

95th Engineers redeploy after year in Afghanistan



Photo courtesy of Dave Schoonover

Soldiers of the 95th Eng. Co. (Clearance), 65th Eng. Bn., 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, stand before family and friends during the unit's redeployment ceremony at Wheeler Gulch, Wheeler Army Airfield, Aug. 14.

Warriors earn Bronze Star, Purple Heart for courageous actions during deployment

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8th Theater Sustainment Command

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — Smiles and shouts of joy were prevalent throughout the crowds as Soldiers of the 95th Engineer Company (Clearance) marched into the building at Wheeler Gulch, here, Aug. 14.

The company, part of the 65th Eng. Battalion, 130th Eng. Brigade, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, redeployed to Schofield Barracks after a successful one-year tour in Afghanistan.

Lt. Col. Darman Place, commander, 65th Eng. Bn., expressed his gratitude for the company's

service.

"Having the 95th Route Clearance 'Wolfpack' home is, simply put, an answered prayer and marks the first time the 65th Engineer Battalion has been whole in over three years," Place said. "The Soldiers of the Wolfpack, each and every one of them, are American heroes and deserve this heroes' welcome."

During their deployment, 95th Eng. Co. Sappers cleared thousands of miles of roads in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, as part of Task Force Rugged, according to Capt. Taylor Oney, rear detachment commander, 95th Eng. Co.

Oney said they also cleared the way for multinational troops throughout regional commands South, Southwest and West, including British, Danish, Georgian, Italian and Afghanistan forces, along with U.S. Army and Marines.

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Thick jungles of Australia test USARPAC warriors physically, mentally

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QUEENSLAND, Australia — Approximately 40 U.S. Army-Pacific Soldiers from Hawaii, Alaska, Guam and Korea, as well as from across nine different brigades, recently graduated from the Australian Junior Leaders Jungle Operations Training, or the JLJOT course, located in the Tully Training Area, just north of Townsville, here.

JLJOT is a physically and mentally

demanding course that forces Soldiers into an unfamiliar environment that requires outside-the-box thinking.

Despite the combat experiences of many of the students, who have combat tours in operations Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn, the thick jungles of Australia provided unique problems and challenges. With no prior jungle experi-

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Sgt. 1st Class Mario Alfaro | Support Battalion, 196th Infantry Brigade

Australian Army Sgt. D.C. Harding (AUS), instructor, CTC-JT, instructs students on the assembly disassembly, function, weapons, manipulation and clearing of the STG-77 assault rifle at Tully Training Area, in Queensland, Australia, Aug. 3.



Senior leaders speak after a dedication ceremony of Wahiawa Elementary School's new school-based behavioral health building, in Wahiawa, Aug. 22. Pictured, from left, are U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye; Col. J. Anson Smith, acting commander, PRMC; and chief of staff, TAMC; Kathryn Matayoshi, superintendent, DOE, State of Hawaii; and Arthur Ushijima, president and CEO, Queen's Health Systems, and president, Queen's Medical Center.

Tripler, DOE, Queens team up for sake of keiki health

Collaboration enables more behavioral health services for Hawaii's schoolchildren

Story and photos by
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Tripler Army Medical Center Public Affairs

WAHIAWA — Wahiawa Elementary School hosted a dedication ceremony of its new school-based behavioral health building, here, Aug. 22.

The building is made possible thanks to a partnership with Tripler Army Medical Center's School Behavioral Health Team, the Hawaii State Department of Education and The Queen's Medical Center

to expand behavioral health services available for children in Hawaii.

This occasion is the first time in Army medicine history that a behavioral health partnership has gone outside the gate, and the collaboration among the agencies, which has been in practice since November 2011, is paving the way for future partnerships within the local community.

Col. J. Anson Smith, acting commander, Pacific Regional Medical Command, and chief of staff, TAMC, represented the Army medical center on behalf of its participation in the collaboration.

U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye attended as guest of hon-

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New DOD child care fees to begin Oct. 1; goal is consistency across military

Army to release CYSS child care fee policy for 2012-13

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WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — Families who use U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii's child care services will be receiving notification, in the coming days, of new Child Development Program fees for school year 2012-2013.

"The Department of Defense is transitioning to single fees within TFI (Total Family Income) categories with the goal of providing consistent child

care fees across the military community," said Debra Blanchard, director, Child, Youth and School Services; Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation; USAG-HI. "The Army continues to pay a portion of the cost of child care to help lower the costs for all families who use child and youth programs."

The Army's 2012-2013 CYSS fee policy addresses patron fees for child development centers, school-age care, family child care, middle school and teen programs, SKIES Unlimited instruction, youth sports and fitness, and Army community-based programs. The CYSS fee policy will be released Aug. 31.

CYSS officials will be notifying each of the nearly 1,000 Army Hawaii households that use CYSS child care services — including full-day, part-day, part-time, school-age and hourly care, youth sports, and Army community-based programs — of the fees once they are released. The fee structures will also be posted to the www.himwr.com website, starting Sept. 4.

"Our Army families can have peace of mind, both on the battlefield and on the job, because their children are in safe, healthy and secure environments," said Col. Daniel Whitney, commander, USAG-HI. "Quality child care on Army installations continues to be one of our highest

priorities, and a good value for Soldiers, families and the Army."

Army Child Care Fees

For more details, call the USAG-HI CYSS offices at 656-0092.

For more information on DOD implementation, watch for postings on these sites:

- himwr.com
- www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil

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Soldiers, have fun, be safe this Labor Day

LT. GEN. FRANCIS WIERCINSKI
U.S. Army-Pacific

We should never forget that our nation's strength, freedom and prosperity would be impossible without the dedication and tireless efforts of the American worker.

Sept. 3, we will pay tribute to all of our citizens who have worked so hard to create and sustain this great nation as we celebrate Labor Day.

Labor Day has also traditionally signaled the end of summer and provides one last time to enjoy the recreational activities that make summer great. However, many of those activities entail greater risks that can lead to tragedy, if we lose our focus.

Last year, our Labor Day weekend began in tragedy when two of our Soldiers drowned in a completely preventable accident. We cannot let that happen again!

We have already lost four USARPAC Soldiers this year to preventable POV (privately owned vehicle) accidents, including three on motorcycles. Leaders must

"This Labor Day weekend, we must all stay engaged by incorporating risk management skills in everything we do — at work, at play and at home."

— Lt. Gen. Francis Wiercinski
Commander, USARPAC



This Labor Day weekend, we must all stay engaged by incorporating risk management skills in everything we do — at work, at play and at home.

Remember, we need you on the team. We need you to stay in the fight.

Think through each action, make the right decisions and enjoy a fun, relaxing, accident-free weekend. One Team!

take action to stop this trend by ensuring that every Soldier understands the risks of drinking and driving, as well as the safety, regulatory and legal requirements for operating a motorcycle.

We cannot tolerate unlicensed motorcycle riders, and we must uphold the Army's motorcycle personal protective equipment requirements in accordance with Army Regulation 385-10.

BACKTObASICS

Reading is fundamental component to unit's goals, professionalism

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18th Medical Command
(Deployment Support)



Skyers

If you were stationed in Fort Riley in the mid-1980s and you were told that you were going "back to basics," you would literally shake in your boots.

Back then, the term meant that you were about to endure another eight weeks of military training at the U.S. Army Retraining Brigade under the watchful eyes of a drill sergeant, learning what it meant to be a Soldier. Yes, basic training all over again.

Today the term has taken on a different meaning. Rather than sitting through an hour or two of instructions as part of institutional training, back to basics focuses on teaching Soldiers at the unit level basic military customs and courtesies, Army traditions, history, leadership development and standards — skills that might have been taught during basic combat training, during non-commissioned officer education schools or learned at this point in their career.

During the past year, I have made numerous on-the-spot corrections with Soldiers — from privates to master sergeants — on issues that range from proper wear and appearance of the uniform to grooming, saluting, customs and courtesies, speeding, training, counseling, standards of conduct and other issues, some of which I learned during basic training or at my first duty station.

Sometimes they correct the deficiency before I start my mentoring, but increasingly, I receive an expression of total confusion or a dazed appearance and a common response of, "I did not know."

In the 18th Medical Command (Deployment Support), we use a tiered approach to get back to basics. We focus on our junior enlisted Soldiers through our Junior Enlisted Development Program. This program spotlights what junior enlisted Soldiers should know in order to become effective leaders. For example, our promotion boards focus on the things that sergeants and staff sergeants should know at that point in their career.

All questions for the promotion board come directly from Army regulations, technical and field manuals, and train-

ing circulars, instead of online or store-bought study guides. This one change forced our specialists and sergeants to read the regulations.

Our NCO professional development program centers on the fundamentals of NCO leadership and training. These fundamentals include topics such as range operations and marksmanship, supply discipline and inventory, counseling and the Army writing program.

Later, we intend to implement a certification program for sergeants first class and below that starts on the 30th day after arriving at the unit. This certification program will list tasks that these Soldiers must demonstrate with competency over a period of nine months.

"The Army NCO Guide states: 'A man cannot lead ... without studying, reading, observing and learning.' He must apply himself to gain the goal."

— Command Sgt. Maj. Garfield Skyers
Senior enlisted leader,
18th MEDCOM (DS)

In an age of ubiquitous computing, more information is available to Soldiers today than at any other time in our history. Despite the ease with which information is available, Soldiers spend less time reading Army regulations and other manuals than in the past.

