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Photo by Sgt. Ian Morales, 25th Infantry Division Public Affairs

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — World War II veterans attend the Wheeler Field Remembrance Ceremony in Hangar 206, here, Monday. It commemorated the 75th anniversary of the attack on multiple installations on the island of Oahu, Dec. 7, 1941.

The Greatest Generation remembers Pearl Harbor Day

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WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — “This is a very special and historic moment,” said Col. Stephen Dawson, commander, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii.

“Seventy-five years ago, Sunday, Dec. 7th, 1941 – at almost this exact time of day, on the airfield behind me – this hangar and others, came under the attack of the Japanese Empire. Today, we want to remember that morning and all of the heroes of that day,” he continued.

That remembrance ceremony was held, here, on Dec. 5th, in one of the hangars attacked on Dec. 7th, 1941. Soldiers, family members, civilian friends, veterans and members of the Greatest Generation Foundation gathered to reflect on the attack that happened, here, 75 years ago.

“We are thankful that we are able to be here as a group honoring that particular day,” said Stuart Hedley, a 95-year-old veteran of World War II who was stationed on the USS West Virginia during the attacks on Pearl Harbor.

The Greatest Generation Foundation is dedicated to helping veterans of World War II return to the battlefields they fought on to help enable closure of their war experiences while at the same time educating youth about key military events and their relevance.

“These veterans include one gentleman that parachuted into Normandy, France, on D-Day, another who hit the beach at Omaha,” said Maj. Gen. Christopher Cavoli, commander, 25th Infantry Division and U.S. Army Hawaii. “Two of you fought in the battle of the bulge, one went on to support the Nuremberg trials, one of you was a Navajo code talker and others served in the Pacific, England and France. You are a remarkable group, and I am proud to be in front of you today.”

Wheeler Army Airfield was one of the first places attacked on that historic day. The Japanese Empire focused their initial effort on disabling U.S. air assets to ensure air superiority.

“For those of you who were here this day, this is truly hallowed ground. Wheeler was one of the very first places to be hit in a synchronized aerial attack on the military airfields at Bellows, Kaneohe Bay, Ewa, Hickam and Ford Island,” said Cavoli.

During the ceremony, Veterans of Foreign War Posts 352, 1572 and 12138; along with Thomas Petso, a World War II veteran; and Gary Winnick, The Greatest Generation Foundation; as well as Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Brzak, 25th ID; and Command Sgt. Maj. Lisa Piette-Edwards, USAG-HI, laid wreaths in remembrance of this historic attack.



Photo by Sgt. John Heinrich, 8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

FORT DERUSSY — U.S. Army-Pacific Commanding General Robert B. Brown shakes hands with John Seelie, 94, at the 25th ID Commemoration Ceremony, here, Wednesday – one of the many events commemorating the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Seelie was a 19-year-old member of the 25th ID’s 65th Engineer Combat Battalion during the Dec. 7, 1941, attacks.



Photo by Sgt. Ian Morales, 25th Infantry Division Public Affairs

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — Soldiers pose with World War II veteran Stuart Hedley after the Wheeler Field Remembrance Ceremony in Hangar 206, here, Monday.

The attacks on Dec. 7th, 1941, were one of the most influential moments in U.S. history, forever changing the lives of millions. The sacrifice of the brave men

and women of that war will never be forgotten.

“To our heroes that are here with us this morning,” said Dawson, “the veterans

of World War II, the one and only Greatest Generation, thank you for answering the call when your national called. We will forever be grateful.”

Army-Navy game played locally to 51-6 – Army!

MAJ. BRIAN YOUNG

Theater Support Group-Pacific
9th Mission Support Command

FORT SHAFTER FLATS — In the spirit of the 117th Army vs. Navy football game, the 9th Mission Support Command (the Army Reserve) challenged Navy Operational Support Command Pearl Harbor (the NOSC, or Naval Reserve) to a flag football game on Takata Field, here, Saturday, Dec. 3.

The game was organized to commemorate the tremendous contribution the Reserve Component has made during the last 15 years of continuous operations.

Before the game, however, the atmosphere was extremely competitive, as summed up by Col. Bill Nutter’s short opening remarks to the two teams.

“I only have one thing to say before we kick this historic event off. ... Beat Navy!” said Nutter.

Brig. Gen. Stephen Curda, commander of the 9th MSC, and Nutter, commander of the Theater Support Group-Pacific, along with about 150 Soldiers and Sailors from both commands, cheered Army to a 51-6 victory.

The Army Reserve team was organized from various units in the 9th MSC, and is

also the 2016 Army Sports Program Flag Football Champions.

Spc. Ezekiel Puloufalaniko, Army’s quarterback, and Sgt. Donovan Johnson, the team captain, led the 9th MSC team to an undefeated season and were especially motivated to continue that winning streak against Navy.

Lt. Cmdr. Ryan Seggerty, executive officer, NOSC, Pearl Harbor, stated that the Navy Reserve cannot wait to host Army next year for a rematch.

“Hopefully, we can make this an annual event, since it builds a lasting bond between the two services,” he said.

Following Navy’s defeat, both teams gathered at midfield to put the competition behind them and sing each other’s respective service songs – remembering that, despite their on-field rivalry, at the end of the day, both sides are invaluable contributors to the nation’s defense on the Joint Team.

Army vs. Navy

Enjoy the national game at The Hangar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 10, at Wheeler Army Airfield.



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25TH INFANTRY DIVISION BAND



PEARL HARBOR — The 25th Infantry Division Band performs at Pearl Harbor to honor Pearl Harbor, Hickam, Ford Island, Wheeler, and Kaneohe attack survivors, other World War II veterans and guests and visitors, Dec. 2. The date of Dec. 7th, 2016, marks the 75th anniversary of the attacks on Oahu. The U.S. military and the State of Hawaii hosted a series of remembrance events to honor the courage and sacrifices of personnel who died and lived through the attacks.

Hawaii holiday mailing dates announced

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE
News Release

HONOLULU — Now that everyone has survived the mad Black Friday and Cyber Monday shopping rushes, Hawaii residents’ thoughts are turning to shipping.

The Postal Service is happy to assist its customers in that endeavor by providing suggested holiday mailing dates, specific to Hawaii.



Suggested mailing dates

The Postal Service suggests Hawaii residents mail their letters, cards and packages to give them the best chances of reaching their destinations by Christmas on the dates below.

Note that the dates apply to mail received by each Post Office’s daily cutoff time.

The suggested mailing date was Dec. 7 for first class and priority mail headed to international and overseas military destinations, and is Dec. 16 for first class and priority mail headed to the mainland.

Procrastinators have until Dec. 21 to send their holiday cheer to the mainland via expedited priority express shipping service.

No extended retail hours this year

The Postal Service won’t be extending its hours of operation at any of its Hawaii Post Offices this holiday season. Instead, it’s encouraging customers to take advantage of the 24-hour self-service kiosks and the online payment and pickup options at USPS.com.

Self Service Ship & Mail Centers

These convenient postal kiosks allow customers to purchase stamps, print and pay for postage for packages, and conduct other common transactions without the need to stand in line to see a mail clerk. Perhaps most important, customers can access the Self Service Ship & Mail Centers, 24/7, at times that are convenient to them.

USPS Self Service Ship & Mail Centers are located in Hawaii outside or in the service lobbies of these 11 Oahu Post Offices: Aina Haina, Airport (two kiosks), Ala Moana, Downtown, Hawaii Kai, Kailua, Kaneohe, Makiki, Mililani, Waialae-Kahala and Waikiki. There is also a kiosk located inside the Safeway on Kapahulu Avenue on Oahu.

	U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	weather determine whether deliveries can be made early or on time.
From Hawaii to	First Class/Priority	Priority Express
APOs & FPOs	Dec. 7	Dec. 14
American Samoa	Dec. 8	Dec. 15
Guam & Saipan	Dec. 14	Dec. 20
Hawaii	Dec. 22	Dec. 23
International	Dec. 7	Dec. 14
Mainland	Dec. 16	Dec. 21

Dates apply to mail received by each Post Office’s cutoff time.

Postal customers are asked to keep in mind that the above suggested mailing dates are not deadlines, implying that packages or letters will not arrive at their destinations if mailed after the listed dates. In fact, if normal holiday conditions prevail, chances are good that letters and packages sent shortly after the suggested dates will still make it to their destinations before Christmas.

Ultimately, uncontrollable factors such as mailing volumes and



Photo courtesy of the Military Postal Service Agency

Soldiers and civilian employees sort mail at an overseas military postal facility in a previous year.

Specialist reduced to E-1, receives BCD

The 25th Infantry Division Staff Judge Advocate posts the following court-martial result.

On Nov. 18, at a general court-martial, a specialist was convicted by a military panel consisting of officer and enlisted members, contrary to his plea, of one specification of sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Article 120b, Uniform Code of Military Justice.

The accused was acquitted of two specifications of rape of a child, one specification of aggravated sexual contact with a child, and one specification of sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Article 120, UCMJ.

The members sentenced the accused to be reduced to the

Q: Why does the Hawaii Army Weekly publish courts-martial findings?

A: The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate releases the results of recent courts-martial for publication to inform the community of military justice trends and to deter future misconduct by Soldiers.

grade of E-1, to forfeit \$1,566 per month for one month, to be restricted to the limits of



Schofield Barracks for 45 days, and to be discharged from the service with a bad conduct discharge.

Federal Convictions. In addition to forfeiture of pay (either adjudged or by operation of law), confinement

and a punitive discharge, a Soldier will also have a federal conviction that the Soldier must report when filling out a job application.

A federal conviction strips a Soldier of many rights, such as the right to purchase and maintain firearms and voting.

Voices of Ohana

Because safety is always a priority, but especially during the holidays, we wondered, **What’s the best way to prevent drunken driving?**

By **Sgt. Daniel Johnson, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade**




Staff Sgt. Ahmed Henderson
HHC, 25th CAB

“Have a designated driver!”



Staff Sgt. Steven Schwander
209th ASB, 25th CAB

“Leadership engaging Soldiers about their week-end plans.”



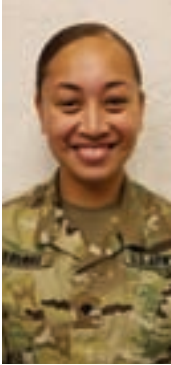
Capt. Matthew Sebastian
HHC, 25th CAB

“You can hand over your keys or your life. Make the right choice.”



Staff Sgt. Joseph Sherman
HHC, 25th CAB

“Education is the best way to inform our troops.”



