he added.

To qualify for the regional level, the team first had to compete in the Army's 34th Annual Culinary Arts Competition at Fort Lee, Va., where it placed first in

the student skills part of the competition, besting 22 other teams and 122 competitors.

Francis said if the team wins at regionals, it will move on to the national competition in Orlando, Fla.

In preparation for the competition, the team worked 15- to 20-hour days. In addition to its normal duties in the dining facilities, team members studied basic

knowledge of culinary arts and practiced their knife skills.

In the regional competition, Soldiers will be tested on producing a four-course menu and cold platter, and answering questions on culinary arts and knife techniques.

After almost four months of gearing up for game day, the

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# Combat medics keep Soldiers mission ready

Soldiers from 3rd Special Troops Battalion learn to become self-sufficient on the battlefield

Story and Photo by  
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3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs

TUZ, Iraq – A day in the life of a combat medic at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Bernstein, here, is never boring. Assigned to the Special Troops Battalion (STB), 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, medics stay busy treating Soldiers throughout Salah ad-Din Province.

“We treat any injury or illness that comes our way,” said Sgt. Mark Wagner. “We’ll sew people up, prescribe medication for illness and examine all kinds of injuries.”

Since Soldiers often play sports to stay fit and combat ready, Wagner said medics treat the occasional sprained ankle or skinned elbow, as well. However, Wagner said medics most frequently treat for allergies and the common cold.

One combat medic, Spc. Michael Correa, goes out on missions in local Iraqi communities every day. When he’s inside the FOB’s gates, he works diligently on maintaining medical vehicles, treating Soldiers and studying.

“We see five or six patients per day,” said Correa.

While on base, STB medics train other Soldiers to become qualified as combat lifesavers, those Soldiers who are first responders on the battlefield when a medic isn’t present. In addition, when requested, combat medics also train personnel on specifics such as administering an IV (intravenous therapy).

As a level I facility, the FOB’s aid station can treat a wide range of medical conditions. However, it has to draw the line when it comes to X-rays and lab work, but only because it doesn’t have the necessary equipment. If a Soldier requires care beyond the scope of the aid station, they may be flown or driven to another medical facility that is better equipped.

Special Troops Battalion medics are preparing to conduct joint training with Iraqi medical personnel to share the latest information on procedures and technology. The training will include hospital and clinic visits, as well as first aid and emergency management techniques.

Army medics are only allowed to treat Iraqis if their injury could cause loss of life, limb or eyesight. They may, however, examine and refer Iraqis to their own health care providers.

“Iraqi medical responders are taking over now. They’re preparing to move forward on their own,” said Wagner.



1st Lt. Kim Jones, under the supervision of combat medic Spc. Michael Correa, administers an IV to Capt. Jennifer Nihill as part of Officer Professional Development at Forward Operating Base Bernstein.

# 325th BSB sorts half a million books for Iraqi children in Tikrit

Soldiers reach out to Iraqi communities, emphasize importance of education

Story and Photo by  
**SPC. JAZZ BURNEY**  
3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs

TIKRIT, Iraq – Do you remember coming to class, sitting at the desk with your name written on it, and listening to your teacher as she told you to take out your new school book?

Do you remember the excitement of opening the book and turning the pages with eagerness to begin learning?

Soldiers of 325th Brigade Support Battalion (BSB), 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, helped bring that excitement to Iraq as they packaged and prepared the first shipment of more than 600,000 “My Arabic Library” books at Contingency Operating Base Speicher, here, Saturday.

The books will be delivered to schools throughout the Salah ad-Din Province to establish better learning environments and library systems for Iraqi children.

“Giving children something that they can actually sit, read and hold gives them hope for their future,” said Sgt. Suzanne Sippel, Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) member, 425th Civil Affairs Battalion. “The Iraqi children who will receive these supplies

will eventually be the ones making the decisions for all of Iraq 25 years down the road.”

The distribution project started in April 2008, following an initiative from the Iraqi government and U.S. State Department. Iraqi officials spotted the need to start library programs within schools.

Iraqi officials and the PRT calculated the number of schools that would receive the books. They ordered 560 sets for Salah ad-Din Province, according to Capt. Miguel Benzor-Anaya, health service support officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 325th BSB.

Soldiers from 325th BSB sorted the books, which arrived in seven full tractor-trailer loads, into smaller packages destined for each of the qadas, or districts, in the province, said Benzor-Anaya.

“An additional purpose for establishing a library system within the Iraqi schools is to identify those schools that have an interest in teaching the English language – this will also lead to starting a “pen pal” program with children of the United States and establish more awareness for the situation here in Iraq,” he said.

In addition to the pen pal program and schoolbook delivery, the PRT is also working on an overall education initiative that includes building and refurbishing public libraries and creat-



ing schools of excellence.

Each set of books contains 12 boxes, which are grade specific and are color coordinated to make organizing and distributing the materials easier.

After noticing the books’ impact on Iraqi children, PRT members sought and attained approval from the Iraqi government

through the Ministry of Education to begin ordering more books. In addition to the books, coalition forces and the

Pfc. Aaron Boatright (left) and Pvt. Temira Dunn, supply specialists with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 325th Brigade Support Battalion, wrap a pallet of books, March 28. The books will be delivered to Iraqi schoolchildren throughout the Salah ad-Din Province.

Iraqi government will work together to establish a teacher training program to enhance Iraqi teachers’ ability to instruct their students, Sippel said.

“If these children will remember the school supplies and other initiatives that we have provided, it will start a positive ripple effect – that by doing one thing for these children, whether it be providing a book, shoes or a pencil, that one thing could eventually be the action that makes a difference in the world,” said Sippel.

Year of the NCO

8th TSC’s Jackson builds on family tradition of service

NCO’s positive attitude makes interactions, work environment flow smoothly

Story and Photo by  
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8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

CAMP ZAMA, Japan — Sergeant Major of the Army Kenneth Preston likes to say the Army is becoming a “family business.” Preston also says young men and women today are more apt to serve if they have an example to follow in their immediate family.

Staff Sgt. Daniel Jackson, a Soldier with the 8th Theater Sustainment Command, had plenty of role models in his family when he decided to join the Army. In fact, he had four of them.

“My father retired as a first sergeant two years ago ... and three of my brothers and sisters have served,” Jackson said. “My sister went astray and joined the Navy, but it’s all good.”

