

Hickam team wins at Air Mobility Rodeo 2011

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JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD, Wash. – Team Hickam's 535th Airlift Squadron won the Air Mobility Rodeo 2011 trophy for "best C-17 combat offload and backing" July 29 at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.

The rodeo, sponsored by the Air Mobility Command, is a biannual readiness competition focusing on improving worldwide air mobility forces' professional core abilities. Twenty-six countries and international agencies attended and competed in the rodeo July 24 to 29.

"It was great to win an award and represent Team Hickam," said Capt. David Morales, 535th AS C-17 pilot and 15th Wing team leader for Team Hickam. "It's fun, and there's lots of camaraderie and tough competition."

Five units from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, were in attendance, according to Maj. Anthony Gurrieri, the 15th Wing Rodeo chief.

The C-17 crew completed three flights during the competition, including low-level navigation culminating in air drops, Morales said. The first flight was a personnel drop, during which they dropped five guys out the back of the jet. The next was a container delivery system (CDS) drop, and they dropped three bundles - the first two were regular CDS bundles, and the last was an improved CDS, which gathers atmospheric data, relays



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Nicholas Plich

Crew members from Team Hickam prepare a C-17 Globemaster III before a contest at Air Mobility Rodeo 2011 at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash. on July 27. Air Mobility Rodeo is the U.S. Air Force's and Air Mobility Command's premier international combat skill and flying operations competition, designed to develop and improve techniques, procedures and interoperability while optimizing international mobility partnerships and enhancing mobility operations.

it back to the crew, and allows them to calculate a smart release point. Two of the sorties included aerial refueling with KC-135s.

"Master Sgt. Tim Ledford, the loadmaster in the back, was half the reason we were able to pull the backing combat off-load award," Morales said. "He was back there giving direction to the pilots up front because we don't have rear-view mirrors. He's our 'seeing eye dog' in the back, letting us know where to go."

Working together with such good synergy was what made it happen, he said.

The maintenance team was equally superb, according to Morales.

"Our jet worked perfectly, and we had no maintenance issues whatsoever," he said. "When we started engines, they started up just fine. We took the jet, flew it, and brought it back with nothing to report in terms of maintenance. They were spot on having our jet ready. The jet was immaculate and spotless. They took a 6-year-old aircraft and made it look like it was just off the line. It was a group effort to make the event suc-

cessful," Morales explained.

They trained as hard as they could for the events, he said. They knew what the operations orders had to say, they knew all the rules and regulations, and in the end it was just about going out and making it happen.

"You can only train so much, and the rest is up to the gods, you know, up to chance," Morales said. "But we were very well prepared, and we went out there and gave it our best shot. Our goal was to do our best and be safe, of course. We left it all out there, on the airfield

and in the sky and on the ground. And we had a good time."

This win for Team Hickam was indicative of the skill and pride of the entire team, according to Gurrieri. The teams represented were the 15th Wing C-17s and KC-135, a 15th and 154th Wing joint maintenance team, 647th Air Base Group security forces, the 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing aerial port team, and 624th Regional Support Group aerial porters.

"I think overall we did extremely well, everyone

gave 100 percent, did the best they could do, and I was very proud of the team and the effort that was put forth," Gurrieri said.

"Rodeo is a great competition. There's a lot of skill that goes into it, a lot of training and a lot of hard work, but there's also a bit of luck involved. I think everybody out here is extremely tough competitors, well-trained and ready to go. It takes a little bit of everything getting lined up to come away with victories, but our guys did awesome," Gurrieri said.



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Capt. Lawrence Scroggs, chief staff officer of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; Col. Steve Butler, chief of space situational awareness and command and control for Air Force Space Command; Col. Douglas Cool, deputy director of Space Superiority Systems Directorate; Lt. Col. David Henry, deputy commander of the 647th Air Base Group; Capt. Patricia Cole, commanding officer of Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific; and Harold Haney, assigned to U.S. Strategic Command, break ground on the Rapid Attack Identification, Detection and Reporting System (RAIDRS) at Radio Transmitter Facility Lualualei on July 28. The RAIDRS program will support defense counter space operations and consists of sensor and decision support elements, providing space system users with real-time awareness of the nature and source of attacks.

