

Celebrate Earth Month



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Twenty million people across America celebrated the first Earth Day on April 22, 1970. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, it was a time when our environment was in crisis. Now Earth Day is celebrated annually around the world.

For the Department of the Navy, Earth Day is every day. "Every day, both ashore and at sea, we put our environmental

commitment into practice," said Donald C. Winter, Secretary of the Navy, in an Earth Day message. "Over 3,400 environmental professionals lead the Navy and Marine Corps efforts to meet the challenges of conserving natural and cultural resources, preventing pollution, saving energy and using equipment that is cleaner to manufacture, operate and dispose."

At Navy Region Hawai'i, protection of the environment is an integral part of accomplishing our mission and our daily life. The region's environmental department works together

with regulatory agencies, natural resource managers and community members to ensure that environmental protection is incorporated into our daily operations. "However, preserving and protecting Hawai'i's environment requires everyone's help," said Clyde Yokota, who directs Navy Region Hawai'i's environmental program. Yokota challenged everyone to demonstrate their commitment to protecting the environment by getting involved in the numerous opportunities to learn and make a difference during Earth Month.

Pearl Harbor Earth Month 2007 Events

- **April 7** – Historic Pearl Harbor bike trail cleanup. A joint venture with the City and County of Honolulu Environmental Services Department, Honolulu Police Department, Aiea Middle School and Pearl City Lions Club. Wear a hat, covered shoes and dress to get dirty. Contact: Lt. Maria Navarro at 473-5752.
- **April 21** – Ahua Reef cleanup. A joint Air Force-Navy cleanup at Hickam Air Force Base. Bring tabs or reef walkers if you want to get wet. If you want to work on dry land, bring gloves, lopping shears and saws. Contact Aaron Hebshi at 449-1584, ext. 234 or Krista Jack at 441-6655.
- **April 21** – 2007 Navy Earth Day Fair at Ward Field. Celebrate Earth Day with fun educational exhibits, free games and activities while you learn about Hawai'i's environmental treasures, recycling tips, endangered species, energy conservation, gentle giants in the ocean, and more. This year's fair will be held in conjunction with Springfest – Month of the Military Child Celebration so plan on a full

afternoon of live entertainment and fun activities. For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

- **April 24** – Invasive species removal. A joint Naval Facilities Engineering Command and Navy Region Hawai'i project to restore an endangered plant species at the Barbers Point Lighthouse. Volunteers will be removing invasive kiawe and pluchea plants that are threatening a small population of the endangered *Achyranthes* plant population. Interested volunteers should call Julie Rivers at 472-1407.

- **April 28** – Kapakahi Stream/Pouhala Marsh restoration. Get ready for a wet, muddy workout clearing pickleweed, mangrove and trash from the largest remaining wetland habitat in Pearl Harbor. Navy Region Hawai'i is seeking 20 Navy volunteers to partner with the Hawai'i Nature Center, City and County of Honolulu, and the State Department of Land and Natural Resources to restore a feeding habitat for endangered Hawaiian wetland birds. Contact Terri Kojima at 473-2926.



Commentary

Window on Pearl Harbor

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Meet 'The Bachelor' – officer and a gentleman

Meet Lt. Andy "Doc" Baldwin from Pearl Harbor – Navy diver, Navy doctor, naval officer – and soon to be the star of the reality television show, "The Bachelor."

In previous seasons of the show, beautiful women have vied for the attentions of millionaires and even princes from other countries. Baldwin isn't wealthy and claims no royal bloodlines, but he can certainly hold his own with the 'hunkyriffic' bachelors who have preceded him.

An officer and a gentleman, he is representative of the Navy's finest young men serving our country. Along with that comes integrity and dedication to the Navy Core Values – honor, courage and commitment.

As a diver and world class triathlete, Andy is an adrenaline-pumpin', livin' on the edge kind of guy. Although he doesn't 'walk on water', as a Navy diver he frequently finds himself immersed in its depths.

While he is easy on the eyes with his great looks and rock-hard abs, Baldwin is more than just "eye candy" – much more. He's an all around amazing guy and, despite the fact that he is becoming famous as tv's newest reality show 'bachelor,' he remains grounded, humble and personable.

