

Region safety center relocates

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Navy Region Hawai'i held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Monday to celebrate the opening of the new safety office at Pearl Harbor.

The safety center moved from its previous location at Public Works Center (PWC) to better serve its customers.

"Most of our customers are here at Pearl Harbor," said Mary Larigiore, Navy Region Hawai'i occupational safety and health specialist. "Whether they are at the shipyard, sub base or the Fleet Industrial Supply Center, we are closer to them now. Instead of our customers having to go to PWC, they can visit us right here on base. This move is important because it shows our customers that

we want to be closer to them and that we care. We don't want them to think of us as just another program. We want them to utilize our services; this move makes it easier," she said.

Having regional safety separate from Naval Facilities Engineering Command helps the office concentrate more on people.

"We are opening a new chapter in region safety," said Cmdr. Douglas Holderman, Navy Region Hawai'i public safety officer. "Region safety is now under the region hat and it's been re-organized. These two organizations have different responsibilities. FEC deals more with industrial hygiene and facilities inspections where this office is more people oriented. We're closer to the Sailors, closer to the ships and we are more accessible."



U.S. Navy photo by JO2 Devin Wright
Cmdr. Douglas Holderman, Navy Region Hawai'i safety officer, speaks to employees during a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new region safety office at Pearl Harbor.



March is Women's History Month

Take the trivia quiz to try and win a prize.

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Aerial display

Sailors enjoy skydiving over the North Shore. See story on page B-1.

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Hawai'i Nature Center project at Pouhala Marsh

Hawai'i Nature Center is a private, non-profit organization. Their primary mission is to provide hands-on environmental education programs to families and children. The Pouhala Marsh service projects for 2005 will take place on the following Saturdays from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.: March 19, April 9 and May 7.

The current service project work will involve wet and muddy work. At this time, the work will be pickleweed and mangrove removal. Please note the following:

- Bring work gloves and water. HNC will provide snacks and juice.
- Wear a hat, use sunscreen, and dress to get dirty and muddy. It can get very hot in Waipahu. Footwear (covered shoes or rubber boots) is required.
- The work will involve going into the water and mud (at least up to your knees) to remove the pickleweed. They recommend bringing a change of clothes, towel, rubber slippers and plastic bag to put your dirty clothes in.
- There are no toilets, but there will be jugs of water for washing hands only.

Correction to last week's Hawai'i Navy News

In last week's newspaper, we reported the receipts from the recycling trucks which will be at the Navy Exchange can be redeemed at any NEX outlets.

That information was incorrect. The printouts from the trucks which will be on hand Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. can only be redeemed by authorized NEX patrons at the Navy Exchange at Pearl Harbor. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.



U.S. Navy photo by JO2 Devin Wright
NJROTC Cadets from Campbell High School participate in the Ghost in the Graveyard relay at Millican Field Monday during spring camp. The three-day camp helps students learn life skills in a fun environment using the Navy's core values of honor, courage and commitment.

Sea Cadets visit Pearl Harbor

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Navy Region Hawai'i hosted 150 Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC) cadets from four high schools throughout Hawai'i from March 21 through March 23 for their annual spring camp.

Spring camp takes place during their schools' normal spring break and is an opportunity for the NJROTC students to learn skills in leadership and citizenship in a structured military environment, using the Navy's core values of honor, courage and commitment.

"We want to provide a meaningful environment where the students can grow and develop skills to help them be better citizens, students and cadets," said Cmdr. John Hutchison, senior naval science instructor at Campbell High School and the officer in charge of NJROTC Spring Camp 2005. "This program is important to the Navy because it helps mold and prepare our future

leaders for the fleet. These students are learning cooperation, leadership and things that are well beyond their years. They've learned these things in a military environment," said Hutchison.

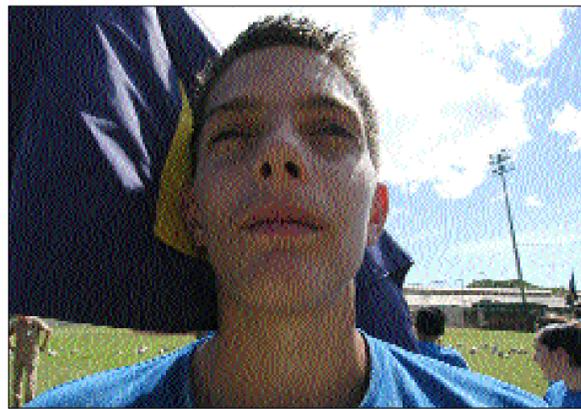
One of the stops during the cadet's camp was at Rainbow Bay Marina for sailing, kayaking, swimming survival and outrigger canoeing.

The Honolulu Pearl Canoe Club (HPCC) provided the outrigger canoeing portions of the training.

HPCC is a non-profit corporation, partnering with Morale, Welfare and Recreation to provide an outrigger canoe venue to build Hawaiian cultural awareness and competition racing for military members, their families and local community. HPCC provides an opportunity for both the military family and local community club members to learn, practice outrigger canoe paddling.

HPCC youth, coaches and members provided the

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U.S. Navy photo by JO2 Devin Wright
An NJROTC cadet stands at attention during drill practice at Millican Field Monday. Navy Region Hawai'i hosted 150 cadets during their three day camp.

Tripler phasing in computerized medical records

Lt. Col. Cherub I. Williamson
Tripler Army Medical Center, Family Medicine Clinic

A revolution in U.S. military medicine is coming to Tripler Army Medical Center in May.

Tripler's staff is now installing and being trained to use a new, computerized system called the Composite Health Care System II (CHCS II). CHCS II will eventually replace service members' and their family members' paper medical files at Tripler, as well as at all military medical facilities around the world.

Today, most information about patients is recorded and stored on paper, requiring hundreds of feet of shelf space at clinics and hospitals for patient medical records. CHCS II will eventually be used to record and store all military patients' medical information in one large, computerized database on the mainland. The days of large paper medical records and stacks of handwritten documents will slowly come to an end.

Initially, medical records will continue in paper form at facilities caring for patients. However, all new records will also be entered into the CHCS II database. This will allow authorized

medical providers in military hospitals worldwide to view online a single, up-to-date record for each patient.

This system will eventually eliminate duplicate files, which always have the risk of not including the latest information about a patient. Through CHCS II, a healthcare provider can easily check to ensure a patient's prescriptions aren't in conflict. Another advantage of CHCS II is that patients won't have to repeat lab work and x-rays, simply because their paper records are not readily available.

