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Navy, local officials 'flip the switch' for solar power

Navy Region Hawai'i Public Affairs

Rear Adm. T. G. Alexander, commander of Navy Region Hawai'i and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, joined with local officials June 16 at the Halsey Terrace neighborhood community center to 'flip the switch' on a new photovoltaic solar power system for Forest City Military Communities (FCMC).

During the event, FCMC was recognized for its leadership efforts using renewable energy sources and public-private partnership with the Navy.

"This is very significant event for the Navy here on Oahu," said Alexander. "Navy Region Hawai'i is absolutely committed to energy conservation and exploring alternative sources of energy. We understand and recognize an obligation to do every-

thing we can to further the reduction of [energy] consumption and continue to explore alternatives."

Jon Wallenstrom, senior vice president for Forest City Military Communities (FCMC) Hawai'i, Hawai'i Governor Linda Lingle, Thomas P. Kimbis, director of Solar America Showcases for the U.S. Department of Energy, and Rear Adm. Michael A. Giorgione, commander for Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific, were also on hand at the event as guest speakers and stressed the importance of using renewable energy resources.

"This community center demonstrates our natural resources advantage in Hawai'i with a photovoltaic system that takes advantage of our constant beautiful sunshine. It will save 266 barrels of oil per year," said Lingle. "The large military presence in Hawai'i and efforts



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Rear Adm. T. G. Alexander, commander of Navy Region Hawai'i and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific; Jon Wallenstrom, senior vice president for Forest City Military Communities (FCMC) Hawai'i; Hawai'i Governor, Linda Lingle; Thomas P. Kimbis, director of Solar America Showcases for the U.S. Department of Energy; and Rear Adm. Michael A. Giorgione, commander for Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific, flip a switch to employ solar power during a photovoltaic commissioning ceremony at the Halsey Terrace community center on June 16.

of developers like Forest City are an asset in our pursuit of clean energy."

Following formal remarks, Kahu Kaleo Patterson delivered a traditional Hawaiian blessing and the photovoltaic system's switch was 'flipped on' by the distinguished guests.

The Halsey Terrace neighborhood photovoltaic power system is constructed of 477 SunPower high efficiency 225-watt solar panels and can generate over 13,000 kilowatt hours of electricity per month, enough to power 10 Halsey Terrace homes.

The life expectancy of the system is more than 30 years. During that time, the system is expected to save 8,000 barrels of oil, avoiding the release of 19,959 pounds of sulfur dioxide, 26,130 pounds of nitrogen oxide and 4,080 tons of carbon dioxide emissions into the environment.

"I'd like to congratulate Forest City

for the work that they've done, not only here but across all of our communities. There is a direct benefit to reducing [energy] consumption and this photovoltaic array will do just that," said Alexander.

Through its public-private partnership (PPV) with the Navy, FCMC is rebuilding approximately half of the total inventory of 6,564 units across 34 neighborhoods on Oahu and Kauai.

In 2007, FCMC applied for and was awarded technical assistance from the U.S. Department of Energy to develop the most energy efficient homes and neighborhoods through wind and photovoltaic power projects to offset a portion of the purchased power from the Navy and Marine Corps.

The Halsey Terrace photovoltaic solar power system is the first outcome of this award, with larger renewable energy investments planned for the future.



Capt. Kitchens to take helm of Naval Station Pearl Harbor

Capt. Richard W. Kitchens will replace Capt. Taylor Skardon as commanding officer of Naval Station Pearl Harbor at a ceremony today. From October 2004 to April 2008, Capt. Kitchens served on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Capt. Skardon will be assigned as director, Commander's Action Group Headquarters, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith Hawai'i.



MCPON speaks with Hawai'i Sailors

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Navy Region Hawai'i

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. spoke with Sailors from various commands of the Hawai'i region through a series of all hands calls during his visit to Oahu on June 9-12.

"The thing that gives me a seat at the table with our Navy leadership is my connection with all of you. This position has no value whatsoever if I don't understand what your concerns are and take those back to our senior leadership," Campa said.