Lt. Baldwin is a doctor – who cares about people and

is committed to improving the lives of others. He served as group surgeon for a team of military personnel on a mission in Laos and volunteers at the Aloha Medical Mission in Honolulu.

He's also an active volunteer in other community events, such as Special Olympics Hawai'i. Involved in charitable ventures, he established a fund to raise money for pancreatic cancer research in memory of his uncle. Originally from Lancaster, Pa., he graduated as class valedictorian from his high school and attended Duke University on an ROTC scholarship.

He's handsome and buff, charismatic and friendly, and I asked myself the question a number of times, 'Why would he need the help of a reality tv show to find his lady love?'

The answer to that is that he doesn't. But when he received the call from the producers of "The Bachelor," he figured that it wouldn't hurt to have a successful television network scan the world for potential life mates, then have an opportunity to meet them in fun surroundings.

Now as a mother, I thought about his parents and how they might be feeling as they watch their son's image flashed on television screens across the land, his story told

in newspapers across America. Certainly they will feel pride at his many accomplishments – the latest in this role as America's newest 'reality tv' bachelor. But perhaps they will also feel a bit of trepidation as they watch the bevy of beauties paraded before Andy, hoping that one of them will be the right one. Because after all, this is reality tv.

"The Bachelor" starring the Navy's own Lt. Andy Baldwin premieres next Monday evening. An added bonus – scenes from the show play out against the beautiful, tropical backdrop of Hawai'i.

The Navy officer will take center stage as he methodically hands out the show's trademark red roses to each lady that he has selected to continue in the competition for his affections. Finally, it will come down to that one last rose, for that one very special woman.

We wish you the best in finding your lady love, Lt. Baldwin.

Gee...kinda' makes me wish I were a few years younger...and drop dead gorgeous...and.....

Have a fine Navy day!

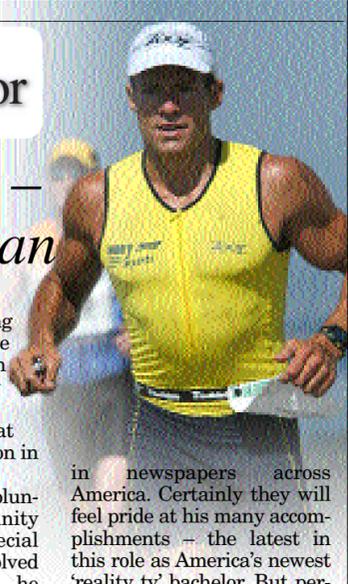


Photo courtesy of DEFY

Helping youth DEFY drugs, gangs, alcohol

Applications are being accepted until April 2 for highly-motivated active duty and Department of Defense personnel to participate in the 2007-2008 USPACOM/Pearl

Region Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) program.

It's a self-esteem building program that provides 9-12 year olds with tools they

need to resist drugs, gangs and alcohol.

For more applications and information, go to <http://www.hq.navy.mil/defy/> or call 477-9327 or 477-6796.

Bellows AFS Easter sunrise service/egg hunt

Bellows AFS Marketing

Bellows Air Force Station will hold its annual Easter sunrise service and egg hunt on April 8 at pavilion "B."

The sunrise service will begin at 6:30 a.m. followed by a free breakfast buffet at 7 a.m. After the breakfast, there will be an Easter egg hunt starting at 8:30 a.m. for children up to ages 16 and opportunities for free photos with the Easter Bunny.

For more information, call Bellows AFS Marketing at 259-4112.



Honolulu Pearl Canoe Club recruiting new paddlers

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Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5 p.m., children, retirees, military and local people gather at the Canoe Hale at Rainbow Bay Marina, Pearl Harbor. Together, they form the Honolulu Pearl Canoe Club (HPCC), a military-oriented, outrigger canoe paddling club.

This month, as their season begins, the club is recruiting new paddlers of all ages, skill and experience levels for the upcoming outrigger canoe regatta season. "We welcome all, whether you paddled for 20 years or you never paddled in your life," said Harold Ayat, head coach of HPCC.

The club offers an opportunity for individuals to learn six-man, outrigger canoe paddling skills and techniques for fun or competition in a positive social environment. Lt. Kevin Alford from Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard has been paddling for about two and a half years. "It's something that I'd always wanted to do. The racing aspect is great. Competitively, we run the gamut from sprints to long distance," he said.