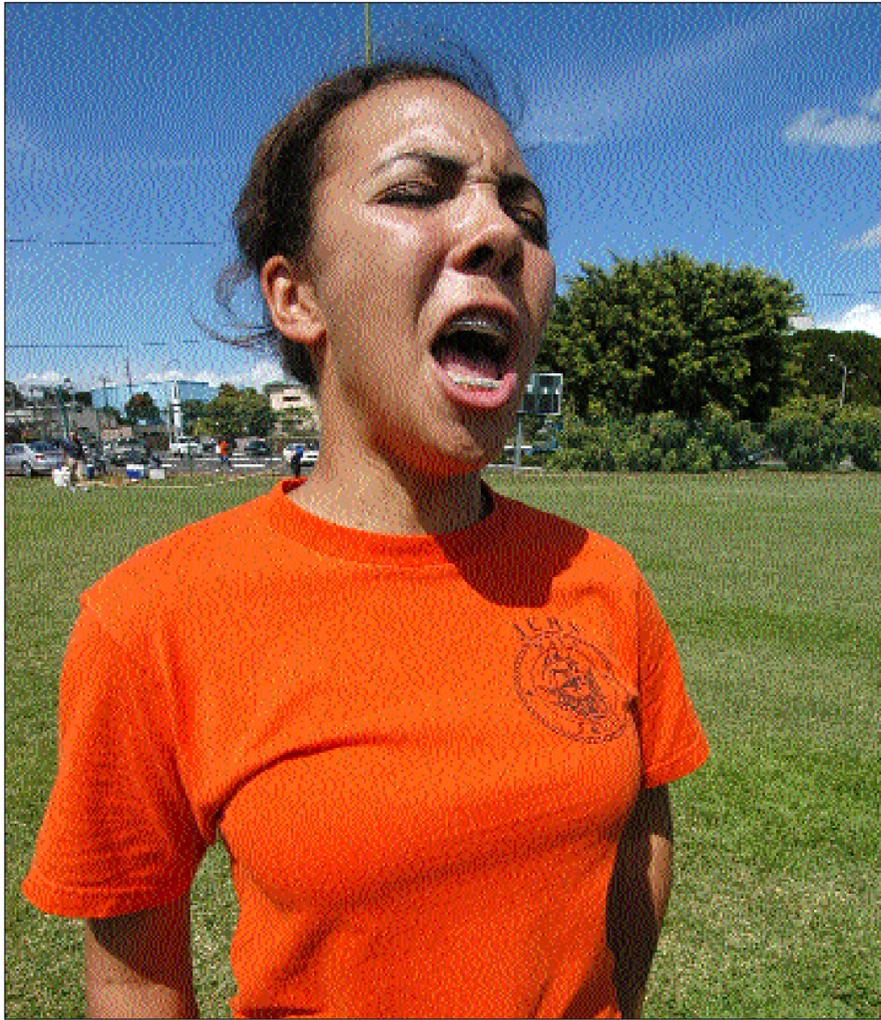
In preparing for CHCS II, medical histories from August 2003 of all patients are being entered into the

centralized database. Patients with medical histories earlier than that date, however, will continue to have their paper records on file, to supplement their electronic medical records. However, as new visits are completed, the new entries in the electronic health record will eventually cover all the information in the paper record.

CHCS II is a Department of Defense-wide medical initiative that started in January 2004 at seven U.S. military hospitals. It was introduced to medical facilities in Europe in January 2005. The Pacific region is the last major geographic area to be phased in. By the

end of 2006, the system will include all Department of Defense medical facilities, including dental facilities.

As part of the transition, healthcare providers, their support staff and other facility personnel are now being trained to use the new CHCS II software program. To allow doctors and other healthcare providers' time to learn how to enter and obtain information about their patients into CHCS II, longer and fewer appointments per day will be scheduled for patients. However, to reduce the impact on patient care, only a few providers in each clinic will be involved in the training at any particular time.



U.S. Navy photo by J02 Devin Wright

An NJROTC cadet from Campbell High School shouts orders to her unit during drill practice at Millican Field Monday. 150 cadets took part in a three day spring camp to help them learn skills in Navy leadership. Other activities include, physical training, seamanship skills and a sea cruise.

NJROTC: Students try a variety of activities

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NJROTC cadets with orientation on Hawaiian canoe culture and history with regard to Pearl Harbor, instruction on paddling technique, on-water practice in MWR/HPCC canoes and finishing with a 'mini-racing regatta,'" said Cmdr. Bob Baudrau, United States Pacific Command International logistics and sustainment officer and president of HPCC. "The HPCC youth, mostly from Pearl City High School, volunteered while on spring break to provide instruction and water time, with adult supervision from coaches and adult HPCC members. We cycled approximately 150 cadets through the HPCC program in groups of approximately 36 every two hours. It was a long day," he added.

The cadet commander, a Campbell high school student, said the skills she receives from the training could help her in the future.

"When I apply to schools, I think I will



U.S. Navy photo by J02 Devin Wright

A cadet counts off his push-ups during physical training at Millican Field Monday. About 150 cadets from four different high schools throughout Hawai'i took part in the three-day camp to help train tomorrow's naval leaders.

have an edge over other applicants because it does show that I have discipline and the work ethic that is taught not only at spring camp but in the NJROTC experience," she said. "Even if we don't pursue a career in the military, we are still learning skills that will help us and stay with us throughout our lives. That's invaluable. We are making new friends and learning about teamwork and co-operation. It's just a great opportunity and a great experience," she added.

This was the Cadet Commander's third spring camp. She is not sure whether she will follow a career in the military.

"I think I'm kind of an artsy type," she said. "I may join the military. I may not. At least I know I have options. No matter what I end up doing or where I end up going, I'll always take the lessons I've learned from NJROTC with me."

During the three-day camp, students participated in a variety of fun

activities that included physical training, drill practices, seamanship and a sea cruise.



U.S. Navy photo by J02 Devin Wright

A cadet cheers on his teammates during a relay at Millican Field Monday. The three-day NJROTC Spring Camp wrapped up Wednesday after the cadets took a sea cruise.

Hawai'i Navy News Editorial

E-5 high year tenure reduced to 14 years

Commentary
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The Navy is trimming its ranks and, in turn, becoming more competitive. To that end, the Navy is going to reduce high year tenure (HYT) for second class petty officers to 14 years effective July 1. From my perspective, this is a very positive step forward for our enlisted ranks and in the long run, should improve the quality of our entire enlisted rank structure.

The change in HYT will affect all active duty, full-time support (FTS) and Reservists on active duty with more than two years of active service. Drilling Selective Reservists will not be initially affected by this change.

For our current group of second class petty officers, please understand there is going to be a four-year phase-in process and there is a "grandfather" period that applies to those with 10 or more years of cumulative active service to keep

faith with Sailors halfway to a 20-year career.

For those of you who have less than 10 years, your HYT will now be 14 years.