Field Manual 7-22.7, The Army NCO Guide, states: "A man cannot lead without determination, without the will and the desire to lead. He cannot do it without studying, reading, observing and learning. He must apply himself to gain the goal — to develop the talent for military leadership ... Leaders are developed! They are guided by others; but they are largely self-made."

As one senior NCO told me, getting back to basics is about "enforcing standards."

I agree. Back to basics is indeed the enforcement of standards and a return to the basic of what right looks like across the Army.

Reading, so you know what the standards are, along with applying what you learn at the unit level, is fundamental to returning to the basics.

FOOTSTEPS in FAITH

Does moral and ethical character matter?

Labor Day should remind professionals of essential duties to protect, guarantee

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This Labor Day weekend will certainly be a great time to celebrate summer weather, family and friends, but before you head out to Bellows or Hickam beaches for that mouth-watering barbecue with family and friends, consider for a moment what this Labor Day is all about.

As a young boy, I had the opportunity of learning from my grandparents what life was like in the United States before laborers were respected and valued.

My maternal grandparents were general store owners from 1912-1929. Their store sold groceries, hardware, tools, farm equipment and animal feed on credit to the local residents and farmers of Joplin, Mo.

Customers paid their bills at the end of each month; this system worked well until late 1929. With the devastating crash of the stock market, Oct. 29, 1929, the Great Depression began. The economy deflated and people had no money. My grandparents lost their store when customers could not pay their bills.

My grandmother described what she and Grandpa did with the records of the people who owed them money: "We didn't want to hate anyone, so we went out to the backyard, started a fire and burned all those bills."

Grandpa explained how the local Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian ministers began preaching and publishing sermons that addressed equal rights and justice for workers. Business owners were challenged to pay fair wages and provide worker protections, shortened workdays, safer conditions, the abolition of child labor and assistance to elderly and disabled workers.

Celebrating Labor Day reminds us that business people and workers provide services and goods for each of us, with moral and ethical boundaries.

Historically, the five great professions of Western civilization include Soldiers, pastors, physicians, lawyers and merchants. It is the responsibility of these professionals to protect and guarantee justice and freedom necessary for the lives of civilized people.

With respect to our nation, the Soldier's profession is to defend it; the pastor's, to teach it; the physician's, to keep it in health; the lawyer's, to enforce justice in it; and the merchant's, to provide for it.

And the duty of all these professionals includes the commitment to die, if necessary, in order to protect these values: The Soldier, to die "rather than leave his post in battle"; the pastor, "rather than teach falsehood"; the physician, "rather than leave his post in plague"; the lawyer, "rather than tolerate injustice in the courts"; and the merchant, rather than ... what?

When you and I pay our hard-earned dollars for goods and services, what is the moral responsibility of the merchant to us? What is it that the merchant would rather die than do?

We hope the answer is that he or she will honestly provide to the community a fair product or service and not be motivated merely by profit.

It should not be enough to say that "the law of supply and demand" will drive you out of the marketplace if you do not do what is right. That slogan, with its grain of truth, is like doing brain surgery with a meat cleaver, and that principle only serves us because moral calling and moral character are at an all-time low in determining individual practice and public policy.

Except in your house.

We can make a difference by starting with ourselves and making sure when we work, buy and sell, we are being honest, moral and ethical. We should require nothing less of ourselves and our children.

A framework of moral calling and character must be restored to each of the professions if professional life is to function as provider and protector of the public good and individuals throughout our neighborhoods and nation.

Does it matter if Soldiers, pastors, doctors, lawyers and merchants are men and women of moral and ethical character? It only matters if you cherish peace over war, truth over falsehood, health over sickness, justice over lawlessness, and honest business dealings over profit.

Voices of Ohana

Labor Day is Sept. 3.

"Why does the U.S. have a Labor Day?"

Photos by U.S. Army-Pacific Public Affairs



"To celebrate work-life balance."

Marie Kennedy
Joint Task Force
Homeland Defense,
USARPAC



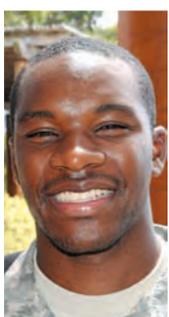
"It's important we work in a safe environment; Labor Day is a re-establishment of the recognition of safe practices in the workforce."

Staff Sgt. Jacob Louwerse
205th MI Bn.



"Labor Day is a reflection on the past — child labor, long hours, no safety standards. We have so many luxuries today because of it."

Lorenzo Luna
Headquarters,
Department of the
Army



"Everyone who works needs a break."

Spc. Nicklaus Miles
205th MI Bn.



"Labor Day is when we celebrate the fact that fairness in the workforce was finally ensured for everyone in the U.S."

Spc. Alexander Ward
205th MI Bn.

'Cacti' develop PRT levels of recovery for injured

Story and photos by
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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The Army's new Physical Readiness Training, or PRT, program is a road map to physical readiness for various units throughout the Army.

But what happens when a Soldier can't participate in the PRT because of an injury?

Some Soldiers need a helping hand to start on the road to recovery, and the 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, "Cacti," 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, is lending that helping hand in the form of a PRT reconditioning program that offers more recovery time, tailored PT routines and more one-on-one time with physical therapists.

"This really started when we were walking outside for PT and (saw) all these Soldiers on profile having the same injuries reoccurring," said 1st Lt. Brandy Gainsley, medical officer, 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT. "We questioned how we could help these Soldiers to recover and realized we weren't educating the injured to be the athlete Soldiers they need to be and how to maintain that level of fitness."

Cacti is breaking up its wounded Soldiers according to their level of injury. Three sections — red, amber and green — are focus-

ing on upper and lower body training.

The concept is to concentrate on strength training for the uninjured areas and mobility training for injured areas.

"The levels of progression, such as red and amber, help guide the groups all the way up to a walk-to-run group and reintegration into their original platoon," said Capt. Brian Gray, physical therapy officer, 3rd BCT. "We need to urge the injured Soldier to a level of fitness that they were on before they were hurt and hopefully to a higher level."

Along with building physical fitness, recovery time is key to cutting down on reoccurring injuries as it lets Soldiers and their injuries heal completely.

According to Gainsley, Soldiers aren't pressured to do anything outside their profiles while they're in recovery.

Even though the program is in its beginning stages, there is marked improvement with injuries. Out of the Soldiers who have been on a limited profile for many months, several are now preparing to rejoin their platoons soon, such as Spc. Adrian Najara, Company A, 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT.

"I injured my knee on deployment about a year ago," Najara said. "With this PT, there has been a great difference in range of motion, and I can actually run now."

Najara hopes to reintegrate with his platoon by the end of the month.



Participants limber up with a "Bend and Reach" exercise during 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT, 25th ID's new PRT reconditioning program, on Schofield Barracks, Aug. 9.



Soldiers use medicine balls to strengthen core muscle groups without straining their lower bodies as part of the program.



Sgt. Luis Barrera, EOD team member, 74th EOD Co., 303rd EOD Bn., 45th Sust. Bde., 8th TSC, uses hand entry techniques to access a potential threat during training on Schofield Barracks, Aug. 8. Barrera is a member of nine two-man teams from Hawaii that will provide security for the UN General Assembly in New York City in September.

8th TSC EODs to keep UN delegates safe in NYC

Nine local teams will provide support at annual assembly

Story and photo by
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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Ban Ki Moon, secretary, United Nations, will open the 67th General Assembly of the UN in New York City and kick off the world's annual congress on global issues, Sept. 18.

During the assembly, delegates from 193 member states will discuss issues from the civil war in Syria to territorial disputes in the South China Sea.

But one thing they will not need to discuss is their safety.

Nine two-man teams of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Soldiers from the 74th EOD Company, 303rd EOD Battalion, 45th Sustainment Brigade, 8th Theater Sust. Command, will turn in their bombproof suits for civilian attire to provide security for the assembly.

The EOD Soldiers of the 74th will team up with the U.S. Secret Service, local police and EOD teams from every branch of the military.

"What we provide is EOD teams to search venues, motorcades, vehicles and equipment that will be in proximity of these heads of states," said 1st Sgt. David Silva, 74th EOD Co., 303rd EOD Bn., 45th Sust. Bde.

"Every time before a delegate moves from point A to point B, the route needs to be cleared; everything needs to be checked," Silva said.

But it's not just the motorcade routes teams will be clearing; they will clear routes when delegates go jogging or when they go out for lunch. Anywhere someone even thinks of going, the teams from the 74th will already have been there.

"An explosive device can be hidden in absolutely anything," Silva said.

However, the EOD teams will perform their tasks in accordance with the Posse Comitatus Act, which limits law enforcement agencies from using federal military personnel for enforcing local laws.

"We aren't law enforcement," Silva explained.

The EOD teams will not diffuse or dismantle any device, Silva continued. Instead, they will stand by to verify and determine if there is a hazard and allow the Secret Service and local law enforcement to take the lead.

Staff Sgt. Robert Bennis, one of the nine team leaders from the 74th EOD, has provided assistance to a previous UN General Assembly mission, as well as similar missions in Malaysia and the Philippines.

"Depending on who you are supporting, the mission parameters can change, but the basic mission never changes: protection of the VIP," Bennis said.

And as the team leader, the risk and mission sits squarely on Bennis' shoulders.

"As a staff sergeant team leader, I have to go in first; I have to make the decision," Bennis said.

But while Bennis may make the hard decisions, his team member won't hesitate to challenge or re-evaluate these decisions to make sure the mission gets accomplished.

"No one is better trained than us," Silva said.