Spc. Yalaau Tuu
HHC, 25th CAB

“Don’t drink in the first place!”

WAAF shares memories of an infamous day

Remembrance, honors given Dec. 5 for fallen

Story and photos by
KRISTEN WONG
Contributing Writer

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — On the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, Stuart Hedley was stationed aboard the USS West Virginia, and Thomas Petso, stationed at Schofield Barracks, was playing football.

When the Japanese began their attack on Oahu, Hedley nearly lost his legs to an incoming projectile. As the ship lost its balance, he jumped and swam to shore. Meanwhile, Petso and his comrades ran for their rifles at the barracks.

On Dec. 5, both veterans spoke at the Wheeler Field Remembrance, in Hangar 206, where U.S. Army Hawaii personnel, families, veterans and other guests stood together to commemorate the attacks.

“I especially want to recognize our Greatest Generation veterans – those who were here on Oahu on Dec. 7th, 1941, and those who served in other World War II theaters,” said Maj. Gen. Christopher G. Cavoli, the 25th Infantry Division and U.S. Army Hawaii commander. “We truly honor all of you veterans. God bless you. Thank you for coming.

“Celebrate this day with us,” Cavoli continued. “You are an important part of our history, and we inherit from you the traditions of honor and service that make our country great.”

Memories of these attacks were also displayed in black and white photo-



World War II veteran Clarence Byal chats with Sgt. Maj. Scott A. Brzak, command sergeant major, 25th ID, after the Wheeler Field Remembrance in Hangar 206, Dec. 5.

graphs. They were complimented by wreaths from U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts 1572 and 12138, and a lei from the Rough Riders Motorcycle Club.

Guests at the ceremony lined up to meet the attending veterans, taking pictures with them and sharing stories.

Maj. Chris Morisoli, the Charlie Company commander for 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th ID, met World War II veteran Peter DuPré after the ceremony. Both found they were both medical Soldiers.

“(It’s a) somber occasion, but a very humbling experience to be able to meet some of these service men and women over here,” said Morisoli. “It’s incredible. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude.”

World War II veteran Alexander Horanzy, who was stationed at Schofield Barracks on Dec. 7, 1941, was woken up at 7:50 a.m., by the attacks, after having



World War II veterans attend the Wheeler Field Remembrance in Hangar 206, Dec. 5.

gone to sleep at 2 a.m. from a day of training.

The Philadelphia native, now 94, said he was glad he came to the ceremony.

“Oh, it’s a great big change,” he said of visiting Hawaii again. “You got highways and skyways and everything now.”

On Dec. 7, 1941, the Japanese Imperial Navy struck several locations on the island of Oahu, including Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Naval Air Station Kaneohe Bay and Wheeler Field. The attack resulted in more than 30 deaths, more than 50 wounded, and the destruction of 41 P-40s and 13 more aircraft.

During the attacks, Lts. Harry Brown, Robert Rogers, Kenneth Taylor, John Webster and George Welch of the 47th Pursuit Squadron took to the skies and brought down nine Japanese planes.

“It’s a blessing to be back here for the 75th anniversary of the attack that put us into war,” Hedley said. “I want to say that in order to win that war, we had to have teamwork that included the Navy, the Army, the Marine Corps, the Merchant Marines, the Seabees and the Coast Guard, and we are thankful that we are able to be here as a group honoring that particular day.”

Pearl Harbor survivors pause to remember the fallen

Story and photo by
LISA FERDINANDO
DoD News, Defense Media Activity

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — A lone bugler played taps as Pearl Harbor veterans saluted in silence, pausing to remember the more than 30 men killed, here, 75 years ago, as Japan began its attack on the island of Oahu, Hawaii.

More than two dozen World War II veterans took part in the ceremony, here, Monday. Among them was Army veteran Thomas Petso, who was at Wheeler when he saw the Japanese planes coming in overhead.

“They scared the hell out of us. We ran for our lives because they opened fire, and we knew we were in trouble,” Petso said, adding he and the other Soldiers ran back to nearby Schofield Barracks to get their weapons and begin the battle.

Petso shared his story at the remembrance ceremony and wreath presentation, held in a hangar that was hit in the attacks, Dec. 7, 1941.

More than 50 people were wounded at Wheeler.

“For those of you who were here this day, this is truly hallowed ground,” said Army Maj. Gen. Christopher G. Cavoli, commander of the 25th Infantry Division and U.S. Army Hawaii.

The Japanese wanted to take out



During a wreath-laying and tribute ceremony at WAAF, Dec. 5, Pearl Harbor survivor Thomas Petso describes the Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese attack on the field. More than 30 men were killed and 50 injured at the airfield in the attack.

military air assets, so U.S. planes would be unable to take out the Japanese bombers, Cavoli explained.

“Just before eight in the morning, Wheeler was struck by 25 Japanese dive bombers. They destroyed as many aircraft as they could, and they wanted to kill the pilots who flew them as well,” he said.

Memories of the attack

Petso, who was assigned to the 24th

Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, was playing football on the field at the airfield when the Japanese planes began heading straight for them.

“I was just 18 years old. I was a sergeant in the infantry, and we were challenged by Wheeler field to play them in football that Sunday morning,” he said.

“When I looked up in the sky, and I couldn’t believe what those strange planes were doing coming towards us,”

he said.

After he rushed back to Schofield, the Japanese soon made their way there as well, he recalled, attacking them about three times that he can remember.

“But anyway, the most important thing is that a lot of us survived that morning,” he said.

Tribute to the Greatest Generation

Wheeler Army Airfield, which was home to the 15th and 18th Pursuit Groups, still bears physical reminders of what happened that day, Cavoli said.

“Today, 75 years later, the bomb scars are still etched in the tarmac’s concrete, just as the edging of the hot molten shrapnel remains as it splayed out 360 degrees from those explosions,” the general said. “Bullet holes, scars, remain in these buildings; you can see them even today.”

Words cannot adequately describe the bravery and the magnitude of the contributions of the men and women who served the nation in World War II, Cavoli said.

“You veterans of the Greatest Generation rallied to defend freedom. Three and an half years later, you emerged victorious for us – victorious against the forces of evil in the largest global conflict in history,” Cavoli said.

103-year-old retiree wants memory of attack to live on

Story and photo by
LISA FERDINANDO
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HONOLULU — As the second-oldest known Pearl Harbor survivor, retired Navy Lt. Jim Downing, 103, wants the memory of the Dec. 7, 1941, attack to stay alive for future generations.

Downing, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, has come to Pearl Harbor, to join other survivors for commemorations of the 75th anniversary of the attack this week.

“I understand this is going to be the last big anniversary, so I am sorry to see it pass down into history, but there are not enough of us left to commemorate it,” he said.

“I hope history books and history teachers won’t forget. There’s a tendency as time passes to forget about the past, so I’m hoping history books and teachers will keep the memories alive,” Downing added.

The Navy veteran spoke in an interview Sunday after viewing a screening of the World War II Foundation’s documentary “Remember Pearl Harbor.” Downing and other veterans, including fellow Pearl Harbor survivors, were guests of honor at the event at the Pacific Aviation Museum on Ford Island in Pearl Harbor.

Memories of Pearl Harbor

“(The attack) happened just a few hundred yards over here,” Downing said, gesturing toward the harbor. His ship, the USS West Virginia, was severely damaged in the Japanese attack.

“We were right next to Ford Island, so it’s hard to forget what happened – now just being on the spot,” said Downing, who was a gunner’s mate first class at the time of the attack.

When the surprise Japanese assault be-



Pearl Harbor survivor and retired Navy Lt. Jim Downing, who is 103 years old, is seen at the screening of the “Remember Pearl Harbor” documentary at the Pacific Aviation Museum at Pearl Harbor, Dec. 4.

gan, the then-28-year-old Downing was having breakfast at home with his wife and some of his shipmates. He and the other Sailors rushed over to the ship to help.

“Nine (torpedoes) hit the West Virginia – and we sunk pretty quickly after that – and everything above the waterline was on fire,” he recalled.

More than 100 men on the ship were killed, including at least 17 of Downing’s close friends. Despite the loss, he did not despair, he said, explaining his friends were part of his Bible study. He has faith he and his friends will be reunited.

“I rejoiced that I would see them in the future,” he said.

For the dead and injured on his ship, he composed personalized letters for the

families.

“The ones that I didn’t know, while I was fighting the fire, I memorized their identification tags and wrote to their parents so that was a sense of closure, both on my part and on the part of their own parents,” Downing said.

He heard back from many of them, he said, including parents who learned their sons were actually alive.

“They were grateful,” Downing said. “They rejoiced; they didn’t know that their sons were still alive until they got the letter.”

Return to Pearl Harbor

Downing, who also came to Pearl Harbor for last year’s anniversary, stays con-

nected with fellow Pearl Harbor survivors.

“The greatest pleasure is to renew acquaintance with my shipmates,” he said. “I’ve been coming to these reunions for a long time. There is a lot of camaraderie among the ship’s crew; in fact, it never runs out.”

But as time passes, fewer survivors remain, Downing pointed out.

“I just wonder how many I will see next year,” he said, adding “most of my friends are in heaven, so I look forward to seeing them over there.”

Hope for the younger generation

Downing said he is grateful for the nation’s support of its military veterans.

“I am glad for this wave of patriotism that is sweeping the country,” he said.

Downing said he does have a message for the younger generation.

“I tell them, ‘You’re the leaders of tomorrow, you’re the voters of tomorrow, you’re the taxpayers of tomorrow, you’re the legislators of tomorrow. My charge to you is, keep America strong,’” he said.

“I want America to be kept so strong – in cyberspace, in space, in the skies, on the ground, on the sea, under the sea – that no dictator will even think about attacking us,” he said.

One day at a time

Downing said his optimistic view comes from his life philosophy, to take life as it happens and whatever it brings.

He said he doesn’t worry about yesterday or tomorrow, or weigh himself down with things he can’t control or change – including the events of that day 75 years ago.

“So I live one day at a time. I don’t brood over what happened there. It happened and (there’s) nothing I can do about it, so I got to live with it,” he said.