Air Force Space Command breaks ground on RAIDRS program

MC2 Robert Stirrup

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

U.S. Air Force Space Command held a ground-breaking ceremony July 28 for the Rapid Attack Identification, Detection and Reporting System (RAIDRS) at Radio Transmitter Facility (RTF) Lualualei in Waianae, Hawaii.

The RAIDRS program will support defense counter space operations and consists of sensor and decision support elements, providing space system users with real-time aware-

ness of the nature and source of attacks.

The RAIDRS architecture includes five networked antenna array sites worldwide to identify direct radio frequency interference of commercial or military satellites from both friendly and unfriendly sources.

"The mission that we have is very important. As a defense department, our demand for bandwidth has been growing and we're relying more and more on satellite communications," said Col. Douglas Cool, deputy director of Space Superiority Systems Directorate. "Today we

have the opportunity to break ground on the very first RAIDRS site that will help us find out what is causing problems in our satellite communication and help us find out where those problems are to solve them."

Capt. Patricia Cole, commanding officer of Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMS PAC), offered remarks to the audience.

"I'm very pleased that NCTAMS PAC could represent the Navy in fostering and help enabling this

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JBPHH rallies to slow traffic on first day back to school

Story and photo by MC2 (SW) Mark Logico

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

On the first day back to school, Aug. 1, service members assigned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) participated in a sign-waving event along Lehua Avenue in Pearl City, Hawaii. The event was held to raise awareness about safe driving and the need to reduce speed in a school zone.

Also known as the Community Traffic Awareness Partnership (CTAP) program, participants rallied at Lehua Avenue, a two-lane road that leads to the Pearl City Peninsula military housing. Along the avenue sits the Lehua Elementary School, and cutting through the middle of the avenue is the Pearl Harbor bike path.

"If not all, most of our military kids who live in Pearl City Peninsula housing go to Lehua Elementary and could benefit from this," said Chief Culinary Specialist (SW) Ronan Randy Basat. "We want our kids to be safe from speeders and careless drivers."

More than 30 people, including Navy and Air Force personnel, local residents, Honolulu police officers and Lehua Elementary students, arrived in front of



Sailors assigned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam wave signs at oncoming traffic along Lehua Avenue to encourage drivers to slow down near a school zone.

the school at 7 a.m. to hold "slow down" signs shown to passing motorists.

Chief Culinary Specialist (SW/AW) Kenneth Mayberry, who participated in the sign-waving event, has a son attending the school.

"It feels great to do this," said Mayberry. "We go overseas a lot to protect our homeland, but we often forget our homeland itself. So to be home and to be able to do this for our future is a great opportunity, and it's something I really truly appreciate."

Tom Villarreal, an adult supervisor at the school, has been a crosswalk monitor for more than five years and

noted that Lehua Avenue can be a very dangerous roadway. "The speeding here... they go pretty fast over here, coming in and going out," said Villarreal. "There are about 600 kids that go to this school."

Kristine Mae Manalo dela Cruz, a student from Lehua Elementary School, said it was her first day to help direct traffic in front of the school. She also said it was fun but a serious responsibility to help her fellow school mates.

"You could get hit by a car," said Manalo dela Cruz. "So I won't let the little kids get hurt if they cross the street."



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Carroll relieves Eder as CO of Paul Hamilton

Ensign Terence Bennett

USS Paul Hamilton
(DDG 60)

Cmdr. Scott Carroll relieved Cmdr. Edward J. Eder as commanding officer of the Pearl Harbor-based, Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60), during a change of command ceremony July 29.

As he prepared to relinquish command of Paul Hamilton, Eder reminisced on the highlights of his tour. "I am extremely proud and honored to have led such professional and proficient Sailors. All I asked for was a well-trained crew and a fast ship, and I have both. Our future is most assured with the dedicated and courageous Sailors aboard Paul Hamilton," he said.

The ceremony marks the end of a 20-month command tour for Eder. After taking command in January 2010, he led Paul Hamilton through a comprehensive drydock main-



From left to right: Capt. Edward Eder, former commanding officer of USS Paul Hamilton; Capt David Welch, commodore, Destroyer Squadron 31; Cmdr. Scott Carroll, commanding officer USS Paul Hamilton.

tenance availability, compressed inter-deployment training cycle and a ballistic missile defense deployment.