Asia-Pacific Center opens new learning center at Fort DeRussy

Sen. Inouye reflects upon achieving 'ho'oponopono'

ASIA-PACIFIC CENTER FOR SECURITY STUDIES
News Release

HONOLULU — The Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, or APCSS, celebrated the official opening of Maluhia Hall, a new state-of-the-art learning center, here, Friday.

The \$11.4 million learning center brings more than 10,000 square feet of additional classroom space to support the U.S. Department of Defense institute's security cooperation and executive education programs.

"The building is designed for education," said retired Air Force Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf, director, APCSS.

"In addition to the extra capacity for courses and workshops, the building itself is engineered to provide ... improved acoustics and Information Technology connectivity to support the programs," Leaf explained. "It is also built to be sustainable, which is very important to our community."

The ceremony was attended by about 300 guests, including 73 members of the current Comprehensive Crisis Management course, which includes Fellows from 34 different countries throughout the region.

Guest speakers were U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye;

Adm. Samuel Locklear III, U.S. Pacific Command; Peter Verga, representing the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy; and Leaf.

Inouye, who is considered one of the founders of the center, reminisced about participating in a similar ceremony to dedicate the main APCSS building almost 12 years ago to the day.

His speech emphasized the need for building a regional "ohana" with "aloha" to achieve "ho'oponopono," meaning reconciliation, or to make things right.

The new Maluhia Hall bridges the past with the future. Its name, "Maluhia," means a "haven of rest and peace," and is inspired by a World War II rest and recreation facility used to bring Soldiers together during time of war.

The building's artwork and landscape also complement Hawaii's unique environment and culture, and its design hails the future as a model of technology and sustainability.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Honolulu District awarded the contract to Sumo-Nan JV II LLC, an 8(a) small business, in August 2010.

Upon final completion, Maluhia Hall is projected to attain a U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design "Gold" rating, as sustainability has been successfully integrated throughout the building design phase and construction process.

The APCSS is a U.S. Department of Defense academic institute that officially opened Sept. 4, 1995, in Honolulu. The center addresses

regional and global security issues, inviting military and civilian representatives of the U.S. and Asia-Pacific nations to its comprehensive

program of executive education and conferences, both in Hawaii and throughout the Asia-Pacific region.



Courtesy photo

Senior leaders untie a Hawaiian maile lei during the opening ceremony of Maluhia Hall at APCSS, in Honolulu, Aug. 24. Pictured, from left to right, are retired Air Force Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf, director, APCSS; U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye; Adm. Samuel Locklear III, commander, U.S. Pacific Command; and Peter Verga, chief of staff for the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Wolfpack: 95th Eng.'s deployment mission focused on combat engineer tasks

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In April, the unit helped clear the way into a Taliban stronghold that had not yet had an International Security Assistance Force presence, said Capt. Matthew Miller, commander, 95th Eng. Co.

In addition to performing route clearance, Oney said Wolfpack Soldiers completed a variety of other combat engineer tasks. They reduced more than 100 improvised explosive devices and explosively breached IED belts and destroyed Taliban bunkers, fighting positions and ambush sites. They also destroyed homemade explosive caches, underground Karez systems and IED components, which prevented the creation of more of these deadly devices.

The courageous actions of the members of the 95th Eng. Co. are evident in the 30 Purple Heart and 93 Combat Action Badge awards to Soldiers. Additionally, one Soldier earned the Army Commendation Medal with Valor, and 11 members earned the Bronze Star.

"The Sappers of the 95th Engineer Company (Clearance) are the most professional Soldiers I have ever had the privilege of working with in my 21 years of service," said 1st Sgt. Vincent Silva, 95th Eng. Co. "It is my honor to have served with such an amazing team of officers and noncommissioned officers."

In the end, what mattered most to families attending the welcome home ceremony was the moment their Soldiers received the command, "Dismissed!"

Upon this utterance, families rushed forward to be reunited, and Soldiers held spouses and children they had not seen in 12 months. Soldiers, who redeployed early for medical treatment after suffering wounds, also welcomed their company mates home.

Miller recognized the significance of the occasion and said, "It feels great to have the entire Wolfpack back in Hawaii, and having all of our wounded warriors here to be reunited with their comrades makes it that much better."



Photos courtesy of Dave Schoonover

Above — Col. Diana Holland (left), commander, 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, presents Spc. Jeffrey Fergurgur, 95th Eng. Co. (Clearance), 65th Eng. Bn., 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, with an Army Commendation Medal with Valor during the unit's redeployment ceremony at Wheeler Gulch, Wheeler Army Airfield, Aug. 14.

Above left — Spc. Ryan Morelock, 95th Eng. Co. (Clearance), 65th Eng. Bn., 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, holds his child for the first time following a yearlong deployment to Afghanistan.

Left — 1st Lt. Mitch Riley (middle), leader, 1st Platoon, 95th Eng. Co. (Clearance), 65th Eng. Bn., 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, reunites with his family at the company's redeployment ceremony.

Far left — Members of the 3rd Platoon, "Wild Dogs," 95th Eng. Co. (Clearance), 65th Eng. Bn., 130th Eng. Bde., 8th TSC, pose for a photo.



JLJOT: Jungle ops training places 196th Inf. Bde. Soldiers in unfamiliar terrain

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ence amongst any of them, their learning curve was high as the students prepared for graded operations in the field, starting on Day 2.

The tried and tested resource the students could rely upon was the professional and knowledgeable jungle training staff. Each member of the cadre had a minimum of three years of experience in jungle operations, many with Australian

deployments to other jungle environments in the Pacific.

Over the course of a few weeks, the Australian cadre taught, mentored and advised the U.S. Soldiers on Australian doctrine, battle drills,

weapons and operations. The rapid-paced training and immediate testing of knowledge in the field environment turned a group of 40 strangers into a cohesive, smart and lethal jungle fighting force.

The group was put to the test by executing a final field exercise that spanned a 48-hour period and ended with a gut-check exercise called "True Grit."

True Grit was a fitting end to the intense training, as U.S. Soldiers were required to put together all the lessons they had learned while executing a ruck run, equipment run, obstacle course, litter carry and bayonet course.

The lessons learned in the jungles of Australia will not only serve as a unique knowledge base for those who attended, but also will positively influence generations of other Soldiers the students will lead in the future.

U.S. and Australian soldiers who participated in the course established strong bonds and built a time-resistant relationship that will facilitate combined/joint operations in the future between these two nations. U.S. and Australian soldiers alike were able to exchange, replicate and critique "Doctrine, Leadership and Tactics, Techniques and Procedures" styles to create a hybrid blend of knowledge best suited for small unit operations in a jungle environment.

The JLJOT and other courses available at the Combined Training Center-Jungle Training, or CTC-JT, are open to U.S. Soldiers and aid in building the bonds, familiarization and partnerships that culminate in the largest U.S.-Australian exercise, Talisman Saber.



Sgt. 1st Class Mario Alfaro | Support Battalion, 196th Infantry Brigade

Australian army Maj. J.W. Matsers (left), officer in charge, CTC-JT, gives a jungle in-brief to JLJOT course participants at the Tully Training Area in Queensland, Australia, recently.

Special Reaction Team is intense, rapid, yet focused

8th Military Police among grads of SWAT-like course

Story and photos by
SGT. MARCUS FICHTL

8th Military Police Brigade Public Affairs,
8th Theater Sustainment Command

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Silent, they stand at the doorway, nine in total.

A simple mission lies before them: clear the building and secure the safety of the hostages.

Seconds go by like minutes.

A squeeze shoots through the line as each Soldier grabs the one in front of him, signaling not only are they ready to go, but also they have each other's back.

The Soldiers tense up; they've done this before, but it's never easy. Suddenly a sharp, quick explosion pierces the silence. The flex-linear charge, set up moments before, on the door, surgically cuts an opening.

And through the smoke, once more into the breach they go.

For these military police — part of a

group of 26 Soldiers from units in Korea; the 25th Infantry Division; the 8th Military Police Brigade, 8th Theater Sustainment Command; and the Directorate of Emergency Services — the last thing on their minds is how they are just training.

They also are not thinking about their graduation as Special Reaction Team members, here, Aug. 24.

Distractions are for Soldiers not ready for the brutal realities of the SRT, the Army's equivalent of a SWAT, or Special Weapons and Tactics team, a unit that stands ready to rapidly engage in hostage situations, conduct drug stings and provide an added level of firepower and skill sets to the military police mission.

Instead, these Soldiers focus solely on their mission at hand.

The teams burst through the breach like water through a busted dam. Any room that wasn't occupied by a Soldier soon finds itself filled with three.

Smoke and haze fill the hallways, but a simple

strategy keeps the teams on the move. Find a room, stack, first two enter, third stands watch. Clear the room, restack, move to the next room.

Pop-pop ... pop.

A rhythmic sound of bullets echoes through the house.

Pop-pop ... pop. Pop-pop ... pop.

The sounds of life and death.

Every room contains enemies, hostages, or both. Their movements are mechanical, second-nature, decisions few, but the Soldiers know that the one decision they have to make is why they were chosen: to know when to pull or not to pull the trigger.

Shoot too quickly, miss the enemy, or worse — shoot too quickly, hit the hostage.

A team comes up on the second to last room. They enter.

The Soldier to the left pulls up his rifle; a split-second decision is made. He fires two shots into the chest and one into the head of a terrorist's silhouette.

He looks to his right; his teammate holds his 9mm at the ready. Three bullet holes mark his target, another terrorist.

They restack. One room left.

No chances will be taken. One of the Soldiers pulls out what he calls a distraction device, a name that doesn't do justice to the object's crippling stun capability.

Without a word, the team choreographs a grenade toss.

