



**National Night Out**  
Police and firefighters raise drug and crime prevention through community involvement. See story on page A-2.



**Fore!**  
Disc golf offers a golfing alternative. See story on B-1.

## Hawai'i Navy News Briefs

### 2005 COLA survey

A cost of living allowance (COLA) survey for Hawai'i is available for 2005. Due to poor participation, the 2004 survey resulted in a recommendation to lower Hawai'i COLA by 32 percent. All service members must complete this survey by Aug. 10. The survey will properly gauge the cost of living in Hawai'i so that recipients of COLA get what they deserve. Service members should complete the survey by going to the following link: <https://www.perdiem.osd.mil/oscsla/lps/hawaii>

### Golf tournament

Commander, Pacific Fleet will host a fundraising golf tournament for the Officers' Navy Birthday Ball on Aug. 31 at the Leilehua Golf Course. Sign-up deadline is Aug. 17. Walk-ins will be accepted if space is available. Officers, enlisted and civilians are welcome to play. E-mail Lt. J.g. Elizabeth Vary at [elizabeth.vary@navy.mil](mailto:elizabeth.vary@navy.mil) or call 471-0471 ext.309 for more information.

### Concert

The 234th Army Band will present a concert on Aug. 11 at 2:45 p.m. at the Hale Koa Resort in Waikiki. The concert will feature the 234th Jazz Band as well as concert band. The stage band will feature traditional music from the swing era. The concert will be offered to the public free of charge.

## Army boat conducts demonstration at PMRF

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The ferry-turned-U.S. Army vessel, USAV Spearhead (TSV-1X), completed a series of training operations designed to test its newly installed self-defense systems Monday in the waters off Kauai island's Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF).

The week-long event, termed Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration, was designed as a test of sorts of how Spearhead's new systems would function in a multi-threat environment.

The threats projected to Spearhead consisted of a wide variety of signals, from laser to radar, which were emitted from the beaches of Barking Sands toward the operations area where the TSV's equipment would see them and react accordingly.

Providing the threats were facilities from within PMRF as well as deployed components from Eglin Air



U.S. Navy photo by JO2 (SW/AW) Johnny Michael

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Force base's 46th Test Wing, the Naval Research Laboratory and the Center for Countermeasures.

Additionally, the 154th Air Control Squadron, a tenant Air National Guard command residing on PMRF, provided personnel and equipment to set up the extensive threat emission site.

The Australian built roll

on/roll off (RoRo) ferry was delivered to owner Bollinger/Incat USA for charter to the U.S. Army Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM) in November 2002. The 319-foot wave piercing catamaran, unpainted and modern in design, was acquired by the Army as a means to quickly transport troops and sup-

plies to areas of conflict, said Spearhead crew member Sgt. Kevin Willis.

"We saw action very quickly after being picked up, transporting units during the early stages of Operation Iraqi Freedom," said Willis.

The ship has an average speed of 40 knots, holds a crew of 32 and can transport an additional 290 troops

and their associated gear.

According to Spearhead commanding officer, Chief Warrant Officer Rebecca Brashears, even though the vessel is sea-going, it is still an Army unit. One major distinction that could be made between this Army ship and one under Navy command is the presence of weapon-laden gun racks throughout the ship, whereas Navy ships utilize a central armory where weapons are checked out to Sailors when needed.

"Ingrained in every Soldier's mind is knowing where the weapons are at all times," said Brashears in reference to the gun racks.

The ship is homeported at Ft. Eustis, Va. and since it's 2002 inception has only been there once.

"We are constantly doing operations," said Willis.

With more than 180,000 nautical miles on the odometer, the ship has circumnavigated the globe twice. Spearhead continues to stay true to the giant message inscribed within the main deck: Sail Army Fast.

## Information about your Navy drinking water

NAVFAC Hawai'i Public Affairs

It's time once again for the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawai'i (NAVFAC Hawai'i), previously known as Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor, to distribute information on the quality of your drinking water.

As the owner and operator of five water distribution systems on Oahu, NAVFAC Hawai'i is required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to provide a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), an annual report, to its customers on the source and quality of their drinking water. The CCR includes a table listing all contaminants detected in the finished water at levels above the Environmental Protection Agency's prescribed minimum detection limits. The report also includes information on the sources of water, health effects, compliance status, and other related information about your drinking water.

NAVFAC Hawai'i produces five water quality reports (brochures), one for each of its water systems, which was distributed in late June. Navy activities and civilian billed customers, who receive water from the command, will receive a water report through the mail.

For Navy housing residents, copies of all five reports are available at the Navy Family Housing Office, information desk (988 Spence St. near Pearl Kai Elementary School and Moanalua Shopping Center), and Forest City Residential Management, Moanalua Terrace Recreation Center. Copies may also be obtained from NAVFAC Hawai'i's Public Affairs Office by calling 471-7300.



U.S. Navy photo by JO3 Ryan C. McGinley

## Daddy's home!

A Sailor stationed aboard the guided missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) hugs his son after returning to Pearl Harbor from a six-month deployment. O'Kane deployed as part of the USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) Carrier Strike Group in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

## Possible delays in household goods shipments

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Military personnel and civilian employees inbound to Hawai'i can expect delivery delays on household goods (HHG) now through September, according to a message from Commander, Naval Supply Systems Command (COMNAVSUPSYSCOM) dated July 27.

