

Naval Station Pearl Harbor, MWR hosting July Fourth Block Party and Fireworks Spectacular

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This year marks 229 years since our founding fathers gave us our national birth certificate. In celebration, Pearl Harbor is once again "taking it to the streets" for the popular entertainment-food-fireworks fest, the July 4 Block Party and Fireworks Spectacular.

Event admission is free and open to military-affiliated and DoD personnel, family members and their sponsored guests.

The streets fronting Bravo pier will be open only to foot traffic for the big celebration. Giveaways will be presented to lucky block party revelers, including three complete travel packages for two to Las Vegas.

Family fun activity highlights will include: JN Chevrolet car display featuring the latest models and sizzling exotics; Lex Brodie's "show and shine," featuring street rods, classics and muscle cars; and Nozawa's Ark Pony Rides, offered free for the keiki.

- The Xtreme Fun Xpress Train will take keiki on a free joyride on party grounds.

- Keiki Farms Petting Zoo. Entry is free by presenting a Coca-Cola product.

- Fly-HI Thrills Bungee Rides and Rock Wall. Rocket through the air on an elastic tether or enjoy a challenging setting for a climb up a simulated rock face.

- Hawai'i Academy's International Trampoline Team, who has competed recently in places such as Belarus, Amsterdam, Canada and Japan, will offer exhibitions every hour, starting at 2 p.m. This team is made up of males and females, ages 10 to 29.

- In addition to all of the trampoline fun, the Hawai'i Academy All-Star Cheer Xtreme (ACE), a strictly competitive squad, will perform every hour and offer mini cheer lessons between shows.

There will be a static military vehicle display featuring a "real" Hum-Vee, a harbor patrol boat, an ATV and a patrol car.

A crafters' village, featuring Creations of Hawai'i, will showcase homemade artsy keepsakes and distinctive island crafts not found in any retail outlet in Hawai'i.

The July 4 Block Party event will also feature a variety of keiki and adult rides and inflatables along with food and carnival games featuring free Monster Games.

There will be a variety of live entertainment throughout the afternoon and evening:

- **3 p.m.:** Hurrah Players – Virginia's leading family theater company will present a musical revue featuring a cast of talented, aspiring actors with lavish costumes and popular tunes from a bygone era.

- Championship Poker – This free tournament, which features adult and teen divisions, offers a chance to win prizes, including a complete travel package for two to Las Vegas. Register at The Banyans by 3 p.m.

3:30 p.m.:

- Belly Dancing demonstration

4 p.m.:

- H2O – Hard To Oppose – These seasoned songsters and musicians make up a "show" band with an eclectic blend of hits and a horn section that might have you dancing in the streets.

- Amateur Wrestling featuring National Wrestling Alliance (NWA) Hawai'i and Hawai'i Championship Wrestling (HCW) is an hour-long, action-packed performance

5 p.m.:

- Au's Shaolin Arts Society Chinese Lion Dance. In local tradition, this majestic and powerful creature brings luck and happiness to block party goers.

5:30 p.m.:

- eight0eight – This band needs no introduction. It's R&B, jazz, contemporary dance and show style has diversity and depth that generates spirit-raising energy.

7 p.m.:

- Tino and the Rhythm Klub – Their popular performances of sultry island sound with hip-hop and R&B create a unique and local jam flavor.

8:30 p.m.:

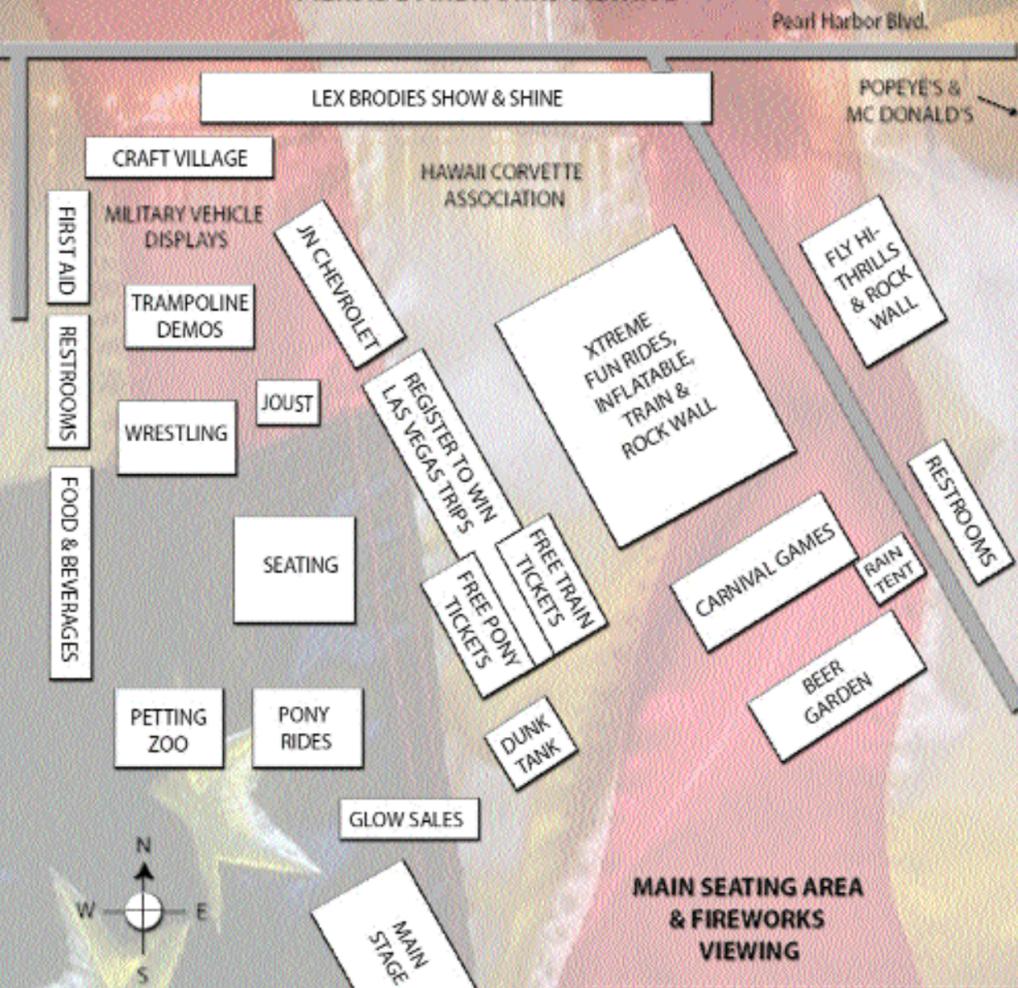
- The National Anthem followed by an aerial fireworks display by the world-famous Grucci family.