A veteran shares his remarkable birth story

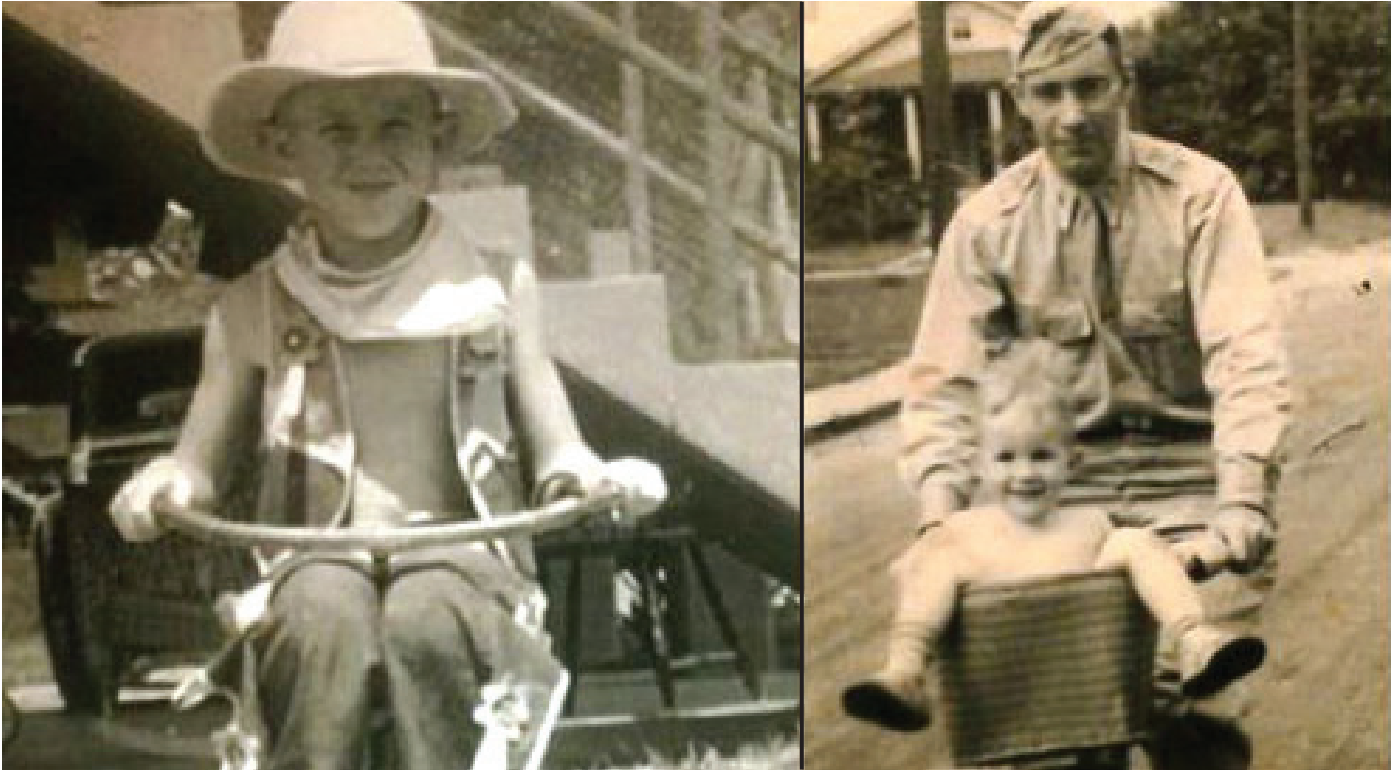
Burpee was born during the Pearl Harbor attack

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HONOLULU — It was dark at Pearl Harbor’s Tripler Hospital on the evening of Dec. 7, 1941. The bombings by the Japanese had stopped, but the fear of more attacks continued.

Window blinds were still drawn and lights were still out. The injured and dying lay everywhere.
It was an extraordinary time – especially for one young mother who gave birth in that chaos.

“There was a baby born in the evening, in the dark. They had a flashlight. That’s what (the nurse) used to illuminate for the doctor,” said Winnie Woll, the daughter of Army Pearl Harbor nurse Teresa Stauffer Foster. “This baby came into life when all these other people around were dying.”
When Woll first told me the story, I was a bit shocked, but I was even more curious to find out who that baby was. It turned out that he was one of two infants born that day. The military pretty much became the theme for his whole life.

“My name is David Burpee. I’m a retired Army colonel, and I was born at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.”
That’s probably a great icebreaker at parties, right?
When I told colleagues I would be interviewing Burpee, many jokingly asked whether we would discuss what he remembered from that day. Clearly, the answer is nothing, but he can definitely recall the details from the story his parents told him.



At left, David Burpee is a cowboy bicyclist in his youth. At right, David travels with his Soldier father, Harry Burpee. Photos courtesy of U.S. Army

Mom and Dad
Burpee’s father, Harry, had enlisted into the Army Signal Corps and was stationed at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii before being sent to Wake Island to help install bomber beacons.
“On the way out, his sergeant talked to the commander and said, ‘Don’t forget, Sgt. Burpee is going to have a baby. You’re going to send him back, right?’” Burpee recounted.
Apparently, it took a while for that promise to be kept, but eventually, his

dad was shipped back.
“He was halfway in between Wake and Hawaii when the attack occurred. His unit was all shot up in Hawaii, and everybody on Wake was killed or captured and died in a prison camp,” Burpee said, referring to the Japanese attack on Wake Island around the same time as the Pearl Harbor attack.
As for Burpee’s mother, Amney? She’d been in Tripler for three days already, expecting his arrival.
“Three times – during the day I was

born – they had to move her from one maternity ward to a makeshift maternity ward to just a regular ward – because they were bringing in the wounded so fast,” Burpee said.
Much like many Americans intimately involved in World War II, Burpee’s mom seldom discussed her experience.
(Learn more about Burpee’s birth and his eventual career in the Army at www.hawaiiarmyweekly.com/2016/12/08/hughes-is-a-profile-of-leadership-mentor-ship/.)

Tripler nurses remember the attack on Dec. 7

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HONOLULU — Teresa Stauffer Foster was strolling through a garden near Hawaii’s Tripler Hospital on a quiet Sunday morning when a low-flying plane approached.
The pilot waved in her direction, so naturally, the Army nurse waved back.
A few minutes later, the attack on Pearl Harbor began. Foster didn’t realize it at the time, but that plane was one of the many Japanese bombers that pulverized U.S. battleships and aircraft.
Foster’s is just one of many stories of military nurses who survived the attacks on Dec. 7, 1941, although you probably haven’t heard them.
“You hear stories about Pearl Harbor, and they’re all about the men. You hear very few stories about the women,” said Winnie Woll, Foster’s daughter.

Woll, 73, is actually named for two of her mom’s best friends from Pearl Harbor, who were also nurses. She now gives lectures to spread the stories of how they were pioneers of their time, having joined the services long before the Women’s Army Corps and the Navy’s Women’s Reserve program (WAVES) were established in 1942.

Rules for Military Women
When Woll’s mother joined, there



Tripler General Hospital around the time of the Dec. 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor attacks. Photo by U.S. Army

were stringent rules for the women who wanted to enlist.
“The women had to be single. The minute they were married, they were out the door,” Woll said, noting that the need for more nurses eventually led to a rule change. “In 1943, that was the first time you could marry and still legally be in the military – until you had your first child. Then you’re out again.”
Foster was sent to Pearl Harbor six

months before the attacks. On the morning of Dec. 7, she was walking with other nurses who had finished their shifts when that plane flew past.
“The man was waving at them. ... You know what you do in a situation like that? You wave back, because you don’t really realize what’s happening,” Woll said.
They realized soon after that, though, and were ordered back to their units.
Woll said the nurses got to work help-

ing patients who were carted in, often marking their foreheads with lipstick to help with triage.
“If it was somebody they couldn’t save, they had to put them off to the side and go on and work with whoever they could,” she remembered.

Keeping the Past in the Past
In today’s era of connectivity, when people constantly post about their experiences on social media, it’s hard to imagine a time when people were more reserved about their thoughts and feelings. But the World War II generation is well known for that kind of stoicism.
“It traumatized them to the point where they didn’t want to share what happened. They just wanted to forget it,” Woll said.
She has made it her mission to give a voice to the stories of the Pearl Harbor nurses, one of which was uncovered only by accident.

An Unexpected Discovery
Ann Danyo Willgrube joined the Navy Nurse Corps in 1940. She was an operating room nurse on the newly commissioned hospital ship USS Solace.
(See what was found to discover this history at www.hawaiiarmyweekly.com/2016/12/08/tripler-nurses-remember-pearl-harbor-attack/.)

Sea Dragons host joint services Knowlton Award ceremony

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JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM — U.S. Army and Air Force intelligence professionals were recognized for excellence during the 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command’s Knowlton Award recognition ceremony held, here, Nov. 22. The recognition ceremony sponsored by the 94th AAMDC was the unit’s first joint service component Knowlton Award recognition ceremony.

The prestigious award is presented by the Military Intelligence Corps Association to individuals who have made significant contributions to the military intelligence profession in ways that stand out in the eyes of recipients, their superiors, subordinates and peers.

The awardees must have the highest standards of integrity, moral character and dedication to duty, and they must



U.S. Army Intelligence Corps officers, all Knowlton Award recipients with the 94th AAMDC, participate in a formal candlelighting ceremony, Nov. 22, which illustrates the legacy, honor and dignity of the sacrifices and efforts of MI professionals.

demonstrate superb professional competence and leadership in a military intelligence unit.

The award was presented to Air Force Col. Thomas Dobbs, the director of Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) for Pacific Air Force; to Air Force Col. R. John Morse, chief of the ISR Division at the 613th Air Operations Center; to Army Chief Warrant Officer 3 Jackie Ivey, from the Intelligence Plans and Exercise section; and to Army Chief Warrant Officer 2 Michael Osman, from the Analysis Support and Production section with the 94th AAMDC.

“(A person’s) contribution has to have made the Intelligence Corps more effective or better at what they are doing,” said Col. Jason Chung, the senior intelligence officer for U.S. Army-Pacific, and presiding officer for the ceremony. “It has always been an award that symbolized excellence in intelligence.”

Five U.S. Army Intelligence Corps officers, all Knowlton Award recipients, participated in the formal candlelighting.

(Read more details about the award at www.hawaiiarmyweekly.com/2016/12/08/sea-dragons-host-joint-services-knowlton-award-ceremony/.)

Mendoza earns his way, inducted into Sgt. Audie Murphy Club

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WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — A 599th Transportation Brigade noncommissioned officer was formally recognized as a member of the top three percent of all NCOs in the Army during an end-of-tour award ceremony at brigade headquarters, here, Dec. 2.

Sgt. 1st Class Juan Mendoza, 599th logistics NCOIC, became a member of the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club – a club that not any NCO can just join. All members must earn their way into it through a series of tests.