Jackson is one of six children and calls himself an Army brat. He claims Jackson, Ala., as his hometown, but in reality, he’s lived all over the world. “Growing up, we lived in Germany

three times, in three different places,” he said. “Fort Rucker, Fort Benning, Fort Gordon, Fort Polk ... lots of different schools, lots of friends, a lot of different cultures. It had a big effect on me and made me want to join the Army just to be around Soldiers.”

Jackson’s father served for 26 years as a single channel radio teletype operator. It’s a military occupational specialty (MOS) that has the reputation of having a short life span in combat.

“You’ve seen those guys in the movies that always get shot at first, carrying the manpacks on their backs? That was my dad,” Jackson explained.

Soldiering and the signal corps are just two things Jackson has in common with his father. When he pinned on sergeant’s chevrons while deployed to Iraq in 2004, Jackson said he was on cloud nine because he knew he had made his father proud.

“My dad isn’t much of a talker, but he said that I picked a good MOS and that he supports me 100 percent,” Jackson said.

He has two back-to-back Iraq deployments under his belt, both when he was stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., with the 29th Signal Battalion. Jackson



Staff Sgt. Daniel Jackson (right), 8th Theater Sustainment Command (TSC) G-6 NCO, fixes a computer issue for Sgt. 1st Class Jose Diaz, 8th TSC Protocol, at the forward command post, Camp Zama, Japan, recently.

had only nine months of dwell time between deployments, so it was a busy, stressful time in his career.

“It (the deployments) really put things into perspective for me,” he said. “When we returned from our sec-

ond deployment, we spent more time with our families and loved ones to make up for all the time spent apart.”

Jackson is currently deployed to Japan with the 8th Theater Sustainment Command (TSC) forward command post for a two-week exercise, and handles every issue thrown his way.

Sgt. Maj. Bill Kiefer, G-6 sergeant major, said Jackson is a stellar NCO on whom he can count to accomplish any mission, and that he’s a great role model for young troops during this “Year of the NCO.”

“(Jackson) is a very intelligent Soldier, extremely conscientious with everything he does, and he takes care of his troops. As his sergeant major, I couldn’t ask for anything more,” Kiefer said.

Jackson also has a great reputation in the 8th TSC as a customer-friendly NCO, completing all assigned tasks with a smile.

“There is a lot of stress involved in this job, and having a positive attitude makes life a lot easier, not only on you, but also on the customer,” Jackson said. “It brightens up everyone’s day and makes working a lot easier.”

Newly minted leaders honored at NCO induction ceremony

**SGT. KYNDAL GRIFFIN**  
8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

FORT SHAFTER — “No one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a Leader of Soldiers.”

These words from the NCO Creed were engrained into the minds of Soldiers as they prepared to become noncommissioned officers (NCOs). More than 20 Soldiers from the 8th Theater Sustainment Command (TSC) emphatically recited the NCO Creed after being inducted into the corps at Richardson Theater, here, Friday.

The NCO induction ceremony is a celebration of newly promoted Soldiers who have joined the ranks of a professional noncommissioned officer corps that began a tradition more than 10 years ago.

The ceremony honors the wisdom of the men and women of the NCO corps who have served with pride and distinction. During the ceremony, senior NCOs shared stories and experiences.

“It was an awesome opportunity for all the new NCOs being inducted,” said Master Sgt. Sharlinda Warner, 8th TSC Central Tasking Office. “I never got this opportunity when I was promoted. I pinned on E-5 in front of my platoon and that was it, so this was something great. Even though they are just coming up in the ranks, it gives them a sense of being appreciated.”

During the ceremony, guests watched a brief presentation of the history of the NCO. Soldiers



Sgt. 1st Class Mark Bruce | 8th Theater Sustainment Command

Sgt. Jaimie Snyder (right), 8th Theater Sustainment Command (TSC), shakes hands with 8th TSC Command Sgt. Maj. George Duncan after making the symbolic pass under swords to join the ranks of the noncommissioned officer corps at the 8th TSC NCO Induction Ceremony, Friday.

who were dressed in uniforms from World War I, World War II and the Vietnam War provided a visual depiction of the changes the Army has made in the past century.

Following the presentation, inductees lined up to pass under swords and cross the line,

symbolizing their progression from the junior enlisted ranks to the NCO corps.

“I am very proud to be a part of this ceremony,” said Sgt. Kianna McFayden, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th TSC training NCO. “I

Sgt. Anthony Benavidez  
Sgt. Ricardo Branch  
Sgt. Roberta Crews  
Sgt. John Curtin  
Sgt. Orion Delgado  
Sgt. Veronica Embry  
Sgt. Joseph Fairbotham  
Sgt. Ryan Gabrukiewicz  
Sgt. Benjamin Galyean  
Sgt. Corey Himel  
Sgt. Pamela Jackson  
Sgt. Adam Jacobs  
Sgt. Harley Jordan  
Sgt. Desiree Joyner  
Sgt. Frankie Manor  
Sgt. Kianna McFayden  
Sgt. Jaimie Snyder  
Sgt. Cameron Taylor  
Sgt. Jennifer Villagomez  
Sgt. Scott Warren

would have never thought I would be here. It just shows that I was listening to my NCOs. Now I can make my mark in history and lead other Soldiers.”



# 188 volunteers make 25th CAB, FRG a success

Story and Photo by  
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25th Combat Aviation Brigade Public Affairs

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD – Most days it can be difficult to find volunteers, even when the event is for a good cause, simply because people are so busy.

So when the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade recently had nearly 200 volunteers serving at various family readiness-sponsored events, a special effort was made to recognize each volunteer for his or her valued contribution.

The “Wings of Lightning” Brigade recognized 159 spouses and 29 Soldiers during a recognition ceremony at the 25th CAB’s Memorial Room of Excellence, Friday. These volunteers contributed throughout the brigade and continue to make the brigade’s family readiness groups (FRGs) successful.

Led by 25th CAB FRG advisors Robertta Cole and Kamalie Wagen, the event recognized volunteers for their work within the brigade and local community. Both advisors compiled a list of



More than 100 volunteers pack into the Memorial Room of Excellence during the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade’s (CAB) Volunteer Recognition Ceremony at Wheeler Army Airfield, Friday. Col. Michael Lundy, commander, 25th CAB, and the CAB’s Command Sgt. Maj. Jessie Ruiz honored 159 family members and 29 Soldiers for volunteering throughout the brigade and supporting the family readiness group program.

spouses and Soldiers when they began the two- to three-month process of planning the recognition ceremony.

“Our spouses do quite a lot in supporting our Soldiers, and our Soldiers do a lot of volunteering duties with the FRG,” said Cole.

Awardees were honored for a myriad of accomplishments, which are distinguished by a five-tier system created by Col. Michael Lundy, commander, 25th CAB.