A silent count is given. Three ... two ... one ... **BOOM.**

The team storms the final room, a thick cloud of smoke fills the space, and in an instant, shots ring out.

Their decisions ... perfect.

The last terrorist is down.

The last hostage is saved.

End exercise.

Distractions are for Soldiers not ready for the brutal realities of the SRT.

Above — A squad prepares to rush into a shoot house during SRT training on Schofield Barracks, Aug. 22.

Right — Spc. Logan Hobbs (right), military police, 3rd Inf. Bde., 25th ID, provides security as part of a breach exercise.

Below — A second squad of Soldiers enters the shoot house to practice room clearing and explosive breaching.



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Safety zone at K-Bay sandbar in place for Labor Day

New rule applies to three holiday weekends, prevents disturbances

HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

News Release

HONOLULU — The Department of Land and Natural Resources, or DLNR, will begin enforcing a new state boating rule over this Labor Day holiday weekend, Sept. 1-3 (Saturday, Sunday and Monday), which prohibits the possession, use or consumption of alcohol; loud, abusive or disorderly conduct; and the presence of persons under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or nonprescription drugs in an area designated as the Ahu o Laka safety zone, also known as the Kaneohe Sandbar in Kaneohe Bay.

"The state is moving forward to support public safety and respect for Ahu o Laka as a unique natural resource and cultural area," said William Aila Jr., chairperson, DLNR.

"We have listened to the concerns of families and responsible boaters in striking a balance that applies needed rules and enforcement to three summer holiday weekends," Aila added, explaining that, historically, the K-Bay sandbar has logged larger crowds, drinking and unruly behavior, causing disturbances, during holiday weekends.

The new rule establishes a rectangular safety zone in the middle of Kaneohe Bay. The area is just over a square mile and comprises the majority of the sandbar, defined by six marker buoys.

Provisions of the rule serve to protect the public while visiting Ahu o Laka on three designated holiday weekends in the summer — Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day, including any three-day weekend associated with these holidays.

The rule has a sunset provision in three years to allow the department time to monitor and evaluate its effectiveness and the need for continuance or modification at that time.

Under the new rule, violations may be subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 or less than \$50 for each violation, in ad-

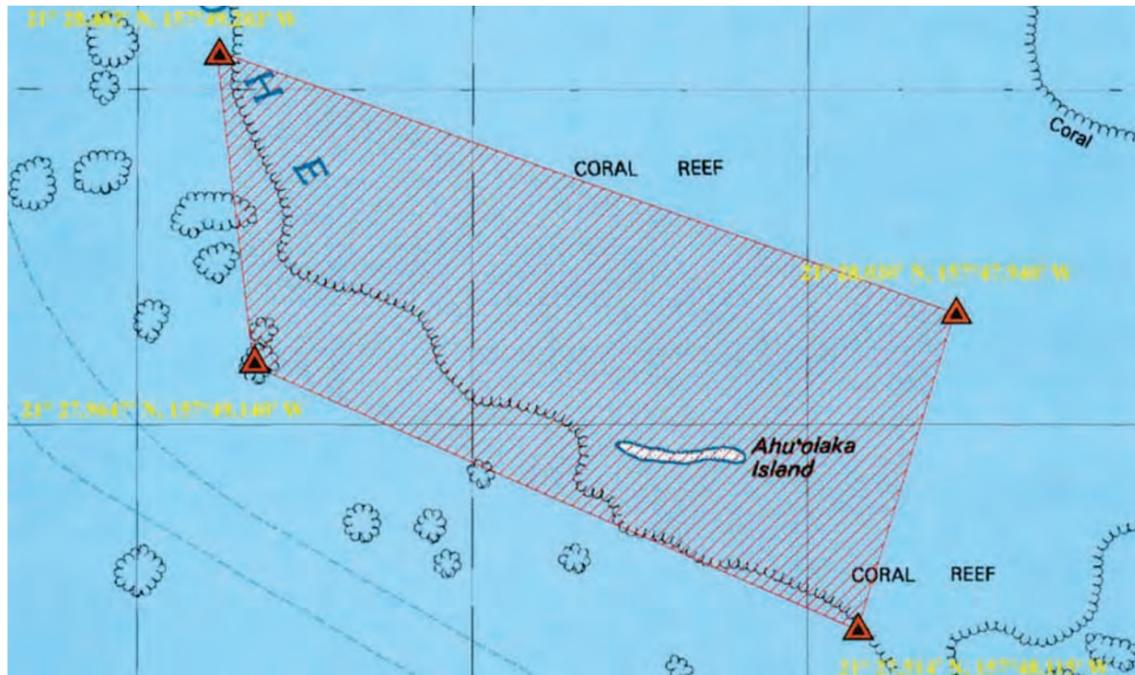


Photo courtesy of the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources

The above graph depicts the designated Ahu o Laka safety zone at Kaneohe Bay. A new rule prohibits the possession, use or consumption of alcohol; loud, abusive or disorderly conduct; and the presence of persons under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or nonprescription drugs in the area.

dition to administrative fines, fees, costs and damages, according to Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 13-256-73.13 Ahu o Laka Safety Zone.

Persons cited will be processed administratively at a public meeting before the Land Board. Persons wishing to contest the infraction(s) may request a contested case hearing.

A 120-day emergency rule that was in operation during Inde-

pendence Day, Admission Day and Labor Day weekends in 2011 resulted in a calmer, family-friendly environment. During that time DLNR issued a total of eight citations for unauthorized possession of alcohol, and fines issued by the Land Board ranged from \$50-\$400.

The safety zone is identical in size and placement to the zone that was approved last year by the Land Board.

News Briefs

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

Today

Hale Kula Elementary EA — In a jointly funded project, the Department of Defense's Office of Economic Adjustment and the Hawaii Department of Education are proposing to improve facilities at Hale Kula Elementary School on Schofield Barracks.

Information regarding a Draft Environmental Assessment is available in The Environmental Notice, published in the Aug. 23 issue of the State of Hawaii's Office of Environmental Quality Control.

The Environmental Notice can be accessed electronically at <http://hawaii.gov/health/environmental/environmental/>

oeqc/index.html.

Contact Malia Cox at 521-5631 or mcox@pbrhawaii.com.

September 15 / Saturday

WAAF Power Shutdown — A scheduled power shutdown, 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 15, will affect all of Wheeler Army Airfield. The Hawaiian Electric Company will be inspecting and performing routine maintenance of its substation transformer. Call 656-3065.

Ongoing

Temporary Schofield VCC — Due to construction on Lyman Gate, the Schofield Barracks Visitor Control Center, or VCC, has relocated to Kawamura Gate, Wheeler Army Airfield.

Visitors and contractors who require an installation pass to SB must use the temporary VCC.

Drivers should anticipate a change in traffic patterns on the installation and allow for extra time in their commute. For current traffic advisories,

visit www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/des/default.htm.

CID Recruitment — The Army's Criminal Investigation Command, or CID, is seeking qualified, high-caliber Soldiers for CID special agents.

Recruiting briefings are at 9:30 a.m., Tuesdays, at the Hawaii CID Office, Bldg. 3026, Schofield Barracks. Visit www.CID.army.mil, call 655-1989 or email jesus.goytia@us.army.mil.

Suicide Prevention — The Nation-

al Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a free, 24-hour crisis intervention hotline at (800) 273-TALK (8255), and online at www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org, available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress, to include all military members and their families.

Dealing With Stress — Visit the Employee Assistance Program office, Bldg. 2091, Schofield Barracks, for help and ideas on dealing with stress or other issues affecting job performance. Call 655-6047/6046.

PRMC staff recognized for SKILLS

Collaborative efforts save \$14K in costs, allow 187 more patient hours

PACIFIC REGIONAL MEDICAL COMMAND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
News Release

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — More than 100 staff members from across health care specialties were recognized in a ceremony at Soldiers' Pavilion, U.S. Army Health Clinic-Schofield Barracks, here, Aug. 17.

The Soldier Knowledge Integrating Lessons Learned for Strength program, or SKILLS, is an innovative program aimed at providing critical behavioral health services to 25th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade Combat Team Soldiers returning from their most recent deployment.

SKILLS ran from January through May and constituted the largest collaboration of behavioral health assets on Oahu over the past decade.

"As one of the nation's large divisional posts, Schofield Barracks has experienced a high operational tempo, with units going downrange for up to 15 months at a time at one point," said Col. Mary Krueger, commander, USAHC-SB. "Of course, when these units came home, there was a huge demand for behavioral health care services."

The inaugural implementation of the three-tiered program required strong collaboration between several entities: Afghanistan and Hawaii; the 3rd BCT and Army Medicine; Tripler Army Medical Center and USAHC-SB; officer, enlisted and civilian personnel; and among staff from various specialties and professional backgrounds.

"In all, successful execution of the SKILLS program, from start to finish, required intense coordination among 12 different services communicating across 17 miles of highway in Hawaii and 14 time zones worldwide," said Lt. Col. Wendi Waits, chief, Behavioral Health Services, USAHC-SB.

Of the 109 staff members recognized, four were awarded an Army Commendation Medal or Commander's Award for Civilian Service; six, the Army Achievement Medal or Achievement Medal for Civilian Service; 61, a certificate of achievement and time-off award or pass; and 38, a certificate of appreciation.

Fifteen staff members also received a commander's coin. Employees not present at the ceremony received their awards in the mail or through other distribution methods.

"All of these individuals were involved in this program," Krueger said. "They came together to make sure needs were identified and needs were met."

The collaborative effort has been quite a success; it not only benefited Soldiers, but also increased efficiency and saved money.