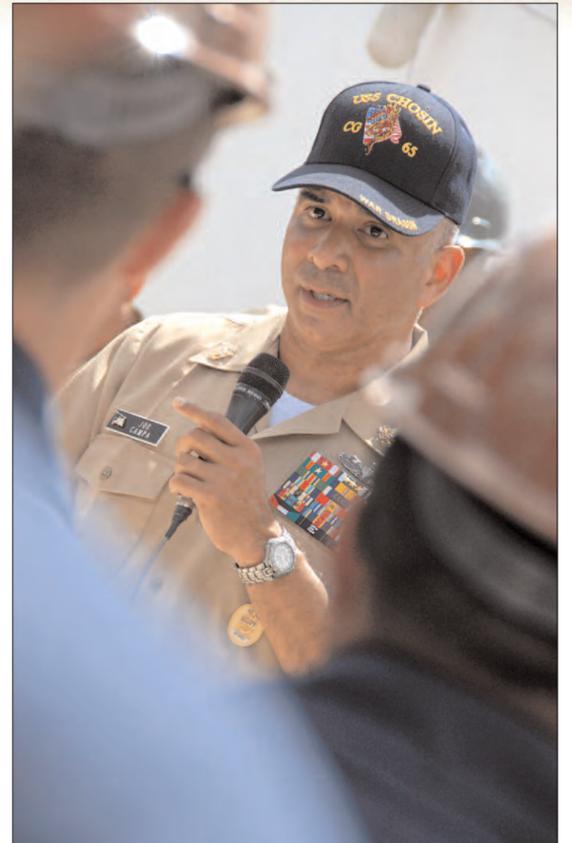
While visiting the Pearl Harbor-based, Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65), Campa stressed the importance of feedback from Sailors and thanked them for the opportunity to speak with them.

"I know the ship had some challenges, but the true character of this ship is going to be how you come out and face those challenges," he said.

Recently reporting aboard the Chosin from USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63) in Yokosuka, Japan, Operations Specialist 2nd Class (SW/AW) Thomas Morales expressed his gratitude for MCPON's visit.

"It really surprised me how eye-level he was with us. That really impressed me a lot. He was hard-charging for the Sailors, the enlisted guys that are actually doing the grunt work of the Navy," said Morales.

During the all hands calls, MCPON addressed Sailors' questions and discussed



Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. speaks with Sailors of the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) during a visit to Pearl Harbor. Campa's visit served as an opportunity for Chosin Sailors to discuss current issues and provide feedback to the Navy's senior enlisted advisor. The ship is currently undergoing repairs at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.

matters such as leadership, manpower, training, new uniforms, individual augmentees and the importance of Navy tradition and heritage.

"This is the first time I've met the MCPON. He was

very personable; I wasn't really expecting that. He's all about being on the deck plates and getting some empathy and feedback from us," said Operations Specialist 2nd Class Kelly Young, assigned to Chosin.

PACOM visits Port Royal

Lt. j.g. Cassidy Rasmussen

USS Port Royal (CG 73)

Adm. Timothy J. Keating, Commander, U.S. Pacific Command, visited USS Port Royal (CG 73) on June 11. Keating enjoyed lunch with the crew on the mess decks where Sailors had the chance to ask questions and talk about their concerns and ideas for the Navy.

"He was really easy to talk to and was really interested in what we had to say," said Sonar Technician 2nd Class (SW) Tara Kerrin. "He seemed to take everything to heart."

After lunch, Keating briefly visited the chiefs' mess where he discussed the role of chief petty officers in the Navy organization. He used an anecdote about being a young pilot and having an aviation maintenance chief override his decision to take an aircraft on a scheduled flight due to a maintenance issue.



U.S. Navy photo by FC2 (SW) Cody Gilbert

Adm. Timothy J. Keating, Commander, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawai'i, joins the Sailors of USS Port Royal (CG 73) on the mess decks.

"It's arguable that he saved at least an aircraft that day, if not more," said Keating. "I learned a powerful, life-long lesson that day about the impact that you men and women have on the entire U.S. Navy."

Keating ended his visit by presenting the Meritorious Service Medal to Command Master Chief Emiel Nicholson.

"Master Chief Nicholson is the only CMC on the water-

front to receive a Meritorious Service Medal," said Capt. David Adler, commanding officer, Port Royal. "He's the best CMC I've served with; he earned it. It was a terrific honor to have Adm. Keating onboard to present it to him in front of the mess."

"Thanks for the invitation. I don't get much opportunity to 'hang' with the fleet," Keating said. "[My job] is the best job in the world, but I miss you guys a lot."



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MCPON awards submarine warfare pins during Pearl Harbor visit

Story and photo by MCSA Luciano Marano

Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs Office

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. toured the attack submarine USS Charlotte (SSN 766) during a visit to Naval Station Pearl Harbor on June 12.

Campa also took part in the most time-honored of submarine force traditions when he presented two Sailors with their submarine warfare designators. A career staple for any submariner, the "dolphins" signify that a Sailor has learned and excelled in the technical field.

"I'm very proud to be a part of it," said Campa. "I appreciate everything you guys do."

He presented dolphins to Sonar Technician (Submarine) 3rd Class (SS) Charles Kudlauskas and Machinist's Mate 2nd Class (SS) Timothy Woida on June 12 during a ceremony held at the submarine piers.

"It's definitely a once in a lifetime experience," said

"It's definitely a once in a lifetime experience, I'm very proud."