“The first time our spouses are recognized, they receive a bronze certificate; the next time they receive the silver; and the third time, gold,”

said Cole, explaining the system. “The higher-level awards are the Certificate of Appreciation for Patriotic Service, the Order of Our Lady Loreto, and the Commander’s Award for Public Service. These are for people that have really contributed a lot to the family support structure of this brigade.”

At the ceremony, Lundy and the CAB’s Command Sgt. Maj. Jessie Ruiz personally took the time to recognize each volunteer.

“We recognized everyone who did anything for the FRG, so it was everything from people who hold positions in the FRG to people who donated time at a fundraiser, provided a potluck for a single Soldier’s dinner, and welcomed new spouses,” said Cole.

Although they don’t undertake their volunteer work for recognition or reward, volunteers enjoyed being recognized in front of their families, friends and fellow FRG members, according to the senior FRG advisor.

Additionally, Cole was also recognized for organizing her final FRG event before passing the reins over to Kamalie Wagen.

“I know a lot of our volunteers say that they don’t want to be recognized or they don’t do it for the recognition,” Cole said with a smile, “(but) it’s always nice for someone to pat you on the back and say ‘thank you, good job.’”

## Boussy: Adage ‘It takes a village to raise a child’ is still applicable

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with breakdowns in family functioning and communication, isolated families, families with significant mental health problems, and families that are not familiar with where to seek help.

According to Cole Weeks, Army Community Service (ACS), Family Advocacy Program (FAP) manager, child abuse and neglect can take many forms:

- 1) Physical abuse can be described as excessive physical punishment that leaves bruising or marks, or has the potential to cause harm.
- 2) Sexual abuse is inappropriate sexual contact.
- 3) Emotional abuse is a pattern of yelling, demeaning or humiliating.
- 4) Neglect can include depriving children of basic needs such as food, clothing, shelter and education. Lack of age-appropriate supervision can also be considered child neglect.

ACS’ Family Advocacy Program offers ongoing classes on parenting, communication, stress and anger management, infant massage, infant care, and a boot camp for new dads. In addition, individualized home visits by a licensed behavioral health provider or a registered nurse for expectant parents or parents with

children under the age of 5 is also available.

For more information, call FAP at 655-4227 or at the new Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) FAP at 438-4497.

Most of all, I ask each and every one of you to report suspected child abuse or neglect immediately to the military police (Schofield Barracks 655-7114, Fort Shafter 438-7114, or dial 911).

You can also report incidents to the MPs via text message from your cell phone or the Web. To submit a text message tip through your personal cell phone:

- (1) Type TIP730 and provide your tip information.
- (2) Type “Crimes” (or the numbers 274637) in the “to” line and hit “Send.”

To submit a tip via your computer:

- (1) Go to [www.militarycrimetips.com](http://www.militarycrimetips.com).
- (2) Select “US Army Garrison-Hawaii (All Locations).”
- (3) Provide as much info you have and select submit tip.

Many military and local agencies are available to help our Army families as we deal with the stress of continued deployments and field training requirements.

Remember the old saying: It takes a village to raise a child.



Staff Sgt. Joann Moravac | U.S. Army-Pacific Public Affairs

### Building warriors

BANDUNG, Indonesia — Sgt. Maj. William Smith, U.S. Army-Pacific (USARPAC) Operations sergeant major, addresses Tentara Nasional Indonesian Angkatan Darat (TNI-AD) Warrior Leader Course students after the Commandant’s Inspection, recently. Instructors from the Noncommissioned Officer Academy Hawaii and USARPAC trained Indonesian NCOs on U.S. Army techniques, tactics and procedures.

# Prevention: First line of defense to prevent abuse

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if there is a concern in the family, and address it before it becomes a bad situation. Prevention and education through the NPSP is our first line of defense to prevent abuse and neglect,” Ewing said.

Backed by a table full of free resources, information pamphlets, class lists, pocket emergency cards and experience, the team stands ready to assist, in any capacity, as parents pass through the doors of the Peterson CDC, here.

“Are you having any stressors?” Ewing asked a young mother bouncing an infant in her arms. “Is dad deployed?” Wong asked another with two children at her side, quickly providing a sympathetic ear for mom and stickers for the children.

Ewing said one of the advantages of NPSP is that it allows the team to think outside the box and apply the NPSP services to the needs of individual parents or children.

“If there isn’t a need for us now, there may be a need in the future,” he said. “We’re here to plant that seed of awareness.”



Left — Quintin Ewing, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii (USAG-HI) New Parent Support Program (NPSP) team lead, places a “military children are great!” sticker on 3-year-old Charles William’s hand after speaking with his mother, Candice, during a “Lunch and Learn” at the Peterson Child Development Center, here, Friday.

NPSP services are for families expecting a child or with children infant to 5 years old. The programs help link parents to resources, teach

new skills or improve old ones.

Home visits are completely voluntary and include the following: a home safety check and crib

inspection, information about shaken baby syndrome and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), safe sleep practices, and the garrison child supervision policy, all in the privacy of the home.

Additionally, the NPSP team offers referrals, resource group workshops, playmornning and infant massage, augmented by a specialized staffed that is able to answer any question about parenting or children.

“Our strength is that we have different disciplines supporting our programs — nurses, counselors, social workers and therapists,” Ewing said. “We know the concerns of parents and the challenges that military families face. Having a sympathetic ear and a few stickers for the children can sometimes make all the difference.”

## News Briefs

*Send news announcements for Soldiers and civilian employees to community @hawaiiarmyweekly.com.*

### 10/Today

**Gate Closure** — The McNair gate is now open; however, Schofield Barracks’ Macomb Gate is closed now through April 23, in order to install additional force protection measures. All other gates at Schofield Barracks will maintain their current operational times.

For more information, call the Directorate of Public Works at 656-2435. Or, to view gate hours, go to [www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sites/traffic/traffic](http://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sites/traffic/traffic).

### 14/Tuesday

**Newcomers Brief for Soldiers** — The next monthly newcomers briefing for Soldiers will be held April 14, 4-5 p.m., at the Soldier Support Center, Building 750, Schofield Barracks.

**Fire Warden Training** — Army regulation mandates every unit must have an assigned fire warden.

Fire warden training will be held for

unit representatives at the Sgt. Yano Library Conference Room, Building 650, Schofield Barracks, April 14, 10-11:30 a.m. Seating is limited.

To reserve your seat, contact Battalion Chief David Jimenez at 471-3303, ext. 632.