"In addition to providing an obvious safety net for redeploying 3rd Brigade Soldiers, SKILLS resulted in a sevenfold reduction in wait time for behavioral health assessments, and allowed all interested Soldiers to complete a full psychoeducational program before going on block leave," Waits said. "Eighty-three percent of SKILLS group participants felt the process allowed them to access the support they wanted."

"Implementation of group assessments resulted in a cost savings of more than \$14,000," Waits added. "It created an additional 187 patient care hours beyond what would have been available using traditional assessment methods. These positive outcomes would not have been possible without the selflessness and exceptional commitment to duty of each and every one of today's award recipients."

More photos

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John Billon | Tripler Army Medical Center Visual Information Office

Staff members representing various health care specialties stand to be recognized in a ceremony at Soldiers' Pavilion, U.S. Army Health Clinic-Schofield Barracks, Aug. 17.



Col. J. Anson Smith, acting commander, Pacific Regional Medical Command, and chief of staff, TAMC, speaks during a dedication ceremony of Wahiawa Elementary School's new school-based behavioral health building, in Wahiawa, Aug. 22.

Health: Officials hail 'Ike Pili' program

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or and guest speaker for the dedication.

"In keeping with (Sen. Inouye's) vision, we are celebrating the accomplishment of bringing together a community of people consisting of both military and local residents ... leveraging the talents and resources of the community and of the Department of Defense," Smith said. "This program will be something that will benefit all those who need its services."

Wahiawa Elementary chose the name "Ike Pili'aloa," or "bonds of knowledge, friendship and love," for the program. Ike Pili'aloa focuses on improving and promoting the quality of life and wellness of both military and civilian families. Its mission is to provide intervention services in hope of preventing the need for higher levels of care.

The pilot program offers a comprehensive array of interdisciplinary school-based programs and services to support the social and emotional well-being of students, families and community members, to include behavioral health evaluations, testing and treatments; workshops to train students, parents and teachers; and prevention programs, such as anti-bullying.

"This partnership is absolutely essential ... essential for our children," Inouye said. "We have to teach them to get together. We have to have our civilian children realize the pain that some of these military children have."

"I commend Tripler, Queen's and the (DOE) for holding hands and making a partnership that will work," Inouye added. "It is in our nation's best interest and our community's best interest."

More photos

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Health Clinic hosts celebration of women's equality

Observance serves as reminder for women to exercise right to vote

Story and Photo by
STEPHANIE BRYANT

Tripler Army Medical Center Public Affairs

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The staff at U.S. Army Health Clinic-Schofield Barracks held a Women's Equality Month observance, here, Aug. 24.

The health clinic's celebration focused on important dates and achievements in history that dealt with women's equality, but guest speaker Capt. Meegan Henson, chief, Logistics, USAHC-SB, concentrated her comments on the suffrage movement and the right to vote.

Henson is one of USAHC-SB's voting assistance representatives and has been using her voice to encourage staff to vote this election season.

"I have never done anything crazy and have never been involved in any protests for women's rights, or burned anything I

might need to wear later," Henson said, with a laugh. "What I am here to do is educate (everyone) on our right ... and our privilege to vote. So many Americans take our privilege for granted."

Henson reminded staff that it is important to take advantage of voting privileges, as many other countries, such as Iraq and Afghanistan, do not give women this right.

"The American Women's Suffrage Movement stands as a lasting affirmation of our country's democratic promise," Henson said. "It re-emphasizes the importance of the most fundamental democratic value, the right to vote."

Col. Mary Krueger, commander, USAHC-SB, gave final remarks, discussed motivators and qualities needed to accomplish great achievements, and highlighted important women in Army history who have accomplished great feats.

"While winning the right to vote was a great victory, (we must) ask ourselves what elements were in place that allowed them to win that right to vote and how can we apply that to what we do here every day at the Schofield Barracks health clinic," Krueger said, questioning attendees. "When I hear about significant events like women winning the right to vote, especially those due to the ac-

"So many Americans take our privilege for granted."

— **Capt. Meegan Henson**
Chief, Logistics, USAHC-SB

tions of everyday people, I ask myself, 'What made them engaged?' What causes people to engage at a higher level?"

"I would challenge you today to ask if there is anything in your areas that needs to be changed or challenged, either in your personal or professional life," Krueger added. "And if you identify (any areas), how are you going to engage to make that change?"

In 1971, Aug. 26 was selected as the date to commemorate the 1920 passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, allowing women the right to vote. Since then, the annual observance serves as a reminder of women's continuing efforts toward full equality.



1st Sgt. Fergus Joseph, senior enlisted leader, Medical Company, USAHC-SB, reads a poster about significant events during the history of women's efforts toward equality during the Women's Equality Month observance at Soldiers' Pavilion, Schofield Barracks, Aug. 24.



What do I do?

If a hurricane is underway, be ready to respond:

- Stay tuned to the radio, TV or social media sites for more information.
- Secure your home, bring in furniture and close storm shutters.
- Ensure you have enough water for household purposes.
- Turn refrigerator to coldest setting and keep the door closed.
- Never ignore an evacuation order. Follow evacuation guidelines, times and routes. Take your emergency kit with you.
- Stay away from windows and doors. Do not go outside until instructed to do so "All Clear."
- Report to your chain of command when you are in a safe place.
- Avoid high and fast-moving water.

Be prepared for a hurricane

For updates or in the event of a real incident, take these actions:

- Turn to installation channel TV2;
- Visit www.facebook.com/usaghawaii;
- Follow www.twitter.com/usaghawaii;
- Use www.ready.army.mil to prepare for a hurricane, get a kit, make a plan and stay informed.

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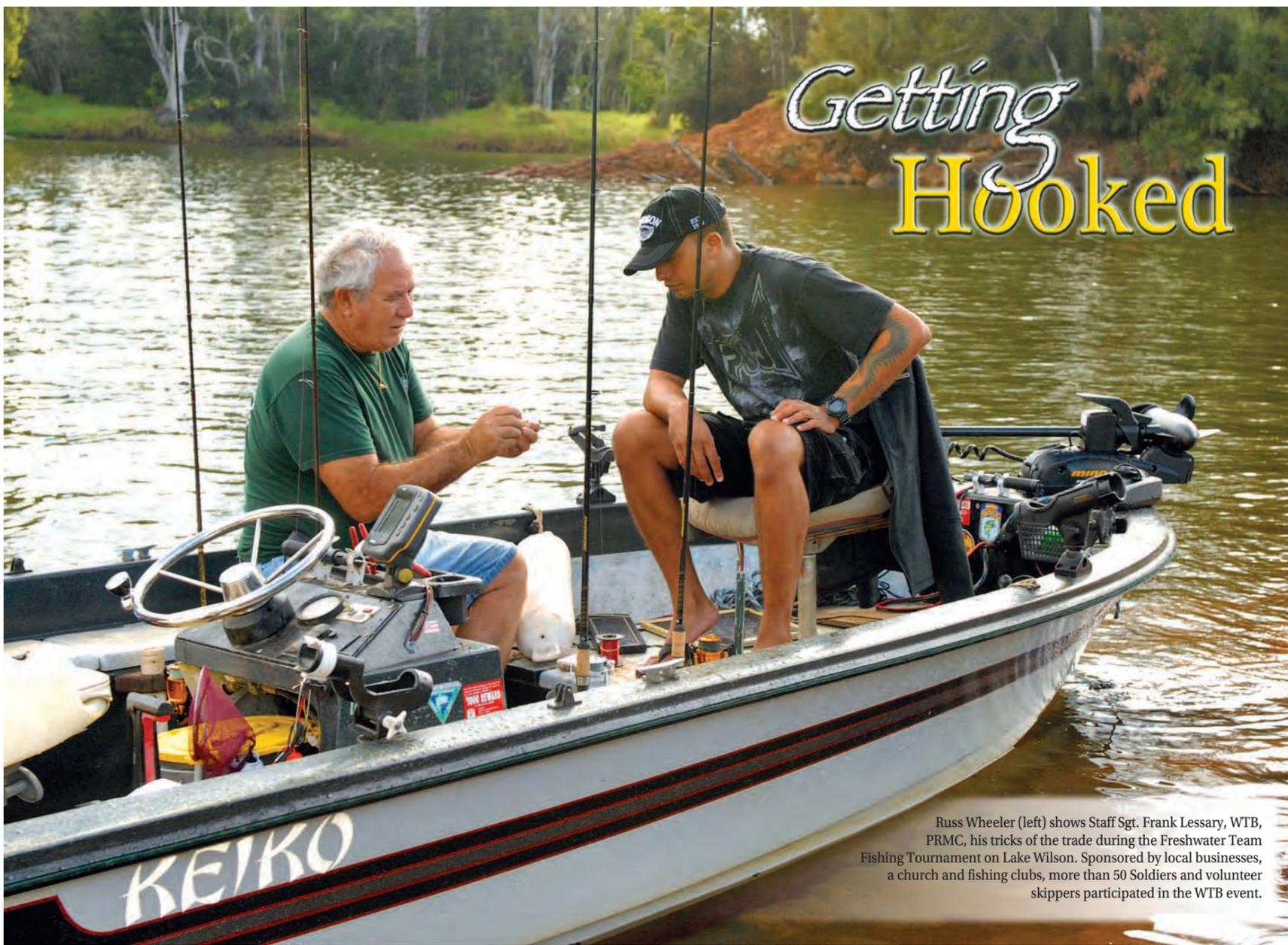
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Russ Wheeler (left) shows Staff Sgt. Frank Lessary, WTB, PRMC, his tricks of the trade during the Freshwater Team Fishing Tournament on Lake Wilson. Sponsored by local businesses, a church and fishing clubs, more than 50 Soldiers and volunteer skippers participated in the WTB event.