A schedule with activity times and locations will be available at the event and on the MWR Web site www.greatlife-hawaii.com. All activities are subject to change without notice.

Presented by Navy Region Hawai'i MWR, the July 4 Block Party event is part of MWR's continuing effort to provide enhanced quality of life programs to Sailors and their family members.

For more information on the July 4 Block Party, visit the MWR website or call 473-0606.

PIERSIDE FIREWORKS VIEWING



(Above) An overall view of the activities held at Pearl Harbor last year. (Right) The Xtreme Fun Xpress Train takes keiki on a free joyride of party grounds. (U.S. Navy photos by JO3 Ryan C. McGinley)



A pony poses for the camera at the Keiki petting zoo at the 2004 July Fourth festivities. This year's event will also include a petting zoo, along with a dunk tank, pony rides and games.

Donating blood offers gift of life to fellow service members

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When the call goes out for blood – whether it is needed for trauma patients, preemie babies, surgeries, or at the battlefield for those injured in wartime hostilities – the Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) is committed to answering that call.

Through blood drives that are held at military installations throughout Oahu, the vital

resource is collected from donors. Fleet Industrial Support Center (FISC) at Naval Station Pearl Harbor hosted a blood drive June 15. Justin Metz, blood donor recruiter for Hawai'i's Military Blood Program, noted that FISC has been one of the consistent supporters of the Armed Services Blood Program. "The Fleet Industrial Supply Center blood drives have made it possible for many patients to be taken care of in their time of need," said Metz. "FISC was responsible for the collection of over 65 units of blood this quarter. We are very grateful to the Sailors, dependents and civilian employees who choose to donate blood, the gift of life," he continued.

ASBP donor centers are the only centers that provide blood supplies for military service members, family members, veterans and other military-affiliated personnel such as retirees and reservists, and DoD civilians. The local center, located at Tripler Army Medical Center, and another in Okinawa, Japan are responsible for collecting blood for the entire Pacific region, according to Metz.

Metz explained that the blood that is collected here is used for trauma patients, preemie babies, surgeries and leukemia patients, just to name a few. The Armed Services Blood Program at Tripler also sends 350 to 450 units of blood per week to the Middle East, where it is forwarded to combat support hospitals, special force units, ships and forward surgical team to make sure



U.S. Army photo by Spc. Linh Ngo

Spc. Santiago Restrepo, with the Tripler Blood Donor Team, prepares blood units and tubes for testing while a blood donor gives blood, the "gift of life."

no service member is ever without this life-saving supply.

When the USNS Mercy visited Pearl Harbor in early June, the ASBP at Tripler provided units of blood as well as gave units of blood to USS Bonhomme Richard for its journey back to San Diego on June 6.

According to information provided by Metz, blood is always in great demand and donors are always needed. He explained that every year, military hospitals transfuse more than 54,000 units of red cells, 20,000 units of plasma and 5,000 units of platelets. Red blood cells last just 35-42 days. Platelets last only five days. Purchased blood [from other blood banks, such as those in the civilian community] costs

approximately \$250 per unit and may not be available when urgently needed.

The ASBP also provides guidelines for blood donors. Donors can give blood every eight weeks and give platelets every 15 days.

The ASBP program notes that blood donors can save up to three people with one donation and by giving blood, can help a fellow service member when they need it most.

For more information about scheduling a blood drive or donating blood, call the Armed Services Blood Program center at 433-6148 or 433-6195.

(See the Community Calendar section on page B5 for more information about upcoming blood drives.)