So how many people will this affect? The average number of second class petty officer retirements each year is between 500 and 600. The new HYT will do two positive things: First, it will increase advancement opportunity to E-5 because there will be some attrition at the 14-year mark. Additionally, the Navy-wide average time to advance to E-5 should decrease, which should be viewed as great news for our younger Sailors.

For many years, the Navy had a slogan that read, "Move up, not out, stay Navy." The implication was that Sailors were to strive to advance and continue to improve their worth to the Navy. Keeping that slogan in context, you can easily see why so many in the Navy fought to reduce HYT for second class petty officers.

I fully understand advancement is sometimes difficult, and that, depending on your CREO group,

advancement can sometimes be slow. However, I do not believe it's so difficult that our second classes cannot make first class in 14 years.

Shipmates, the writing on the wall is simple: Never be content. The Navy continues to need Sailors who love the Navy and love personal achievement. Our Navy needs to be staffed by Sailors who see a bright future and do everything in their power to advance in their ratings and take on the leadership challenges that lie ahead. There's nothing bad about having a system that compels us all to aspire to higher responsibility.

In this fiscal year alone, the Navy will shrink from about 314,700 enlisted personnel to 308,300. Next year, we'll reduce even further to about 296,700 enlisted. As we trim the ranks and become a more capable Navy, there is no place for extra personnel.

If you wear a Navy uniform, you will be an integral part of our team and your work will be counted upon. Our Navy has no room for extra people, or people who advance to a particular paygrade and then decide that's far enough. The Navy budget is extremely tight and we need to maximize the tal-

ents and energy of every Sailor.

High year tenure limits are a tool for us to shape our Navy. They establish bars for all of us. No doubt, performance is the key to controlling your own destiny. If you are a junior Sailor and you desire to someday serve as a master chief, you can easily plot on a calendar the advancement goals you must meet, ahead of the Navy's established HYT dates.

Whether you know it or not, the higher in rank you go, the less peers you will have. As a matter of fact, only one percent of our Navy enlisted force may serve at the master chief level and 2.5 percent at the senior chief level. While those percentages will remain constant, the actual number of people serving as master chiefs and senior chiefs will drop as our enlisted force comes down in numbers, thus making it even more competitive to rise to our highest enlisted paygrades. If you see yourself at the top someday, you will have to advance on time and compete head to head with your peers for those coveted senior billets.

So how do you control your career so you don't fall prey to HYT? It's actually pretty simple. First and

foremost, as you begin your career you need to study hard and learn your rating inside and out. Don't be content with "A" school knowledge; open the books and become the clear expert. Additionally, make college a part of your education plan. Take full advantage of the Navy's education incentives and visit Navy College to map out a degree plan. Additionally, strive to be a leader. Take the tough jobs and when you're put in charge of a project or group of people, do your very best to ensure the outcome is viewed as a success.

Shipmates, in all honesty, you do control your career. The Navy's HYT limits are not meant to force good Sailors out of the Navy. They are there to ensure only the brightest, very best rise to the top. I would encourage each of you to look into the mirror and ask yourself how far you want to go in our Navy. I truly believe you can go as far as you want to go, if you give it your all!

The E-5 HYT NAVADMIN will be out shortly. Please read it carefully as there are specific things each of you should know about this change and what the procedures are for applying for a waiver.

President discusses past two years in Iraq

President George W. Bush's March 19 radio address

From www.whitehouse.gov

Good morning. On this day two years ago, we launched Operation Iraqi Freedom to disarm a brutal regime, free its people, and defend the world from a grave danger.

Before coalition forces arrived, Iraq was ruled by a dictatorship that murdered its own citizens, threatened its neighbors, and defied the world. We knew of Saddam Hussein's record of aggression and support for terror. We knew of his long history of pursuing, even using, weapons of mass destruction, and we know that September the 11th requires our country to think differently. We must, and we will, confront threats to America before they fully materialize.

Now, because we acted, Iraq's government is no longer a threat to the world or its own people. Today the Iraqi people are taking charge of their own destiny. In January, over eight million Iraqis defied the car bombers and assassins to vote in free elections. This week, Iraq's Transitional National Assembly convened for the first time. These elected leaders broadly represent Iraq's people and include more than 85 women. They will now draft a new constitution for a free and democratic Iraq. In October, that document will be presented to the Iraqi people in a national referendum. Another election is planned for December to choose a permanent constitutional government.

Free governments reflect the culture of the citizens they serve, and that is happening in Iraq. Today, Iraqis can take pride in building a government that answers to its people and honors their country's unique heritage. Millions of Americans saw that pride in an Iraqi woman named Safia Taleb al-Suhail who sat in the gallery during the State of the Union address. Eleven years ago, Saddam Hussein's thugs murdered her father. Today, Safia's nation is free, and

Saddam Hussein sits in a prison cell. Safia expressed the gratitude of the Iraqi nation when she embraced the mom of Marine Corps Sergeant Byron Norwood who was killed in the assault on Fallujah.

To all the brave members of our Armed Forces who have taken part in this historic mission, and to your families, I express the heartfelt thanks of the American people. I know that nothing can end the pain of the families who have lost loved ones in this struggle, but they can know that their sacrifice has added to America's security and the freedom of the world.

Iraq's progress toward political freedom has opened a new phase of our work there. We are focusing our efforts on training the Iraqi security forces. As they become more self-reliant and take on greater security responsibilities, America and its coalition partners will increasingly assume a supporting role. In the end, Iraqis must be able to defend their own country, and we will help that proud, new nation secure its liberty. And then our troops will return home with the honor they have earned.

Today we're seeing hopeful signs across the broader Middle East. The victory of freedom in Iraq is strengthening a new ally in the war on terror, and inspiring democratic reformers from Beirut to Tehran. Today, women can vote in Afghanistan, Palestinians are breaking the old patterns of violence, and hundreds of thousands of Lebanese are rising up to demand their sovereignty and democratic rights. These are landmark events in the history of freedom. Only the fire of liberty can purge the ideologies of murder by offering hope to those who yearn to live free.

The experience of recent years has taught us an important lesson: The survival of liberty in our land increasingly depends on the success of liberty in other lands. Because of our actions, freedom is taking root in Iraq, and the American people are more secure.

Thank you for listening.

Doing the Baghdad hula



Multi-National Security Transition Command - Iraq personnel enjoyed a Hawaiian luau March 19 in the courtyard of the command's Baghdad headquarters. While appropriate civilian attire was approved and encouraged, some Soldiers opted to shake the stress in uniform.

Photo by U.S. Army Sgt. 1st Class Allen Thomas

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Navy self-help stores to close March 31

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Navy self-help stores in Hawai'i will close March 31 with the expiration of the current contract.

The issue of loaner equipment will be discontinued effective March 28 in order to allow time for turn-in and inventory of equipment.