Soldiers in transition experience competitive fishing rush

Story and photos by
MAJ. JEFF PARKER

8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

WAHIAWA — More than 50 wounded warriors joined volunteer boat skippers from the local community and participated in a first of its kind Freshwater Team Fishing Tournament on Lake Wilson, here, Aug. 5.

Sponsored by local businesses, churches and fishing clubs, the tournament was also the first of its kind for the Pacific Regional Medical Command's Warrior Transition Battalion, stationed at Schofield Barracks.

The tournament was organized by Chris Baires, a former Soldier and now a single parent of a toddler, while his active duty wife is deployed.

"Just seeing the sacrifice (my wife) had to make, and the sacrifices a lot of these Soldiers make, made me want to do something for them," Baires said.

Before approaching the WTB with his plan, Baires, a member of the Hawaii Freshwater

Fishing Association, presented the idea to his club, along with Imua Wahiawa Freshwater Anglers and other local businesses to solicit interest in sponsoring the event.

"I brought them the idea of the ... tournament, with teams, (so) we could make it competitive," Baires explained. "From what I (could) see, (the Soldiers) loved it. There were some Soldiers who didn't catch anything, but I think just being out on the water... was great for them."

Baires' hard work paid off. After more than three months of planning, Maj. Kirsten Graf, operations officer, WTB, commended the organizers on its success.

"I think the fishing tournament went great,"

Warrior Care

Read more Warrior Care News at www.army.mil/warriorcare; learn more about the Warrior Transition Command at www.wtc.army.mil.

More Photos

View more photos of PRMC's WTB participation during the Freshwater Team Fishing Tournament at Lake Wilson at these sites:

- www.flickr.com/TriplerAMC, or
- www.flickr.com/photos/tripleramc/sets/72157630998003778/.

Graf said. "Some of the Soldiers caught some really decent-sized fish. It seemed that everybody had a great time, and it's something that we want to make an annual or semiannual event."

For those who were able to "hanapaa" (or hook a fish), peacock bass was the prize fish. With a lake record of nearly eight pounds, the day's catches, between three and four pounds, still brought smiles and plenty of excitement.

"It was a big experience, because that is the first time I've done freshwater fishing," said the WTB's Sgt. Frank Lessary, a Kalihi native who

ended the day with several peacock bass. "I've fished in the ocean all my life. Fishing in freshwater ... was very fun."

Other fish commonly found in Lake Wilson's 300 acres of reservoir include tilapia; bluegill; red devils, which are an invasive cichlid; shad; channel catfish and plecostomus, more commonly known as plecos.

After each team's fish were counted and weighed, lunch was served courtesy of members of the Wahiawa Christian Church, and then the day's winners were announced and prizes awarded.

Tournament Results

Overall 1st Place

- Pfc. Eric Holden
- Skipper James Newton

Overall 2nd Place

- Staff Sgt. Manuel Chavez-Martinez
- Staff Sgt. Daniel Moncada
- Skipper Lance Saneishi

Overall 3rd Place

- Staff Sgt. Frank Lessary
- Skipper Russ Wheeler

Side Category 1st Place

- Skipper Jeff Choi
- Staff Sgt. Eli Gibbs
- Spc. Antonio Vera



Skipper James Newton (left) and Pfc. Eric Holden, WTB, PRMC, proudly show their first place plaques at the conclusion of the Freshwater Team Fishing Tournament held on Lake Wilson.



More than 50 PRMC WTB Soldiers and volunteer skippers assemble for a keepsake photo during the first of its kind Freshwater Team Fishing Tournament on Lake Wilson.



Briefs

Today

Hawaiian Luau Lunch Buffet — Every last Friday of the month enjoy a Hawaiian Luau Lunch buffet at the FS Hale Ikena or SB Kolekole Bar and Grill for \$12.95. Call 438-1974, FS, or 655-0660, SB.

September 1 / Saturday

Learn to Swim Sessions — DFMWR Hawaii Army pools are providing their last classes for this year, as follows:

- SB Richardson Pool Session 7, registration Sept. 1-2, class dates are Sept. 10-20;
- TAMC Pool Session 7, registration Sept. 1-8, class dates are Sept. 10-21;
- Helemano Pool Session 4, registration Sept. 1-11, class dates are Sept. 12-22; and
- Aliamanu Pool Session 4, registration Sept. 1-8, class dates are Sept. 10-22.

Register at the intended class location. Children must be registered with CYSS.

Visit himwr.com for more details.

Ladies Golf Clinic — Leilehua Golf Course offers a free ladies golf clinic every first Saturday of the month. Call 655-4653 for reservations.

2 / Sunday

Sunday at the Clubs — Enjoy Sunday breakfast at Kolekole Bar and Grill, SB, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., or Sunday brunch at the dining room at the FS Hale Ikena, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 655-4466, SB, or 438-1974, FS.

4 / Tuesday

Pool Chlorination — Hawaii Army pools will close for monthly chlorination, as follows:

- TAMC, HMR and Richardson (SB) pools close at 1 p.m., Sept. 4; reopens Sept. 6.
 - AMR pool closes Sept. 6-7; reopens Sept. 8.
- Call 655-9653.

6 / Thursday

Zumba — The FS PFC offers Zumba classes, 4:45-5:45 p.m., Thursdays. Cost is \$4 per person. Call 438-1152.

7 / Friday

Tailgate Party — Right Arm Night is celebrating the return of football season with a 4 p.m. tailgate party, Sept. 7, at the FS Hale Ikena. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat food buffet.

Spouses and civilians are welcome to attend this adult event. Tickets are \$5 in

CLEANING UP KAENA



Stefanie Gardin | U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs

KAENA POINT — Spc. Erick Olson, with 225th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, picks up a wooden pallet near the shore during a clean-up effort. Olson and other Soldiers volunteered as part of a joint Army, Hawaii DLNR Earth Month restoration at Kaena Point State Park, April 28.

Volunteers needed to tackle, track trash at Kaena Point

AMY BUGALA

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are needed to help “tackle and track” trash at Kaena Point State Park Reserve and Army Beach, Sept. 15, 8-11:30 a.m.

The Army community is being asked to join hands with volunteers from around the world to collect trash and marine debris, as part of the 27th Annual International Coastal Cleanup, or ICC, at Kaena Point and Army Beach.

What’s collected will be recorded as part of the one-day global-collection effort.

“Trash doesn’t just appear on its own — people leave it behind,” said Col. Daniel Whitney, commander, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii.

“This event is a great opportunity for our Soldiers and families to continue the momentum gained from our recent joint Earth Day restoration effort at Kaena Point,” Whitney said. “It’s a chance to help give back and support our local community.”

This beach cleanup is part of an international action started by the Ocean Conservancy, which has been “tracking the trash” for the past 26 years. Organizers say the difference between the ICC and other beach cleanups is the data collection process.

Volunteers log items found on standardized data cards, which list 43 commonly found items, such as cigarette butts, plastic bottles, bags, caps and lids, and

fishing line. The data provides a unique global picture of the long-term trash trends and inspires changes, from product design to disposal, that better protect the ocean and wildlife.

The Kaena Point State Park Reserve is located at the end of Farrington Highway (Highway 930). It is approximately 10 miles west of Waiialua on the North Shore/Mokuleia side of Kaena Point.

This local effort is supported by the Friends of Kaena Point, the National Park Service, Kokuu Hawaii Foundation and the State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources’ Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

Kaena Point Volunteer Support

Army units or civilians interested in volunteering must register by calling the USAG-HI Public Affairs Office at 656-3158/3160 or by emailing amy.bugala@us.army.mil by Sept. 10.

Sturdy shoes, hats and sunscreen are strongly recommended. Soldiers should wear military-affiliated attire or unit T-shirts.

Water, trash bags and limited gloves will be available. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own gloves, if they have them.

Volunteers should also bring refillable water bottles.

Pets are not allowed at the park.

advance or \$8 at the door. Call 438-1974.

Ongoing

Friday Night Entertainment Series — Catch new acts every Friday at the Kolekole Bar and Grill, SB. Enjoy pau hana specials before the show. Call 655-4466.

WAAF Friday Night Bowling — Take advantage of the \$5 special for Cosmic Bowling; get three games and one shoe rental, 5-10 p.m. Call 656-1745.

Mongolian Barbecue — Dinner is

served starting at 5 p.m., Mondays, at Kolekole Bar and Grill, SB, and Thursdays at Mulligan’s Bar and Grill, FS. Cost is 65 cents per ounce.

Call Kolekole at 655-4466 or Mulligan’s at 438-1974.

Wednesday Bowling Special — Bowl 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesdays, \$1 per game, FS Bowling Center. Cost is \$1 per game; shoe rental is not included.

Offer is subject to availability and doesn’t apply to group or party reservations. Call 438-6733.

9 / Sunday
NFL Sunday Ticket Kick-off — Come to Tropics on Sundays and catch all the games. Facility opens a half hour before the first game starts. Patrons 18 and older are welcome; call 655-5698.

11 / Tuesday
Basketball Court Closure — The Martinez PFC will be closed Sept. 11-16 to recoat the court. The gym will open 11 a.m., Sept. 17. Call 655-4804.

Community Calendar

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

Today

Free Museum Entry — As part of the Blue Star Museum program, several museums around Oahu are offering free admission to all active duty military personnel and their families from now through Labor Day. Participating museums include the Honolulu Museum of Art, the Hawaii State Art Museum and Iolani Palace.