Transformation initiatives by the U.S. Army, resulting in a 20 to 25 percent increase in the volume of household goods shipments in and out of Hawai'i, are the reasons cited for the delays. Due to the increase in volume, expected through September, the carrier industry has indicated that "they may not have sufficient capacity to meet the additional summer shipment volume and delivery delays on inbound shipments may occur," advised COMNAVSUPSYSCOM.

The message advises DoD military and civilian employees who will be moving to Hawai'i this summer to contact the Joint Personal Property Shipping Office (JPPSO) at Pearl Harbor immediately upon arrival. "By immediately contacting the JPPSO, members and employees with delivery addresses can

arrange for direct delivery of their HHG, avoiding delays due to shortages in storage and carrier capacity," the message stated.

Sailors are advised by JPPSO officials to be flexible as they plan for permanent change of station (PCS) moves. According to Faye Flores, JPPSO director at Pearl Harbor, inbound Sailors should contact JPPSO immediately upon arrival on the island, even though they may not know the delivery address for their property and provide contact information. Flores encouraged military members to accept delivery of their property as soon as it arrives.

"On the date of their moves, Sailors need to be sure they are home between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to avoid charges for an attempted pickup/delivery," she said. "During the summer, it is advised that members be flexible about their move dates," she added.

Although the busy summer PCS season is well underway, it is still important for military service members to plan for their outbound moves as soon as possible, according to JPPSO.

Flores advised, "As soon as you get your orders, make sure you call the personal property office and make your

appointment. Once the application is done, we book shipment for all the services."

Sailors can also go online to [www.smartwebmove.navsup.navy.mil](http://www.smartwebmove.navsup.navy.mil) to arrange their household goods move online. The program functions as an online substitute for an in-person appointment.

Once a Sailor receives orders and completes his or her application with the personal property office or online application, Flores said that it is the goal of her office to book shipments within two days after it receives the application. Once the application is processed, JPPSO personnel will assign the Sailor a moving company to handle the household goods move.

Flores explained that in all cases, preparation and flexibility are key, noting that Sailors should expect the season to be busy and should plan to be flexible in their move dates.

Sailors who would like to check on the status of shipments can access their information through the Internet at <http://ebiz.pearl.fisc.navy.mil/jppso/owa/pp.menu>. They can contact JPPSO by calling (808) 473-4497 or email at [FISC\\_PRLH\\_JPPSO@navy.mil](mailto:FISC_PRLH_JPPSO@navy.mil)



U.S. Navy photo by JO2 Devin Wright  
A mover carts household goods for a Navy family.



U.S. Navy photo by JO3 Ryan C. McGinley

A military family member pets "Sparky," the Federal Fire Department's mascot during the National Night Out/KidsDay celebration at Pearl City Peninsula.

## Pearl Harbor families enjoy National Night Out events

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Naval Station Pearl Harbor Security and Morale, Welfare and Recreation teamed up to celebrate National Night Out and National KidsDay Tuesday at Navy housing communities around the island.

According to the the National Night Out Web site, National Night Out is a program designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, strengthen neighborhood spirit and strengthen police-community partnerships.

"National Night Out is when the police department, fire department and all the municipalities come out and meet the public and get a closer one-on-one relationship," said Master-at-Arms 2nd class (SW) Guy DeCoito, assigned to Naval Station Pearl Harbor Security. "We're here to help the public and be a little more friendly. It's important to get out and be seen to let the public know

we're there for them."

Cat Rost, MWR community central director, said they combined KidsDay with National Night Out for the first time this year to create a joint effort aimed at children and maximize participation.

"The purpose of KidsDay is to share a moment and make a memory," she said. "Our goal is to bring as many people out and have a good time."

KidsDay is a program started by the National Boys and Girls Clubs of America and is designed for adults to join, celebrate and honor children through the gift of meaningful time together, according to the KidsDay Web site.

The event featured games, crafts, activities, bounce houses and food for children. Local military and civilian police departments and the Federal Fire Department were present to display various vehicles and weapons for children to see and ask questions about.

"We support the community in emergencies as well as good

times, and this is one of those good times," said Glenn Kaauwai, assistant chief for the Federal Fire Department. "Typically children just see the truck and they don't get to meet the guys that are on the truck. We are here celebrating and explaining our job. We're happy to do what we do."

Rost said it's important for children to see police and fire personnel up close in a non-emergency environment so they can feel secure and confident in their local authorities.

"The children and their families interacted with the police and all of their equipment, and that will hopefully make them aware that they don't have to be afraid. They will know that they can go to them for help," said Rost.

National Night Out and KidsDay are both held annually in August. For more information on National Night Out, visit their Web site at [www.national-nightout.org](http://www.national-nightout.org). For more information on KidsDay, visit their Web site at [www.kidsday.net](http://www.kidsday.net).

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Capt. William F. Moran passes through the honor side boys during a change of command ceremony at Marine Corps Base Hawai'i, Kaneohe Bay, signaling his relief as commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing Two (CPRW-2). Capt. Robert J. Adrion took command of the Wing at the command's 47th change of command since establishment in 1937.