Self-help stores in the continental United States previously closed in accordance with a Commander Navy Installations (CNI) directed policy in October 2004.

"The move to close self-help stores

was part of a wide range of business strategies that was implemented Navy-wide to mitigate budget shortfalls and realign remaining resources for optimum benefit of the Navy's program requirements," explained Capt. Norman Ho, assistant chief of staff for housing for Navy Region Hawai'i.

Ho said one exception to the self-help closure will be the issuance of air-conditioning filters for residents of air-conditioned homes. Filters will be available at the furnishings warehouse office (warehouse building 8), side entrance at 3189 Nimitz Road, beginning April 6.

Issue hours will be from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday afternoons with the exception of holidays.

According to housing officials, established procedures remain in effect for requesting written approval from the housing office prior to initiating any self-help improvements in Navy residences. The request must address the type of work to be performed and the materials that will be used.

For more information or for any questions regarding closure of the self-help stores, call Gail Hamada at 474-1920.



U.S. Navy photo by PH3 Jo A. Wilbourn Sims

The crew of the Los Angeles-class attack submarine USS Jefferson City (SSN 759) takes part in the opening ceremony for Sea World San Diego's new submarine-themed otter and sea lion adventure show, "Deep, Deep Trouble."

Sailors open Sea World attraction

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More than 120 Sailors from the attack submarine USS Jefferson City (SSN 759) participated in the opening of Sea World San Diego's new sea lion and otter show, "Clyde and Seamore in Deep, Deep Trouble," March 19.

The Jefferson City crew manned the rails of the recently renovated Sea Lion and Otter Stadium, which was transformed into a mermaid hunting submarine 'La Sirena,' while Cmdr. Daryl L. Caudle, Jefferson City, Commanding Officer, and his wife christened the submarine.

"We live in a Navy town and now Sea World has its own submarine," said David Koontz, Sea World's communications director. "What better way to open the show than to have the crew of a real submarine come over and christen the ship. It was also a great way to salute and honor the men and women in uniform."

Caudle and his wife said they were honored to represent the Navy and be part of Sea World's new submarine-themed production.

"I'm proud to come out here with my crew and represent the finest submarine in the Pacific Fleet and open an event

for a park that has such a close relationship with the Navy," said Caudle.

Machinist's Mate 1st Class (SS) Melvin O. Walker was also proud to take part in the event.

"It's an excellent opportunity to represent our boat and the Navy, and to be appreciated and recognized by the community," Walker said. "As submariners, we don't get a chance to participate in events like this that often, so it's great to come out here and be part of the show."

Sea World has a longstanding tradition of supporting military members and their families. In February, Sea World and other Busch Gardens theme parks began their "Here's to the Heroes" campaign, offering free theme park admission to members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families as a way of giving something back to the men and women in the military.

Having Jefferson City crew members involved in the opening of their new attraction was another way Sea World wanted to honor the military, said Koontz.

"We wanted to do more than just provide complimentary admission to service members and their families," Koontz said. "We wanted to publicly honor and thank them for what they do for our country."

Enjoying a day at Rainbow Bay Marina



U.S. Navy photo by JO1 Daniel J. Calderón

Military family members paddle their canoe just off shore in Pearl Harbor March 19. Other family members had the chance to kayak and paddleboat in Pearl Harbor. MWR provided the Marina Day at Rainbow Bay Marina as a way to introduce and educate eligible MWR patrons of the availability of facilities. Rainbow Bay rents out kayaks, paddleboats, sailboats and has dry and wet slips available. In addition, the marina provides hot dogs, popcorn, beverages and games at the pavilions that patrons can rent for parties or cook outs.

Students electrify

At the HECO Electron Marathon



Team Kapolei poses in front of the vehicle that completed the second highest number of laps around the track within the hour.

Story and photos by
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Twenty-seven student teams leapt into self-built and designed electric vehicles for another race at the 10th annual Ford Island Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) Electron Marathon held March 19.

The Hawaiian high schools and a combined home school all participated in the endurance race on Ford Island. After an inter-service race, the high-school competitors raced around the track with the winner completing the most laps in one hour. The top high school finisher was Waialua High & Intermediate School who finished with 54 laps.

Racing has been around for a long time. The desire to race vehicles was popular among the Babylonians before the introduction of horses in 2,000 B.C. Two millennia ago, domesticated donkeys pulled the chariots. Today's chariots are called cars or go-carts and they are driven in events like the Electron Marathon.

More than 3,000 people attended the event. HECO donated the one-horsepower, battery-operated motors and other components but each team had to assemble its own vehicle. The HECO Electron Marathon is designed to involve students and their teachers in an emerging technology application related to electronic vehicles.

"We do this for the kids," said Jose Dizon of Hawaiian Electric Company. "We want to educate our future leaders of the uses of electricity. They get a good understanding of what teamwork is all about, of what it takes to succeed and an appreciation of what it takes to use electricity safely and maybe this can be a stepping stone for them to look at other ways to use electricity." "A lot of things they have to do here kind of mirror what they have to do in life," Dizon continued. "And we're very grateful to the Navy for allowing us to use their facilities on Ford Island and providing all the wonderful security and hospitality." The local high schools were judged for best documentation, oral presentation, construction and safety, vehicle performance and best of show.

"Although today is primarily about having fun, there is a very serious purpose as well. This competition demonstrates the promise of transportation methods that are environmentally friendly while expanding our children's scientific curiosity," said Rear Admiral

Michael Vitale, Commander, Navy Region Hawaii, in his pre-race remarks.

The marathon addresses the need for an environmentally clean ground transportation alternative. Students learned this by integrating and applying concepts and skills from across their school curriculum. Students and active military showcased the mini-electric vehicles they designed and built.

Unlike the Greek and Roman geography, Ford Island has a driver-friendly, flat blacktop course. That didn't necessarily prevent breakdowns. Many of the high school entries had problems with their tires that made it impossible to stay on the track.

HECO electric chariots are built for safety. Charioteers must wear gloves, a seat belt and helmet.

Inspectors go over the hand-crafted entries before the starting gun. Go-carts may break down but no students or military drivers have ever been injured.

In the inter-service 10-lap competition, all four Armed Services raced for the victor's trophy. The Navy and Marines had two electric car entries; Air Force and Army had only one vehicle entry.

One Navy entry, built by the Naval Station Pearl Harbor First Lieutenant Department, driven by Gas Turbine System Technician (Mechanical) 2nd Class Mike Dooner, shared the first place trophy with Team Army.