You cannot donate blood if:

- You have traveled to or lived in the United Kingdom from 1980 to 1996 for a cumulative period of three months or longer.
- You were stationed in Europe from 1980 to 1996 for a cumulative period of six months or longer.
- You have traveled to or lived in Europe from 1980 to present for a cumulative period of five years (applies to DoD personnel after Jan. 1, 1997).
- You received a transfusion of blood or blood product in the United Kingdom since 1980.
- You have been deployed in the global war on terrorism, specifically to Afghanistan, Iraq or Pakistan (1) less than six months, deferred for one year upon return to the U.S. (2) more than six months, deferred for three years upon return to the U.S.
- You have been stationed north of Seoul (1) less than five years, deferred for two years upon return to the U.S. (2) more than five years, deferred for three years upon return to the U.S.

Other issues for blood donors:

- You are participating in airborne operations in the next 72 hours.
- You have donated blood in the last 55 days. At 56 days, you can again donate.
- You have had a tattoo or brand, or your ears or any part of your body pierced, or had acupuncture in the past 12 months.
- You have a cold, flu, or flu-like symptoms, or do not feel well.
- You are pregnant, or have been in the last six weeks.
- You are taking certain medications. Be sure to advise the blood bank interviewer of what and how much.
- You must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

Blood types

There are eight different blood types. While the frequency of each type will vary in a given community, the general United States population is made up of the following donor types:

O positive:	38 percent
O negative:	7 percent
A positive:	34 percent
A negative:	6 percent
B positive:	9 percent
B negative:	2 percent
AB positive:	3 percent
AB negative:	1 percent

People with type O blood are known as "universal donors" because their blood can be given to anyone in an emergency. This makes type O blood very valuable in trauma situations when there is not time to determine the injured person's blood type. Once a person's blood type is determined, it is best that they receive their exact blood type, so all types are needed.

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Base and housing laws – for the benefit of everyone

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Rules and policies governing daily life on naval installations and Navy housing have been instituted for the protection and well-being of Sailors and other service members, family members and civilians who work on base.

Some of these rules are also state laws and carry even stiffer penalties if they are broken. Most are common sense and serve to ensure that our Navy community is safe and that those who live and work in our Navy community are courteous of one another.

Rules - such as those that govern the possession of firearms and weapons, limit the speed that drivers can cruise on base and through residential neighborhoods, and impose severe penalties on those who are caught driving while under the influence - are for everyone's protection.

One such policy governs the possession of firearms and weapons and is covered under NAVSTAPEARLINST 3574.1.

The instruction includes the following under the category of firearms and weapons: pistols and revolvers, crossbows, rifles, shotguns, pellet rifles and pistols, black powder rifles and pistols.

Registration of firearms and weapons is mandatory in the state of Hawai'i and on military installations. Every person arriving in Hawai'i must register firearms/weapons within three days after arrival of the person or the weapon in the state, whichever arrives later. Firearms must be registered with the chief of police of the city and county of Honolulu for those residing on the island of Oahu and should be in compliance with chapter 34 of Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

All persons who are occupying Navy family housing or PPV housing must register all firearms/weapons with Naval Station Pearl Harbor security within three days of occupancy of government housing. However, firearms and weapons are absolutely not permitted in barracks housing.

Registration requirements

are as follows:

- Registrant must possess a valid military ID card.
- Registrant must provide proof of ownership.

It is also a requirement that firearms/weapons be validated for registration tri-annually.

Family housing policies further state that all privately-owned weapons kept in family homes must be inaccessible to children at all times.

The housing policies also mandate that carrying and use of firearms, gun powder, gas-powered and air-powered weapons, such as pellet, BB or other projectiles by children is strictly prohibited.

Additionally, weapons should be placed in bank safe deposit boxes or other safe locations if the homes are to be vacant for more than one week.

Possession of devices which project noxious gas or dangerous flame, blackjacks, nunchukas, metal knuckles and similar objects is strictly prohibited.

For more information, call Naval Station Pearl Harbor security at 471-8466.

Cultivating a winning yard



Photo courtesy of Forest City Residential Management

A Navy spouse works in the flower bed in her award-winning yard at Moanalua Terrace. Fire Controlman 3rd Class (SW) Michael Byington and his family were the June Yard of the Month winners for the Moanalua Terrace community. Other June winners were: Senior Chief Yeoman (SS) David Hughes and family for Halsey Terrace, Chief Electrician's Mate (SW/AW) Sidney Coverson and family for Hokulani, Cmdr. Katsuro Fukaya and family for McGrew Point and Operations Specialist 1st Class Tony Rigdon and family for Radford Terrace.