For the upcoming regatta



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season, races, which are sprints ranging from one-fourth mile to one-and-a-half miles, will be held every Sunday from June 3 to July 22 at Kailua Beach, Keehi Lagoon, Nanakuli Beach and Waimanalo Beach.

Following the regatta season is the distance racing sea-

son, which begins in August and finishes with the prestigious races from Molokai to Oahu. The distance races are held at several locations around Oahu and range from six to 42 miles.

Training for the season proves to be a great workout physically as well as mentally.

"It's a great cardio workout. You actually use your entire body," Alford said. "If you are looking for a health benefit, it's there. If you are looking for something very traditional, it's there. There is a spiritual aspect as well. You get to listen to the cultural things going on around the commu-

nity and you learn about the islands," said Alford.

Cultural education and awareness are promoted in the club. "You are learning about something which goes back thousands of years. You develop an awareness of the historical aspect. Many of the canoes you see today, some

forget, these canoe designs are very old. The intent of the past was not for racing. It was used for gathering, transporting and warfare. Today it's a friendly competition," said Gordon Olayvar, president of HPCC.

The club promotes maximum event participation by all members in racing events. But one of the greatest benefits of joining this club is the sense of ohana (family) that you feel. "I like the people. It's also a family," said Alford.

As an official type three, private organization operating on Naval Station Pearl Harbor, HPCC is open to all active duty military, retired military, Department of Defense and non-appropriated fund (NAF) civilians, Reservists and National Guard. Practice is held three times a week, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5 p.m. to sunset at the Rainbow Bay Marina, near Arizona Memorial Visitor's Center.

"The requirements are simple," said Ayat. "Just come out and paddle." Boats and paddles, for those who don't have a paddle, are provided. For more information on joining the club, email megtoad@mac.com or call Ayat at 387-4824.

Hawai'i Foodbank seeks volunteers

Provided by Hawai'i Foodbank

The Hawai'i Foodbank is seeking volunteers in the military and civilian community to help with its 18th Annual Food Drive on April 21.

Volunteers are needed to assist at the following locations: Waikeola Congregational Church, Windward City Shopping Center, McCully Shopping Center, Pearl City Shopping Center, Town Center of Mililani and Koko Marina Center.

Volunteers may register to participate as individuals or can form groups. The registration deadline is April 3.

Food collected by the Hawai'i Foodbank is distributed through charitable agencies to those in need.

Those who wish to donate food should place it in a cardboard box labeled 'military coalition.' For donation pick-up, call dispatch at 836-1972.

For more information on volunteering to help with the food drive, call the volunteer recruiter at 836-3600, ext. 239.

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Sailing Vessels

Put the wind in your sails by finding the 45 ships and boats in this week's word find.

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Who said it?

"What, Sir? You would make a ship sail against the wind and tides by lighting a bon-fire under her deck? I pray you excuse me. I have no time to listen to such non-

"We are outnumbered; there is only one thing to do. We must attack!"

-Admiral Andrew Cunningham, before attacking the Italian fleet at Taranto, November 1940



Word Search Answers

World Currency

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| ARIARY | GUILDER | NAIRA | RUFYAA |
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Q. When did the present petty officer insignia become official?

Last week's question...
Who was the Navy's first admiral?

Answer...
The first Navy admiral was David Glasgow Farragut, appointed July 25, 1866. (Left)



Navy Region Hawai'i Manawa Nanea

LEISURE

Morale Welfare & Recreation



H TOUGH TEENS

Tough Teens, offered from 3-5 p.m. every Friday during the month of April at Bloch Arena, will give boys and girls ages 13 to 15-years-old an opportunity to learn about and engage in overall health and fitness. The free course will teach them how to include healthy heart activities, such as kickboxing, spinning and jump rope, into their lifestyle. There will be information on anti-smoking, anti-drinking and anti-drug education. The program is free and open to all military-affiliated family members. Register by April 1. FMI: 473-0793.

H 8-BALL POOL TOURNAMENT SERIES

Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host the next Handicap 8-Ball Pool Tournament at 7 p.m. April 9 at Beeman Center. The series will consist of monthly tournaments. It's open to Single Sailors only and is free of charge. FMI: 473-4279.