# Hawai'i Navy News Editorial

## Are the rims really worth it? Try investing

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In my 29 years of service, I've seen many trends and fads come and go. Most of them have been relatively inexpensive. There is, however, a recent trend that seems to have caught on, but the new trend is anything but inexpensive. More and more, I see cars sporting shiny chrome rims with high-priced, low profile tires. I have to ask, are those rims really worth it?

On average, custom chrome rims cost about \$3,500. The larger you go, the more they cost. If you upgrade to the ones that spin, commonly referred to as spinners, the cost can skyrocket. It's not uncommon to see rims and wheels that near the \$10,000 mark.

I'm no financial genius, but by my simple math is accurate, spending \$3,500 or more on rims just doesn't seem to make much financial sense.

If you were to invest \$3,500, and you earn just five percent interest, in four years you would have \$4,270. If you invested the same amount for 15 years, you'd have almost \$7,400. If you are willing to pay \$8,000 for rims and invested that amount for four years, at five percent interest, you'd have \$9,765. If you invested the same amount for 15 years, you'd have almost \$17,000.

For those of you who can actually afford high-priced rims and after market add-ons, I guess as long as you have the money

there's nothing wrong with the upgrades and extravagant extras. My bigger concern is for those Sailors who find themselves lured into the keeping up with the Jones' syndrome.

When I see a Sailor driving a Cadillac Escalade with huge tires and spinners, I have to ask myself, how did he or she afford such a vehicle? And even if the Sailor is able to meet the monthly payments for all that, is there anything left in his or her paycheck?

For many of you, buying a new car is your first major investment. I'm told the average cost of a new vehicle today is around \$27,000. Of course, there are many more affordable cars and used cars in good condition can be found at very reasonable prices. Even if you purchase an average-priced car or truck, add on new rims and wheels and you suddenly escalate the price to that of a low-end luxury car.

So I'll ask again, are rims really worth it? I realize that many of you see your vehicle as an expression of who you are. You personalize it so others will get a glimpse of your personality. Unfortunately, the price you pay for that appearance might be too costly and could hardly be considered an investment.

Perhaps a more practical question - Is the ride better? When I see a large SUV with low-profile tires, I have to wonder how rigid that must feel going over bumps. Call me old school, but I always thought the idea was to make the ride as comfortable as possible.

With few exceptions, vehicles almost always depreciate. If you don't have a garage, your vehicle may depreciate even faster because of the elements. Investing a large amount of money into rims and tires, I would think, could be a losing financial venture. I'm not convinced that, when you sell or trade in the vehicle, you even break even.

I guess my advice to anyone contemplating buying new rims and wheels would be to look into your future and try to answer the, 'are they really worth it'

question. What are the pros and cons of such a purchase? What other things might you do with that money? Are you going to have to take a large loan? Are you purchasing the after-market extras on credit? What is the interest rate on your credit card? If you purchase something on sale, but get charged a high annual percentage rate on your credit card, any potential savings is eroded by high interest payments.

Rims and wheels are popular today. How long they stay the fad is tough to say. At some point, I'm guessing they will lose their appeal and those who own them will have an even greater difficulty getting their money back on trade or sale. If you really, really must have those rims, look in the newspaper or online. There are lots of folks who are trying to sell

theirs, most at very low prices.

I realize when you're young it's difficult to look too far into the future. Many of you don't think too much about what future investments you will encounter. While it's not my attempt to try and tell any Sailor how to spend their money, I do think it's necessary to at least provide you with some questions to ask yourself before you make a major purchase.

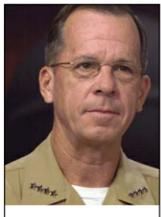
For starters, do you plan to purchase a house in the near future? Spending too much for a vehicle or rims can potentially slow that process. Do you have a nest egg for future emergencies? If not, I would recommend setting some money aside for that purpose first. If you are married and have, or are contemplating having children, are you saving for their education? I would argue that is much more important than having fancy rims and a very expensive vehicle.

Finally, keep in mind that peer pressure is sometimes difficult to resist. If your friends are pressuring you to purchase a fancy ride, you might want to keep in mind it's not them that has to pay for it. You get the bill. If you choose not to purchase the rims, 10 years from now I doubt you'll regret the decision. However, if you do choose to purchase them, and spend more than you make, you may indeed regret that decision for many years. Think about it real hard...are the rims really worth it?



## All ahead full: Message to the men and women of the United States Navy

Admiral Michael G. Mullen  
Chief of Naval Operations



Adm.  
Michael G. Mullen

I am deeply honored and humbled to begin my tour of duty as your Chief of Naval Operations. As I do, I ask you to join my wife, Deborah, and me in expressing our gratitude to Admiral and Mrs. Vern Clark for their five extraordinary years at the helm of the greatest Navy in the world. These two patriots have had a profound impact on our Navy family during one of the most critical times in this nation's history. Their selfless service and dedication made possible accomplishments we could not even have imagined just a few short years ago. We are truly, deeply, in their debt and wish them all the best as they begin a new chapter in their remarkable lives.