“The Sgt. Audie Murphy Club gives our top NCOs a big goal they can aspire to,” said 599th Trans. Bde. Command Sgt. Maj. William Funcheon. “Many NCOs can never make the cut, (but) Sgt. 1st Class Mendoza did it on his first try before the board. I could not be prouder of him.”

Although Mendoza was just inducted into the club, another member of the brigade was already a SAMC member before he arrived here.

Sgt. 1st Class Randy Rodriguez, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment first sergeant, became a member while he was deployed to Kandahar Air Base in



Mendoza speaks to assembled colleagues and guests after his induction into the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club and Ancient Order of Saint Martin.

Afghanistan.

“I’ve offered the packet to other people who I thought might be sharp enough to go through the process to become a member of the club, but most of them didn’t want to endure the time it took out of their lives to study,” Rodriguez said.

“Sgt. 1st Class Mendoza, on the other hand, took the packet and ran with it. When I came to help him get ready for the

board, he was already on top of the material in the packet, and I just had to help him prepare to answer real-life scenario questions that he might face in the board and the real world,” Rodriguez added.

Mendoza is not the first person in his family to become a member of the exclusive club.

“When I brought home the packet and began to study for the board, my wife said, ‘Oh, my mother was a Sgt. Audie Murphy Club member,’” Mendoza said. “It was a big surprise, and made it even more important that I succeed.”

Just going through the experience of preparing is important, said Rodriguez.

“I learned so much while I was preparing for the tests,” he said. “I’d encourage everyone to prepare for the SAMC, whether they succeed or not. Going through the experience of preparation is a great challenge in itself.”

Although the outcome is not assured until results are announced, people with whom he works never doubted Mendoza’s success.

“The fact that he passed the Audie Murphy board was no surprise to any of us,” said Neal James, Mendoza’s supervisor and brigade logistics director. “We all knew he would.

“Sgt. 1st Class Mendoza is a true leader,” James continued. “If you are a leader, you can see that in him. He’s done great things for the brigade, and he will be remembered long after he leaves. He will leave here equipped to accomplish whatever challenges he meets.”

The SAMC is named for Audie L. Murphy, Medal of Honor recipient and the most decorated Soldier of World War II. The organization is limited to “NCOs who exhibit qualities and abilities characterized by those of Sgt. Audie Murphy,” according to Training and Doctrine Command Regulation 600-14.

According to the Audie L. Murphy Memorial website, “The SAMC was started at Fort Hood, Texas, early in 1986. ... In 1994 at a Sergeant Major of the Army conference, the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club spread Army-wide, to all commands with installations retaining the selection process for their own NCOs.

“In 1998, it was estimated that the club membership was over 3,000 Soldiers and was steadily increasing,” it says.

During the SAMC ceremony, Mendoza was also inducted into the Ancient Order of St. Martin and received a Meritorious Service Medal and an Army Commendation Medal.

Taxpayers should protect themselves online

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
News Release

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service, the states and the tax industry urge taxpayers to take steps to protect themselves online to help in the fight against identity theft.

Scammers, hackers and identity thieves are looking to steal taxpayers’ personal information and ultimately their money. But, there are simple steps taxpayers can take to help protect themselves, like keeping computer software up-to-date and being cautious about giving out their personal information.

This week is “National Tax Security Awareness Week,” which runs through Dec. 9. This week, the IRS, the states and the tax community are joining together to send out a series of reminders to taxpayers and tax professionals as a part of the ongoing Security Summit effort.

Here are some best practices taxpayers can follow to protect their tax and financial information:

- Understand and use security software.** Security software helps protect computers against the digital threats that are prevalent online. Generally, the operating system will include security software or you can access free security software from well-known companies or Internet providers.

Essential tools include a firewall, vi-



Courtesy photo

rus/malware protection and file encryption if you keep sensitive financial/tax documents on your computer. Do not buy security software offered as an unexpected pop-up ad on your computer or email. It’s likely from a scammer.

- Allow security software to update automatically.** Set security software to update automatically. Malware, or malicious software, evolves constantly, and your security software suite updates routinely to keep pace.
- Look for the “s.”** When shopping or banking online, always look to see that

the site uses encryption to protect your information. Look for “https” at the beginning of the web address. The “s” is for secure. Unencrypted sites begin with an http address. Additionally, make sure the https carries through on all pages, not just the sign-on page.

- Use strong passwords.** Use passwords of eight or more characters, mixing letters, numbers and special characters. Don’t use your name, birthdate or common words. Don’t use the same password for several accounts.

Keep your password list in a secure place or use a password manager. Don’t share passwords with anyone. Calls, texts or emails pretending to be from legitimate companies or the IRS asking to update accounts or seeking personal financial information are almost always scams.

- Secure wireless networks.** A wireless network sends a signal through the air that allows it to connect to the Internet. If your home or business Wi-Fi is unsecured, it also allows any computer within range to access your wireless and potentially steal information from your computer. Criminals also can use your wireless to send spam or commit crimes that would be traced back to your account.

Always encrypt your wireless. Generally, you must turn on this feature and create a password.

- Be cautious when using public wire-**

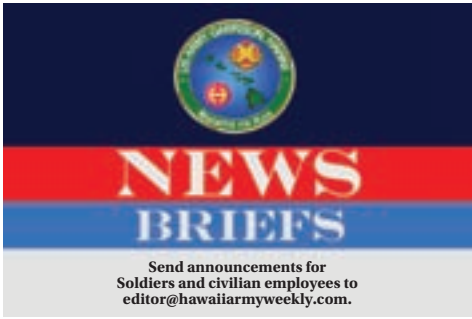
less networks. Public Wi-Fi hotspots are convenient, but often not secure. Tax or financial Information you send though websites or mobile apps may be accessed by someone else.

If a public Wi-Fi hotspot does not require a password, it probably is not secure. Remember, if you are transmitting sensitive information, look for the “s” in https in the website address to ensure that the information will be secure.

- Avoid email phishing attempts.** Never reply to emails, texts or pop-up messages asking for your personal, tax or financial information. One common trick by criminals is to impersonate a business, such as your financial institution, tax software provider or the IRS, asking you to update your account and providing a link.

Never click on links, even if they seem to be from organizations you trust. Go directly to the organization’s website. Legitimate businesses don’t ask you to send sensitive information through unsecured channels.

More Online
To learn additional steps you can take to protect your personal and financial data, visit <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/taxes-security-together>.



9 / Friday

DPW — The Directorate of Public Works (Wheeler, Bldg. 104) will operate on the following temporary hours until further notice:

- fice hours of Monday-Friday, 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 656-1275.
- fter hours of Monday-Friday, 4 p.m. to 6 a.m., for emergency calls only, including all weekends and holidays.
- all the Installations Operation Center, or IOC, at 656-3272.

15 / Thursday

TARP — Threat Awareness and Reporting Program briefings are held at 9 a.m.:

- rd Thursday, Sgt. Smith Theater, Schofield Barracks.
- nd and 4th Thursdays, Kyser Auditorium, Tripler.
- st Thursday, Bldg. 1554, Fort Shafter Flats.

Warrant Officer — Want to become a warrant officer? Attend the briefing Dec. 15 at 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., at Bldg. 1507, Fort Shafter Flats. Call Chief Warrant Officer 3 London, 371-9691, or Staff Sgt. McCoy, (253) 888-1933, for more details.

16 / Friday

ACS — All Army Community Service offices will be closed on Friday, Dec. 16 for in-service training/strategic planning. ACS offices will reopen at 7:30 a.m., Monday, Dec.

19. Emergency contact numbers follow:

- amily Advocacy Program at 226-3231.
- rmy Emergency Relief at 1-877-272-7337 (American Red Cross).

Ongoing

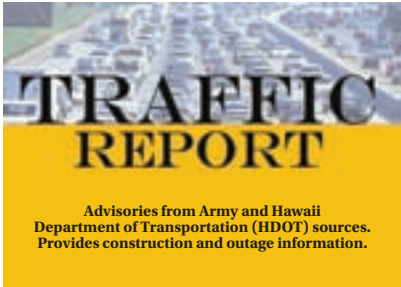
Combined Federal Campaign — The Hawaii-Pacific Area Combined Federal Campaign encourages you to donate to the CFC. Pledges made by service members and other federal employees during the campaign season (through Dec. 15) support eligible nonprofit organizations that provide health and human service benefits throughout the world. Visit <http://www.cfc-hawaii.org>.

Open Season — Federal Benefits Open Season runs through Dec 12. Most Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) plans offer little to no dental and vision coverage. However, with 10 dental and four vision carriers to choose from, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management and Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) offer federal employees and their family members even more choices and flexibility when selecting their dental and vision coverage. Visit <https://www.benefeds.com/Portal/loginUser?EventName=EnrPlan>.

2015 Cyber Breach — The Office of Personnel Management has announced a change to the credit monitoring and identity protection service provider that will affect a subset of individuals impacted by the personnel records cyber incident announced in the summer of 2015.

Most impacted individuals will not experience any change to their current coverage, and do not need to take any action, but a subset of individuals will need to re-enroll.

Visit <https://www.opm.gov/cybersecurity/personnel-records/> for more details.



9 / Friday

Schofield’s Kolekole — Phase 2 work will affect outbound traffic from Dec. 5-23, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday. The contractor will be cutting and capping an existing water line.

12 / Monday

Parking Stalls — There will be parking closures at Bldg. 750, Schofield Barracks, in order to add parking stalls and repair existing stalls, Dec. 12-Jan. 17. Closures will be 24/7, in different phases. The project schedule is subject to change pending weather delays.

Modified Traffic Flow — There will be a one-lane closure on Schofield’s McMahon Road between Dec. 12-19 from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. During this time, work will include asphalt paving cutting and temporary fence removal. Cones and flag personnel will be onsite for this work, and traffic will be stopped for pedestrians to walk around work area.

Parking Lot Closure — Swinerton Builders will be closing the parking lot on Schofield’s McCornack Road, east of the Dental Clinic, Bldg. 660, for the con-

struction of the new parking structure. The main part of the parking lot will be closed from Dec. 12 through Nov. 30, 2017.

A temporary parking lot will be available on McMahon Road. Shuttle bus service will be provided from the temporary parking lot to the drop-off location at the northwest corner of Bldg. 660.

The first departure from the temporary parking lot will be at 5:30 a.m.; the last from the Health/Dental Clinic will be at 7:30 p.m.

Departure times from the temporary parking lot are every half hour after first departure at 6 a.m.

Departure times from the Health Clinic are 15 minutes and 45 minutes after the hour – 5:45 a.m., 6:15 a.m., etc.