The Babylonians may have invented the chariot but the Hawaiian Electric Company, local schools and our Armed Services make history annually at the Electron Marathon. The U.S. Navy and the Hawaii State Department of Education cosponsor this event. Partners in this event are the Hawaiian Electric Light Company, Maui Electric Company, the U.S. Department of Energy, and Young Brothers, Ltd., which donates the transportation of the electric vehicles from neighbor islands to Oahu. For more information on the HECO Electron Marathon go to www.heco.com and find Electron Marathon listed under the Generation e-link at the top of the home page.



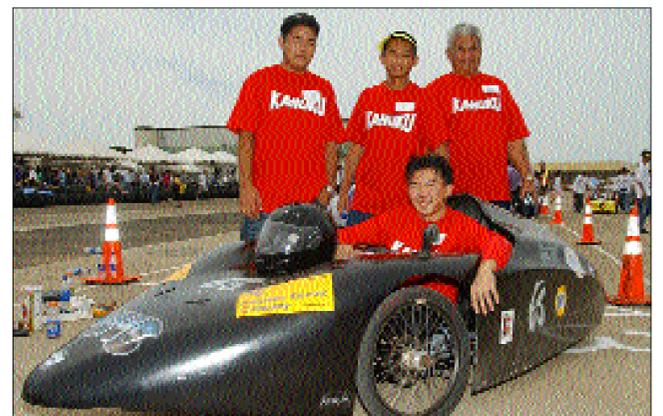
Team Waialua won best of show with the highest cumulative score which includes documentation, oral presentation, construction and safety, and vehicle performance.



Competitors taking part in the all Armed Services 10-lap competition take time to say good luck to their fellow service members minutes before the race begins.



The crew from the Naval Station Pearl Harbor First Lieutenant Department poses next to the winning car with Rear Adm. Michael Vitale, Commander Navy Region Hawai'i (center) and Cmdr. Richard Verbeke, Naval Station Pearl Harbor's executive officer.



Kahuku High and Intermediate School pit crew and driver stop for a quick photo after completing 44 laps during the performance race.



CS3 Lucas Terrault hits the "electron peddle" as he speeds down the straightaway.



U.S. Navy photo by PH2 (AW) John F. Looney

Culinary Specialist 3rd Class Lucas Terrault in the 'GO NAVY' car demonstrates teamwork when he clears the path for Gas Turbine System Technician (Mechanical) 2nd Class Mike Dooner, driver of the light blue Navy car.

HPU students shooting USS Ward documentary DoD issues policy for sexual assault victims

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Four students from Hawai'i Pacific University spent the week shooting a documentary focusing on the actions of the men aboard USS Ward the morning of Dec. 7, 1941.

Ward Sailors spotted and sank a Japanese midget submarine as the Japanese Sailors inside were attempting to sneak into Pearl Harbor. This was the first enemy action reported in the attack.

"Everyone focuses on the air strike, but no one thinks about the submarine attack," said Ingo Bauernfeind, the HPU senior who is directing the documentary. "We want to cover a story that hasn't been told."

Bauernfeind is majoring in visual information with a minor in history. He said he spent a lot of time researching the event. He said the documentary will have interviews with subject matter experts like Daniel Martinez, historian for the USS Arizona Memorial Visitors Center.

"Mr. Martinez is the historical advisor for the film," Bauernfeind explained. "The Arizona [Memorial Visitors Center] is our partner."

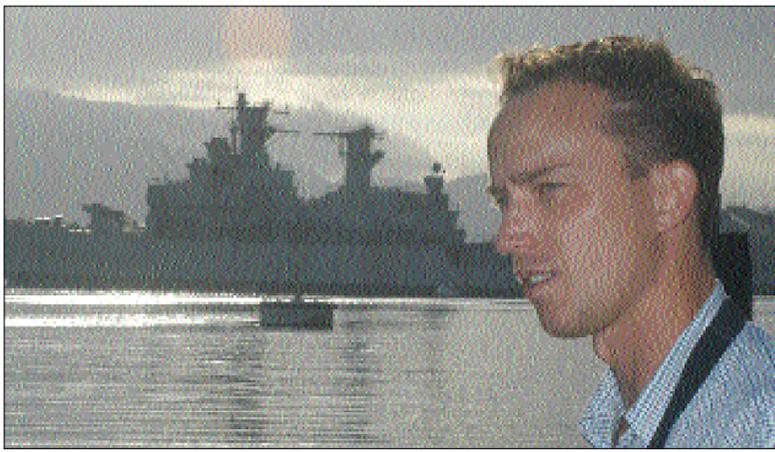
Bauernfeind and his crew have travelled to Minnesota to conduct interviews with Ward survivors about their memories of that December morning. They also conducted interviews this week at the Arizona Memorial Visitors Center and at the USS Bowfin Submarine Memorial Museum.

"It's a project for educational purposes," Bauernfeind explained. "The finished film will be sent to high schools and we will give copies to the Arizona [Memorial Visitors Center] to be a part of their educational library. Hopefully, this will be sold in the bookstore."

Bauernfeind said he is appreciative of all the help he has received throughout the project.

"[The University of Hawaii] has given us their underwater footage," Bauernfeind said, referring to the footage the university has of the sunken Japanese midget sub which rests on the ocean floor not far from Pearl Harbor. The Hawaii Undersea Research Library at UH found the mini sub Aug. 28, 2002.

In addition to the footage from UH,



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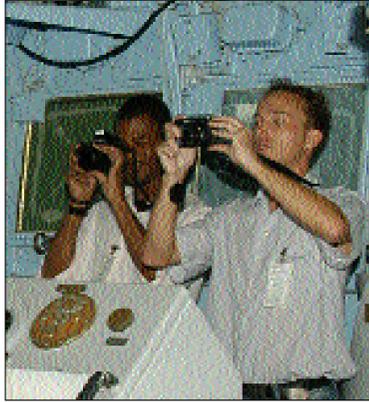
Ingo Bauernfeind, an HPU senior who is directing and producing a documentary about the USS Ward and the actions of its crew on Dec. 7, 1941, prepares to visit the ex-USS Standley (in the background). The Standley is at the Naval Sea Systems Command Inactive Ships On-Site Maintenance office and will serve as a stand in for the Ward, which was sunk Dec. 7, 1944 in the Philippines.

Bauernfeind will include footage shot aboard the ex-USS Standley. The ship is now at the Naval Sea Systems Command Inactive Ships On-site maintenance Office. The Standley substituted for the Ward, which was sunk by a Dec. 7, 1944 Japanese kamikaze attack in the Philippines. Local Sailors stood in for the Sailors of yesteryear during the filming.

"In our history department, there are a lot of students who are in the military," Bauernfeind said. "Some had never heard of the Ward before. Hopefully, this film will be heard. People should know about what these Sailors did that morning."