- STS3 (SS) Charles Kudlauskas

Kudlauskas. "I'm very proud."

After the ceremony, Campa gathered and talked with the crews of Charlotte and USS Bremerton (SSN 698) about their concerns and answered their questions.

"I'm interested to hear what he has to say," said Fire Technician 3rd Class (SS) Eduardo Dilag.

Campa is the 11th MCPON and has become known for his conversational and personal manner when addressing troops.

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. presents Sonar Technician (Submarine) 3rd Class (SS) Charles Kudlauskas with his submarine warfare pin following a tour of USS Charlotte (SSN 766) during a visit to Naval Station Pearl Harbor on June 12.



MCPON discusses deckplate leadership with Hawai'i Sailors

Story and photo by MC2 Paul D. Honnick

Fleet Public Affairs Center Detachment Hawai'i

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. met with Hawai'i-based Sailors on June 9-13 to discuss current issues and to receive their feedback.

Campa held all-hands calls at Navy Information Operations Command Kunia, Hawai'i, Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific, Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) and Naval Station Pearl Harbor (NAVSTA PH).

Campa discussed recent changes in the way chief petty officers are evaluated. "Chiefs need to be evaluated on the things that the Navy expects of them as chiefs," said Campa.

According to Campa, chief petty officer evaluations are now based upon the Navy's



Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. addresses Sailors assigned to Naval Station Pearl Harbor during an all hands call. Campa discussed expectations of petty officers, chief petty officers' evaluations and new uniforms.

chief petty officer guiding principals.

"What chiefs should be evaluated on is how well they lead you, how well they develop you, how well they

support you, how well they contribute to your professional growth and development, and if anyone's heard me speak before, I talk about every leader has to measure

their success by those that they lead and I think that's what those chiefs' evals do," explained Campa. "Most chiefs do those things, but now we're going to rate them on how well they do it."

Campa also discussed the expectations of the first class petty officers.

"When you make first class petty officer, you should know what is expected of you as a first," said Campa.

The recently released expectations of the first class petty officer state that first class petty officers should exemplify first line leadership, rating expertise, professionalism, communication, loyalty and heritage.

"Those expectations are not optional. Every first class petty officer should know them and should be doing those things," he added.

Campa asked all first class petty officers at the NAVSTA PH all-hands call who are board-eligible for chief to

raise their hands. He then asked those who expected to make it to raise their hands. Several hands remained in the air. "Be careful what you wish for," he replied.

Campa said the chief petty officer selection boards will be looking for Sailors who have fulfilled the expectations of the first class petty officer.

"I think those expectations of a first class petty officer complement our chiefs' guiding principals," he said. "I highly recommend that all your actions center on those expectations."

Campa wrapped up his discussion by telling the inspiring story of a local Sailor, Honorary Chief Aviation Ordnanceman (AW/SW) David Eberhart, who recently died of cancer.

Eberhart, who was diagnosed with stage four colon cancer on Sept. 2, 2002, continued to serve on active duty while battling the disease in hopes of one day becoming a chief.

His dream came true on May 15 when Campa appointed him an honorary chief petty officer.

"It was an honor to have welcomed him to the chiefs' mess," said Campa. "Here was a man fighting for his life and he wanted to make chief not for himself, but to be able to better support his Sailors."

Campa assumed his duties as the 11th MCPON in 2006 and serves as the senior enlisted leader of the Navy and as an advisor to the Chief of Naval Operations and to the Chief of Naval Personnel in matters dealing with enlisted personnel and their families.

Campa is also an advisor to the many boards dealing with enlisted personnel issues, the enlisted representative of the Department of the Navy at special events, may be called upon to testify on enlisted personnel issues before Congress, and maintains a liaison with enlisted spouse organizations.

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Hawaii Navy News Editorial

Staying safe is vital during summer season



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Good day, shipmates. I'd like to talk with you about what it takes to stay safe during the summer. As you all know, summer is the time of year when people get outdoors the most, basking in the warm weather and long days. But summer can also be very dangerous. Hazards such as fatigued driving, outdoor grilling, swimming and lawn mowing accidents often rear their ugly heads the most during the summer season. Therefore, I'd like to discuss these dangers and what you can do to avoid falling victim to them.

As you go on leave during the summer, many of you will have to drive long distances to get to your destination. As a result, you can become tired and drowsy while on the road, greatly increasing your chances of being in an accident. Therefore, you should take steps to avoid the possibility of falling asleep behind the wheel. That means you should always start the trip well rested. Try to leave home early so most of the drive can be completed during daylight hours. Signs of fatigue include trouble keeping your eyes open, daydreaming or having wandering, disconnected thoughts, missing road signs or driving past your turn, feeling irritable, restless and impatient, or drifting off the road and hitting the rumble strips.