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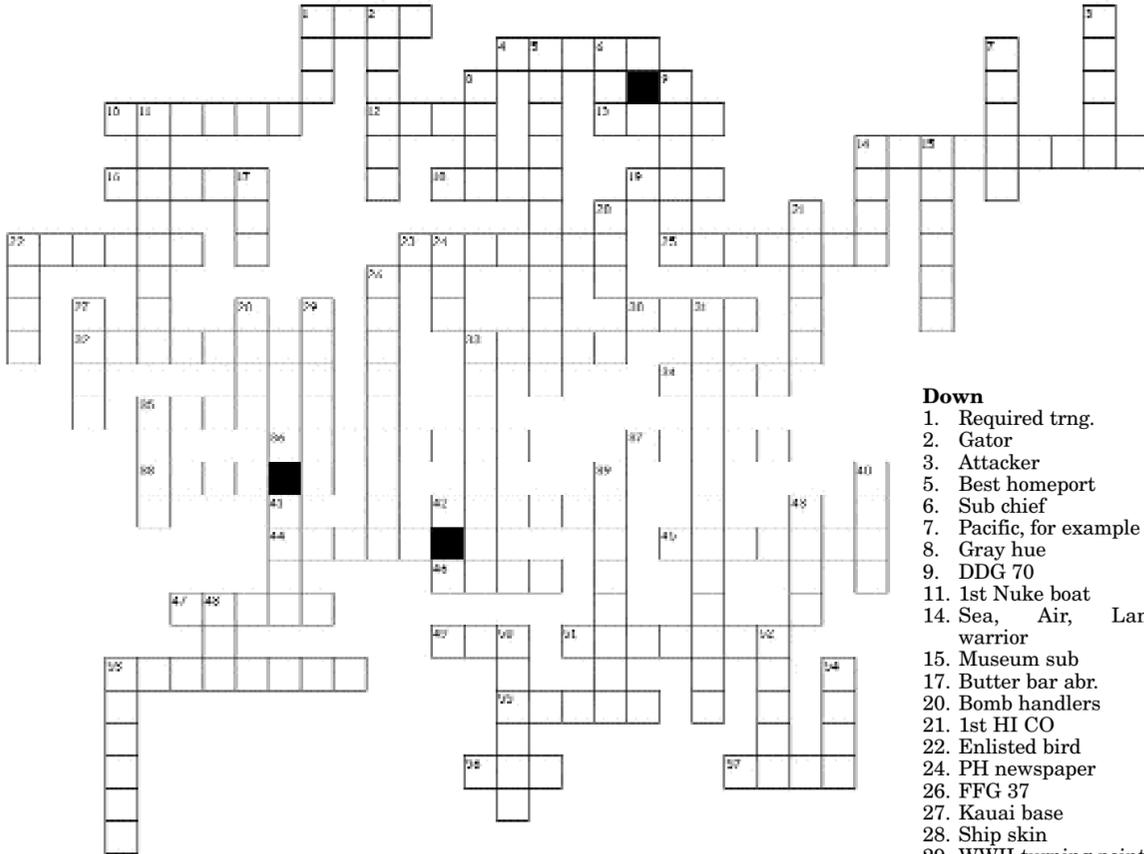
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Answer will appear in next week's Hawai'i Navy News



Know your Navy

In what year was the Purple Heart founded by President George Washington?

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MWR

Movie Call

Sharkey Theater
Naval Station Pearl Harbor
(473-0726)

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Monster in Law (PG 13)

SATURDAY

2:30 p.m. The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (PG 13)

4:45 p.m. Kicking and Screaming (PG)

6:30 p.m. Unleashed (R)

SUNDAY

2:30 p.m. Robots (G)

4:45 p.m. House of Wax (R)

7:00 p.m. Crash (R)

WEDNESDAY

1:30 p.m. Robots (G)

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Monster in Law (PG 13)

\$3 adults; \$1.50 children (6-11)

Memorial Theater
Hickam Air Force Base
(449-2239)

FRIDAY AND THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Kingdom of Heaven (R)

SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Monster in Law (PG 13)

SUNDAY

7:00 p.m. Unleashed (R)

\$3 adults; \$1.50 children (6-11)

Sgt. Smith Theater
Schofield Barracks
(624-2585)

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. XXX: State of the Union (PG 13)

SUNDAY

7:00 p.m. House of Wax (R)

WEDNESDAY

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Editor's note: Every effort has been made to provide the most up-to-date information at the time of publication. However, scheduling of these events is subject to change. It is recommended that you call the contact numbers for the individual events to determine whether or not the activity will be held.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE EVENTS

• **June 29:** Ocean safety workshop, 6:30 p.m., free. Register by **June 27.**

TGIF AT OCEANS CPO CLUB

Enjoy free pupus beginning at 3 p.m. **today** for TGIF at Oceans CPO Club. A DJ will spin the latest tunes from 5-8 p.m. For more information, call 473-1743.

ADVENTURE PLUS SCHEDULE

MWR will host Adventure Plus through **July 29.** All activities except for the camping weeks will be held at Rainbow Bay Marina. The program is open to youth ages 10-12 and is held from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Fees are based on total family income. Transportation is provided from Iroquois Point and NCTAMS. Camping week activities are held **June 27-July 1 and July 18-22** at White Plains Beach at Barbers Point, but campers will meet at Rainbow Bay Marina. For more information or to register, call 421-1556.