On the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, Ward Sailors reported to naval command at Pearl Harbor that they engaged and sunk a Japanese midget submarine at 6:45 a.m., more than an hour before the aerial attack began. The crew fired depth charges and said they had sunk the ship by putting a hole in its conning tower with their four-inch gun. The accuracy of the Ward's report was questioned during the initial investigation of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Bauernfeind said the DVD should be complete this summer.



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Ingo Bauernfeind (right) and a member of his crew take photos aboard ex-USS Standley. Bauernfeind and his crew will use the Standley in place of the USS Ward for a documentary they are producing on the Ward. The ship's crew of Minnesota reservists sunk a Japanese midget sub at about 6:45 a.m. on Dec. 7, 1941, more than an hour before the aerial attack began.

Special release from the U.S. Department of Defense

The Department of Defense announced March 18 a new policy that establishes department guidelines for confidential, restricted reporting by victims of sexual assault.

Restricted reporting allows a sexual assault victim, on a confidential basis, to disclose the details of his/her assault to specifically identified individuals and receive medical treatment and counseling, without triggering the official investigative process.

"Through our research, we have learned that providing confidentiality to victims will actually increase the probability that cases will be reported, cases that are currently unknown to us," said David S.C. Chu, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. "While we want to sustain good order and discipline by holding those who assault their fellow service members accountable for their actions, first and foremost we want victims to come forward for help."

Many experts claim that sexual assault is the most under-reported violent crime in the nation and in the military. Many victims are unprepared to withstand the rigors of a full-fledged investigation immediately following their assault. Rather than comply with the department's former policy of mandatory reporting, some victims did not seek treatment, thereby denying themselves access to needed medical services and support.

Restricted reporting is

intended to give a victim additional time and increased control over the release and management of his/her personal information. It is also to empower him or her to seek information and support to make more informed decisions about participating in a criminal investigation.

A victim who receives appropriate care and treatment, and is provided an opportunity to make an informed decision about a criminal investigation, is more likely to develop increased trust that his or her needs are of primary concern to the command and may pursue an investigation.

Even if the victim chooses not to pursue an official investigation, this additional reporting avenue gives commanders a clearer picture of the sexual violence within their command. It enhances a commander's ability to provide an environment which is safe and contributes to the well-being and mission-readiness of all of its members.

The Joint Task Force for Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (JTF-SAPR), in conjunction with the military services, will coordinate specific implementation details. The magnitude of this change requires extensive, in-depth training for all DoD personnel and specialized training for commanders, senior enlisted advisors, investigators, healthcare providers and others involved in response.

To ensure consistent application across the military services, the confidentiality policy will become effective 90 days from the date the memorandum to the military departments was issued, which was March 16.

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U.S., Irish Navy celebrate St. Patrick's Day

JOC John Harrington

*Navy Recruiting District New York
Public Affairs*

Color guard members from Naval Reserve Center (NRC) Bronx, N.Y., marched along Fifth Avenue in Manhattan as part of the 244th New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade March 17.

The four-member color guard was followed by crew members of the Irish navy's ship L.E. Roisin (P-51), who were in the city as part of a goodwill tour in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Preceding the color guard was the Tomas MacDonogh Pipe Band.

"The whole parade began as a military event," said color guard member Personnelman 2nd Class Rosario Eliezeo. "To be part of something that represents so many people of so many different heritages and backgrounds is an honor, because it represents the

makeup of America, and the makeup of our military," Eliezeo continued, "If you look around, it's not only the Irish that are here. There are people from all walks of life, and we're here to show our support to all of them."

With more than one million spectators and 150,000 marchers, the New York City St. Patrick's Day parade is considered to be, by some, the oldest, largest and best in the world. For members of the NRC Bronx Color Guard, the thrill of marching past cheering crowds through the heart of Manhattan was a moment they will not soon forget.

"I'm from New York City, so to actually be here in one of these parades is a very big honor for me," said Aviation Electronics Technician 2nd Class Earris Dupree Jr.

The 13-year Navy veteran feels that being a part of the color guard was something he was destined to do.

"Sometimes you just know that you

are supposed to be doing something," Dupree said. "For me, this is my calling - to show the public what a great Navy we have and to show our support of them as well."

Supporting the public wasn't the only goal of the color guard, but also supporting their fellow Sailors of the Irish navy. After pulling into port March 14, the Irish Sailors hosted various functions aboard their ship for visitors and guests prior to performing in the parade. For many of them, life in the "Big Apple" was a shock, but a pleasant one.

"It's massive, absolutely massive," said Irish Able Rate Engineer David Culleton. "I haven't gotten enough time to see everything, it's just too big. I love it, though, and can't wait to come back."

This is the first time the crew of L.E. Roisin, homeported at Haulbowline Island in the Cobh of Cork, participated in New York's St. Patrick's Day parade, or any parade outside of Ireland.



U.S. Navy photo by JOC John Harrington

Members of Naval Reserve Center Bronx's color guard march up Fifth Avenue in New York City (NYC), at the 244th Annual NYC St. Patrick's Day parade, followed by crew members of the Irish navy offshore patrol vessel L.E. Roisin (P 51). The Irish Sailors were in Manhattan as part of a goodwill tour in honor of St. Patrick's Day. More than one million onlookers gathered to watch 150,000 parade participants in what is considered the oldest and largest St. Patrick's Day parade in the world.

NCTAMS PAC begins building Sailors' recreation area

Mike Young

NCTAMS PAC

A new recreation area is being constructed at Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific.

The area is accessible to the bachelor enlisted quarters (BEQ) and housing residents. A project was developed to construct two sand volleyball courts, two picnic pavilions and two horseshoe pits in an open area adjacent to the base BEQ.

In late fiscal year '04 a contract was awarded to construct one volleyball court, one horseshoe pit, lighting for night play and the utility infrastructure for the full

project.

NCTAMS PAC and Navy Region Hawai'i cooperated to fund approximately \$200,000 for this part of the project. Groundbreaking for this project occurred in February.

Navy Region Hawai'i's area coordinator program encourages Navy leadership to enhance the quality of service for Sailors.

Responsibilities are assigned for the promotion of safety, environmental compliance, energy conservation, improved base appearance, and general cleanliness standards for buildings, related infrastructure, and lands under Commander, Navy Region Hawai'i.



U.S. Navy photo

Jordan Haffner, a 4-year-old Kaumakani preschooler, tries on a firefighter's helmet with the help of PMRF's Aaron Labuguen during a tour of the PMRF fire station March 18.

PMRF Fire Department hosts Kamehameha preschoolers

Tom Clements
PMRF Public Affairs

The Pacific Missile Range Facility fire department hosted 36 potential firefighters March 18 when they were visited by children from Kamehameha Schools' Kaumakani preschool program. Kaumakani is a Kaua'i extension of the Oahu-based Kamehameha Schools.