If you notice any of these symptoms, immediately look for a place to stop and get a room for the night before you become a danger to yourself and others on

the road. Getting to your leave destination late can be frustrating, but it's not as bad as not getting there at all.

Other potential hazards during the summer are accidents while grilling food outdoors. Every summer, Sailors and Marines receive injuries from hazardous choices, such as using a lighter to ignite a gas grill, turning on the gas with the grill lid closed so that gas accumulates and becomes a fireball when lit, or using gasoline on charcoal. Another common mistake is spraying lighter fluid on hot coals. This is never a good choice as flames can shoot up the lighter fluid stream and cause the container to explode in your hands.

In order to avoid potential accidents, you should follow these basic safety tips while grilling:

- When using charcoal grills, place the grill in a well-ventilated area away from children's play areas.
- Avoid loose clothing.
- Stand upwind when lighting the fire.
- Do not use unapproved flammable liquids to start the fire or to relight the coals.
- Attend to the fire at all times.
- Before disposing of coals, make sure they are completely cold.

In addition to the above, when using propane grills, check valves and hoses for leaking gas, read and follow manufacturer's instructions for lighting, raise the hood before turning on the gas, and transport/store gas cylinders in an upright position.

Follow these steps and you should be able to grill your hot dogs and hamburgers safely. Then, you can sit back and enjoy your meal.

Another popular summer activity that could lead to potential tragedy is swimming. According to the Naval Safety Center, swimming is the leading recreational killer of military personnel. In total off-duty mishaps, it's only surpassed by traffic accidents.

To avoid swimming mishaps, you should never go to the beach by yourself and you should always be familiar with the area you're going to. Morale, Welfare and Recreation



Photo Illustration

(MWR) has specifics on the beaches within a base complex and within the local area. They also know any beaches that are off-limits due to excessive dangers. Heed all warnings and stay out of waters that have rip currents. If you find yourself in a dangerous rip current, swim parallel to the shore until the tug dissi-

pates so you won't be swimming against nature. Always swim with a buddy and never swim under the influence of alcohol.

When you think of potential summertime hazards, mowing the lawn is not usually something that comes to mind, but even the simple act of cutting your grass can yield potential dangers.

According to the Naval Safety Center, a lawnmower blade can travel at speeds of up to 200 miles per hour. When materials such as toys, stones and sticks encounter the blade, they too can travel at that speed as they leave the discharge chute. To minimize these types of hazards, before you start mowing, check for

sticks, rocks, toys, sports equipment, dog bones and anything else that might be hiding in tall grass. Also look for immovable objects such as pipes and partially buried rocks or tree roots. Running into objects like these could shatter the mower's blade and send chunks of metal flying. In addition to cutting and projectile dangers, mowers also cause burns. The muffler and cylinder head heat up during operation and remain hot for awhile after the engine has been shut off. Handle fuel with caution. Never fill the tank when the mower is hot, since vapors from the gasoline can be ignited by a hot muffler. Wipe up any spills with a rag and dispose of it properly. Finally, if the grass chute clogs with wet grass, turn off the mower before you clean out the grass chute.

These are just some basic tips that you should follow in order to stay safe during the summer. But the most important tip of all is to simply use common sense in whatever situation you are in. If you follow your best instincts, you should get through the summer in perfect health. Until next time, have a safe and happy summer.



Official U.S. Navy photograph, now in the collections of the National Archives

Senior commanders talk about Korean War

Adm. Forrest P. Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations (center), and Adm. Arthur W. Radford, USN, commander in chief, Pacific Fleet, at a press conference at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, Calif. in July 1950. Note electronic gear on and near the table, including a case in lower left labeled "Columbia Broadcasting System."

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Emergency preparedness materials available online

Commander, Navy Installations Command Emergency Management Office

Individuals and families can go online to get simple, ready-to-use fact sheets, checklists and forms on how to prepare for a variety of natural and man-made disasters - part of Operation Prepare.

Operation Prepare is a public awareness program initiated by Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) for community members of Navy ashore installations.

"Staying informed, developing a plan, and making an emergency kit is the theme of this initiative so that every member of the Navy community can learn to prepare and respond in the event of an emergency," said Owen McIntyre, CNIC emergency management program director

While Sailors, their families and base personnel may still contact their local emergency manager or ombudsman, they can also go online to <http://www.cnic.navy.mil>

and click on the "Operation Prepare" link to get vital emergency preparedness information.

Nearly 40 separate fact sheets are available on a variety of hazards and emergency preparedness tips. The information has been derived from several reputable sources such as the Department of Homeland Security and the Centers for Disease Control and has been tailored especially for the Navy community. Topic areas cover disease outbreak, natural and man-made hazards, and terrorism.