September 1 / Saturday

State Parks — Summer hours for eight Oahu state parks run through Sept. 5 (Labor Day weekend). Hours are 7 a.m.-7:45 p.m. for Keaiwa Heiau, Malaekahana, Puu Ualakaa, Sand Island, Wahila Ridge, Wahiawa Freshwater, Kahana Beach Park, Ka

Iwi Shoreline and Makapuu Lighthouse. Visit www.hawaiistateparks.org.

2 / Sunday

Army Polo — The Army polo team plays India, 2 p.m., Sept. 2, Mokuleia Polo Field, North Shore. A \$25 donation includes entry, parking, food and beverages. Purchase AUSA discount tickets in advance. Contact cgayagas@firstcanoe.com or Hawaii@ausa.org.

6 / Thursday

2012 Aloha Festivals — Opening ceremonies of the Aloha Festivals begin with the Royal Court Investiture, 3 p.m., Sep. 6, Hilton Hawaiian Village, Waikiki.

The largest Hawaiian festival in the Pacific continues with its opening ceremony at 5 p.m. at the Royal Hawaiian Center, Waikiki.

Admission to all events is free for the festival that runs through Sept. 22 around the island of Oahu. Visit www.AlohaFestivals.com.

8 / Saturday

Tunnel to Towers — Runners will cross the Ford Island Bridge dur-

ing this Pearl Harbor 5K race, 7 a.m., Sept. 8. Register at www.tunnelto-towersrun.org. Call 294-6321.

15 / Saturday

WAAF Power Shutdown — A scheduled power shutdown from 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 15, will affect all of Wheeler Army Airfield. This shutdown will allow the Hawaiian Electric Company time to perform inspection and routine maintenance of its substation transformer that feeds WAAF. Call 656-3065.

22 / Saturday

Keiki Bodyboard Contest — Bellows Air Force Station will hold a keiki bodyboard contest for four age groups, between ages 7-17, starting at 10 a.m. Entry fees are \$10, if post-marked by Sept. 2; \$15 if post-marked by Sept. 3-9; and \$20 after Sept. 10.

To register, visit www.bellowsafs.com or call 259-4136/4137.

29 / Saturday

Blue Angels — The Kaneohe Bay Air Show, Sept. 29-30, will include the U.S. Navy’s Blue Angels. Visit

www.kaneohebayairshow.com.

The Blue Angels will arrive about a week prior to the event to conduct practice for their air show demonstration.

Leilehua Fundraiser — The 4th annual Leilehua High School Boosters Craft Fair includes craft and food booths and entertainment, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at Leilehua High School, 1515 California Ave., Wahiawa. Call 224-4080.

Ongoing

Children’s Waiting Room — The ASYMCA Children’s Waiting Room offers on-site child care for healthy children whose parents or siblings have medical appointments in any of the Schofield clinics or at TAMC. No fee is charged; however, donations are welcomed. Weekday hours for the SB Health Clinic Children’s Waiting Room are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.; TAMC hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 624-5645, SBHC, or 833-1185, TAMC.

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
- Fourth Sunday, 1 p.m. at MPC Annex

Catholic Mass

- Thursday, 9 a.m. at AMR
- Saturday, 5 p.m. at TAMC, WAAF
- Sunday services:
 - 8:30 a.m. at AMR
 - 10:30 a.m. at MPC Annex
 - 11 a.m. at TAMC
- Monday-Friday, 11:45 a.m. at MPC and 12 p.m. TAMC

Gospel Worship

- Sunday, noon. at MPC
- Sunday, 12:30 p.m. at AMR

Islamic Prayers and Study

- Friday, 1 p.m. at MPC Annex
- Friday, 2:30 p.m., TAMC
- Saturday and Sunday, 5:30 a.m.; 6, 7 and 8 p.m. at MPC Annex

Jewish Shabbat (Sabbath)

- Monday, 6 p.m. at PH (Bible Study)
- Friday, 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, 8:15 a.m. at PH

Pagan (Wicca)

- Friday, 7 p.m. at MPC Annex

Protestant Worship

- Sunday Services
 - 9 a.m. at FD, MPC and TAMC chapels
 - 9 a.m. at WAAF chapel, Lutheran/Episcopalian
 - 10 a.m. at HMR
 - 10:30 a.m. at AMR

Single Soldiers’ Bible Study

- Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. at SC; lunch is provided.

Worship Service

- Sunday, 6 p.m. at SC.

This Week at the MOVIES
Sgt. Smith Theater

Call 624-2585 for movie listings or go to aaes.com under realtime movie listing.



The Amazing Spiderman

(PG-13)

Fri., Aug. 31, 4 p.m.

The Dark Knight Rises

(PG-13)

Fri., Aug. 31, 7 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 1, 4 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 2, 2 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 6, 7 p.m.

The Watch

(R)

Sat., Sept. 1, 7 p.m.

Wed., Sept. 5, 7 p.m.

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
- 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

Local vendors display aloha with Hawaiian flavors

Story and photos by
LACEY JUSTINGER

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs

HONOLULU — The promises from the Native Hawaiian Covenant and the Army Community Covenant were on display, Aug. 22, as military representatives met with local vendors during the 15th annual American Logistics Association, or ALA, Hawaii Show, here.

The Army in Hawaii has signed these two covenants to build stronger and more positive relationships in the local Hawaiian community.

"This is a great demonstration of the partnership in Hawaii between the public and private sector and the military presence, which is incredibly important to the local economy," said Patrick Nixon, president, ALA. "Hawaii has small, family-run businesses with unique flavors, and this show gives small businesses an opportunity to do business with the government."

Buyers and managers from ALA, the Defense Commissary Agency, or DeCA, and the Exchange toured booths, tasted samples and discussed marketing and distribution plans with 80 local companies from the Hawaiian Islands, choosing products that will be featured on store shelves.

In 2011, DeCA purchased \$41.06 million of products from 94 Hawaiian companies and \$5.1 million of fresh fruit and vegetables from 118 Hawaiian farms. The fresh produce includes 140 varieties and comes from Oahu, Maui, Molokai and the Big Island.

"We absolutely make an effort to buy local and organic produce and products," said Cindy Workman, a Commissary shopper. "We want to support local businesses and farmers as much as possible."

"I can't thank our military vendors enough for their support of our local vendors, especially farmers," said Rep. Mazie Hirono, who attended the show's opening ceremony.

Hirono said these partnerships with the Commissary and Exchange are critical opportunities to showcase Hawaiian products.

"The military is such an important part of our economy," she added.

"Produce from Hawaii makes a difference in freshness," said Danielle Manintin, while shopping at the Schofield Barracks Commissary.

Keith Hagenbuch, executive director, DeCA, said the four commissaries on Oahu serve 166,000

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— **Susan Sturgeon-Campbell**
Store director, Schofield Barracks Commissary

service and family members, and DeCA is constantly looking at new items to broaden stock assortment, keeping shelves fresh with new and innovative items.

"Customers vote on the products we keep stocked, based on rings through the register," Hagenbuch said.

From this year's show, more than 165 new items and 11 companies were picked up to stock Hawaiian commissaries.

"There was a large selection of organic products in this year's show, which is exceptional," said Susan Sturgeon-Campbell, store director, Schofield Barracks Commissary. "We picked up a lot of organic products because the demand is going more health conscious."

"We're looking for items that are different or unique, with flavors that highlight Hawaii."



Earl Kuisu, with Hawaiian Sun, displays the company's newest product line, which includes flavored pancakes like chocolate macadamia nut, lilikoi and pineapple, and syrups like lilikoi and guava during the ALA Food Show.



Diamond Head Seafood displays its selection of fresh fish available at the Commissary during the ALA Food Show, in Honolulu, Aug. 22.

Covenants

Not familiar with the Native Hawaiian Covenant or the Army Community Covenant? Visit:

- www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/hawaiiancovenant/default.htm
- www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/communitycovenant/default.htm



The Schofield Barracks Commissary posts signs designating which fruits and vegetables are "Hawaiian Grown" in its produce section. The signs contain information about the farmer and the locally grown selection.

Commissary, Exchange patrons have budget-saving options

LACEY JUSTINGER

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD — The Military Resale System benefits military families, but only if families use it.

"The value the Military Resale System provides for military men and women is very important," said a representative for Rep. Colleen Hanabusa, during the American Logistics Association, or ALA, Hawaii Show, Aug. 22.

The Defense Commissary Agency, or DeCA, sells items at cost, plus 5 percent, which covers construction, technology and equipment. This value saves Hawaii-based military more than 45 percent when compared to local outlets.

DeCA savings on the mainland are figured at 30 percent when compared to commercial prices.

According to DeCA, a family of four will save more than \$4,500 a year if buying from the commissary. A single service member will save more than \$1,550.

The Exchange saves shoppers in Hawaii 25.1 percent, ac-

ording to its October 2011 survey, not including sales tax, which Exchange patrons don't pay because outlets are on a federal government property.