H COWGIRL KICKERS APPEARANCE

See the Cowgirl Kickers kick up a storm April 10 at Liberty in Paradise. At 5 p.m., Single Sailors will enjoy a free barbecue while socializing with the performers. Then at 7 p.m., the Cowgirl Kickers will perform followed by opportunities for autographs and photos. The event is free and open to Single Sailors only. FMI: 473-4279.

For more information on Navy Region Hawai'i MWR events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com

Community Calendar

N March

31 — Residents who have relocated to Hawai'i within the past three months are invited to attend Forest City's new resident social from noon-2 p.m. at Hokulani Community Center. Meet your neighbors, play bingo and eat free food. FMI: 839-8640, 839-8620, 839-8670 and 839-8630.



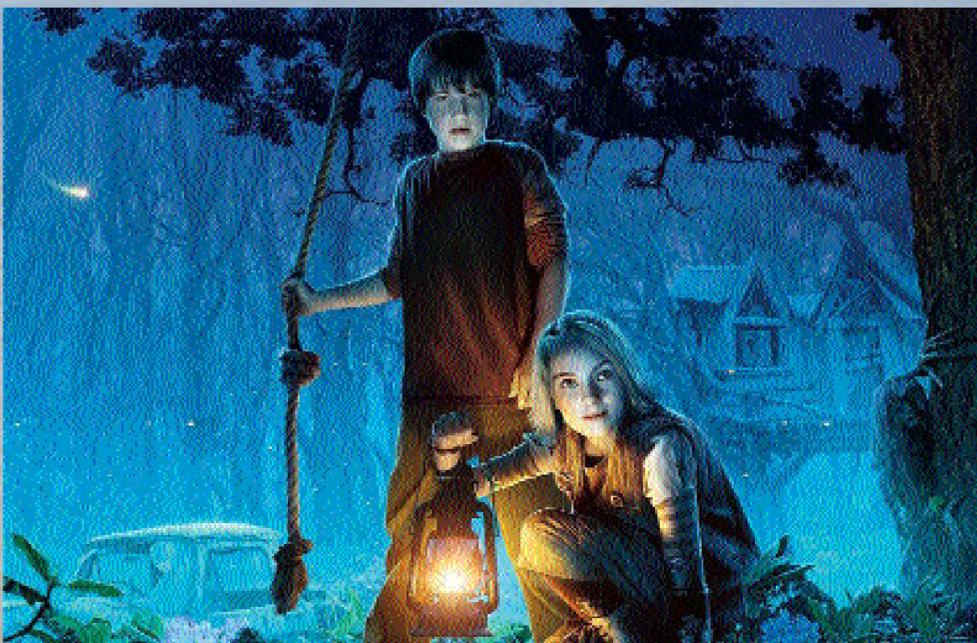
N April

7 — Residents are invited to attend Forest City's Easter Eggstravaganza from 2-4 p.m. at Richardson Field. Activities will include pictures with the Easter Bunny, Easter egg hunts for children two-six years of age, sack races for children seven-10 years of age and 11-14 years of age, and bounce houses. All activities are free. FMI: 839-8640, 839-8620, 839-8670 and 839-8630.

8 — The Army and Navy will join to host an Easter sunrise service beginning at 6 a.m. onboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial on Ford Island. FMI: 473-3972.

8 — Bellows Air Force Station will host an Easter sunrise service and egg hunt beginning at 6:30 a.m. at pavilion 'B' followed by a free breakfast buffet at 7 a.m. After the breakfast, there will be an Easter egg hunt starting at 8:30 a.m. for children up to ages 16 and opportunities for free photos with the Easter Bunny. FMI: 259-4112.

Sharkey Showtimes



Bridge to Terabithia (PG 13)

Discover a place that will never leave you, and a friendship that will change you forever. Fifth grader Jesse Aaron's hopes of becoming the fastest runner in his class are dashed when new girl Leslie Burke outruns everybody, including him. However, Jess and Leslie soon begin a friendship, and discover a magical kingdom in the forest, where the two of them reign together as king and queen.