McIntyre said that preparedness is the individual's responsibility and accessing CNIC's Web site is a great way for personnel to be ready for any situation.

Region-specific emergency preparedness information on potential threats likely to occur at an installation or in a region, along with resources for response activities such as evacuation routes, safe haven and shelter locations, can also be found on CNIC's Web site.

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USS Lake Erie Sailors reach out to Taylor, Texas students

Ensign Brittany Lynn

USS Lake Erie (CG 70)
Public Affairs Officer

While in port at San Diego recently, USS Lake Erie (CG 70) Sailors took time out of their busy schedules to reach out to students in Taylor, Texas. During a video teleconference (VTC), Taylor Middle School students came prepared with questions to ask Lake Erie Sailors. Also in attendance were the mayor of Taylor, Taylor Middle School officials and teachers, and retired Navy residents of Taylor.

It was no surprise that many students were curious about the satellite shot that occurred in February 2008. The students were brimming with questions and Lake Erie leadership and Sailors were eager to answer.

Senior Chief Johannes Gonzalez, Lake Erie's command career counselor, said, "It is important for the Navy to

show what we do and how we do it in order to continue to get the support needed." It is similarly important for Lake Erie, as the fleet premier ballistic missile defense (BMD) ship, that the public is informed and understands what it does because it occupies the forefront of our nation's developing national defense system.

The satellite shot was not only a mission, but it was a way for Lake Erie to raise public awareness and demonstrate the capabilities that it has been able to greatly sharpen during recent years. It is perhaps even more vital that the Navy take advantage of every opportunity to communicate with the younger generation of America, as they will become future Sailors.

Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Bates, Lake Erie's combat systems officer and a key player in the satellite mission, was a popular target for the students' questions. "The VTC with Taylor Middle School was a great opportunity to put

Sailors in touch with a community that ordinarily would not have much interaction with the Navy. I thought the students' questions were excellent and really highlighted what was on their mind in view of Lake Erie," he explained.

Bates also pointed out to the students what a team effort the entire mission was. Even though only a handful of Sailors and civilians knew the details of the operation, it took the work of each member of the crew all the way up to the echelons of national government to execute the mission with perfection.

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Joint diversity training empowers Pearl Harbor Sailors

Story and photo by
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Navy Region Hawai'i

Commander U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT), Commander Navy Region Hawai'i and Commander U.S. Submarine Forces Pacific jointly sponsored a series of diversity training seminars June 9 to 11 onboard historic Ford Island and Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

The training was presented to officer, enlisted and civilian personnel by special guest Marilyn Loden, a member of the Navy's diversity senior advisory group and Chief of Naval Operation's civilian executive panel.

"Without [diversity], we're

pretty narrow. It's like going to the library and you only have one section to view," said Electronics Technician 2nd Class (SW) Caleb Huysentruyt, assigned to COMPACFLT. "For me personally, I'm trying to break down my own biases and look at things more objectively."

For Huysentruyt, diversity is simply defined as our "differences" and "a difference of everything trying to work together."

The training encouraged full leadership participation of Department of the Navy personnel and focused on diversity dimensions, adoption, change and communication.

"Diversity is bigger than just race and gender. I define it as being a whole bunch of differences that inform our



Marilyn Loden, a member of the Navy's diversity senior advisory group and Chief of Naval Operation's civilian executive panel, provides diversity training to officer, enlisted and civilian personnel from the Hawai'i region at the Ford Island Conference Center.

experiences throughout life," said Loden.

According to Loden, the Navy's definition of diversity expands further to include things such as military experience, education, family background, religion and income, as well as age, gender, race, physical abilities and ethnicity.

"What I would encourage [Sailors] to do is create a diversity friendly environment where they work. That means an environment where people feel respected and included in decisions that affects their work, an environment where I'm going to get the same support and back-up as every other Sailor does, and an environment where we cooperate and work together for groups success," she said.

According to Navy guidelines, full leadership participation (officer, enlisted and civilian) is essential to achieve desired effects of acknowledgment that diversity is a strategic imperative and managing diversity effectively is a leadership imperative; understanding each individual is encouraged and enabled to reach their full potential; and a belief that empowerment is cultivated by leadership, mentorship and an active commitment to attracting and recruiting the very best.

"It's been a great experience being out here. It's given me a new perspective on the Navy. The view is different from the Pacific fleet than it is from Washington [D.C.] and now I'm glad I have both views," said Loden.

Pearl Harbor Highlights



A memorial service in honor of Honorary Chief Aviation Ordnanceman David R. Eberhart took place June 12 at the base chapel on Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay. Eberhart is survived by his wife Hiroko and two sons, Kuniyuki and Phoenix. Eberhart, 35, was diagnosed with colon cancer on Sept. 2, 2002 and continued to serve on active duty in his attempt to become a chief petty officer while fighting the disease. He was made an honorary chief petty officer Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. on May 15.