Eder culminated his tour with a widely diverse U.S. 5th Fleet deployment, including ballistic missile defense, maritime infrastructure protection, strike warfare and visit, board, search and seizure operations.

He is leaving Pearl Harbor to join the Chief of Naval Operations Surface Warfare Directorate (OPNAV N86) in Washington, D.C.

Carroll served as division officer on USS John Young (DD 973), as officer-in-charge, Detachment Foxtrot on Assault Craft Unit Five, and operations officer on USS Crommelin (FFG 37). Next, Carroll joined the staff of commander, Destroyer Squadron 31 as the operations and plans officer. He is fleeting up from executive officer to commanding officer of Paul Hamilton (DDG 60).

Valascho replaces Miller as CO of USS Reuben James

Ensign Damon A.D.
Goodrich-Houska

USS Reuben James
(FFG-57)

Cmdr. Daniel W. Valascho relieved Cmdr. David E. Miller as commanding officer of the warship USS Reuben James (FFG 57), part of Destroyer Squadron 31, during a change of command ceremony July 27 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Miller, originally from Blue Earth, Minn., commanded Reuben James from January 2010 to July 2011 and led the ship through many milestones including two western Pacific deployments. During his time in command, Miller worked to promote peace, stability, strengthen interoperability with allied countries, sharing common interests of maritime security, counter-terrorism and humanitarian and disaster assistance.

His wife Paula and daughter Katie were in attendance as officers and crew of Reuben James bid farewell to Miller.

"Working against illegal

fishing, piracy, corruption, lawlessness, promoting freedom of navigation, this is what Reuben James has been doing these last few deployments," said retired Navy Adm. Mark P. Fitzgerald as he offered remarks and thanked Miller for his exceptional performance as the ship's top officer.

"How does a ship become so successful? It's about leadership all the way from the top down. You got the right leader in (Cmdr.) Miller. Reuben James has been a class act; you should pat yourselves on the back," noted Fitzgerald.

Valascho, a native of Detroit, Mich., recently completed his tour on Reuben James as the executive officer.

Cmdr. David E. Miller (right) addresses the crew during the change of command ceremony. Also in the photo are Cmdr. Daniel W. Valascho (center) and commodore of Desron 31, Capt. David Welch (left).



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USS City of Corpus Christi holds change of command

Story and photo by
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A time-honored change of command ceremony was held for the Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine USS City of Corpus Christi (SSN 705) at the Parche Memorial Park, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, on July 29.

Cmdr. Christopher Buziak relieved Cmdr. Robert Gaucher as commanding officer.

The guest speaker was Capt. John Russ, commander, Submarine Squadron 15, who praised Gaucher for his exceptional performance while commanding City of Corpus Christi as well as the crew on their accomplishments under Gaucher's leadership.

"The City of Corpus Christi crew's exceptional performance during mission periods contributed significantly in advancing our knowledge of our potential adversaries and expanding our war-fighting capabilities in the western Pacific," said Russ. "Your submarine executed every mission tasking with professionalism and superior operational competence. They are clearly a team ready to take the fight to the enemy, whenever and



Cmdr. Robert Gaucher is piped ashore after being relieved as commanding officer of the Los Angeles-class submarine USS City of Corpus Christi (SSN 705) by Cmdr. Christopher Buziak in a change of command ceremony held at the Parche Memorial Park, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on July 29.

wherever required." Gaucher acknowledged that the majority of the submarine's success during his time as commanding officer could be attributed to the crew and their hard work efforts.

"I can tell you without hesitation I would gladly face any adversary in the

world with this crew," said Gaucher. "They have an incredible fighting spirit which they have demonstrated time and time again in keeping the ship at sea and on mission, a task they have handled with integrity, professionalism and zeal," Gaucher added.

Following his remarks, Gaucher was awarded the meritorious service medal for his exceptional performance as commanding officer from January 2009 to July 2011.

In his closing remarks, Gaucher reflected on his time on City of Corpus Christi and at sea. "I will

never forget the most challenging operations I have faced in my 20 years of naval service," he said. "The crew truly embodied the teamwork, camaraderie and fighting spirit worthy of the hallowed ground we stand on today. I thank you for the opportunity to be your captain

and it was an honor to sail with you."