17 / Saturday

Schofield Power Outage — Lyman Road, Burger King, Popeyes, child development centers 1280 and 1283, and work centers will be impacted by a power outage on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., to install traffic lights on Flagler.

Note, organizations may not be all inclusive and times are a best guesstimate. Field conditions may increase the time to install lights.

Ongoing

Krukowski Road — Contraflow traffic will be in effect for Tripler Army Medical Center’s Krukowski Road from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., daily, for electrical work through Dec. 31.

Hughes is a profile of leadership, mentorship

In Part 2 of 2, Soldier demonstrates resiliency

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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Staff Sgt. Brian Hughes, an assistant operations noncommissioned officer assigned to 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Inf. Division, was frequently questioned when he began his Army career, after a break in service from the Marine Corps.

“Right off the bat, what is better? The Army or Marine Corps?” is a question Hughes was often asked by the curious.

“People always ask me that,” he said. “My question is better at what? Okay, what are you talking about?”

To those who asked, his answer to this question was heartfelt.

“I like to surround myself with outstanding people that are a team that are looking to accomplish a mission together,” he answered. “In both, I have been surrounded by outstanding people, so that’s what makes up the Army, just as it makes up the Marine Corps. It makes up



Hughes was nominated as the grand marshal for the 70th Annual Wahiawa Veterans Day Parade, Nov. 11.

any business, and that’s the people that you surround yourself with, and both have outstanding people.”

His first assignment after graduating infantry school was with the 1st Bn., 14th Inf. Regt., “Golden Dragons,” 2nd Stryker BCT, 25th ID, here, in January 2010.

In July of the same year, his battalion deployed to Kirkuk, Iraq, at little heard of Forward Operating Base Gaines Mills, not far from FOB Warrior.

“It’s a small place,” he said. “Again, the platoon was outstanding that I deployed with. I learned a lot.”

He served as an infantryman, an M240 machine gun operator, and even as a temporary radio telephone operator, when the RTO was on leave, while in Iraq. He was introduced to Soldier of the Month boards that prepared him to further his Army career.

“I still communicate with a lot of the Soldiers that I served with there and became very close with those guys as well,” he said.

Hughes redeployed to Schofield Barracks, after a year in Iraq, to remain until 2013. He volunteered to go to South Korea for a year to help maintain stability for his wife’s career as a school teacher.

“It was great professionally,” he said. “I earned my Expert Infantryman Badge. I was also recommended and brought into the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club in Korea. It was a good tour for me.”

Indeed, he returned for another three-year tour at Schofield Barracks – this time with Cacti in March 2014. There, Hughes

and his wife, Julia, faced their toughest adversity together.

“I can tell you the toughest adversity that I had to face is – it’ll be about two years ago now – my wife was diagnosed with breast cancer,” he explained. “We handled (it using) our faith in God. We have a purpose no matter what the situation is in this life.”

The Hughes were not left alone. Cacti came to their side to support them in their most trying time.

“I can tell you this much; there’s never been a more important time in the military when a unit can support a Soldier,” he said. “The unit has really come to my family’s side.”

The unit and leadership provided flexibility for the Hughes family, as Julia suffered through stage four cancer and had 24 chemotherapy treatments.

“When you talk about adversity in the Army,” he said, “we talk about Master Resilience Training and things like that. What I always tell young Soldiers and young guys is to listen. You need to prepare today for the battles and storms that are coming.”

(See www.hawaiiarmyweekly.com/2016/12/08/hughes-is-a-profile-of-leadership-mentorship/ for more insights.)

209th ASB celebrates organization with fall festivities

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WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — Soldiers and their families enjoyed some well-deserved time off from work with a Battalion Organizational Fall Festival at the Patsy T. Mink Oahu Regional Park in November.

The 209th Aviation Support Battalion’s companies combined efforts to put together a Battalion Organization Day in order to both reward the Soldiers for their efforts during the October Pohakuloa Training Area, Hawaii, rotation and to entertain the Soldiers’ families with fall festivities.

“I’m already liking this battalion,” stated 2nd Lt. Thomas O’Keefe, the battalion’s newest officer. “It’s a great

start to me joining the battalion, meeting folks, eating some food and playing some sports”

209th ASB Soldiers engaged in various activities ranging from soccer, ultimate Frisbee, corn hole and, of course, flag football.

“Each company showed up ready to eat and ready to play,” said 1st Lt. Daniel J. Hunt, Charlie Company platoon leader. “We had food all over the place and different sports going on during the day. On one side of the field, we had a game of ultimate Frisbee going on, on another a game of corn hole, but of course, the main attraction was flag football. The food was delicious. Each company brought their own food, and everyone was eating and sharing.”

(See www.hawaiiarmyweekly.com/2016/12/08/209th-asb-celebrates-organization-with-fall-festivities/ for more.)



HONOLULU — Charlie Co. “Windtalkers” play flag football against the Alpha Co. “Outlaws” at Patsy T. Mink Oahu Regional Park, Nov. 10.



Visitors walk through the aft deck of the USS Missouri, which is permanently docked at Ford Island. The deck includes three 16-inch gun turrets that required approximately six pounds of gunpowder to fire.

Photo by Christine Cabalo, Oahu Publications



Photo by Kristen Wong, Oahu Publications

CHRISTINE CABALO
Staff Writer

FORD ISLAND — Once built for battle, the USS Missouri now serves as a place for peace and learning about history for its visitors.

The 72-year-old battleship is permanently docked at the island overlooking the USS Arizona Memorial. The area is part of “Battleship Row,” the stretch of coastline where eight U.S. battleships were in port at Pearl Harbor when Imperial Japanese forces attacked Dec. 7, 1941.

The ship is preserved with help from the military community and civilian volunteers, said Mike Carr, president and CEO of the USS Missouri Memorial Association.

Built for combat

“When the ship was active, she had 2,400 men to maintain her decks, machinery and steel,” Carr said. “Our organization has approximately 20 people devoted to that same effort, so it is obvious that we cannot accomplish our mission alone.”

The USS Missouri was built for combat in World War II and was the site of the signing of the “Instruments of Surrender,” which formally ended the war in September 1945.

A visitor walking along the smooth teak wooden decks may not realize the ship – nicknamed Mighty Mo’ – has survived through enemy fire. A Japanese kamikaze pilot crash-landed April 11, 1945, but the ship and crew took repairable damage.

“We were hit, but not sinking, and that’s because of the ship’s good damage control crew who had the fire taken

out in three minutes,” said Amber Westwood, one of several tour guides for the ship. “There were no casualties, only injuries to Sailors.”

Westwood and the ship’s tour guides also speak to visitors about Navy Capt. William M. Callaghan, who organized the effort to humanely bury the Japanese pilot with military honors at sea. Visitors learn how the crew even went to the lengths of stitching together a Japanese flag from rummaged cloth to bury with the pilot.

“Visitors should, of course, visit the Surrender Deck and the Kamikaze Deck to hear and learn about those complete stories from our amazing guides,” Carr said. “Those two stories are integral to the theme of why the ship, built for war, is also an eternal symbol of peace.”

Telling the story

Museum coordinators are continuing the mission for peace by working with Japanese museums to better tell the World War II story.

Among the newer offerings on the ship is the kamikaze exhibit inside the lower decks. The exhibit features movie footage of Japanese pilot training and their filmed final attacks. Visitors will also see original handwritten letters and other mementos from the families of these pilots.

“Our hope is that visitors take away an understanding that all these men were human and just like anyone, had aspirations and love for their families and loved ones,” Carr said. “This part of the exhibit was done in cooperation and partnership with the Chiran Peace Museum in Kyushu, Japan.”

Crews have served on the famous



Photo by Christine Cabalo, Oahu Publications

Tour guide Amber Westwood speaks to visitors on the aft deck of the USS Missouri. When it was in active service, the aft deck was used for seaplane launches and a landing pad for helicopters.

ship in several time periods, including during the Gulf War in 1991. Personal items from Sailors of every era can be found in exhibits throughout the ship.

Carr said the museum is dedicated to sharing the story of the Mighty Mo’ and that is only possible with financial and community support.

“We are fortunate to have 600,000 visitors per year to help provide the financial resources needed, but in the long run, that is not enough,” Carr said. “We hope that the community shares our passion of preserving vital American and world history and responds positively to our call for assistance when

needed.”
The ship is open daily to the public, except for three holidays each year, for visitors to learn about its history.

Visit the USS Missouri

The USS Missouri is open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. during winter months and closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year’s Day.

For more information and to book tickets, visit <https://ussmissouri.org/>.



Photos by Christine Cabalo, Oahu Publications


Above — Soldiers examine a historic photo identifying all participants during the signing of the Instruments of Surrender aboard the USS Missouri ending World War II.

Right — Visitors can look through the restored Mighty Mo snack shop near the former mess hall inside the ship.



Photo by Aiko Brum, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii
Above — An officer’s bunk is displayed.





Briefs

9 / Friday

Framing Classes — Learn how to use the SB Arts & Crafts Center for the holidays, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

EFMP Coffee Talk — Great family networking event held at Green World Coffee Farm (71-107 Kam. Hwy., Wa-hiawa) from 10-11:30 a.m. Reservations are required. Call 655-4227.

Steak House Day — FS Hale Ikena, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., features a fresh grilled steak and a potato bar with various toppings from chili to homemade bacon bits for \$14.95. Call 438-1974.

Parenting 101 — Take your parenting to the next level. Discover current “best practices” and learn tips and tools to assist you in reaching your parenting goals at the SB ACS from 12-1 p.m. Call 655-4227 to register.

Paint and Sip at Tropics — Paint a picture on canvas at SB Tropics from 7-9 p.m. while sipping your beverage of choice for \$35. Class includes all painting supplies and instruction. Preregistration is required. Call 655-5698.

10 / Saturday

Magic Crafting — Learn to create themed crafts from the movies and books at SB Arts & Crafts Center from 4-5 p.m. This month’s theme is Harry Potter. To register, call 655-4202.

Army-Navy Game — Watch the Army-Navy game at the Hangar Entertainment Center on WAAF from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Enjoy game specials on food and beverages. Call 656-1745.

ACTs — The registration deadline is Dec. 10 for ACTs. Call 655-8326.

Family Nite — It’s at SB Arts & Crafts Center and all supplies are included for the 6:30 p.m. session. Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is \$30 per project. Call 655-4202.

Karaoke — Sing your favorite songs, at SB Tropics. We have over 5,000 selections every Saturday in December starting at 9 p.m. Call 655-5698.