**Limited Service at Veterinarian Clinic** — The Schofield Barracks Veterinary Treatment Facility will be closed April 14. Additionally, the clinic is unable to accept walk-ins, April 21, due to limited staffing.

Patrons should call 433-8531/8532 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are regularly accepted each Tuesday and will resume, April 28.

Business hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and 11 a.m.-7 p.m., the third Wednesday of every month. The clinic is closed the last working day of every month.

### 15/Wednesday

**Tax Center South** — Tax preparation services will be available, by appointment only, at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Building 718, Fort Shafter, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., through April 15. Call 438-6725.

### 21/Tuesday

**Days of Remembrance** — The 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command and the Hawaii Equal Opportunities Team are hosting a Days of Remembrance Ceremony at Fort Shafter, Building 1554 (9th MSC Assembly Hall), April 21, 10:30 a.m. Holocaust survivors Alex and Margo Landsman will speak at the event. For more information call Staff Sergeant April Bradley at 438-2779 or e-mail [april.bradley1@us.army.mil](mailto:april.bradley1@us.army.mil).

### 24/Friday

**Road Work** — Portions of Pierce Street, Fort Shafter, will be temporarily converted to one lane through April 24, due to road construction. Motorists are advised to be cautious and expect delays.

### 27/Monday

**Tennis Court Closure** — The tennis courts across from the Sgt. Smith Theatre, Schofield Barracks, will be closed for resurfacing, April 27-May 25. The courts adjacent to the Martinez Physical Fitness Center and the Tropics will remain open.

For more information, contact Peter Burke or Bruce Irvine at 655-9914.

## Anderson: Colonel led during challenging times

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with transformation, and support Soldiers deployed to the global war on terrorism — among them 800 Army Reserve and National Guard personnel and 8,000 25th Infantry Division Soldiers supporting operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Additionally, Anderson played a significant role during periods of heightened environmental awareness and community involvement. He supported a population of 70,000 personnel.

Born to Doug and Janet Anderson at Toole Army Depot, Utah, Oct. 5, 1956, he was the eldest of five siblings. Anderson was loved and genuinely admired by all those who knew him.

He married Wendy Giles, April 26, 1979. They had one daughter, Camille.

A graduate of Utah State University, Anderson earned an Master of Business Administration from Brigham Young University, was a graduate of

the Command and General Staff College and earned a second master’s degree from the Naval War College.

He served in many distinguished assignments, among them at the Joint Readiness Training Center; at U.S. Army-Alaska; at the Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison; and at U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii.

Anderson was a field artillery officer in the Army for 25 years, receiving many awards and commendations. He was a survivor of the Sept. 11, 2001, attack at the Pentagon.

“Col. (Anderson) was a very gentle person, very kind and people-oriented,” said Jack Wiers, former marketing director, Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation. “(He was) very approachable, well-liked and respected.”

After retiring as a colonel, Anderson pursued defense consulting in Washington, D.C., before ultimately managing Boyer Hill Military Housing at Hill Air Force Base, Utah, and consulting for Chevron Energy Solutions.





# Time to consider future health care decisions is now

**CAPT. ADAM HILL**  
Chief, Legal Assistance Division

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS – The Legal Assistance Office of the 8th Theater Sustainment Command (TSC) and U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii, along with other national, state and community organizations, is leading a massive effort to highlight the importance of advance health care decision-making – an effort that has culminated in the formal designation of April 16 as National Health Care Decisions Day (NHDD).

NHDD organizers are asking interested organizations and individuals throughout the country to help raise awareness about the importance of advance care planning on this special day, and throughout the year.

To help realize this goal, event organizers have created a Web site with information and tools for the public to talk about future health care decisions and execute written advance directives (health care powers of attorney and living wills) in accordance with applicable state laws.

The Web site ([nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org](http://nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org)) also includes tips on how advocates can raise awareness in their communities.

Here are some of the ways to help this important cause:

First and foremost, lead by example. Be sure you have thoughtfully considered and made your own health care decisions known.

Next, make sure everyone in your organization is informed about NHDD (including staff, board of directors, volunteers and others) and ask for their involvement to promote NHDD in your community.

Provide a link on your organizational Web site to [nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org](http://nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org). The site features a variety of information for the public and providers on advance care planning.

Encourage your state leaders to establish a state-sanctioned, secure online advance directive registry.

Only a small minority of Americans has executed an advance directive, although several states have engaged in awareness events and numerous organizations have devoted substantial time and money to improving education about advance health care planning. NHDD seeks to address this issue by focusing attention on advance health care planning from a variety of directions simultaneously.

For details about this important day, visit [nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org](http://nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org). If you are active duty military, a family member of an active duty service member, or a military retiree and have questions about advance health care decision making, call the 8th TSC Legal Assistance Office at 655-8607.



Spc. Ashley Shei (left), 524th Combat Service Support Battalion, and Pfc. Fernando Martinez, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, prepare an entrée during the 34th Annual Culinary Arts Competition at Fort Lee, Va.

## Culinary: Team achieves historic feat

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Soldiers are finally ready to compete, Francis said.

"I kind of have mixed emotions. I am nervous, yet excited," Francis said, "but the nerves are good ... because if you aren't nervous, you get a little cocky, and I want (the team members) to be hum-

ble in everything that they do."

"As long as they remain humble and open minded, and always ready to learn and willing to learn, they will excel," Francis continued. "I have nothing but confidence in my team this year."

Francis also said the competition will help prepare Soldiers for life after the military and help them develop a skill they enjoy.

"Honestly, the best part of my job is when I'm standing in the (dining facility) and I hand a Soldier a plate of food and they smile and I know that they enjoyed it," said Sgt. Monique Sorrell, team captain and food service specialist with U.S. Army-Pacific Special Troops Battalion. "And I also enjoy being able to learn as much as I can for the civilian aspect of it."

## Awareness: Army closer to eradicating assault

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(MP), the Criminal Investigation Command (CID), Army Community Service (ACS), the Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), 911 or Military One Source.

The victim receives medical treatment and counseling and

a full investigation that enhances the opportunity to hold the offender accountable.

Poppa said unrestricted reporting has its limitations, as well.

"Once a Soldier makes an unrestricted report, they can't switch back to a restricted re-

port," she said.

Sexual assault is the most under-reported crime in the U.S., and possibly the most under-reported crime in the military, according to Poppa.

Servicewide, sexual assault reports increased by eight percent from fiscal year 2007 to

2008, and by four percent Armywide.

"The increase could mean Soldiers feel more comfortable accessing services and coming forward. The Army's preference would be to see no reports and eradicate this," Poppa said.