TEEN SUMMER HOOPS FEST

Teens will have a chance to show off their basketball skills at a 3-on-3 summer hoops fest at Ford Island Gym. The cost is \$10 per person or \$35 for a team of four. Games will be held **each**

Saturday in June. Prizes will be awarded at a barbecue that will follow the final game on June 25. The hoops fest is open to military or DoD family members from ages 12-18. For more information, call 421-1556, 499-2572 or 454-0758.

MWR YOUTH CAMPS

MWR will host youth camps for children ages five-12 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Oasis on Ford Island. The cost is \$50 per child per session.

The specialty camps will offer the following themes:

- Fitness Camp, **July 5-8**
- Drama Camp, **July 11-15**
- Music Camp, **July 25-29**
- Dance Camp, **Aug. 1-5**

For more information, call 421-1556, 499-2572 or 454-0758.

POKER TOURNAMENT

The JN Chevrolet Navy All-Nighter Poker Tournament is in full swing and is open to all active duty Sailors. Participants can sit in on any round they choose; there is no fee to participate. There are two preliminary rounds remaining (**July 8 and July 22**), lasting 6 p.m.-6 a.m. Every night, a prize package featuring a complete personal computer system will be given away. Other prizes, including gift certificates, T-shirts and promotional items, will be given away at random. For more information, call 473-0606 or visit www.greatlife-hawaii.com.

NATIONAL ROSE MONTH

In observance of National Rose Month, The Country Bar at Naval Station Pearl Harbor will give a free rose to the first 50 customers through the door on **June 25.**

FREE COMEDY SHOW

Cash Levy and Kelly Moran, comedians who have appeared on national television shows, will highlight a free comedy show beginning at 8 p.m. **June 28** at Beeman Center. The event is open to all military-affiliated personnel. The show will offer adult content which is not appropriate for those under age 18. For more information, call 473-2582 or visit www.greatlife-hawaii.com.

EARN CERTIFICATIONS WITH OCEAN CONCEPTS

Starting **June 20**, Ocean Concepts will hold a PADI Rescue Diver Course and the Emergency First Responder (EFR)/DAN Oxygen Provider Course. To register or for more information, call 422-5990. Ocean Concepts also offers daily boat dives, transportation from Pearl Harbor, air fills and equipment rentals and repairs. There is flexible scheduling for courses.

JULY 4 BALL TOURNAMENTS

Sign-ups are now being held for MWR's annual **July 4** softball and basketball tournaments. Softball games will be played on Millican Field and basketball games will be played at Bloch Arena. Tournaments are open to intramural teams (active duty, adult family members, DoD employees). The cost is \$175 per team per tournament. For more information, call 473-2494 or 473-2437.

SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

Enjoy the Saturday Night Special from 9-11 p.m. at Naval Station Bowling Center. For a party of four, two hours of cosmic bowling, shoe rental, a pitcher of

soda and one large pizza costs \$40. The bowling center is open from 9 a.m.-11 p.m. on Saturdays. For more information, call 473-2574.

SALSA DANCE CLASSES

Salsa dance classes are offered on Thursdays and Fridays at Bloch Arena Fitness Center. Samir Hana, instructor, teaches the latest dance styles, including merengue, cha-cha and cumbia. There is no partner and no experience necessary. Level I and II classes are available:

Salsa (Level I): Thursday, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m.; Saturday, 5 - 6:15 p.m.

Salsa (Level II): Friday, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m.; Saturday, 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Merengue/cha-cha/cumbia: Friday, 6 - 7:15 p.m.

For more information, call 473-0793.



- **June 24:** Starlett dinner cruise, 4 p.m., \$31.50.
- **June 25:** Chicken Skin tour, 5 p.m., \$20.
- **June 26:** Taste of Honolulu, 10 a.m., free.
- **June 29:** Halo Tournament at all centers, free.

Weekly events:

- Sunday:** Chess tournament, 6:30 p.m.
- Monday:** WWE wrestling, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday:** 8-Ball tournament - 7 p.m.
- Wednesday:** Game show - 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday:** 9-Ball Pool tournament - 7 p.m.



Crash: See Review

JO3 Ryan C. McGinley

Crash

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy: Arthur Dent is having a very bad day. His house is about to be bulldozed, he discovers that his best friend is an alien and Planet Earth is about to be demolished to make way for a hyperspace bypass.

House of Wax: A group of friends on their way to a college football game fall prey to a pair of murderous brothers in an abandoned small town. They discover that the brothers have expanded upon the area's main attraction... the House of Wax.

Kicking and Screaming: Family man Phil Weston, a lifelong victim of his father's competitive nature, takes on the coaching duties of a kids' soccer team, and soon finds that he's also taking on his father's dysfunctional way of relating.

Kingdom of Heaven: Balian is mourning the deaths of his wife and baby when his father arrives and asks him to join the Crusades. Balian agrees, and embarks on the perilous journey.

Monster-in-Law: Charlie has finally met the man of her dreams. There's just one problem - his mother Viola. Fearing she will lose her son's affections, Viola decides to break up the couple by becoming the world's worst mother-in-law.

Robots: Rodney Copperbottom is an idealistic robot who wants to convince his electronic brethren to come together and work toward making the world a better place. He falls for a female executive robot and faces opposition from an evil corporation.