Thanks to Admiral Clark's bold vision and innovative reforms, our Navy plies the ocean today more agile and more capable than I have ever seen it. He has positioned us well to continue providing this nation and our allies dominant naval power wherever and whenever it is required. From this position of strength, we can now - and we must - push open new boundaries and exploit new opportunities. To delay is to lose the momentum and the advantage he gave us. My first order is "all ahead full."

I see three principal challenges facing us in the years ahead. First is the need to sustain the current readiness we worked so hard to achieve. It is not free and it is not a given. I am committed to keeping it sharp. Second is the need to build a fleet for the future, one of the proper size and mix of capabilities to deter or defeat the enemies we may face tomorrow. It will be different from the one we have

today. We must ensure it is even stronger, the right Navy for its time. And third, no less important than the preceding two, is the need to transform our personnel system. Our Navy can never be better than its Sailors, but it can deliver for those Sailors an accession, assignment, distribution and education system every bit as modern and sophisticated as they are. We need a flexible and responsive human capital strategy, so that we can continue to compete for the intellectual talent we will need in the future.

These three challenges now comprise my major strategic priorities. I intend to use Sea Power 21 and all its supporting tenets as a framework to attack each one and to serve as the blueprint for our continuing transformation. In the coming weeks, I will issue additional, specific guidance, but you have a right to know what principles will shape the decisions I make as your Chief of Naval Operations.

War fighting. The Navy is first and foremost a fighting, sea-going service - always has been. The weapons and technology change. The ships, aircraft and submarines certainly improve over time, but the job remains the same: to take the fight to the enemy so that he cannot take it to us. It is what we are paid to do. We have worked long and hard over the last several years to pursue efficiencies that allow us to sustain this effort, but I will not forget - and I urge you not to forget - the promise we made "to

defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic."

Jointness. Defending freedom today requires a real commitment to supporting the combatant commanders and our fellow services, agencies, allies and partners. It requires teamwork. You do not have to look any further than Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom to see the truth in that statement. As I write this, there are more than 3,800 Sailors on the ground in Afghanistan, Kuwait and Iraq fighting alongside American Soldiers, Airmen and Marines, not to mention the thousands more deployed aboard ships around the globe. They are doing magnificent work, helping millions of others live free.

The Navy brings to the fight unique maritime capabilities, but as their work clearly demonstrates, those capabilities are only as good as the contribution they make to the team effort. I will be actively seeking ways to improve those contributions to the joint force.

Naval character. I was struck by the story of Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Brian Alaniz of San Antonio, Texas, who in the early days of the Iraq war lost part of a leg trying to rescue a wounded Marine from a minefield. When asked later on the Oprah Winfrey Show if he considered himself a hero, Alaniz responded simply, humbly, "I was only doing my job." That is naval character - Navy-Marine Corps teamwork at its finest - and I consider it a national treasure. I will work closely with the Commandant of the Marine Corps to ensure our team stays strong and relevant far into the future and that we live up to the character and devotion Brian

Alaniz displayed for "his Marines."

People. You, the men and women of the United States Navy, Sailors all - active, reserve and civilian - are its lifeblood. You are the world's best and I am committed to your growth and development. There will be few, if any, decisions I make where I do not ask my commanders first about the impact those decisions have on you. The same holds true for families. I believe our families are every bit a factor in our readiness as our technology and our training. Their love and support make it possible for us to do what we do each and every day. Deborah and I are dedicated to improving the quality of life for our families and our larger Navy family that shares a rich tradition of sea service.

Leadership and accountability. I fundamentally believe that within each and every one of us lies the capacity to lead. No matter where we stand in the chain of command, we all have a responsibility to develop our leadership potential and that of the Sailors in our charge. I also believe that a tenet of good leadership is holding oneself accountable to high standards.

The quality of our work and our personal conduct say more about who we are and what we stand for than any one of our hundreds of ships or thousands of airplanes. Wherever we go, whatever we do, we represent the ideals and the people of the nation we serve. Arleigh Burke said it best: "We need men and women who by their personal integrity, sense of moral purpose, and acceptance of the requirement for hard work will exemplify the best in the leadership traditions of the Navy and of our country."

The American people expect much from us. They expect us to command the seas and to stay the

most powerful Navy in the world. They expect us to defend their freedom, taking the fight to the enemy - whoever and wherever that enemy is. They expect us to be flexible and to operate jointly with other services and allies across the spectrum of conflict. They expect us to challenge their sons and daughters to a life of consequence, with service that matters and leadership that inspires. They expect us to be dreamers and innovators, building for them a fleet that will ensure the security of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They expect us to act as good stewards of both their money and the environment. Moreover, they expect us to comport ourselves always with honor, to live up to the legacy left us by Navy heroes past and present.

I believe we are meeting these high expectations every day, but we will not rest. We have both the great privilege and great responsibility of serving our nation at a critical time, confronting the most demanding security challenges in history.

Our ability to overcome those challenges will affect not only America's freedom, but also the freedom of millions of other men and women the world over. Our enemies will not rest, and neither can we. We must move out swiftly, deliberately, boldly.

As I take the helm from Admiral Clark, I do so with the full understanding that such boldness cannot succeed without your support. I need your ideas. I want your ideas. When I visit you, tell me what you think. This is your Navy. I will listen. I will learn. And I will lead. But I will need your help to do all three. It is time to remove the stops and open the throttle.