A large crowd gathers at Stoneman Stadium, Saturday, to cheer on participants of the 2009 Special Olympics-Hawaii, Central Honolulu and Windward Track and Field Meet.

Athletes participate in

# Special Olympics



Story and Photos by  
**MOLLY HAYDEN**  
Staff Writer

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — "Repeat after me," said Special Olympics athlete Kimo Costa. "Let me win." "Let me win," said additional athletes. "But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt," continued Costa.

An echo came from the crowd, followed by an outpouring of cheers kicking off the 2009 Special Olympics-Hawaii (SOHI) Central Honolulu and Windward Track and Field Meet at Stoneman Stadium, here, Saturday.

Twenty-four teams, consisting of more than 170 participants in two age categories then began track and field events, including the long jump, softball throw and various running competitions. Each competition showcased the talents of the athletes to the large crowd of supporters.

Numerous volunteers, including more than 50 Soldiers from the 25th Infantry Division (ID) rear detachment, 130th Engineer Battalion and 45th Sustainment Brigade aided the organization to make sure the event ran smoothly.

Finding volunteers was an easy task according to Master Sgt. Morgan Moore of 25th ID's 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team rear detachment.

"The Soldiers really came together to show their support," said Moore,

See the athletes compete during the upcoming Special Olympics events:

- Oahuwide Powerlifting Meet, April 19, at Martinez Physical Fitness Center, Schofield Barracks, and
- Oahu Regional Softball Tournament, April 25, at Wheeler Army Airfield Softball Complex.

reminiscing about first volunteering with the program years ago at Fort Jackson, S.C.

"It was an experience I will never forget, and the reason I continue to be involved with this organization," said Moore.

Soldiers recorded times of runners and urged walkers across the finish line, while cheering on participants after each completed the course.

"Helping out at this event is the right thing to do," said Pfc. Jesse Jones, 84th Engineer Battalion. "The (participants) have so much heart."

"We can learn something from them," added Jones. Special Olympics

athletes participate in the world's largest program of sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Currently, more than two million athletes around the world benefit from participation in Special Olympics.

SOHI offers year-round sports training and athletic competition for children and adults. More than 1,500 athletes from around the state currently participate in the program. Special Olympics athletes train to compete in local, regional and national competitions. With each meet, they learn to win and lose and continually strive to do their best — but most of all, they inspire those around them.

"I applaud all of the effort and training it took to get you here to the track and field championship," said Army Athlete of the Year Capt. Shawn Dodge, 732nd Military Intelligence Battalion, to the participants. "We all have a gift, and you have been given an incredible opportunity today to share your gift."

Dodge then congratulated all of the competitors for their accomplishments during the meet.

For 11-year-old Michelle Wright, clutching the blue first place ribbon dangling from her neck was an accomplishment she will not soon forget.

"I did it," said the winner of the 50-yard dash, smiling.

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii; Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (FMWR); the Schofield Barracks Teen Program; Booz Allen Hamilton; Farrington High School; Leeward Pilots Club; City Mill; and the Pearl City Elk's Lodge supported the event.

Above — Freddie Valiente leaps into the air during the running long jump event.



Above — Jennifer Bowman runs with the torch alongside Army Athlete of the Year Capt. Shawn Dodge, 732nd Military Intelligence Battalion, to kick off the 2009 Special Olympics-Hawaii, Central Honolulu and Windward Track and Field Meet.

Right — Faith Magno, 8, runs toward the finish line during the Track and Field Meet at Stoneman Stadium, Saturday. More than 170 participants raced their way to ribbons and prizes during the event.







## 10 / Today

**Child Abuse Prevention Month** – April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and the New Parent Support Program (NPSP) will sponsor several programs to highlight this issue.

•Lunch and Learns, today, 10:45-noon, Fort Shafter Child Development Center (CDC), and 2:30-3:30 p.m., at the Schofield Barracks CDC. Lunch and Learn teams will also visit Helemano CDC, April 17, 2-3 p.m. and Aliamanu Military Reservation CDC, April 24, 11-noon.

•Food drive for families in need, April 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Fort Shafter PX Market. Food donations will support the Armed Services YMCA Food for Families program.

•Storytime with the reading of “The Kissing Hand,” April 15, 10-10:45 a.m., at Sgt. Yano Library, Schofield Barracks.

•Pinwheels for Prevention Display and awareness event, April 20, 8-10 a.m., at the Hawaii State Capitol front lawn.

•Learn more about preventing child abuse and neglect at an information booth sponsored by the NPSP, April 23, 11-1 p.m., Schofield Main Post Exchange. For more information, contact Quintin Ewing at 655-4227.

## 11 / Saturday

**Fun Fest Carnival** – The 15th Annual Fun Fest and Information, Ticketing and Registration (ITR) Travel Fair will be April 11, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Sills Field, Schofield Barracks.

Enjoy a family-friendly carnival with games, inflatable bouncers, activity booths, Easter bunny pictures, rides and great prize giveaways, including a trip for two to Las Vegas. Call 655-0111/2.

## 12 / Sunday

**Easter Sunday Brunch** – Enjoy Easter Sunday Brunch, April 12, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Nehelani, Schofield Barracks, or the Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter. Menus include popular breakfast items, carving station, desserts and much more.

The last seating begins at 1 p.m. For reservations, call 655-4466 (Schofield Barracks) or 438-6712 (Fort Shafter).

## 14 / Tuesday

**Library Fun Fest** – Help celebrate National Library Week at the Fort Shafter Library, April 14; the Sgt. Yano Library, Schofield Barracks, April 15; and the Aliamanu Military Reservation Library, April 16, 3-4:30 p.m.

Enjoy face painting, balloon animals,



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# Marching with Minnie

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Minnie Mouse leads a march around the Bennett Youth Center Field, here, during the Child and Youth School Services (CYS2) “PT in the Park” event, early Tuesday morning. More than 157 children ages 2-8 and more than 25 parents participated in a 30-minute “mouserercise” aerobic routine with Mickey Mouse and friends. The annual event kicks off Month of the Military Child celebrations for U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii. Children and parents are invited to join Mickey Mouse again at “PT in the Gym,” April 28, at Fort Shafter Gymnasium.

games and crafts. Call 655-8002.

## 15 / Wednesday

**Baby Massage III** – Learn how to better understand your baby’s moods, needs, desires and expressions at Baby Massage III, April 15, 2-4 p.m., Aliamanu Military Reservation community center, or April 16, 9-11 a.m., at Army Community Service, Schofield Barracks.