Unleashed: Danny has been kept as a near prisoner by his "Uncle" Bart and trained to attack and, if necessary, kill. When Danny has a chance encounter with a soft-spoken blind piano tuner Sam, he senses true kindness and compassion for the first time.

XXX: State of the Union: NSA agent Augustus Gibbons finds himself in need of an outsider. Gibbons and his new agent must track a dangerous military splinter group that is conspiring to overthrow the U.S. Government.

In the opening sequence of "Crash," Don Cheadle's character hypothesizes about the lack of human interaction in Los Angeles and its correlation with the number of automobile accidents. He says that maybe people crash into each other, just to feel something.

This opening monologue sets the tone for a wonderfully powerful mosaic directed by first timer Paul Haggis (who wrote "Million Dollar Baby"). "Crash" tells multiple stories about race, religion, class and human emotion through a handful of deeply intriguing characters, all somehow connected in one way or another.

"Crash" is a testament to the dialogue driven film, which relies solely on the character and acting to tell a deeply engaging and influential series of stories, all of which circle around a common theory and idea. That idea is racism.

Each character in the film feels, promotes and becomes a victim of discrimination in one way or another. Everyone from police officers to criminals, blacks to whites and rich to poor are examined and found at fault for judging the person in front of them, without really knowing them.

In a summer of aliens, wookies, car chases and flying bats, "Crash" is a dark horse winner among those seeking real life. Those looking for refuge from the computer-generated image will find gold in this film. It is a powerhouse emotional roller coaster ride that will leave you breathless at its climactic scenes. Simply put, it's brilliant filmmaking and writing by Haggis.

Added is a stellar cast including Sandra Bullock, Brendan Fraser, Matt Dillon, Don Cheadle, Thandie Newton and a host of others who communicate and tug at every emotion in their audience's body.

"Crash" is the movie to see this summer. It is a heart-wrenching reality check and honest discussion of that which is normally shied away from in Hollywood. The truth.

OVERALL RATING:

Community Calendar

To have your activity or event featured in the Community Calendar, e-mail your requests to hnn@honoroluaadvertiser.com or fax 473-2876. Deadline is Thursday for the following week's issue. Items will run on a space available basis.

Blood drives will be held at the following times/locations:

- **June 28:** 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Tripler Blood Donor Center, second floor, ocean side.
 - **June 30:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Schofield Barracks, 25th Replacement.
 - **July 7:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Schofield Barracks, 25th Replacement.
 - **July 12:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Pearl Harbor, Personnel Support Detachment.
 - **July 13:** 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Marine Corps Base Hawaii - Kaneohe Bay, IPAC (Installation Personnel Admin Center).
 - **July 14:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Schofield Barracks, 25th Replacement.
- For more information, call Hawaii's Military Blood Program at 433-6148 or 433-6195.

Military service members and their families will receive free admission to Easter Seals Hawaii's **14th Annual Taste of Honolulu** event which will be held **June 24-26** on the grounds of the Honolulu Civic Center. Service members and their families with valid military ID will be admitted before 3 p.m. on both **June 25-26.** Many of Hawaii's top restaurants will serve gourmet samplings. Proceeds from the Taste of Honolulu helps Easter Seals with its many projects. For more information, call 536-1015.

The Navy Enlisted Birthday Ball Golf Tournament

will be held **July 1** at Barbers Point Golf Course with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Check-in begins at 11 a.m. All active duty, enlisted, officer, retired military and civilians are invited to participate. The top three teams will be awarded prizes. There will also be prizes for the longest drive and closest-to-the-pin giveaways. The entry fee is \$40 and includes green fees, cart and pupus. For more information, contact CNOCM(SW) David LaJoie at 473-2209/864-2449 or email at david.lajoie@navy.mil. Entries must be received by **today.**

The **fall youth soccer registration** for the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Hickam/Pearl Harbor Region 188 will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **June 25** at the Hickam Chapel Center on Kuntz Avenue. Registration is open to boys and girls ages four-18. The season runs from August through early November. The registration fee is \$55. Proof of age is required for first time registrants. Those who plan to participate can pre-register on-line at www.aysoregion188.org. For more information, email reg@aysoregion188.org or call 834-5438.

The **Pearl Harbor Surface Navy Association** will host the Annual Midshipmen Join-up from 4-6 p.m. **June 30** at Gordon Biersch at Aloha Tower Marketplace. All SNA members, their guests and Hawaii's surface warriors are invited. RSVP to Lt. Rey Corpuz at rey.corpuz@navy.mil or call 473-1266.

Oldies 107.9 is hosting a **Help the Homeless benefit concert July 2** at the Waikiki Shell starting at 5:30 p.m. The concert features Jasmine Trias, "Beatle Mania," a Beatles tribute band and "Still Surfing." Five dollars of each ticket sold will go to The Salvation Army. Discounted tickets are available to military members. To order tickets or for more information call 277-2024.