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Some of Naval Station Pearl Harbor's chief selectees barbeque at a command picnic at Rainbow Marina July 28. The results were announced earlier that same day.

# Newest guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey enters the fleet

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The Navy commissioned its newest Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97) on July 30 in a ceremony at Pier J, Naval Air Station North Island, Coronado, Calif.

Sen. John McCain was the key speaker for the event. The Arizona senator, like his father and grandfather, was a naval officer. In his speech, he paid special tribute to his grandfather, Adm. John McCain, and Fleet Adm. William F. "Bull" Halsey.

"My family owes a great debt of gratitude to Admiral Halsey, who personally ordered my grandfather be present on the deck of the USS Missouri when the Japanese formally surrendered," said Sen. McCain. "For almost 230 years, the Navy has given us many heroes. No name is more deserving of this honor than Admiral Halsey's. I am confident the crew of this destroyer is worthy of its namesake."

The Northrop Grumman-built USS Halsey is the second destroyer to be named after Fleet Adm. William F. Halsey, Jr.

According to Operations Specialist 3rd Class Justin Franck, the ship's surface warfare supervisor, having



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The Navy's newest Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, USS Halsey (DDG 96) is commissioned at Naval Station North Island. The ceremony marked the formal entrance of the guided missile destroyer into the fleet. The ship was named after Fleet Adm. William "Bull" Halsey Jr., who commanded South Pacific Force and South Pacific Area during World War II. Halsey is capable of fighting air, surface and subsurface battles simultaneously and the ship contains a number of offensive and defensive weapons designed to support maritime defense needs well into the 21st century.

the name Halsey means they're expected to be faster and more prepared than any other ship.

"We're going through more training a whole lot faster," said Franck. "We're also going on deployment next summer and no one's ever done it that fast before."

Fleet Adm. Halsey's distinguished career started when he graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1904. During World War I, Halsey was awarded the Navy Cross for his actions

while in command of convoy escort vessels. In 1935 and at the age of 52, he earned his naval aviator wings. During World War II, Halsey, then a vice admiral, led the first counter-strikes against the Japanese. He later assumed command of the Third Fleet in 1944 and led his task forces to victories over the Japanese during conflicts in the South Pacific. William Halsey, nicknamed "Bull" by the press, became the last officer to earn the rank of fleet admiral and is also known



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Sailors stationed aboard the Navy's newest Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, USS Halsey (DDG 96), gives a "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" as they bring the ship to life during the ship's commissioning ceremony.

for his battle cry: "Hit hard! Hit fast! Hit often!"

"Visionary! Inspirational! Determined! The very name Halsey embodies these attributes," said Vice Adm. Terrance T. Etnyre, Commander, Naval Surface Forces. "This legendary naval officer personifies all of the qualities of a great leader. It is a fitting name for a United States warship."

The ship was "brought to life" by Halsey's granddaughters, Anne Halsey

Smith and Heidi Cooke-Halsey, and Halsey's great-granddaughter, Margaret Halsey Talbot. Talbot stood in the place of co-sponsor, Alice Spruance Talbot, who was unable to attend.

Other speakers at the event included: the Honorable Dionel M. Aviles, Under Secretary of the Navy; Vice Adm. Barry M. Costello, Commander, Third Fleet; Rear Adm. Mark H. Buzby, deputy, surface ships; Rear Adm. Charles S. Hamilton, pro-

gram executive officer for ships; Philip A. Teel, president, Northrop Grumman Ship Systems.

"Admiral Halsey set the standard for the Navy of the 20th century, so it is only appropriate that USS Halsey set the standard for the Navy of the 21st century," said Lt. j.g. Darwin Robinson, Halsey's systems test officer. "Halsey is the link to what the Navy is going to, so we have to be the benchmark for the fleet."

## Chiefs run the Navy, CNO tells Senior Enlisted Academy

**Chief of Naval Operations  
Public Affairs**

In a July visit to the Senior Enlisted Academy in Newport, R.I., Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Mike Mullen made it clear who he believes really runs the Navy - chief petty officers.

"I believe that the chiefs run the Navy," he said. "You may think I run the Navy, but I assure you the Navy runs because of what you do."

Mullen talked about leadership and the future of the Navy with members of class 119, which started their six-week curriculum at the academy July 25. It was the CNO's first trip outside Washington since he relieved Adm. Vern Clark in a change of command ceremony July 22.

"Having the CNO take the time to come up here and visit during his first week in office sent a strong signal to our students and to the fleet about how much he values the chief's mess," said Command Master Chief (SW/AW/SCW) Ralph Rao, director of the Senior Enlisted Academy.

Mullen described the Navy as



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Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Mike Mullen addresses staff and students of the Senior Enlisted Academy in Newport, R.I. The courses taught at the academy prepare senior enlisted leaders to better fulfill their expanded leadership and management responsibilities, where they will have the opportunity to impact hundreds to thousands of military and civilian personnel.

"the best we've ever had," crediting Sailors across the fleet for embracing change during "very tough and challenging times." He told the stu-

dents they could expect his "best possible effort and focus," in keeping the Navy strong and he would never forget what really matters.

CNO also shared his expectations for the senior enlisted ranks, urging them to take a broad view of the Navy and to make leadership their first priority.