The group was treated to a fire pit training demonstration where two fire trucks extin-

guished a fuel fire. The keiki then went inside the firehouse for a quick break and a chance to celebrate one student's birthday with cake while the firefighters cleaned their gear from the demonstration.

The group joined the firefighters again for an up-close look at the trucks, equipment and ambulance used by PMRF's firefighters. "Hi Uncle Eric" shouted a student to one of the firefighters – a common occurrence on Kaua'i to find relatives who work at the base.

Stars and Stripes expands operations to NSA Bahrain

From Stars and Stripes

Stars and Stripes, the daily newspaper of the U.S. military, officially began production and distribution operations at U.S. Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain March 22.

This is the company's fourth such operation to open in the Middle East since 2003.

Using the latest in digital printing technology, the new facility will produce the daily Middle East edition of Stars and Stripes, which is available for purchase on NSA Bahrain at various locations, including the USO and MWR.

Stars and Stripes will also ship papers from NSA Bahrain to U.S. troops operating in Northern Afghanistan and Uzbekistan.

"Bahrain is the third new operation we have opened in the last 12 months. The others being Afghanistan this past December and Qatar last March," explained Thomas Biermann, general manager of Stars and Stripes in Europe and the Middle East. "Our operations at NSA Bahrain also mark the first time Stars and Stripes has worked so closely with a Navy installation. Delivering the news to deployed U.S. military personnel has been the mission of Stars and Stripes since its inception, and it's through the coopera-

tion of other agencies and commands that we can best get it done."

Launching such operations on a global scale, often in war zones, has been a challenge for Stars and Stripes in terms of logistics, money and manpower.

"Our operations in the Middle East and Central Asia represent some of the greatest achievements in the organization's history and represent a new era for Stars," Bierman said. "These operations require constant oversight, particularly in hostile areas. This is testament to the abilities of our staff and their commitment to the Stars and Stripes mission and to U.S. military personnel."

Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom and the global war on terrorism have required Stars and Stripes to expand its efforts in serving overseas and deployed U.S. military personnel.

In 2003, Stars and Stripes began producing a Middle East edition geared specifically for the U.S. military in the Middle East. This edition complements the European and Pacific editions.

Stars and Stripes newspapers are printed in Japan, South Korea, Germany, Italy, Kuwait, Baghdad, Qatar and Afghanistan and are distributed to U.S. military facilities worldwide.

Make-A-Wish Family visits USS Missouri

PH2 (AW)
John F. Looney
Staff Writer

The Bryant family of North Carolina visited the Battleship Missouri Museum and the USS Arizona Memorial on March 21, so Jerry D. Bryant could fulfill his dream of visiting Pearl Harbor through the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Jerry, a 14-year-old suffering from axonal neuropathy, boarded the USS Missouri in the morning to begin his day of touring Pearl Harbor and learning about its history. Marc Weintraub, crewmember tour guide, greeted the Bryant family onboard the Missouri and hosted them for a three-hour tour of the layout of the ship, an introduction to the ship's systems and weapons and a narrative of Missouri's exciting history.

Jerry was accompanied by his parents, Dale and Sharron Bryant. The family received a first hand account of a battleship Sailor's life at sea.

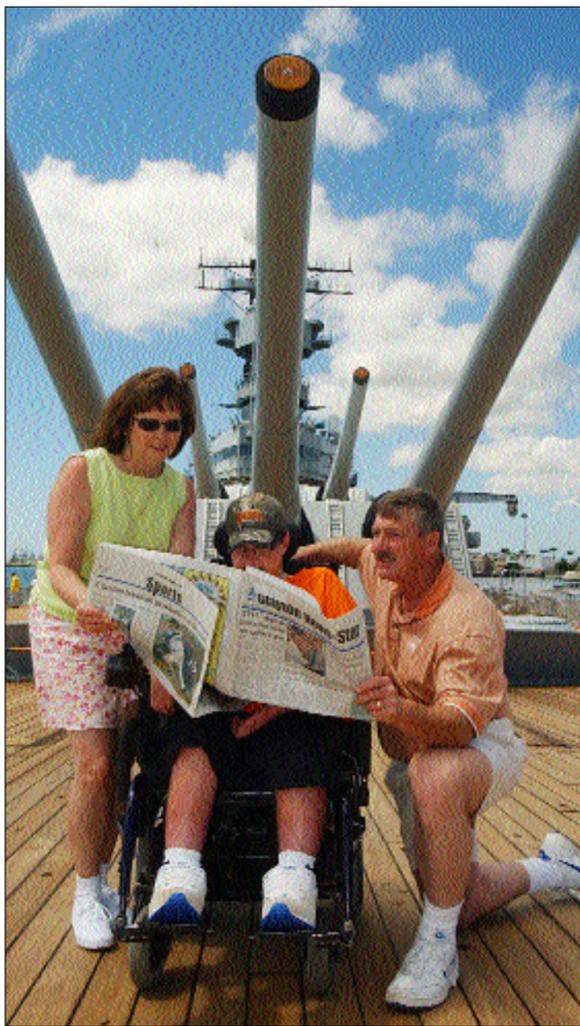
First stop on the tour was the gun turret where Jerry and his family were photographed beneath the large 16-inch guns. Weintraub, the family's tour guide, next showed the Bryant family the plaque that marked the spot aboard Missouri when Japanese Empire signed surrender documents, ending World War II.

The highlight of this stop for Jerry proved to be some good old fashioned Navy chow on the fantail of the Battleship Missouri.

The tour continued with a story of a kamikaze attack on the starboard side of the ship and the burial at sea of a Japanese pilot who was shot down by the Missouri.

At the end of the tour, Weintraub said he was proud to be part of this special event.

"For many years, the Make-A-Wish Foundation has done a great job of helping children experience their dreams," he said. "I'm grateful that in some small way we were able to help Jerry's dream come true. When we



U.S. Navy photo by PH2 (AW) John F. Looney

Jerry Bryant (center) and his family read a copy of their hometown newspaper Monday while on the deck of the Battleship Missouri. Bryant visited Pearl Harbor courtesy of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. He is suffering from axonal neuropathy.

realize that my work place and home is a wish to a child like Jerry, we can't help but feel proud about what we do."

The Battleship Missouri was pleased to be able to work with the Make-A-Wish Foundation and make a young man's wish come true.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation was established in 1980 to grant wishes to children under the age of 18 with life threatening illnesses.

Since 2005, the foundation has granted wishes to over 100,000 children. There are

80 chapters in the United States alone and 20 international affiliates.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is the largest wish-granting organization in the world.

The Bryant family proceeded with their day by visiting the USS Arizona Memorial.