Slam the Door Open Mic Night — Every Saturday at 7 p.m., enjoy a night of poetry, short fiction readings, acoustic music performances, dance crews, magicians and rap – or tell a joke – at

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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The Single Soldier Holiday Dinner begins at 5 p.m. at SB Tropics Recreation Center. Open to active duty single Soldiers and geographical bachelors. Enjoy a night filled with fun, games, laughter and delicious food. Call 655-5698.

SB Tropics. Potential performers and patrons can call 655-5698.

12 / Monday
Million Dollar Soldier Refresher — This training provides Soldiers with valuable financial tools at SB ACS from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Topics include saving, credit, investing and big purchases. Call 655-4227 to register.

Resume Workshop — Learn how to create a resume for the first time or update your resume for a private sector job from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at SB ACS. Choose the best format to demonstrate your experience and skills. Target your resume to the job you are seeking and effectively summarize your accomplishments. To register, call 655-4227.

AFTB Instructor Trainers Course — This weeklong course, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., prepares volunteers to present specialized training that empowers individuals to maximize their personal growth, leadership development and resiliency, and preparing the community to support today’s military

mission. Held at the SB Education Center, Bldg. 560. Call SB ACS at 655-4227.

Stress Solutions — Held from noon-1 p.m. and identifies the causes of stress as well as how it affects our lives. We share techniques such as positive self-talk and how to not take things personally. We also introduce a variety of relaxation techniques. Call SB ACS at 655-4227.

13 / Tuesday
FRG Funds Custodian Training — Nehelani hosts, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., for FRG leaders, funds custodians and command representatives to gain a clear understanding of the various funds available and the types of purchases that can be made with each fund. It also clearly defines the roles and responsibilities of the funds custodian and alternate. Call 655-4227.

10 Steps to a Federal Job — Held at SB ACS from 9 a.m.-noon. Walk through the steps to create an effective targeted federal resume and successfully manage the application process. To sign up, call

655-4227.

14 / Wednesday
Play Mornings at ACS — Meet other moms and dads, share information and parenting tips, and give your infant/toddler a chance to interact with other children. At SB ACS from 10-11 a.m. Call 655-4227.

Teen Manga Club at Sgt. Yano Library — Discuss popular manga titles and anime titles at 3:30 p.m. This month’s theme will be “Accessories for Cosplay.” Call 655-8002.

Santa at the Library — Parents, bring your cameras to FS library at 3:30 p.m. for a photo opportunity with Santa. This is a free session and is open to everyone young and young at heart!

15 / Thursday
FRG Leader Training — Learn how to effectively run the organization and deal with the challenges the FRG may encounter throughout the cycles of deployment, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the SB Nehelani. Call 655-4227.

Toon Time Matinee “Brave” — For caregivers and their children, ages 0-3 (older siblings welcome). Join us for a free movie, fun and social interaction. At SB ACS from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Call 655-4227.

16 / Friday
Christmas Lunch Special — Come to FS Hale Ikena for a special Christmas lunch for \$14.95 from 11-2 p.m. Call 438-1974.

Leilehua Concert Series — The group Maunualua is featured, 6-8 p.m., at The Grill at Leilehua Golf Course. No admission charge. Call 655-4653.


Paint and Sip at Tropics — Paint a picture on canvas at SB Tropics from 7-9 p.m. while sipping your beverage of choice for \$35. Class includes all painting supplies and instruction. Preregistration is required. Call 655-5698.

17 / Saturday
Breakfast with Santa — AMR Recreation Complex hosts from 8-9 a.m. Reservations are required. Tickets can be purchased at any Army Leisure Travel Services location. Ticket prices are adults (and children 12+) \$18; kids (5-11) \$9; and keiki under 5 are free. Call LTS at 438-1985 or 655-9971

Winter Wonderland — Celebrate the holiday season with Family and MWR at AMR Recreation Complex from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Enjoy snow zones with real snow, pictures with Santa, performances, games and crafts. Call 655-0002.

Adventure Biking — Cruise through Pearl City down to Pearl Harbor with Outdoor Recreation for \$30 from 8:30

See MWR BRIEFS B-4



Send announcements a week prior to publication to community@hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

9 / Friday
Hui ‘O Na Wahine Spouses Club Scholarship — The 2016-2017 application process is now active. Applicants must be a Hui member by the end of December 2016. Scholarship and membership applications are available at www.schofieldspousesclub.com/. The deadline for applications and all reference letters is Feb. 10, 2017. For more information or questions, email Huiresident@gmail.com or huischolarshipchair@gmail.com.

Honolulu City Lights — Annual holiday festival of displays and events opens daily from 8 a.m.-11 p.m., through Jan. 1, 2017, downtown at Honolulu Hale (city hall) and the surrounding campus area. Free photos with Santa, 7-9 p.m., on Dec. 9, 16 and 23.

Honolulu City Lights Trolley Tour — Enjoy the lights, daily, 6:30-9 p.m., through Dec. 30 (except Dec. 24-25). Cost of \$7.75 and benefits the Hawaii

Foodbank. Call 591-8411 or visitwardvillage.com/trolley or holidaylightstour.com. Children under 3 ride free.

Garth Brooks Concert — Superstar Garth Brooks and special guest Trisha Yearwood, in support of the 75th commemoration of the attack on Pearl Harbor, have Dec. 9-10 performances at the NBC Arena.

Hale Koa Hotel Free Concert — The U.S. Pacific Fleet Band will play in a free public concert at the hotel’s Luau Garden in Waikiki, 7 p.m. Concert commemorates the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Pacific Aviation Museum — Original play “Righteous Revenge,” written and performed by KHON anchor Joe Moore, along with Pat Sajak, host of “Wheel of Fortune,” about the famous Jimmy Doolittle raid that commemorates the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, will be performed as a Pacific Aviation Museum fundraiser, 6-9 p.m. Tickets of \$125 include reception. RSVP to Vangie.Villa@PacificAviationMuseum.org.

“Christmas Carol, The Musical” — Performances staged weekends throughout December at Diamond Head

Theatre, 520 Makapuu Ave. Tickets are \$15-\$35. Call 733-0274 or visitdianonheadtheatre.com.

10 / Saturday
Hiking — The Kolekole Walking-Hiking Trail on Schofield Barracks is open this weekend, Saturday and Sunday.

Christmas at Queen Emma Summer Palace — View holiday exhibits, listen to Christmas music and learn about King Kamehameha IV’s 1862 proclamation that made Christmas a holiday for the kingdom. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$1 for keiki, free for ages 3 and under. Call 595-3167 or visit daughter-sofhawaii.com.

West Oahu Electric Light Parade — Kapolei is aglow beginning at 6 p.m. at Fort Barrett Road, and proceeding west on Kapolei Parkway ending at Kealakapu Street.

11 / Sunday
Moonlight Paddling — Turtle Bay Resort has launched a brand-new Full Moon Paddle within the calm waters of protected Kawela Bay on a one-hour tour around Kawela Bay on a stand-up paddleboard, Dec. 11. Following the tour, guests will return to a roaring bonfire and heavy pupu. Also offered are outrigger canoe 30-minute rides. Price is \$80/person for stand-up and \$70/person for outrigger canoe. Call (808) 293-6020.


16 / Friday
“The Nutcracker” — Ballet Hawaii performs the holiday classic with the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra, Dec. 16-18, at the Blaisdell Concert Hall, and will feature guest artists from the New York City Ballet and Carolina Ballet. Visit BalletHawaii.org or buy tickets through ticketmaster.com.

Holiday Concert — Windward Choral Society presents its annual holiday concert, featuring the Marine Forces Pacific Band Wind Ensemble, 7 p.m., at the Central Union Church. Visit TheWindwardChoralSociety.org or call 254-5717.

30 / Friday
Hanukkah — Festival of Lights and dinner begins at 6 p.m. with dinner and Shabbat service with menorah lighting at 7:30 p.m.; dessert will follow. Location is 2550 Pali Hwy. Donations welcome. Call 595-7521 or visit shaloha.com.

Ongoing
Ornaments — The Friends of Honolulu City Lights have designed their 2016 Honolulu City Lights ornaments to mark the 75th commemoration of the Pearl Harbor attack. A “Holoholo Pearl Harbor” ornaments are \$18, each, plus tax


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This Week at the MOVIES
Sgt. Smith Theater


Doctor Strange (PG-13)

Fri. Dec. 9, 7 p.m.



Collateral Beauty (FREE studio appreciation advance screening.) (PG-13)

Sat., Dec. 10, 4 p.m.



Trolls (PG)

Sun. Dec. 11, 5 p.m.

(Closed Monday through Thursday.)

Calendar abbreviations 8th TSC: 8th Theater Sustainment Command 25th ID: 25th Infantry Division ACS: Army Community Service AFAP: Army Family Action Plan AFTB: Army Family Team Building AMR: Aliamanu Military Reservation	ASYMCA: Armed Services YMCA BCT: Brigade Combat Team BSB: Brigade Support Battalion Co.: Company CYSS: Child, Youth and School Services EFMP: Exceptional Family Member Program FCC: Family Child Care	FMWR: Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation FRG: Family Readiness Group FS: Fort Shafter HMR: Helemano Military Reservation IPC: Island Palm Communities PFC: Physical Fitness Center SB: Schofield Barracks	SKIES: Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration and Skills TAMC: Tripler Army Medical Center USAG-HI: U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii USARPAC: U.S. Army-Pacific WAAF: Wheeler Army Airfield
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Tripler’s tree lighting is also Keiki Wonderland

Story and photos by
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HONOLULU — Tripler Army Medical Center, also known as TAMC, held its 68th annual Keiki Wonderland event

and tree lighting ceremony Dec. 2 at the Oceanside entrance of the hospital. At 4:30 p.m., the entrance was transformed into a wonderland area that included free pictures with Santa in Kyser Auditorium, a bounce house, face

painting and crafts at the Regimental Park, hot cocoa, snacks and live music provided by the Wahiawa school band, Na Kamali’i O ‘Iliahi.

Hawaiian style
Na Kamali’i O ‘Iliahi is an after-school ukulele program with the Iliahi Elementary School that focuses on perpetuating the Hawaiian and local musical traditions through the playing of the ukulele, singing and hula dancing. It is composed of more than 80, 3rd through 5th grade students and promotes positive self-esteem, as ukulele members practice and perform in front of large audiences throughout the Wahiawa community and the island of Oahu. “This is truly a great opportunity for us,” said Tom Yamamoto, vice principal and director of the Na Kamali’i O ‘Iliahi

ukulele group. “We love to get out and share our love for music, and to have an opportunity to be a part of this tree lighting ceremony really gets the kids excited and in the holiday spirit.” The group performed two sets of musical selections as well as a hula performance. “We at Tripler Army Medical Center are honored to have the opportunity to kick off the holiday season with such an incredible event,” said TAMC Command Sgt. Major Timothy Sloan. “Our company command teams, nurses and enlisted staff did a wonderful job of coordinating an event that included great food, all sorts of games for the families and an amazing performance from the ukulele and hula group of Iliahi Elementary School. “This event is just another example of the tremendous ohana at Tripler Army Medical Center,” he said.