"When you put on khakis, you are no longer a machinist's mate or fire controlman or culinary specialist or you pick the rate," he said. "You are a chief and you are responsible for one thing, and that is leading."

Mullen reviewed some of the challenges he faces as he comes into office, including sustaining current readiness, investing in future force structure and developing a human capital strategy for the 21st century.

"We've got readiness right and I am going to keep it that way," he said.

But Navy leaders also have to think long term, he noted, building and investing in the Navy of the future.

"We must think about what kind of ships we will need and how many of them, what kind of aircraft we will need and how many of them, what kind of submarines we will need and how many of them, to build the Navy of the future,"

he said.

People, noted Mullen, were the most important part of that future.

"One of the reasons I stayed in the Navy was because the first time I was on a destroyer, I fell in love with the mission, fell in love with the sea and fell in love with the people. And I still feel that way," he said.

In simple terms, he said the human capital strategy is about making the Navy "a place where people roll out of the rack in the morning and want to come to work."

Before he opened up the floor to questions, Mullen wrapped up with a quick summary of how he sees himself and the role the Navy plays today in national security.

"I am a Sailor and I love going to sea. That is what we do. We are a warfighting, sea-going service in what I consider to be a demanding time, a very uncertain time," he said.

"We were excited to have him here and glad to hear straight from him what direction he intends to take the Navy," said Rao. "He's a straight shooter."

## Roadmap helps Sailors achieve education goals

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In July, a new education degree roadmap tool was introduced on Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) to make it simpler for Sailors to manage their training and course-completion transcripts and plot their educational progress through their electronic training jacket (ETJ) online.

The roadmap consists of point-and-click flow charts that explain, in simple detail, the steps involved and necessary points of contact for validating and updating ETJ information.

By using the roadmap, Sailors learn how to gain maximum credit for their Navy training and experience and transfer college credits from other institutions and specialized schools. In many cases, after using the roadmap, Sailors discover they are a lot closer to earning a college degree within their career field than they previously imagined. College credit for Navy training is applied to the Sailor and Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript (SMART), available through the NKO and Navy College Program (NCP) Web sites. The information is stored in a Sailor's ETJ on NKO.

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"These education degree roadmaps are designed to provide all Sailors with detailed, yet simple, procedures to follow as they pursue rating-relevant degree programs," said Cmdr. Craig Klein, Joint/Navy Professional Military Education program manager for the Naval Education and Training Command (NETC). "The roadmap begins by having Sailors validate and update their educational information in their ETJ. Sailors may then verify their SMART transcripts for accuracy, access individual academic counseling, select a rating-relevant degree plan, and take practice College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) tests."

Sailors can access their education degree roadmap via the NKO Web site under the "learning" menu. A similar rating roadmap has been developed to help Sailors select their school of choice from the Navy's partnership program that best fits their needs for rating-relevant education. For every Navy rating, there are partnership

schools that offer credit for Navy training and education applied to associate and bachelor degree programs.

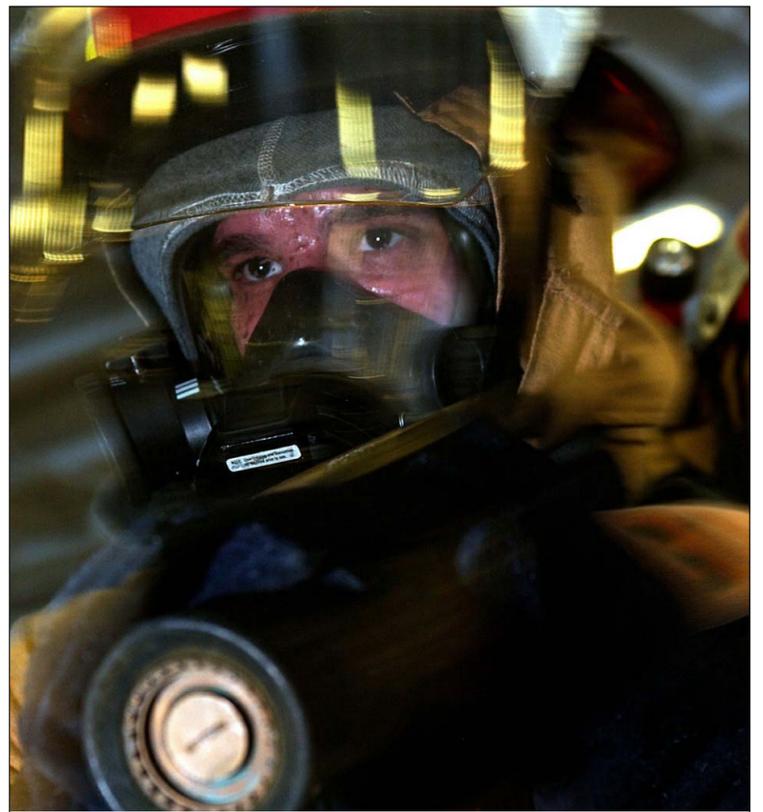
"Rating-relevant education is the wave of the future for Sailors," said NETC Force Master Chief FORCM Michael J. McCalip. "As the Navy places greater emphasis on professional military education (PME), secondary education that is relevant to a Sailor's career path will be critical to a Sailor's professional development. This supports the Sea Warrior concept of Sea Power 21 that will allow the Navy to become a smarter workforce."