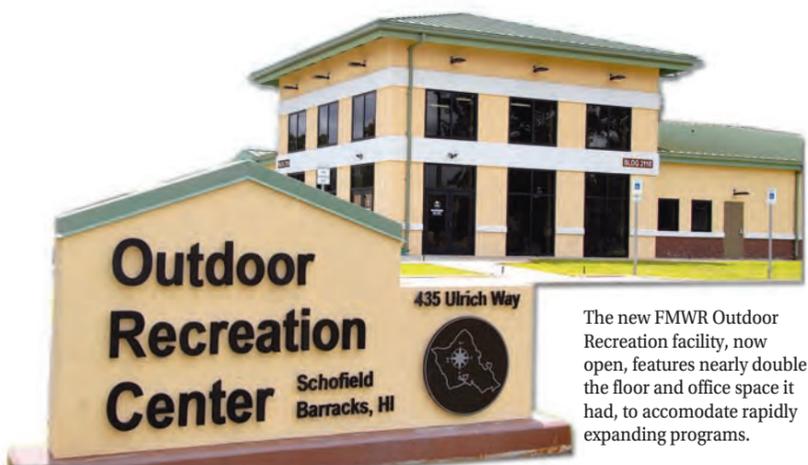
Plus, the Exchange donates 60 percent of its earning to Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs every year, said Stephen Rossetti Jr., government relations, ALA.

"Patrons need to recognize the benefits and use them," said Patrick Nixon, president, ALA. "It's only valuable if you use them."

Benefits

Patrons of the Defense Commissary Agency, and of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, can find their benefits online:

- DeCA, www.commissaries.com,
- Exchange, www.shopmyexchange.com
- Military Resale System, www.saveourbenefit.org.



The new FMWR Outdoor Recreation facility, now open, features nearly double the floor and office space it had, to accommodate rapidly expanding programs.

Dramatic growth fuels new Outdoor Recreation

Story and photo by
JACK WIERS
Pau Hana Editor

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The newly-opened Outdoor Recreation Center, here, has already increased the center's space nearly two-fold, but new programs will keep the program in an expansion mode in the coming months.

Just five years ago, many senior officials of U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii's Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation considered the program an afterthought. Then, ODR was focused primarily on rentals, such as kayaks and volleyballs.

When current program manager Shelly Leslie was asked how she would describe the dramatic rise of more than 500 percent in the number of Outdoor Recreation rentals, alone, since 2008, she squirmed a bit in her chair. While trying to be humble, she answered modestly in a word, "meteoric."

The DFMWR program, besides renting sports supplies to customers, now provides weekend adventure programs and oversees the largest pet kennel facility in Hawaii and also the Wheeler Army Airfield's paintball facility.

The Aug. 17 opening of the 7,888 square-foot main building, constructed with \$7.1 million nonappropriated funds, or NAF revenue, signals a dizzying expansion of a once-modest rental operation.

How did this "meteoric" growth occur? Leslie offered a humbled and understated response.

"(We) have just been responsive to Soldier needs," she said.

Those needs include providing hands-on instruction to provide customers with a true Hawaiian adventure experience.

"You can't teach surfing in a building," Leslie said.

The program's rental roots have not been lost during the dizzying, overall program expansion, however. A new outdoor shed behind the main building features 5,000 square feet of covered protection. The shed allows a 40-percent increase in rental inventory of larger items, such as kayaks, surfboards, standup paddleboards and bicycles that are intended to meet growing customer demand.

"FMWR research shows strong support from Soldiers and our community for adventure programs and experiences," said Michael Amarosa, director, DFMWR. "(Research) highlights our Outdoor Recreation services as a Soldier priority."

New rapidly expanding initiatives include program support for Warrior Adventure Quest, or WAQ, a program that provides training and redeployment resiliency support through events, such as ocean adventures, the high ropes course and paintball.

More than 6,500 Soldiers, here, have participated in the WAQ.

The coming months for Outdoor Recreation will feature an official grand opening of the new building in January while a new

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Teens experience Big Island

Story and photo by
BOB MCELROY
USAG-Pohakuloa Public Affairs

KILAUEA MILITARY CAMP, Hawaii — High school students from several Pacific region garrisons gathered, here, recently, for an annual Pacific Youth Leadership Forum.

The theme for this year's forum was "Renewable Energy-The Power of Youth."

The purpose of the forum was to connect teens from different backgrounds, discuss teen issues, provide leadership opportunities and help them develop their personal skills.

Teens from garrisons in Alaska, Hawaii, Japan, Kwajalein and Korea attended.

The forum was open to teens, ages 14-17, who demonstrated good character and behavior and who were active participants in their garrison's Youth Program.

Nearly 30 teens attended this year's forum.

Mark Ryales, youth program specialist for Installation Management Command-Pacific Region, said issues identification sessions are the prime reason the region brings teens together.

"It starts at the garrisons," Ryales explained. "Garrison youth councils determine three issues from each of their garrisons and

then bring them to the Region Youth Leadership Forum. The forum discusses the issues and determines which are the top five in the Pacific Region; the others go back to the garrisons for resolution."

During their time in Hawaii, the teens performed a technology project and a service learning project.

The technology project focused on renewable and sustainable energy projects. Teens visited the Pakini Nui wind farms on South Point to learn about wind-generated electricity. They also learned about ocean thermal energy conversion, a process that uses differences in seawater temperature to generate electricity.

To cap their technology experience, the teens built a wind turbine and used it to power a water pump.

"The kids designed them; whoever pumped the most water in 60 seconds won," Ryales said.

The service learning project took place in Hilo where 29 teens joined volunteers from the Hilo Habitat for Humanity for a morning of hard work under a brilliant blue sky and blazing sun.

Steven Colon, a high school junior from Schofield Barracks, Oahu, came to the forum to develop his leadership skills and to give back to the community. He discovered another benefit to the forum: meeting new people and making new friends.

"I'm kind of shy and stuck with my group at first, but then I got to know the other kids, and they were similar to me," Colon said. "They have the same issues and are not so different. I don't want to leave. We've only known each other a few days, but I feel like I've known them my entire life."

Halley Hine from Aliamanu Military Reservation, Oahu, said 2012 is the first time she's attended a Youth Leadership Forum. Like her fellow teens, she shares a desire to make a difference in her community.

"I saw this as a way to do it," Hine said, adding that she also learned the value of teamwork.

"I got what it means to work as a team, to work with others," she said. "I have a lot in common with the other kids. This has been a wonderful experience."

After the forum adjourned, Ryales reflected on it and the teens who participated.

"This is collectively the strongest group of leaders I've seen in 11 years; these kids earned the opportunity to come to Hawaii," he said. "(This) was a great location for our technology and service learning project."



Steven Colon, a teen from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, was one of 29 high school students who participated in this year's Pacific Youth Leadership Forum at Kilauea Military Camp, Hawaii. He's shown helping during the YLF community service project with Hilo Habitat for Humanity.

SAMC, 25th CAB run, create support for wounded warriors

Story and photo by
SGT. CANDICE FUNCHESS

3rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary)

KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan — Perhaps too few causes unite Soldiers, civilians and local nationals in a deployed environment.

However, all personnel came together in support of wounded warriors and the Joint Sustainment Command-Afghanistan Chapter of the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club, here, recently.

Roughly 475 participants, including Soldiers from the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, united in support of a run for the Wounded Warrior Project, here. The JSC-A Chapter, head-

quartered by the 3rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), based in Fort Knox, Ky., hosted a weeklong fundraiser that culminated in a 5k run and a check presentation of nearly \$11,000 to the Wounded Warrior Project.

SAMC members held several meetings to decide how to give back to the KAF community. That is, after all, what the club is all about, said Sgt. 1st Class Chestine Sanders, brigade operations noncommissioned officer in charge for Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 25th CAB, and chapter secretary.

"The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club is an elite group of NCOs that give back to the community," Sanders explained.

"We thought it would be a good way to let

the wounded warriors know they're not forgotten," said Master Sgt. Wyman Loveless Jr., senior enlisted advisor for religious support operations, JSC-A, and the chapter president. "It's one thing to say something, but it sends a totally different message when you do something for someone."

The wounded warriors appreciated the support the SAMC generated, said Staff Sgt. Scott Mason, KAF Wounded Warrior Center NCOIC. Mason attended the event and received the check on behalf of the center.

"They (wounded warriors) were also surprised by the amount (of the check)," said Mason.

"The center plans to use the money to buy the necessary items, first, such as eye protec-

tion, shower shoes and wounded warrior physical training gear," Mason added.

Club members were thankful for the support of the community, as well.

"We want to let people know there's no way we could've done this event without people's support," said Loveless.

"The amount of support we have received over this last week has been overwhelming."

The JSC-A chapter is scheduled to host several more events in support of Soldiers in the coming months.

"It's just about taking care of Soldiers," said Sgt. Maj. Cynthia R. Johnson, operations senior enlisted advisor for JSC-A and SAMC member. "That's just what we do."



SAMC members and volunteers take a photo with a check that was presented in honor of the Wounded Warrior Project at Kandahar Airfield, recently. The money raised will help purchase needed supplies for wounded warriors.

ODR: Support fueled rapid expansion

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5,000 square foot, self-contained, inflatable paintball facility is scheduled to be available by October.

Further program expansion is continuing with the current assimilation and renovation of a nearby warehouse for additional housing of sports equipment rentals, while also being re-designed to provide additional retail and rental storefront capabilities.

Beyond the immediate future, the expansive visions for ODR continue, program officials indicate, fueled by the consistently growing demand by Soldiers and the community that is expected to carry forward.

ODR Center

Visit ODR at 435 Ulrich Way, Bldg. 2110, Schofield Barracks. Call 655-0143.

Hours of operation are Tuesday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Sundays, Mondays and holidays, ODR is closed.

• Visit www.himwr.com.

Right—The new FMWR Outdoor Recreation facility features nearly 5000 square feet of covered storage behind the main building, allowing for an increase of 40 percent more equipment for Soldier and family member rental. The new complex is located behind the ACS building and the Hui Na O Wahine Thrift Shop.