Na Kamali’i O ‘Iliahi Ukulele group performs at Tripler Army Medical Center as part of the Keiki Wonderland and Tree Lighting ceremony, Dec. 2. Na Kamali’i O ‘Iliahi is an after-school ukulele program with the Iliahi Elementary School.

Warrior Brigade volunteers protect paradise

MAJ. KAREN ROXBERRY
2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team
Public Affairs
25th Infantry Division

WAIANAE — If you go to Makua Beach, you will be immediately drawn to its breathtaking coastline. As you are gazing, you will likely catch a glimpse of a dolphin. On Nov. 30, Soldiers and family members of 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, visited Makua Beach not to take in the scenery or to spot dolphins, but to volunteer and help the director of Natural Land and Resources and a volunteer group, the Protectors of Paradise, in cleaning up and clearing vegetation as part of the state’s restoration of Makua Beach.

Sustainability
Makua Beach is one of the more secluded beaches along the western coastline of Oahu and has been subjected to pollution from weekend beach goers and campers. The beach is currently closed for overnight camping. According to Curt Cottrell, Hawaii State Parks administrator, the goal of the volunteer event was to both clean up and remove vegetation in and around proposed campsites. The event would also deter the use of vegetation for screening



Photo by Staff Sgt. Carlos Davis, 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs
Command Sgt. Maj. T.J Holland (left), senior enlisted adviser for 2nd IBCT, 25th ID, and Sgt. Weston Adams, an infantryman assigned to Troop C, 2nd Sqdn., 14th Cav. Regt., 2IBCT, pick up trash at Makua Beach as part of area beautification, Nov. 20, in Waianae.

and the use of the ground as a restroom. “We like to look at ourselves as part of this community, and many of our Soldiers like to come out here to visit and enjoy this beach on their time off. So, members of the Warrior Brigade decided to take the appropriate steps in helping to ensure it is kept in good condition,” said Command Sgt. Maj. T.J Holland, senior

enlisted adviser for 2nd IBCT. Volunteers from the Warrior Brigade worked tirelessly alongside volunteers from Protectors of Paradise, picking up trash and clearing vegetation. “We’ve been cleaning the beaches on our own for many years before Protectors of Paradise was founded. It’s maybe over 20-plus years our family has been taking

care of Makua Beach,” said Micah Doane with Protectors of Paradise. “We are out here trying to keep the beaches sustainable for Hawaii,” said Sgt. Weston Adams, an infantryman assigned to Troop C, 2nd Squadron, 14th Cavalry Regiment. “It’s super important because we want our kids to come and play here and not have nails in the sand and no trash.”
Signs of progress
The 2IBCT also participated in a cleanup of Makua Beach in August of this year with Protectors of Paradise. “I think there is progress being made here. It may not be overnight, but we see the changes happening with the land and ocean,” said Doane. “There are less flies, no tire marks on the sand, less trash, more awareness.” In addition to volunteering for beach clean ups, Warrior Brigade Soldiers also volunteer throughout the year with schools along the Waianae Coast, offering services such as mentoring, tutoring and campus beautification. “We have both leaders and Soldiers out here participating in this event today, and they are all volunteers,” said Holland. “No one was told to come out here or that they had to be a part of this. Volunteering is a part of the Warrior Brigade spirit.”

Scholarships for Military Children available Dec. 13

MIKE PERRON
Defense Commissary Agency
FORT LEE, Va. — This holiday season is full of the usual landmark dates, including Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day. However, there’s one other date in December that could prove to be almost as important as the traditional celebrations for some military families. Dec. 13 marks the opening of the Scholarships for Military Children Program for the 2017-2018 school year. Now entering its 17th year, the program was created to recognize the “contributions of military families to the readiness of the fighting force and to celebrate the role of the commissary in the military family community,” according to the mission statement on the militaryscholar.org website.

700 grants
At least one scholarship worth \$2,000 will be awarded at every commissary location where qualified applications are received. Additional recipients will be selected based on a prorated basis, so more scholarships will be awarded at those stores with larger numbers of applicants. A total of 700 scholarship grants will be awarded this year.



Fisher House Foundation, a nonprofit organization that helps service members and their families, administers the program. Scholarship Managers, a national, nonprofit, scholarship management services organization, manages and awards the scholarships. “This is always an exciting time of year, when the Fisher House Scholarships for Military Children program kicks off, knowing 700 military children will have the opportunity to receive a \$2,000 scholarship to help toward their studies,”

said Marye Dobson, the Defense Commissary Agency’s liaison for the scholarship program. The commissary’s industry partners, including vendors, suppliers and manufacturers, as well as the general public, donate money to the program, and every dollar donated goes directly toward funding the scholarships.
Who qualifies
To qualify for consideration, applicants must be a dependent, unmarried child, younger than 21 – or 23, if enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university – of a service member on active duty, a Reserve or Guard member, retiree or survivor of a military member who died while on active duty, or survivor of a retiree. Applications must be hand-delivered or shipped via the U.S. Postal Service or other delivery methods to the commissary where the applicant’s family normally shops by close of business Friday, Feb. 12, 2017. Applications cannot be emailed or faxed. “Every year, we continue to be impressed by the caliber of military children who submit applications. The students who are selected to receive scholarship grants are truly ‘the best of the best,’” said

Jim Weiskopf, Fisher House Foundation vice president. Applicants should ensure that they and their sponsor are enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System database and have a military ID card. The applicant must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university, full time, in the fall of 2017 or be enrolled in studies designed to transfer to a four-year program. Students who are awarded a full scholarship or receive an appointment to one of the military academies or affiliated preparatory schools are not eligible to receive funds from this program. A full scholarship is usually defined as one that provides for payment of tuition, books, lab fees and other expenses. In the past 16 years of its existence, the program has awarded more than \$15 million in scholarships to over 9,000 students.

Learn More
For details, students or sponsors can visit www.militaryscholar.org. Call Scholarship Managers at (856) 616-9311 or email them at militaryscholar@scholarshipmanagers.com.

The twelve takes of Christmas was just reality

“C’mon everybody!” I bellowed from our living room, “Let’s get this over with!”

“KIDS!?! HONEY!?” I yelled from behind my camera.

It was perched precariously on top of an Anthony’s Seafood matchbook, two beer coasters, three National Geographic magazines, Roget’s Thesaurus and our coffee table – at the precise trajectory needed to capture an image of our family and the dog in front of our fireplace.

Knowing that the tiniest slip of the hand (or the dog’s tail) might ruin my painstakingly calibrated line of sight, I was reluctant to move. But when no one responded to my wails, I marched off to find them.

With only one day of Thanksgiving break left before the kids would return to their respective schools, this task had to get done.

For military families who move all the time, holiday photo cards are a legitimate form of communication. We couldn’t let a year go by without one.

Twenty minutes later, I had managed to drag the resistant members of my family into the living room.

My husband, Francis, was miffed that I had forced him to abandon a riveting rerun of “House Hunters.” My son, Hayden, was annoyed that he had to pause Dragon Warrior VII just as he was about to master Ranger class. My daughter, Anna, couldn’t fathom what was so important that she had to stop



texting her boyfriend. My youngest, Lilly, was pouting about being torn away from Snapchat.

They were all sporting major attitudes, but it was now or never.

“Listen! I don’t like this anymore than you do, but our family and friends have come to expect a Molinari family photo card every year, so – backs straight! Stomachs tight! And get happy, Damn it!”

My moping gaggle huddled together on the hearth, in shared irritation over being forced to pose for a family photo.

“Leave a spot for me on the left, and smile!” I ordered from behind my camera.

I gingerly jabbed the camera’s timer button, careful not to knock the lens from its makeshift-matchbook-coaster tripod, then leapt like an overweight gazelle, across our faux Oriental rug, and into my designated position.

“Mom, the camera’s blinking.”

“Honey, when do you want us to smile?”

“Are you sure you pressed the button, Mom?”

“I don’t KNOW!” I screeched through my grinning clenched teeth, “Just keep smiling!”

“But, isn’t it supposed to flash?”



Photo courtesy of Lisa Smith Molinari
The Molinari family faces challenges of taking a holiday card photo.

It took two more takes before we realized that the camera flashed after a prescribed series of slow and fast blinks.

Hayden sneezed in the middle of take No. 4. The phone rang during take No. 5. I blinked in take No. 6. We all got the giggles in take No. 7, when Francis released a pungent belch the odor of salami.

We finally realized that we forgot to include the dog, Moby, and it took two takes, three pieces of cheese and a tennis ball before he would agree to sit.

Somewhere along the way, I inadvertently nudged the June 2014 issue of *National Geographic*, and it took me 20 minutes and three more ruined takes to get the family centered in the viewfinder again.

On take No. 13, we were so desperate to end our torturous holiday photo odyssey, we all agreed to cooperate to take one final, flawless shot.

With my last ounce of patience, I tapped the button with catlike precision, and pounced into position, tipping my jaw forward to hide my double chin. The kids replaced their fake grins with genuine sparkling smiles. Francis leaned behind me to hide his now sweat-stained armpit.

Moby sat, in perfect obedience, his ears handsomely perked.

Like the townspeople of Bethlehem, we looked for the bright light that would finally bring us salvation.

“Why didn’t it flash?” Francis whispered.

After another minute, Lilly extracted herself from our frozen pose, to check the camera.

Peering at the digital display, she read aloud, ““Change battery pack.””

Realizing that a flawless family photo was never going to happen, we decided that one of the twelve takes would have to do, because reality is as perfect as a family gets.

(Visit Molinari at her website www.themeatandpotatoesoflife.com.)

Take time to appreciate partners during holidays

CHAPLAIN (MAJ.) SCOTT KENNAUGH
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25th Infantry Division

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — With the holiday seasons upon us, our thoughts turn to family, and relationships, and community.

In many ways, these are the most important parts of our lives, but that doesn’t make them the easiest part of our lives!

Yet, we are made to be with each other in community, rather than pressing ahead alone through life, so it’s worth taking a moment to think about how relationships work best together.