TODAY

7:00 PM The Queen (PG 13)

SATURDAY

2:30 PM Norbit (PG 13)

4:45 PM Epic Movie (PG 13)

7:00 PM Because I Said So (PG 13)

SUNDAY

2:30 PM Bridge to Terabithia (PG)

4:45 PM Epic Movie (PG 13)

7:15 PM Letters from Iwo Jima (R)

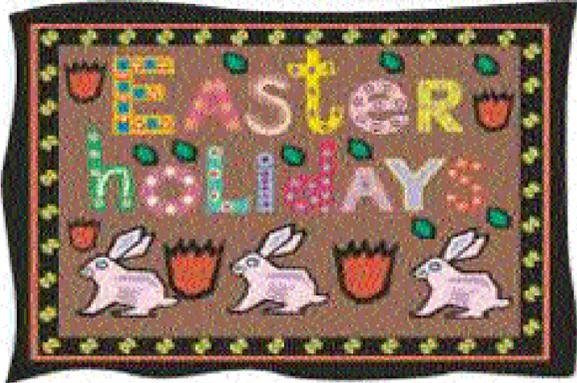
THURSDAY

7:00 PM Because I Said So (PG 13)

SHARKEY THEATER Pearl Harbor Naval Base (473-0726)

MEMORIAL THEATER Hickam Air Force Base (449-2239)

SGT. SMITH THEATER Schofield Barracks (624-2585)



Easter buffet at Sam Snead's

Navy Region Hawai'i Morale Welfare and Recreation

Sam Snead's Tavern will offer two opportunities to enjoy Easter buffets on Easter Sunday, April 8. Patrons can celebrate the season with either a brunch or dinner buffet.

Brunch items will include eggs, apple smoked bacon, sausage, and create your own omelette with black tiger shrimp, premium lump crab and Atlantic smoked salmon.

Brunch and dinner items will include oak grilled entrees and house specialties

(Dungeness crab legs, mussels in half shell, baby back pork ribs, to name a few) as well as a pasta station, carving station (certified Angus beef prime rib, baron of beef, roast leg of lamb) and a dessert station, offering an array of dessert fare.

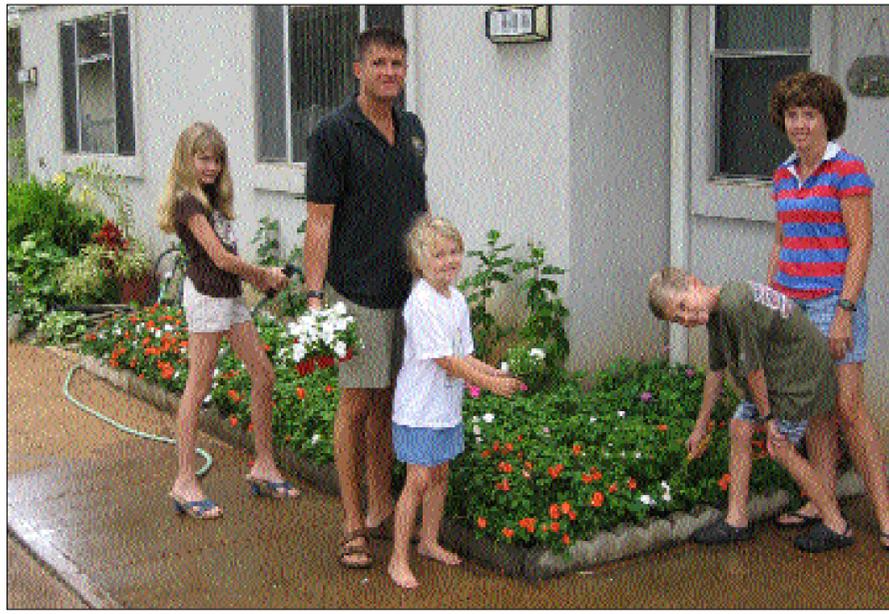
The brunch buffet will be served from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The dinner buffet will be available from 4 to 7:30 p.m.

The cost is \$28.95 per person; the cost of the meal for children ages six-12 is half price.

For a complete menu, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

For more information or to make reservations, call 421-SAMS(7267).

Proud family wins Yard of the Month honors



Cmdr. Chris Ray and his family of Pearl City Peninsula received the Yard of the Month award for March for their community. The Forest City Resident Advisory Board evaluates the yards and selects a winner for each Neighborhood.

Photo by Angel Galinato