The **USS Hopper Ohana** will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. **July 5** in the fellowship hall of the Pearl

Harbor Main Chapel. Ohana board elections will be held. Board member nominations are sought at hopperohana70@yahoo.com. Include contact information for the nominee. Child care will be available for a donation of \$2 per child with advance reservations. Those who plan to attend should RSVP with the number and age of their children to hopperohana70@yahoo.com. For more information, call 454-0193.

The **Navy Region Hawai'i First Class Petty Officer Association** invites all first class petty officers island-wide to attend its association meetings. For more information, call YN1 LaHaunn Moore at 471-8769 or email at lahaunn.moore@navy.mil, or CTA1 Kiffanie Walker at kiffanie.walker@navy.mil or NC1 Johnathon Young at johnathon.young@navy.mil.

American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Hickam/Pearl Harbor Region 188 will sponsor a **summer soccer camp** from **July 18-22** at Hickam AFB. Boys and girls ages four-18 are invited to participate. No experience is necessary. For more information and on-line registration, visit the AYSO web site @ www.aysoregion188.org, call 834-6629 or email Camps@aysoregion188.org.

Customers can bring their child's most recent report card to the Navy Exchange to register for the **Project A-OK program**. Kids could win \$5,000, \$3,000, \$2,000 or \$1,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds. For more information, visit the NEX customer service department in The Mall rotunda.

For the protection of NEX shoppers, **security measures** mandate that bags, purses or personal bags larger than 12 inches by 12 inches will not be allowed in the Navy Exchange. The NEX thanks patrons in advance for their cooperation.

The 2005 Shop NEX **"shop and win"** bumper stickers are available at any Navy Exchange location. NEX patrons can place a bumper sticker on their car for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate from the Navy Exchange; winners are selected weekly. Winners are then entered in a grand prize drawing for a \$2,000 shopping spree at the NEX.

The NEX Autoport offers **free brake inspections** from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The **American Red Cross**, Hickam Service Center is seeking volunteers. For more information, call the Red Cross office at 449-0166. The office is located at 655 Vickers Ave., building 1105 and is open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The **USS Chafee Ohana** meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Moanalua Community Center. Child care is provided at a cost of \$2 for the first child and \$1 for each additional child. For more information, call 422-5619 or email usschafeefsg@yahoo.com.

For information about upcoming meetings for the **USS Lake Erie Family Support Group**, call Liz at 454-2440 or plumeria04@verizon.net.

As part of the **price matching policy** at the Navy Exchange, the NEX will match the price of any identical item sold in any local store. Customers should provide proof of the lower price and the NEX will match it. If the price difference is under \$5, the NEX will match it on the spot. Some restrictions apply to the policy. Patrons should see a sales associate for more information.

The decision to ride: Accepting the risk – Part two

Naval Safety Center

(This is part two of a three-part series on motorcycle safety.)

Managing risk: physical preparation

In the days where a car-driver's comfort in even a modest car is controlled by a computer chip, the motorcyclist must rely on protective gear. Given the rider vulnerability and the ever-changing environment, selecting, purchasing and wearing appropriate protective gear is critical. It may also be a time-consuming and potentially expensive task.

The section on mental preparation talked about dressing for the ride so we can enjoy the ride and better pay attention to the riding task. Research says that protective gear can sometimes reduce injury in the event of an accident. Thus, motorcyclists must also prepare by dressing for the fall.

Protective gear warrants a separate discussion. However, the minimum-protective gear includes a helmet, eye protection, gloves, over-the-ankle boots, long-sleeve upper garment and long pants constructed of a material that protects from the environment and the potential fall.

Detection of the motorcyclist in traffic is another major cause of accidents, so in addition to dressing for the ride as well as the fall, we need to dress to be seen. Bright colors and retro-reflective materials on the helmet, upper garments and vest should be mandatory components of our protective gear.

By deciding not to wear any one part of protective gear, vulnerability and risk increase. Are we willing to

accept this increased level of risk? Bottom line: If you feel that you have to compromise your safety for comfort, leave the motorcycle at home and select another means of transportation. Do you have that option?

Managing risk: motorcycle preparation

A lost part of the romantic motorcycle lore of yesteryear was the rider's need to be a mechanic. Modern motorcycles are reliable and high-tech machines. In fact, many manufacturers recommend that certain maintenance procedures be performed only by certified mechanics. Manufacturers also recommend using only recognized accessories for a given model.

However, studies show that lack of maintenance can lead to mechanical failure, which can contribute to an accident. The motorcycle operator is responsible for pre-ride inspections. The most important items are lights (for visibility), suspension and tires. Motorcycles have a limited carrying capacity. Underinflation is the most common cause of tire failure.

Managing risk: knowing the limits of the rider

Motorcycle trainers often comment that questioning a motorcycle rider's skill is embarrassingly confrontational. Yet one of the most important parts of understanding risk management is knowing the limits of the rider.

Though some natural coordination is required, most of a rider's skill comes through knowledge and experience. Knowledge can be gained through formal training - learning riding risks in the classroom and

physical skills in guided on-cycle practice supervised by a professional instructor. Knowledge through training can make the experience we gain through riding less painful and expensive.