"Discovering how close Sailors are to earning a diploma is as easy as going online to NKO and clicking on the "learning" menu and selecting the education degree roadmap link," said McCalip. "When the roadmap start screen opens, simply follow the on-screen directions."

For more information on the education degree roadmaps, visit the Navy Knowledge Online Web site at [www.nko.navy.mil](http://www.nko.navy.mil).

For more information on the Navy College Program, visit [www.navycollege.navy.mil](http://www.navycollege.navy.mil). For more information on the Naval Education and Training Command, visit [www.necet.navy.mil](http://www.necet.navy.mil).

## Where's the fire?



U.S. Navy photo by PH3 Aaron Burden

Aviation Support Equipment Technician 3rd Class Clint Ballard, assigned to Repair Locker 1F, combats a simulated aircraft fire in the hangar deck aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76). Reagan is currently underway in the Pacific Ocean conducting Tailored Ships Training Availability.

# ESG 1 crosses date line, enters 7th Fleet AOR

**Lt. Ron Flanders**

*Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet*

*Public Affairs*

Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG) 1 entered the second phase of its Western Pacific/Indian Ocean deployment July 29 when the group crossed the international date line and entered the 7th Fleet area of responsibility (AOR).

Five ships, including the flagship of ESG 1 and Amphibious Squadron 1, USS Tarawa (LHA 1), the amphibious transport dock USS Cleveland (LPD 7), and the amphibious dock landing ship USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52), guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) and frigate USS Ingraham (FFG 61) officially entered the 7th Fleet AOR combat-ready with more than 2,200 embarked Marines of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (special operations capable). The guided-missile destroyer USS Gonzalez (DDG 66) is in the 5th Fleet area of operations and will link up with ESG 1 there as part of the Navy's Sea Swap initiative.

Commanded by Rear Adm. Michael A LeFever, ESG 1 has more than 5,500 Sailors and Marines standing ready to support Commander, Task Force (CTF) 76 in the Western Pacific. With a force construct that gives Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet, Vice Adm. Jonathan Greenert the flexibility to rapidly conduct operations across the spectrum of warfare, ESG 1 embodies Greenert's vision for responsive, short-term readiness. The strike group can operate independently or, as demonstrated July 25-26 in exercises with the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force, can integrate seamlessly into a multi-dimensional joint and combined force.

"Our strike group is a perfect tool to carry out the 7th Fleet



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The amphibious assault ship USS Tarawa (LHA 1) on station off the coast of Oahu July 22 during ESG-1's deployment. ESG-1 entered the second phase of its Western Pacific/Indian Ocean deployment July 29 when the group crossed the international date line and entered the 7th Fleet AOR. Five ships are deployed with the strike group, including the guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65).

"framework for action," LeFever said. "We are internally aligned with CTF 76 and externally aligned with our valuable Asian allies, whom we intend to engage and exercise with during our time here. We proved in 3rd Fleet

that we can respond quickly to multiple threats at once during our joint task force exercise and we're combat ready."

According to LeFever, the mission of ESG 1 is a very clear one.

"Our job is to be ready to carry out any mission at the word 'go,'" LeFever said. "We can carry out the full range of missions, from humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operation to combat operations, demonstrat-

ing the strong cooperation with our Asian friends in this vital region."

While in the AOR, ESG 1 will fall under Rear Adm. Victor Guillory, commander of Amphibious Force, U.S. 7th Fleet.

# Hawai'i Navy News Sports

## Navy men's soccer hosts Army on CSTV, has seven home games

### Naval Academy Varsity Athletics

The Navy men's soccer schedule has been finalized and will feature seven home games including a nationally-televised battle against Army. The Mids will kick off its season with exhibition matches against three highly-touted opponents, before opening the season at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 2 against Niagara in the Anders Soccer Classic in Annapolis. The game will be the debut for head coach, Rich Miranda, who, in February, was named just the program's fourth head coach in 84 years.

"We have tapered our schedule to get more wins and gain confidence, but still face challenging teams," said Miranda. "Down the road, after we have developed a winning attitude, we feel we will be able to compete with some top-tier teams."

Following a home exhibition game against Boston University on Aug. 23, sandwiched between road exhibition games against William & Mary (Aug. 20) and James Madison (Aug. 26), the Miranda era kicks off in earnest with two home games in the Anders Soccer Classic. The home opener comes on Sept. 2, against Niagara at 7:30 p.m., before hosting Georgia Southern at 4 p.m. on Sept. 4.

"The key for us is getting off to a strong start and building some confidence heading into Patriot League play," said Miranda. "Early wins would help us out tremendously."

Following the modest two-game homestand comes four straight games away from Annapolis, including a pair of games in the UMBC Classic (vs. Davidson and Rider on Sept. 9 and 11). Navy then takes its longest trip of the year, traveling to the northeast to play games against Hartford (Sept. 16) and Massachusetts (Sept. 18). Navy returns to Annapolis to play three of its next five games at



U.S. Navy photo by PH3 Danielle M. Sosa

The U.S. Navy Soccer Team warms up before the 2005 Armed Forces soccer tournament held at Naval Station San Diego, Calif. The Armed Forces soccer tournament is an annual event held between the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines.

home against Delaware (Sept. 21), American (Sept. 28) and Holy Cross (Oct. 8).