Baby Massage is a three-part consecutive series offered every month; classes can be taken at either location.

Babies should be between 4-8 months old. Call 655-4227.

## 17 / Friday

**Joint Forces Pool Party** – Families with special needs are invited to enjoy an afternoon of swimming, April 17, 2:30-5:30 p.m., at Richardson Pool, Schofield Barracks. One family member must be enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program.

The event is free, but sign up is required. Call 655-1551/4791.

**Bunco Time** – An ultimate bunco tournament will be held during Family Fun Fridays, April 17, 6 p.m., at the Tropics, Schofield Barracks. Gift cards and other great prizes will be awarded to top players.

Everyone can enjoy free pizza from Papa John’s, and Blue Star Card holders

will receive special treats. Register early and win a prize.

Visit [www.mwrrarmyhawaii.com](http://www.mwrrarmyhawaii.com) or call 655-5698.

**Army Community Service (ACS) Job Fair** – Are you looking for employment? Make connections with federal hiring agencies as well as local and national companies at the ACS Job Fair, April 17, 9 a.m.-noon, at ACS, Schofield Barracks.

More than 20 employers will be on-site accepting resumes/applications and conducting job interviews. Bring your resume and dress for success.

For more information, call 655-4227.

**Waikiki Party Bus** – The Army bus rides again, April 17, 9 p.m.-4 a.m., and the tickets are now free. Riders can hang out and play all night long and then get picked up and brought back home at the end of the evening.

The free tickets are available at the Information, Ticketing and Registration (ITR) offices, and riders must have a ticket to board the party bus.

The bus is also scheduled to run, May 1, 15 and 29; June 12 and 26; and July 17 and 31.

Call 655-9971/438-1985.

Tickets cost \$12-20 at the ACT Box Office. Visit [www.armytheatre.com](http://www.armytheatre.com) or call 438-4480.

## 15 / Friday

**MICA Scholarships** – The Military Intelligence Corps Association (MICA) Scholarship Program provides scholarships for individuals pursuing undergraduate degrees or technical certifications. Scholarships may be used for attendance at regionally accredited colleges, universities or state-approved vocational schools/technical institutions.

Applicants must be a current individual member of MICA or a family member of such and pursuing a first undergraduate (associate’s or bachelor’s) degree or a technical certification.

Applicants already possessing an undergraduate degree or seeking a graduate degree are not eligible. Previous MICA Scholarship recipients may compete for subsequent scholarships.

Instructions and application forms are located at [www.micorps.org](http://www.micorps.org). Applications must be postmarked no later than May 15. Late or incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant without consideration.

For details, call Sgt. Maj. Steven Kroll at 520-533-1174.

# Ongoing

**Fort Shafter Pool** – The 1st Lt. Jonathon Brostrom Community Center Aquatics facility is now open and includes a 25-meter lap pool and a children’s sand pool.

The pool is open to all Army Hawaii Family Housing residents during spring break and summer from 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. The pool is closed Mondays. A pass is required for entry and can be obtained at the center.

**Celebrate Centennial** – Audio podcasts highlighting the significance of 25 historical sites located on Schofield Barracks are now available to download at the U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Web site.

## 20 / Monday

**Volunteer Appreciation Week** – Army Community Service, Schofield Barracks, will celebrate Volunteer Appreciation Week, April 20-24. Community volunteers are invited to enjoy events such as free shopping and breakfast at the Schofield Barracks AAFES Exchange.

For a list of events visit [www.mwrrarmyhawaii.com](http://www.mwrrarmyhawaii.com) or call Tracey Clark 655-1696.

**AFTB Level III** – Army Community Service, Schofield Barracks, will offer an Army Family Team Building Level III class, April 20-22, 5:15-9 p.m. The class covers topics such as Army family life, traditions, values, military resources and much more. This course is great for both new and seasoned spouses and Soldiers. Call 655-4227.

**Operation Purple** – Registration is open now through April 20 for the National Military Family Association’s Operation Purple camps for military kids with parents who have been, are currently, or will be deployed.

The free, weeklong camps will be held at Bellows Air Force Station, July 12-17, (13-17 year olds); July 19-24 (9-12 year olds); and at Camp Erdman, June 14-19 (7-15 year olds).

Visit [www.operationpurple.org](http://www.operationpurple.org) or call 1-303-458-1909.

Explore the history of Schofield Barracks and celebrate its centennial. A variety of different formats are available to augment a walking or driving tour, such as WMV, MP3, M4V and AIFF. A tour brochure can be found at the Tropic Lightning Museum.

Visit the podcast page at [www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sites/podcasts/TropicLightningCentennial.asp](http://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sites/podcasts/TropicLightningCentennial.asp).

## Protestant Women of the Chapel

Women of the Chapel meet every Tuesday, 9-11:30 a.m., at Schofield Barracks’ Main Post Chapel. Join the group for encouragement, laughter, hope, friends and faith.

Limited, free, pre-arranged child care is available for children registered at the Child Development Center.

Call 554-5704.

**New Recycling Bin** – Fort Shafter Elementary School invites the community to use its new recycling bin in front of the school. Recycling benefits the environment and all monetary proceeds will benefit the school.

The following items will be accepted loosely, not in plastic bags: aluminum cans (rinsed), glass bottles and jars (rinsed, lids removed), and plastic containers (rinsed, lids removed.)

Please bag/box the following items before depositing: newspapers (magazines and glossy inserts removed), corrugated cardboard (flattened), and white bond and colored bond paper.

**Holistic Healing Seminar Series** – The Schofield Barracks Family Night Program presents the seminar series “Healing as a Solution: An Introduction to Holistic Healing, Mind, Body and Spirit” every Wednesday, 6:15-7:30 p.m., Main Post Chapel Annex, Building 791, (second floor).

Dr. Wayne Nickens, M.D., will teach practical solutions to life’s struggles, hurts and losses. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and is free to Family Night participants.

Contact Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Walls, Schofield Community Chaplain, 655-6644.



## Aliamanu (AMR) Chapel

836-4599

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

## Fort DeRussy Chapel

836-4599

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. – Mass in Chapel (May-Aug.) Saturday, 6 p.m. – Mass on Beach
- Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Worship Service
- Buddhist 1st Sunday, 1 p.m.