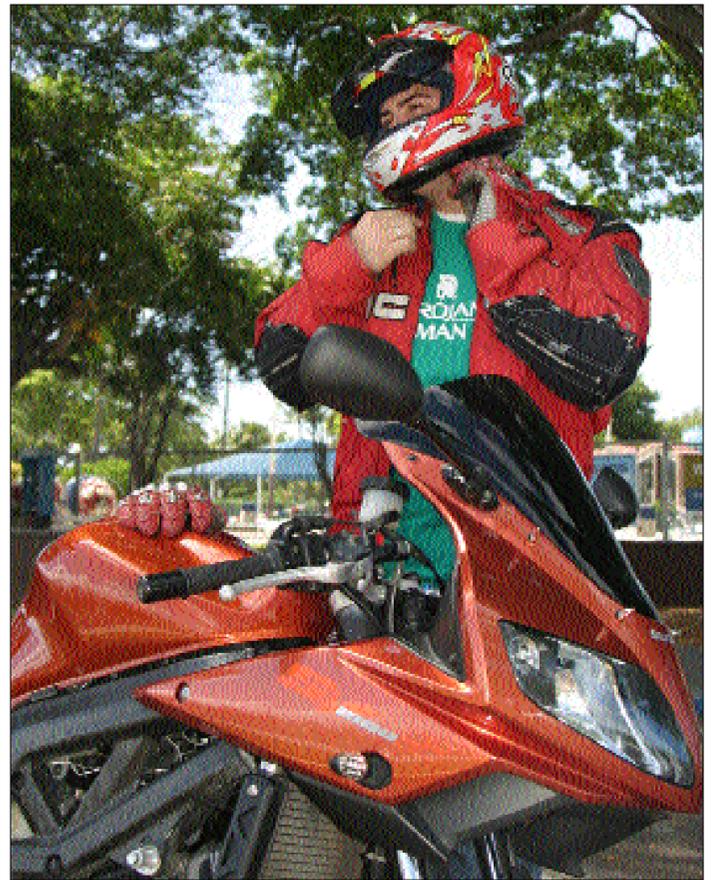
But even the most experienced rider's skill level varies. There are the physical limitations of age, sight, hearing and coordination. There also can be physical impairments due to alcohol and other drugs.

Limits vary. Limits are not the same at the end of a long day or at the start of a new riding season. Limits can vary with a new or unfamiliar motorcycle.

Managing risk: knowing the law and limits of the environment

The environment provides limits. Things like weather, temperature and light can affect the level of risk. Riders are also responsible for knowing specific licensing, vehicle equipment and military requirements.

(Editor's note: Active duty and DOD civil service motorcyclists, etc., are required by OPNAVINST 5100.12G to complete the Navy Safety Center-approved Motorcycle Safety Foundation Basic Rider Course or the Experienced Rider Course. A course completion card is required from the Pearl Harbor Pass and Identification office to obtain a permanent base decal for a motorcycle, motor scooter or a moped. The motorcycle safety courses are offered through the Navy Region Hawai'i Safety Office. For more information, call 474-3953, ext.364 or visit http://www.hawaii.navy.mil/BaseSupport/BaseSupport_Index.htm.)



U.S. Navy photo by PH3 Sara Coates

Fire Control Technician 1st Class Michael Medina, assigned to Naval Submarine Training Center Pacific, secures his motorcycle helmet before riding on Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

Salute to the Troops charity event in Hawai'i to benefit military charity

Special to Hawai'i Navy News from Rogers & Cowan

Bodog.net announced Tuesday plans to hold a celebrity "thank you to the troops" charity event for the 110,000 men and women of the U.S. military currently in Hawai'i, many of whom are awaiting or returning from

deployment in the Middle East. The four-day event (July 21-24), entitled "Bodog Salutes Our Troops: A Tribute to American Heroes," will be held on Oahu, Hawai'i and will include celebrities, musicians, comedians, professional athletes and troops interacting in various activities including a poker tournament, family picnic and softball game. There will also be

a comedy show and concert held at the world famous Waikiki Shell for 8,000 military members and their families. All proceeds from the event will benefit the military charity, Fisher House Foundation.

"Bodog Salutes Our Troops is an opportunity to give something back to the men and women who have risked their lives in the interest of

protecting our freedom," said Calvin Ayre, Bodog founder and CEO. "Giving these troops a little entertainment and leisure time is the least we can do for their sacrifices and we are thrilled to be involved with Fisher House Foundation, a charity that truly supports troops in their time of need."

The celebrity events will bring together the service

men and women of the Navy, Air Force, Marines, Army and Coast Guard based at Hickam Air Force Base, Schofield Barracks, Pearl Harbor and Marine Corps Base Hawai'i - Kaneohe.

One of the highlights of the weekend will feature an inter-service poker tournament with finalists playing with celebrities at Camp Bodog on the beach. The finals, which

will be held at world renowned Kahala Mandarin Oriental resort, will be overseen by world famous poker tournament director Matt Savage. The tournament will feature approximately 15 celebrities, 10 Bodog.net players and over 60 U.S. troops going head-to-head in No Limit Texas Hold 'Em, with the top celebs and troops squaring off at the final table.