Kennaugh

simple scheduling tangle that made me realize God’s wisdom in providing good wives to us guys!

My mind flashed to the Bible account of creation, where it says God made Eve to be a “suitable helper” for Adam. With my imagination filling between

the lines, I could see God looking down at Adam, all by himself in the garden, and thinking, “This guy is never going to figure all this out for himself!”



We are all busy, hard pressed in many directions, frazzled by the speed of “fun” events during these holidays.

But, for some, we need perspective. Take a slow breath, and think of two people you appreciate who have supported you this week. Do you take them as acts you deserved, or with gratitude as blessings to you?

Now a second pause: Think of two people you have supported this week, people who appreciate your goodness to them. Was it out of compulsion or charity that you contributed in those relationships?

We are told that we should think of others more highly than we think of ourselves. This is the oil that smooths our relationships, that makes life together in community flow, that eases the pressure and heat of “the grind,” even in the holidays, as we give and receive grace with each other.

Better than gifts wrapped in ribbon, this holiday season, the more meaningful gifts to give are appreciation for others who complete you, and the generous acts you give for others to appreciate.

(Editor’s note: Kennaugh is the brigade chaplain for 3IBCT.)

Holiday Worship			
Catholic Worship Services Dec. 24, 5 p.m., Christmas Family Mass, AMR & MPC Dec. 25, 8:30 a.m., Christmas Day Mass, AMR Dec. 25, 10:30 a.m., Christmas Day Mass, MPC Dec. 31, 5 p.m., Feast of Mary, Mother of God, WAAF	Jan. 1, 8:30 a.m., New Year’s Day Mass, AMR	Dec. 25, 5 p.m., Christmas Eve Service, FD	WAAF
	Jan. 1, 10:30 a.m., New Year’s Day Mass, MPC	Dec. 25, 7 p.m., Christmas Eve Service, AMR & SC	Dec. 25, noon, Christmas Day Service, MPC
	Jewish Worship Service Dec. 29, 6 p.m., Chanukkah/Hanukkah Menorah Lighting, MPC	Dec. 25, 9:27 a.m., Christmas Day Service, SC	Dec. 25, 12:30 p.m., Christmas Day Service, AMR
	Protestant/Gospel Worship Services Dec. 24, 6:30 p.m., Christmas Eve Service, MPC	Dec. 25, 10 a.m., Christmas Day Service, HMR	Dec. 31, 10 p.m., New Year’s Eve Service, MPC
		Dec. 25, 10:30 a.m., Christmas Day Service, AMR	
		Dec. 25, 11 a.m., Christmas Day Service,	



Worship Services

Additional religious services, children’s programs, educational services and contact information can be found at www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil.
(Click on “Religious Support Office” under the “Directorates and Support Staff” menu.)

- AMR: Aliamanu Chapel
FD: Fort DeRussy Chapel
HMR: Helemano Chapel
MPC: Main Post Chapel, Schofield Barracks
PH: Aloha Jewish Chapel, Pearl Harbor
SC: Soldiers’ Chapel, Schofield Barracks
TAMC: Tripler Army Medical Center Chapel
WAAF: Wheeler Army Airfield Chapel
- Buddhist Services**
- First Sunday, 1 p.m. at FD

- Last Wednesday, 6 p.m. at MPC
- Catholic Mass**
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 11:45 a.m. at Soldiers’ Chapel
 - Tuesday, 7 p.m. at AMR
 - Wednesday 11:45 and 5 p.m. at MPC
 - Thursday, 9 a.m. at AMR
 - Saturday, 5 p.m. at WAAF
 - Sunday services:
 - 8:30 a.m. at AMR
 - 10:30 a.m. at MPC
- Gospel Worship**
- Sunday, noon. at MPC

- Sunday, 12:30 p.m. at AMR
 - Jewish Shabbat (Sabbath)
 - Friday, 7:30 p.m. at PH (Call 473-3971)
- Protestant Worship**
- Sunday Services
 - 9 a.m. at MPC
 - 9 a.m. at FD
 - 10 a.m. at HMR and WAAF
 - 10:30 a.m. at AMR
 - 11 a.m. at WAAF (Contemporary)
- Liturgical (Lutheran/Anglican)**
- Sunday, 9:27 a.m. at SC



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a.m.-12:30 p.m. ODR will provide transportation (up to 12 people), guide and equipment; all you need to bring is some water, snacks and a great attitude.

This is a beginner program, but participants must be able to ride a bike. Call 655-0143.

Table Top Gaming — For adults at Sgt. Yano Library from 1-4 p.m. Light refreshments will be offered. Call 655-8002.

18 / Sunday

NFL Sunday Ticket — Every Sunday at SB Tropics, watch your favorite teams go head to head. Doors open 30 minutes

before the first game. Be sure to check out the Sunday breakfast menu. Call 655-5698.

NFL Sunday Cornhole Challenge — Every Sunday at SB Tropics at 11 a.m, bring your Cornhole board and bags and join the team. Call 655-5698.

19 / Monday

Employment Orientation — New to the island and looking for employment? This class at the SB ACS, 10-11:30 a.m., will inform you about employment opportunities on Oahu. Learn about Spousal Preference and the Priority Placement Program for Spouses for seeking federal employment. Call 655-4227 to register.

20 / Tuesday

Anger & Conflict Solutions —

Prevention program for individuals to learn the basics of anger awareness from noon-1 p.m. at SB ACS. The class will help participants identify their own personal anger cues and ways to de-escalate conflict situations.

21 / Wednesday

After School in the Library — Make crafts and play games at SB Sgt. Yano Library from 2-3 p.m. Open to ages 6-12. Call 655-8002.

Ornaments at the Studio — Teens (12+) and adults are welcome to SB Sgt. Yano Library’s Studio to make holiday ornaments. All supplies will be provided while they last. Call 655-8002.

Ornaments Stars — The holiday season is here, so make star ornaments at FS Library to celebrate. Available

while supplies last at 3:30 p.m. Call 438-9521.

22 / Thursday

Teacher Work Day — No school for Hawaii public school students.

Youth Center Winter Camps — From Dec. 22-Jan. 6, 2017, camps will run Monday-Friday, from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Open recreation is offered Monday-Thursday from 1-8 p.m.; Friday from 1-10 p.m.; and Saturday from noon-8 p.m. Call 833-0920, 655-0451 or 438-1487.

School Age Winter Cruise — Each center will be offering a Winter Cruise Camp, Dec. 22-Jan. 6, 2017. Call 655-5314 or 833-5393 or contact your child’s School Age Center for more information.

Learn to be cyberfit before shopping online

TRICARE
News Release

Every year, more and more holiday shopping happens online. We're also seeing more cybercrime as criminals try to steal personal and financial information from shoppers. Here are some tips to get cyberfit while shopping this holiday season.

Precautions
First, shop online at home using a password-protected network and don't click on suspicious links or download items from unknown sources. Once inside your system, thieves have access to not only your financial information, but your health information also. You should also pay attention to the website addresses you're visiting. Sometimes malicious websites look identical to the real site, but have a different spelling or domain, like ".net" instead of ".com." Next, make sure the website is secure (look for "https://" in the website address) before you enter personal or credit card information. The "s" means that the site uses encryption to transmit your information over the Internet.

More warning signs
When searching for the best deal, you may be tempted to buy a normally expensive item at a very low price. But you should avoid shopping through pop-up ads or unfamiliar websites, as your information could be stolen. Instead, type in the address of the site you want to visit. It's safer than clicking on a link to the site.



Courtesy photo

Finally, keep a record of your order in case it doesn't ship or if there are unauthorized charges on your bill. According to the FBI, you also need to be careful when shopping offline. Some criminals will try to steal your information by installing a skimmer on ATMs or other card readers. Skimmers are small devices that criminals install on card readers. They download your stolen information and encode it on blank cards so that they can make withdrawals or buy things using your bank account.


Skimming
You can avoid being "skimmed" in several ways.
•First, inspect the ATM, gas pump or credit card reader before you use it. Be suspicious if anything is loose, crooked

or damaged, or if you see scratches or tape residue on the machine.
•Then, when you enter your pin, block the keypad with your other hand so that hidden cameras can't record your pin number.
•Finally, be careful about where you use ATMs. Tourist locations are often targets. Try to only use ATMs at indoor locations as they make it harder for criminals to install skimmers. In any shopping situation, use a credit card. There are laws that limit your responsibility to pay for fraudulent charges on credit cards. Also, check your purchase records against your credit card and bank statements and report any differences immediately. If you believe you've been a victim of Internet fraud or cybercrime, report it by filing a complaint.


More Online
Learn more about being cyberfit at www.tricare.mil.

Podcasts
Listen to this week's podcast to hear about the Nurse Advice Line, the Affordable Care Act and avoiding fraud. Visit the TRICARE Media Center at www.tricare.mil/podcast. Sign up for TRICARE e-mail updates at www.tricare.mil/subscriptions.

Webinar
TRICARE and Military OneSource are co-hosting a webinar to educate TRICARE beneficiaries about tax reporting and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on Monday, Dec. 12, from 7-8 a.m., Hawaii time. Avoid sharing personal health information when asking a question. For audio, dial 1-866-724-3083, access code 1085851. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited due to system capacity. For participants on networked computers, join the Defense Collaboration Services link at <https://conference.apps.mil/webconf/TRICAREMEC>. Go to <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/4003666362685116418> to sign up.



Have a healthy holiday



Take a few minutes to give the gift of health and safety to yourself and others this holiday season.

- Wash hands often** for 20 seconds.
- Bundle up** for warmth.
- Get a flu shot** if you haven't gotten one already. The best way to protect against influenza is to get a flu vaccine every flu season.
- Eat a light, healthy snack** before you go to parties to help curb your hunger and decrease your visits to the buffet table.
- Watch your children.** Develop and enforce rules about acceptable and safe behavior for using electronic media.
- Fasten seat belts.** Always use them, no matter how short the trip.
- Don't drink and drive,** and don't let others drink and drive.



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at all Oahu branches of First Hawaiian Bank or at any Macy's store. The Friends' website is selling the ornaments at \$24, which includes shipping and handling at honolulucitylights.org.

Jewish Services — Weekly worship services are held at 7:30 p.m., Fridays, at Aloha Jewish Chapel, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. No Saturday morning services or Monday Bible studies are offered at JBPHH. Saturday services are available at the Ala Moana Hotel. Call 735-8161. Service members interested in Jewish Bible study or keiki Hebrew School (Sunday School) may call 348-4560 or visit www.chabadofhawaii.