## Fort Shafter Chapel

836-4599

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – “The Wave” Worship

## Helemano (HMR) Chapel

653-0703

- Contemporary Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m. – Worship Service & Children’s Church

## Main Post Chapel 655-9307

- Catholic Sunday, 9 a.m. – CCD & RCIA Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Mass
- Collective Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Worship Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School
- Gospel Sunday, 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School
- Sunday, noon – Worship Service

## MPC Annex, Building 791

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

## Soldiers Chapel

- Catholic Friday-Saturday, noon – Adoration
- Liturgical Sunday, 9:30 a.m.- Worship

## Tripler AMC Chapel

433-5727

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

## Wheeler Chapel 656-4481

- Catholic Saturday, 5 p.m. – Mass
- Collective Protestant Sunday, 9 a.m. – Worship Sunday, 9 a.m. – Sunday School



Send announcements to [community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com](mailto:community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com).

## 11 / Saturday

**Share Your Experiences** – April is the Month of the Military Child. Children ages 8-18 are encouraged to upload stories, pictures, videos or podcasts that describe what it’s like to be a military child.

To upload content and find more events that celebrate the Month of the Military Child, visit <http://www.army-momc.org/>.

## Egg-cellent Easter Adventure

– The Easter Bunny and friends are coming to the Mililani Shopping Center, April 11, noon-2 p.m. Hop on over for a fun-filled day and a chance to win a basketful of prizes.

**Yard Sale Mania** – Great bargains and one-of-a-kind treasures can be found at Army Hawaii Family Housing’s (AHFH) community-wide yard sale, April 11, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Stroll through AHFH communities at Aliamanu Military Reservation, Fort Shafter, Helemano Military Reservation, Red Hill, Tripler Army Medical Center, Schofield Barracks and Wheeler Army Airfield and enjoy fantastic finds for kids, teens and adults.

**Waikiki Aquarium Earth Day Expo** – To celebrate Earth Day, the Waikiki Aquarium will host the 2nd Annual Mauka to Makai Environmental Expo, April 11, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The event will showcase the efforts of state and federal agencies to preserve and protect Hawaii’s environment.

The free event will feature fun eco-educational activities, games, a recycling competition for school-age children and the release of hatchery-raised Pacific threadfin (moi).

Free parking is available at Waikiki

Elementary School.

Visit [www.waiaquarium.org](http://www.waiaquarium.org).

## 12 / Sunday

**Easter Sunrise Services** – An Easter Sunrise Service will be held at Stoneman Field, Schofield Barracks, April 12, at 6 a.m. Stoneman Field is located between McNair and Macomb gates.

The USS Missouri, located at Pearl Harbor, is also hosting an Easter Sunrise Service, April 12 at 6:30 a.m. An entrance fee will apply.

## 14 / Tuesday

**Waimea Valley Earth Day Events** – Waimea Valley will be celebrating the Merrie Monarch Hula Festival and Earth Day during the month of April. Learn about the history of hula in Hawaii at an informative display, April 14-19.

A second display will educate visitors about Malamaika Aina (taking care of the land), April 21-26.

A general admission fee to the valley applies. Kamaaina and military rates are available with valid ID.

For more information, visit [www.waimeavalley.net](http://www.waimeavalley.net) or call 638-7766.

## 19 / Sunday

**Honolulu Mystery Tour** – Discover Honolulu’s Chinatown area while searching for world-famous detective Charlie Chan during a 2-mile walking tour, April 19, 1 p.m.

This tour takes participants past sites of former police stations, coffee shops, gambling houses, movie theaters and the residence of the Number One Son.

Cost is \$35 per person or \$20 for military with a valid ID. Reservations are required. Call 395-0674.

# May

## 7 / Thursday

**“Children of Eden” at Theatre** – Army Community Theatre (ACT) presents the musical “Children of Eden” at 7:30 p.m., starting May 7, at Richardson Theatre, Fort Shafter. Additional Friday and Saturday performances will be announced.



Call 624-2585 for movie listings or go to [aafes.com](http://aafes.com) under reeltime movie listing.



## Madea Goes to Jail

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

## Street Fighter: The Legend of Chun-Li

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



(PG)  
Sunday, 7 p.m.

## The International

(R)  
Thursday, 7 p.m.

No shows on Mondays or Tuesdays.



# JROTC cadets hone leadership skills during spring break

Local high schools take part in annual event

**U.S. ARMY GARRISON-HAWAII**  
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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — More than 200 cadets represented the Army and Air Force Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) at the 38th Annual JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC) held March 26-April 2, here, at Area X.

Sixteen high schools throughout the state of Hawaii participated in the JCLC during the students' spring break.

Army instructors taught cadet leaders lessons, which they then applied in their respective groups. All cadets were mixed into four training groups, and each cadet was challenged mentally and physically to do his or her best.

The spring camp has three main objectives, to: allow cadets to practice leadership and citizenship skills, provide an opportunity for cadets to participate in adventure training and, lastly, have fun.

During the leadership challenges, participating cadets were required to abide by "CADET" values: courage,



A JROTC cadet rappels off the side of a cliff at the East Range during a Cadet Leadership Challenge.



A JROTC cadet makes his way across a rope bridge during the 38th Annual JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge, March 26-April 2, at Area X, Schofield Barracks.

## Participating High Schools

- Aiea
- Baldwin
- Farrington
- Hilo
- Kahuku
- Kaimuki
- Kapaa
- Kealahou
- Konawaena
- Leilehua
- McKinley
- Nanakuli
- Roosevelt
- Waianae
- Waimea
- Waipahu

Arakaki who was assisted by 25th Infantry Division Soldiers.

"I was a coward at first, but once I rappelled, I felt a sense of accomplishment and wanted to do it again," said Cadet Andrew Ehrenheim, Roosevelt High School.

*(Editor's note: Cadet Tiffany Tang, McKinley High School JROTC, contributed reporting.)*

## Holy Week and Easter Services

All Soldiers and family members are invited to attend various Easter celebrations now through April 12.

**Holy Week**  
Preregistration is required for child care at the Aliamanu Military Reservation (AMR) and Schofield chapels. Call 655-8682.

**Today - Good Friday**  
• Ecumenical, "Living Stations of the Cross," Main Post Chapel, noon  
• Catholic Good Friday Services  
-Fort DeRussy Chapel, noon  
-MPC, 3 p.m.,  
-AMR Chapel, 3 p.m.  
• Protestant Good Friday Service, Fort DeRussy Chapel, 5 p.m.  
• Protestant Service of Darkness, MPC, 7 p.m.

**April 11 - Holy Saturday**  
• Catholic Holy Saturday Easter Vigil  
-AMR Chapel, 4:30 p.m.  
-MPC, 7 p.m.  
-Fort DeRussy, 7:30 p.m.