Following three more road games, including a Wednesday afternoon matinee at UMBC on Oct. 12, the Mids return home on Oct. 28, for the annual Star Game

against Army, beginning at 7 p.m. This year's contest will be televised nationally by CSTV. The Mids own a 34-24-13 all-time record against the Black Knights, including a 1-0-3 mark in the last four games.

Navy concludes its season with a road game at Philadelphia

University on Nov. 2 (2:30 p.m. start) and a home game against Bucknell on Nov. 5. The Patriot League Tournament follows the next weekend, Nov. 11-13.

"All of the Patriot League games are tough, because of what they mean. Our league doesn't get a lot

of NCAA at-large bids, so every game is a battle for positioning in the Patriot League Tournament," said Miranda. "Our goal is to make the Patriot League Tournament. Once you get there, anything can happen and any team can win it."

# PMRF featured at environmental conference

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Navy leaders in Hawai'i have made great efforts to balance environmental concerns with operational commitments, and one of the success stories from these efforts was showcased recently at the 2005 Hawai'i Conservation Conference hosted on Oahu.

In early 2005, a plan was developed to relocate albatross eggs from the aviation hazard area surrounding the Pacific Missile Range Facility's airfield to the Kilauea Point Wildlife Refuge. The effort was widely lauded as a success as it decreased the risk of aerial hazards to PMRF aircraft and increased the hatching success rate of Kilauea refuge by 15 percent via translocated eggs and chicks.

PMRF's environmental coordinator, John Burger, along with Jayme Patrick, supervisory wildlife biologist for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) Wildlife Services operations on Kauai, teamed up to create a display which detailed the interagency process.

Entitled, "The Albatross Egg Swap: A Triple-Agency Effort," the display described how officials from PMRF, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

(USFWS) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture joined to coordinate and execute the plan that ultimately saved a generation of albatross which had been nesting at PMRF.

Brenda Zaun, a wildlife biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service who accepted and placed the chicks and eggs delivered by Patrick and Judson Ventar (WS field technician) during the swap, also described the successful operation in a formal paper presentation at the conference.

According to Burger, a major theme of this year's conference was the inter-agency cooperative efforts, which are increasingly necessary in order to bring innovative and effective restoration programs while battling the staff and funding constraints.

"The conference is really an awesome alliance, probably the only one of its kind in the United States, which brings together so many organizations to solve environmental problems," said Burger.

The two-day conference was held at the Hawai'i Convention Center and featured symposia, presentations, workshops and poster sessions on various environmental concerns throughout the state. The conference was organized by the Hawai'i Conservation Alliance, a partnership between 11 federal, state and private organizations.



U.S. Navy historical photo

These two-story senior officers' quarters were built along Hale Ali'i Road in 1914 through 1919. The latest renovations to "Quarters C" maintained a historical preservation of the era.

## Navy housing "Quarters C" recognized for historic preservation

JO2 Ralph Hemmah

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"Quarters C," at Naval Station Pearl Harbor was recognized for outstanding residential and commercial housing design for the year 2005 in the July edition of Honolulu Magazine.

The Navy Housing Office at Pearl Harbor hired Fung Associates to renovate "Quarters C" while keeping the historic value of the home, which was built in 1914.

Fung Associates entered their renovation work in the 2005 Design Awards Program hosted by the American Institute of Architects (AIA), Honolulu chapter, and was honored, noting outstanding residential and commercial designs of the year.

"It is important to the Navy to preserve its historical assets because they represent the Navy's heritage, history and culture," said Annie Griffin of Navy Region

Hawai'i facilities

Some of the effects used to create significant design features included jig sawn rafters, multi-light wood doors and windows, as well as ornamental interior moldings, such as pediment head casings at doors and windows and pilasters at the entry vestibule.

"I was pleased to see the Navy's historic effects were being noticed," said Becky Hommon, Navy Region Hawai'i environmental counsel.

The house is located in a neighborhood where history has a strong association with the 14th Naval District and Navy Shipyard and the beginning development of the U. S. Naval Base, Pearl Harbor. The Navy homes in the Hale Ali'i neighborhood are distinctive for their use of materials such as local lava rock, wood shingle siding and roofing and ohia (a local hardwood) flooring as well as for their design, according to a Pearl Harbor Naval Complex historic

inventory survey.

Navy Region Hawai'i won the fiscal year 2003 Chief of Naval Operations Environmental Award for Cultural Resources Management-Installation for achieving the Navy's mission in preserving over 1,400 Navy Region Hawai'i's historical structures.

Hommon also noted that a lot of factors like cost effectiveness and the historical significance the structure plays at Pearl Harbor are taken into consideration when identifying which structures should be preserved.

Once the structure has been identified for renovation work, they replace old worn out parts with prefabricated ones that stay true to the era.

The "Quarters C" structure was part of the Hale Ali'i elite district of Pearl Harbor of prestigious homes which housed top high-ranking senior officers. "Quarters C" is now occupied by Commander, Navy Region Hawai'i, Rear Adm. Michael C. Vitale.

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