For more information about the Make-A-Wish foundation, go to <http://www.wish.org/> or for the Hawai'i chapter go to <http://www.makeawishhawaii.org>.



Celebrate Women's history month

1. Which mother led a 125-mile march of child workers all the way from the mills of Pennsylvania to President Theodore Roosevelt's vacation home on Long Island?
2. One of the most important Union spies and scouts during the Civil War was a black woman who had escaped from slavery. Can you name her?
3. Jeanette Rankin was the first woman ever elected to the House of Representatives. In what year was she elected?
4. The line of beauty products she created for African-American people made her the first black woman millionaire in the United States. Who was she, and when did she do this?
5. She came to the U.S. when she was a teenager to study science and stayed to become "the world's foremost female experimental physicist." Her most famous experiment disproved what had been thought to be a fundamental scientific law. Who is this outstanding Asian-American scientist?
6. When the Mexican Revolution of 1910 reached the Texas border, she and her friends organized La Cruz Blanca, the White Cross, to take care of the wounded. They nursed people from both sides of the fighting. She was also known as a journalist and community activist. Who was she and where did she live?
7. Who was the last reigning monarch of the Hawaiian Islands, deposed when American business and military interests wanted to annex Hawaii to the U.S.?
9. She opened "Hull House" in a run-down Chicago neighborhood, a community center to improve conditions for poor immigrants. The program soon inspired hundreds of other settlement houses throughout the country. Her name?
10. Daughter and granddaughter of Paiute Indian chiefs from Nevada, she lobbied Congress, wrote and traveled across country during the late 1800s lecturing on the hardships brought upon Native Americans by the U.S. Government. Her name?
11. Her 1939 Easter Sunday concert on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial drew a crowd of 75,000. Who was she?
12. Who printed the first copy of the Declaration of Independence that included the signers' names?
13. There have been many famous lines spoken. Here's one: "Any girl can be glamorous. All you have to do is stand still and look stupid." Who uttered that famous line?
14. Who was the second woman to have a U.S. Navy combat ship named for her?

Your Name Here _____

Rules for the quiz:

The Women's History Month Celebration will be held at Lockwood Hall in the outdoor pavilion March 31 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. There will be presentations by local Sailors and the keynote speaker will be Dr. Sue Wesselkamper, president of Chaminade University.

To participate in the prize drawing, print your name in the space provided and answer the questions above. Cut out the question and answer section and bring it to the celebration and turn it in to one of the members of the Naval Station Pearl Harbor Multicultural Committee. Winners will be randomly selected from answer sheets with the most correct answers. You must be present to win.

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NCTAMS PAC has hard-hitting Sailor

Lt. Richard Hall
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Information Systems Technician 3rd Class (surface warfare) Triva Buie from Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station, Pacific performed well in the 2004, Golden Gloves, Women's Boxing Nationals held in Chicago, Ill. Buie, a Pueblo, Colo. native currently working for the NCTAMS PAC technical control division, placed third in the 154-pound weight class. Fighting under her maiden name "Pino," Buie was ranked ninth in the United States in her 2003 debut, then jumped several places to sixth in 2004. When she began her boxing career in 2003 at a small gym in Wahiawa, Hawai'i, she weighed 187 pounds. After becoming dedicated to the sport and the training involved, she trimmed down to compete in the 154 pound class almost immediately. Now boxing in the 145 pound weight class,

her discipline and determination has inspired many, hence the term "fighting weight." She is in near top condition, but admits she still has a lot of work to do.

A positive and motivated young Sailor, Buie has high aspirations. Committed to a 20-year career in the Navy, she enjoys her job and in her six years of service, she has seen more countries around the world than she has seen states in the United States. Her father, Raymond Leroy Pino, was enlisted in the Army and served in the Vietnam War.

"He was my influence to join the military," said Buie. When asked about her tour of duty at NCTAMS PAC, she responded, "I love it! I have had every opportunity to grow here and my command has fully supported me in both my boxing and naval careers". The NCTAMS PAC Chief Petty Officers Association and First Class Petty Officers Association donated a combined \$350 to help cover the cost of her travel to Chicago.



U.S. Navy photo

IT3(SW) Triva Buie is a Golden Gloves boxer working at NCTAMS PAC.

Buie's goals for her boxing career are to win both a national title and a U.S. title and ultimately, participate in the Olympics. However, women's boxing has not yet achieved Olympic status. In fact, boxing is the only non-coeducational sport on the Olympic roster.

Championships such as the Golden Gloves event in which Buie just competed help advance the sport toward

Olympic status and Buie is proud to be recognized as an athlete helping that cause.

Women's amateur boxing is expanding its audience and participation around the world. The president of the International Amateur Boxing Association (AIBA), the international governing association for amateur and Olympic boxing, stated that amateur women's boxing is growing at a rate significantly faster than men's boxing, and has the capability to surpass amateur men's boxing in terms of popularity and participation in the future. AIBA is a strong supporter of women's boxing and its hopes for future glory.

"My idol in women boxing is Lucia Rijker. She is the strongest female boxer I have ever seen", said Buie. "My mentor is my coach. He treats me like family and trains me well", she added. Buie recently married Army Sgt. Brian Keith Buie and has accepted orders to USS Port Royal at Pearl Harbor.

Navy takes first place at All Military Bowling Tournament

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Navy bowlers took home the first place trophy from the 8th Annual Hawai'i All Military (HAM) Bowling Tournament, as the tournament concluded March 18 at Naval Station Pearl Harbor Bowling Center.

The Navy team earned the first place win with a total of 44,572 points. This was the Navy's fourth time winning the trophy.

This year's Navy team members included: Richard Racette, Ryan Berkous, Michael Jensen, Derrick Pelekai Jr, Justin Stevens, Shannon Wicks, Jennifer Parks, Misha Pelekai, Elizabeth Raby and Jody Parsons. The tournament took place at military bases around Oahu from March 15-18 with a different event each day.

Events and results follow:

Mixed Doubles

March 15 – Hickam Air Force Base:

1st place: Elizabeth Raby and

Derrick Pelekai Jr. (Navy)

1st place, odd couples: Ben Ilac Jr. and Lewis Ortiz (Retirees)

Doubles

March 16 - Kaneohe Marine Corps Base:

1st place, female division: Heidi Henry and Sue Stephens (Army)

1st place, male division: Brian Snyder and Ronald Schoolcraft (Air Force)

Singles

March 17 - Schofield Barracks:

1st place, female division: Sue Stephens (Army)

1st place, male division: Brian Snyder (Air Force)

Team

March 18 - Pearl Harbor:

1st place, female division: Army

1st place, male division: Navy outstanding bowler: Justin Stevens (Navy), 817 series (227, 290 and 300)

For more information, call the Navy bowling program director at 473-2651.