**April 12 - Easter Sunday**  
• Catholic Mass, AMR Chapel, 8:30 a.m.  
• Protestant Easter Worship, MPC, 9 a.m.  
• Catholic Mass, MPC, 10:30 a.m.

**Sunrise Services**  
• April 12, 6 a.m., Stoneman Field, Schofield Barracks  
• April 12, 6:30 a.m., Aboard USS Missouri (an entrance fee applies)



Send sports announcements to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

### 19 / Sunday

**Hike Oahu** — Join the Hawaiian Trail & Mountain Club on a 12-mile advanced hike to the Koolau summit and back, April 19. This long roller coaster of a trail will test your endurance, stamina and hiking mettle. A grand view awaits, if you complete the test.

Call coordinator Arnold Fujioka, 551-0227. The group meets at 8:30 a.m. at the upper end of Koko Mai Drive.

Save the dates for these hike, too:  
• April 25, a 3-mile novice hike to Hamama Falls. Call Dayle and Jacque Turner, 384-4821, or turner@hawaii.edu.  
• April 26, an 8-mile intermediate valley hike in Haauala. Call Grant and Joyce Oka, 674-1459.

A \$2 donation is requested of non-members. An adult must accompany children under 18. Hikers typically meet at Iolani Palace, mountainside.

Visit [www.htmclub.org](http://www.htmclub.org).

**Sprint Distance Triathlon** — The 8th Annual Lanikai Race kicks off another year of quality triathlon racing for island

athletes to enjoy, April 19, 6:15 a.m. The Lanikai course is great for first-time triathletes.

The race includes a 500-meters swim, 20K bike and 5K run through Kailua. Entry fee is \$90 for individuals and military, \$100 for teams.

Visit [www.bocahawaii.com](http://www.bocahawaii.com) or call 591-9839 for more information or to register.

### 25 / Saturday

**Sand Volleyball Tournament** — Beach volleyball players are invited to participate in an open 2-on-2 sand volleyball tournament, April 25, 8:30 a.m., at the Tropics, Schofield Barracks.

All military and civilian personnel are eligible. Cost is \$10 entry per player.

For more information or to register, call Michael Smyrchnyski at 438-1152.

Additional tournament dates are scheduled for May 30, June 27, July 25, Aug. 29 and Sept. 26.

### 26 / Sunday

**North Shore Century Ride** — The Hawaii Bicycling League is hosting the John B. Kelley Haleiwa Metric Century Ride, April 26, 7:30 a.m.

The route starts at Kaiaka Bay Beach Park, Haleiwa, and follows a route along the North Shore passing world-famous surfing locales (Sunset Beach, Pipeline, Waimea Bay) before ending at Swanzy Beach Park.

Riders can choose a 25K, 50K or 100K

April 17, 4 p.m.

All entries must be submitted to the Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Office, Building 556, Kaala Community Activity Center. Call 655-0856.

### 18 / Saturday

**Shoreline Fishing** — Spend an evening fishing Hawaiian style from a popular shore area with Outdoor Recreation, April 18, 5:30 p.m.-3 a.m.

Cost is \$25 and includes round-trip transportation from Schofield Barracks. Call 655-0143.

### 21 / Tuesday

**Walk Off the Wait** — Blue Star Card holders are invited to join the latest hike on the Makapuu Lighthouse Trail, April 21, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. The hike is a paved path, suitable for all ages. Strollers are welcome.

Limited free transportation is available from Schofield Barracks. Call 655-0111/2.

**Intramural Softball Entry Deadline** — The entry deadline for this year's

route. All riders must wear a helmet and will receive full mechanical and aid station support.

Online registration closes April 23 and costs \$40. Children under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Visit [www.hbl.org](http://www.hbl.org).

**Tackle Football Registration** — The Wahiawa Youth Sports League will conduct Youth Tackle Football registration for children ages 9-13 at the Wahiawa District Park, April 26, 4-6 p.m.

Bring your child's birth certificate and current medical card. Children will be fitted for game jerseys on registration day.

Registration costs \$275. Download forms at [www.league lineup.com/wahiawa](http://www.league lineup.com/wahiawa). E-mail [wysl\\_football@yahoo.com](mailto:wysl_football@yahoo.com).

## Ongoing

**Golfers Wanted** — Are you looking for a golf group? Military or civilian golfers interested in playing golf on Sunday mornings at Leilehua Golf Course can call 347-8038 or 375-3322. Tee time is usually before 8 a.m.

**Waikale Wrestlers** — The Waikale Athletic Club holds wrestling classes for children and adults. Cost is \$45 per student. Call 671-7169.

**Taiko Drumming Classes** — The Taiko Center of the Pacific, a school of

traditional and contemporary Japanese drumming, offers classes year-round to the general public for all ages and skill levels. Students also learn aspects of Japanese culture, etiquette and language.

Beginning, intermediate and advanced classes are available for youth, adults and families. No experience is necessary and weekly, one-hour classes are held at various times at Kapiolani Community College.

Registration is currently open for Summer Taiko intensives; call 737-7236, or e-mail [info@taikoarts.com](mailto:info@taikoarts.com), or visit [www.taikoarts.com](http://www.taikoarts.com).

**Escrima Classes** — Pedoy's School of Escrima, the Filipino art of self-defense, holds classes every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at its training center in Waipio. Sessions cover hand-to-hand fighting, weapons, grappling, boxing and kicking. Call 678-2438 or 216-3211.

Escrima classes for men, women and children of all ages are also held at Mililani Elementary School.

Classes are Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Call 398-0119 for details.

**TOPS** — The Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) support group meets every Thursday evening at the Armed Services YMCA. Join others to share weight loss tips, and provide encouragement to each other.

Call Cheryl at 696-4423.

tion's (AMR) Youth Gym, Saturdays, 9-9:45 a.m., for children ages 3-5. The cost is \$35 per month.

Call the AMR Child and Youth Service's Registration Office at 833-5393.

**Paintball** — Check out the paintball facility at Wheeler Army Airfield, just off Lauhala Road next to the baseball fields. Hours of operation are Fridays, 5-9 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Rental equipment and instruction is available. You can bring your own paint or buy it there. Visit [www.paintball-hawaii.com](http://www.paintball-hawaii.com) or call 343-3929.

**Karate Classes** — Children ages 5 and older can learn Do Shudokan karate at these physical fitness centers: Aliamanu, Fort Shafter, Helemano or Schofield's Bennett Youth Center. All youth students must be registered at CYS; cost is \$35 per month. A discount is offered for two or more family members.

Call instructor Joseph Bunch at 488-6372 or 265-5476.