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Linda Lingle, Governor for the State of Hawaii and Rear Adm. T. G. Alexander, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and other officials flip a switch to employ solar power during a photovoltaic commissioning ceremony at the Halsey Terrace community center.

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Marilyn Loden, a member of the Navy's diversity senior advisory group and Chief of Naval Operations' civilian executive panel, provides diversity training to officer, enlisted and civilian personnel from the Hawai'i region at the Ford Island Conference Center. Loden provided five training sessions over the course of three days during her visit for Commander U.S. Pacific Fleet, Commander Navy Region Hawai'i and Commander U.S. Submarine Forces Pacific's jointly sponsored 2008 Hawaiian Diversity Symposium.

(Below) Senior Chief Hospital Corpsman (SW) Ronald Rutherford, assigned to commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific (CNSG MIDPAC) paints an overhead pipe in the chiefs' head on board Battleship Missouri Memorial. Chief petty officers (CPO) from the Hawai'i region are currently refurbishing the chiefs' spaces on board Missouri in preparation of CPO Legacy Academy Class scheduled to take place Aug. 31 through Sept 5. The CPO Legacy Academy teaches CPO selectees about CPO leadership and naval heritage living on board Missouri.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 David N. Dexter



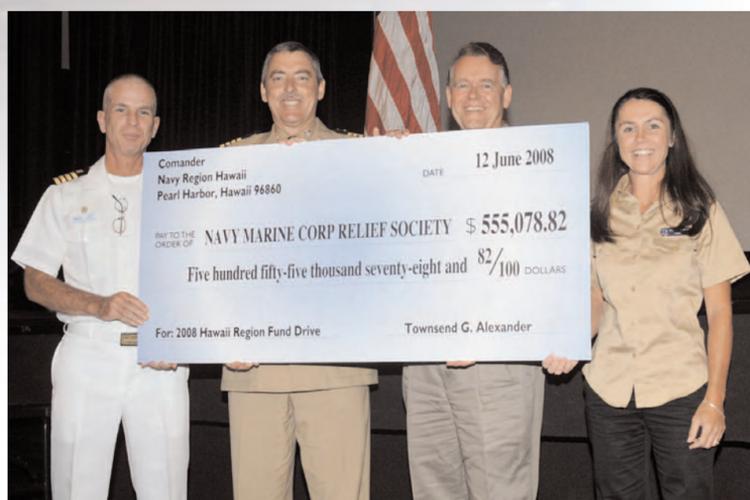
Capt. Robert Carter, commanding officer, Fleet Industrial Supply Center and Capt. Donald Hodge, chief of staff for commander, Navy Region Hawai'i and commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, present Paul Belanger, director of Navy Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) Pearl Harbor, and Martynn Grant, director of NMCRS Marine Corps Base Hawaii, with a check for \$555,078.82 during the 2008 NMCRS fund drive awards ceremony on June 12. Last year, Sailors and Marines of the Hawai'i region received nearly \$1 million in grants and loans through the NMCRS.

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Navy Chaplain Cmdr. Steven Unger, assigned to Naval Station Pearl Harbor, presents Mildred Carlstrom, the wife of Pearl Harbor survivor, Chief Hospital Corpsman Navy ret. William Carlstrom, with a collection plate from the Midway Atoll chapel. The collection plate was presented June 7 at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel during a service commemorating those who served during the Battle of Midway.



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Rockin' the flight deck

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The newest video game rage has made its way to the flight deck of USS Lake Erie (CG70). On the way back to Pearl Harbor, Hawai'i from San Diego recently, Lake Erie's Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) christened its new 30-by-20 foot movie screen with "Rockband on the Lake." The interactive video game combines a guitar, bass guitar, drum and lead singer to allow Sailors to join together to play favorite hits of the '70s, '80s and '90s.

As the sun set on the horizon of the Pacific, Lake Erie Sailors donned the guitars, twirled the drumsticks, and op-tested the mike while watching their animated "band" come alive. Since there was no chance of sleeping in 'officers' country' with the sound system blaring "Wanted: Dead or Alive" and "You Give Love a Bad Name" overhead, the khaki leadership headed up to the flight deck to join in the excitement. However, it was clear after the officers' (including the captain and executive officer) butchering of Lynrd Skynrd's "Simple Man" that the blue shirts held the advantage.

Capt. Ron Boxall, commanding officer, said, "It is a lot of fun and it is nice to relax and provide the crew with video games and movies at sea. The younger generation wants more and this is something we can do that has a lot of crowd appeal and at the same time blows off a little steam."

The crew agreed. "I had a lot of fun playing and enjoyed the



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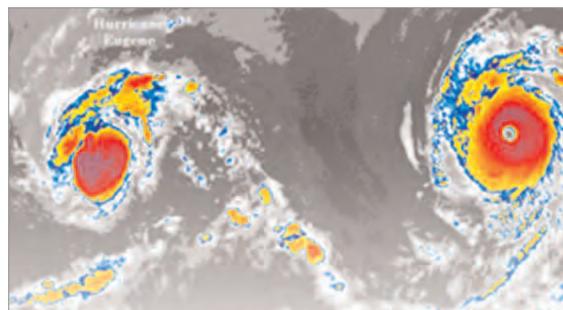
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show while waiting my turn. Bringing this video game to sea provides a great way for us to wind down. It is also excellent for the command atmosphere knowing that the CO and XO can come and play with the boys," said Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Michael Mullin.

The next evening, Lake Erie's flight deck switched from concert hall to movie theater. MWR provided soda and popcorn for the night's feature film "The Departed." Back in Hawaiian waters at last, the weather was perfect for "Cinema on the Lake." Sailors brought out their beach chairs, claimed a piece of non-skid, and sat back to relax for a couple of hours under the stars.

The crew does not plan on letting the big screen get dusty. With the Rim of the Pacific 2008 exercise coming up in July, Lake Erie Sailors are prepared to work hard and rock

out hard during the break in action. "Rockin' on the Lake" keeps the crew motivated and everyone entertained and that makes for a perfect night at sea.



Naming the hurricanes

At one time, all hurricanes were named after women. That practice ended in 1978 when men's and women's names were included in the eastern North Pacific storm lists. In 1979, male and female names were included in lists for the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico.

Names on the list for this year's Central Pacific hurricanes include: Kika, Lana, Maka, Neki, Omeka, Pewa, Unala and Wali.

Hurricanes in the Atlantic will be named Arthur, Bertha, Cristobal, Dolly, Edouard, Fay, Gustav, Hanna, Ike, Josephine, Kyle, Laura, Marco, Nana, Omar, Paloma, Rene, Sally, Teddy, Vicky and Wilfred.

Navy Recycling Center thanks curbside recycling participants

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Navy Recycling Center Pearl Harbor personnel would like to thank McGrew Point and Hospital Point residents who have participated in the curbside recycling pilot project, now in its ninth week. Residents in 143 housing units were offered the service with 130 agreeing to actively support the effort. Currently, the pilot project is at approximately 86 percent participation and has received positive feedback from residents.

"The comments we have received have been quite positive," said Wendy Ray, operations manager Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawai'i's Navy Recycling Center at Pearl Harbor. "Many residents came from areas of the U.S. which have curbside recycling programs in place and are happy to have a convenient way to recycle their waste and do their part for the environment," Ray explained.

Pickups are once a week. Within the first six weeks, more than 5,000 pounds of recyclables were collected. Some of the many materials collected included: Paper (white, shredded, newspaper), cardboard (corrugated, paperboard, e.g. cereal boxes, soda cartons, empty paper towel rolls), magazines without glue bindings (with phone books being the only exception to this rule), beverage containers (aluminum, glass, steel and plastic), glass (bottles and jars), steel cans, aluminum (containers and clean



U.S. Navy photo by Wendy Ray

Navy Recycling Center personnel, (left to right) Reynaldo Resgonia and Jonah Nicholson, collect recyclables from a new resident of McGrew Point and a supporter of the curbside pilot program on May 29.

foil), toner cartridges and plastic bags (clear and white only - colored print ok).

The curbside recycling pilot program is scheduled to end in July and the results (costs/savings/effort) will be evaluated to see if it can continue.

For those Navy housing residents who do not have curbside pickup available and wish to recycle, please bring your items to the 24-hour windows at the Navy Recycling Center, 159 Russell Ave., Pearl Harbor. The drop-off area has sensor lighting to provide safety for recyclers.

"Please note that the center has added another item to its long list of acceptable recyclables," said Ray. "We now collect clear and white plastic grocery bags."

The Navy Recycling Center will continue to move forward, looking at all possible avenues of recycling to better serve the Navy and in doing so, will continue to have a great respect for the environment. For questions or comments about the center or to request a recycling brochure, contact Ray at 474-9207 or wendy.ray@navy.mil.

Survey says Sailors want information from multiple sources

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Results from the 2008 Navy Communications Quick Poll, released June 13, show a growing number of Sailors prefer Web-based and e-mail communication methods when seeking Navy information, but Sailors are not ready to go all-digital just yet.

The poll was co-sponsored by Navy Personnel Command's Center for Career Development and the Navy's Chief of Information.

The objective of the Quick Poll was to determine Sailor awareness, use and satisfaction with a number of Navy initiatives and communications methods, including official Navy printed publications, NAVADMINs, Navy Web sites and unofficial sources of information such as e-mail or commercial news like Navy Times.

More than 60 percent of respondents say they prefer to get information from their chain of command via e-mail, followed by Navy Web sites. These were the most popular means followed next by NAVADMINs, Navy Times and official printed publications. While in most cases Sailors preferred to find their information on line, nearly 60 percent took exception with LINK magazine and preferred a print edition to Web-based. LINK is the official Navy publication that connects Sailors to detailers and career information.

Navy Personnel Research, Studies and Technology (NPRST) Department, which specializes in scientific polling, administered the survey March 12-24. Nearly 7,500 randomly selected enlisted and officer Sailors

were invited to respond to the survey. NPRST received 2,694 responses, giving the poll a 36 percent response rate, up three percent from the 2006 poll.

The Quick Poll also evaluated use of Navy Knowledge On-Line (NKO) and Navy Personnel Command's site, www.NPC.navy.mil as resources for Navy information. First term enlisted Sailors are the largest group to use NKO regularly with a reported 76 percent listing NKO as the Web site they visit when looking for Navy information.

Senior officer and senior enlisted Sailors are more likely to visit Navy Personnel Command's Web site for Navy information.

Some of the other findings in the 2008 Communications Quick Poll revealed that more than 90 percent of Sailors have Internet access either at their own workstation or through a shared computer. This finding is important because it can help Navy leaders determine the usefulness of Web-based training.

The results of the poll reveal fleet opinions and can influence leaders when evaluating Navy policies. One survey, focused on duty in remote locations, was used in setting assignment incentive pay for that location and another survey helped influence changes to the enlisted education policy.

As found in previous Quick Polls, Sailors prefer a variety of delivery methods when getting information about the Navy.

For more information on Navy Quick Polls visit the NPRST Web site at www.NPRST.navy.mil.

For more news from Navy Personnel Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/npc/.

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USS Lake Erie chosen as NASCAR fleet honoree

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USS Lake Erie (CG 70)

USS Lake Erie (CG-70) was recently selected to represent the Navy as a part of the Navy 88 "Accelerate Your Life" Fleet Honoree Program for 2008. The Fleet Honoree Program was developed by Navy Recruiting Command (CNRC) to recognize fleet and shore commands, based upon their merits, and feature them during a NASCAR nationwide race. Lake Erie was chosen from more than 90 top-notch commands across the fleet due to superior performance, great reputation and the accomplishments of the crew.

The ship was selected to represent the Navy during the Aaron's 499 at the Talladega Super Speedway in Alabama. Of the many fine Sailors onboard Lake Erie, only eight had the opportunity to attend the event.

After making the long voyage from Pearl Harbor,



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Hawai'i to Birmingham, Ala., Lake Erie Sailors donned their dress whites to take advantage of a community service opportunity before race day. Navy Recruiting

Command arranged a visit to Homewood High School during which Sailors spoke to students about the Navy, day-to-day life onboard Lake Erie, and the different opportuni-

ties available to recruits. This visit was not only advantageous to the students, but was heartening for the Sailors as well.

One Sailor commented, "The visit to the school itself made the trip special. To see the young students and possible future Sailors react with such interest and awe about what we do every day made all of us feel a high sense of accomplishment on what we all have gotten from the Navy."

The next morning was race day. Upon arrival at the track, the Sailors were presented with VIP passes which allowed them access into the drivers' area. They were soon greeted by the Navy Motor Sports team, representatives from Navy Recruiting Command, and Brad Keselowski, driver of the Navy

car 88. Keselowski gave each Sailor one of his personal coins and the Navy Motor Sports team gave a tour of the 88 tour bus and garage where the race cars are certified before every race. As race time was quickly approaching, the Sailors did the honor of putting the mighty warship USS Lake Erie (CG-70) emblem on the Navy race car.

Before the start of the race, Dale Earnhardt Jr. made his way over to the pit to meet the Lake Erie warriors, take pictures, and give autographs. The Sailors then fell into formation and stood at attention in preparation for the traditional playing of the National Anthem. The sound of thousands of NASCAR fans cheering was deafening as Old Glory flew. Finally, the green flag dropped.

As the race cars made their way around the track at speeds topping 220 mph, Lake Erie Sailors had a front row view of the pit crew in action. They were even given headsets that enabled them to hear all of what was going on and the coordination between the driver and crew.

"I enjoyed the whole trip, from the school visits to standing in the pits on race day. I feel very honored to have been chosen as one of the eight Sailors to attend the NASCAR fleet honoree program," said Seaman Casey Eidson. "The whole trip in general was just an extraordinary experience. Everyone treated us with respect and kindness. I learned a lot about quality leadership and it was a great bonding experience with my shipmates."