As Buziak assumed command of City of Corpus Christi, he addressed the crew about the future. "I am exceptionally proud and honored to be your commanding officer," said Buziak. "I understand very well the legacy you have created but, most importantly, the submariners that came before us. To sail out of Pearl Harbor is a true privilege."

Originally from Pittsfield, Mass., Gaucher graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1991 with a bachelor of science degree in systems engineering. His sea tours include USS Flying Fish (SSN 673), USS Oklahoma City (SSN 723) and USS Maryland (SSBN 738) (Blue). His personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), and Navy Achievement Medal (four awards).

City of Corpus Christi, known by the crew for the ship's motto, "For God and Country," is the second ship to be named after the Texas city and is capable of conducting anti-surface and anti-submarine operations along with guided missile strike operations using conventional Tomahawk land attack missiles.

Drivers: Exercise caution, school is back in session

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

With schools back in session, it's time to remind drivers to use extreme caution since many students will be walking or riding their bikes to and from school.

Drivers can expect large numbers of students going to school beginning just before 7 a.m. and continuing through 8 a.m. After-school traffic will wind down after 3:30 p.m.

"I can't emphasize enough the importance of drivers to be on the lookout for children as they are walking or riding their bikes to school. There is always an adjustment period when



Many students may be riding bikes to and from school

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Carolyn Herrick

classes resume," said Darren Dean, school liaison for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH).

There are many students who are new to JBPHH and are not

familiar with the traffic patterns.

"The best advice I can give is for drivers to slow down and give themselves more time to get to their destination. The extra time is certainly

worth avoiding accidents," Dean said.

Parents and their students should map out the safest route to school, including any alternate routes. Parents should discuss proper safety

practices with their children, including how to use crosswalks and proper bicycle safety.

Parents are encouraged to have children wear bright clothing to increase visibility for

drivers. Children should not walk to school wearing headphones or playing portable video games because this makes it difficult for them to hear the traffic around them.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam completes \$7.2 million renovation of Hickam Fitness Center

Story and photo by MC2 Robert Stirrup

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Aug. 1, celebrating the \$7.2 million renovation of the Hickam Fitness Center at JBPHH.

The renovation of the fitness center included new men's and women's locker rooms, showers, saunas and new office spaces.

"This is a big deal because these renovations help go toward the readiness of our Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines and their families," said Col. Timothy Cashdollar, director of manpower, personnel and services for Pacific Air Forces. "A lot of time and money went into this project, but it was definitely



Chief Master Sgt. Craig Recker, command chief master sergeant of the 15th Airlift Wing; BJ Bentley, director of the Hickam Fitness Center; Chief Master Sgt. Stephen Cron, senior enlisted advisor for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH); Col. Dann Carlson, deputy commander of JBPHH; Col. Sam Barrett, commander of the 15th Airlift Wing; Command Master Chief Gregg Weber, command master chief of JBPHH; and Col. Timothy Cashdollar, director of manpower, personnel and services for Pacific Air Forces, untie a maile lei during a ceremony celebrating the \$7.2 million renovations of the Hickam Fitness Center at JBPHH. The renovations included new men's and women's locker rooms, showers, saunas and new office spaces.

worth it, and everything looks amazing. I thank all those involved for making this happen."

BJ Bentley, director of the Hickam Fitness Center, noted the importance of the renovations of the fitness center.

"The Hickam Fitness Center is one of the most used military fitness centers on the island of Oahu," Bentley said. "Renovating the locker rooms really assists our daily patrons and adds to the great programs that we offer."

The Hickam Fitness Centers accommodates approximately 1,500 service members and their families daily. The center offers a variety of cardio and weight equipment, free weights, basketball, racquetball and volleyball courts, personal training, group exercise classes and massage therapy.

Diverse Views



What safety precautions do you think are the most important to take while driving to ensure that you get to your destination safe and sound?



Tech. Sgt. Steven Coleman
747th Communications Squadron

"Fasten your seatbelt and connect Bluetooth devices to prevent using phone without it."

A1C Clark Cui

747th Communications Squadron



"Most important safety precaution is to make sure I wear seatbelts at all times and know the road conditions."



1st Lt. Joseph Sillaman
735th Air Mobility Squadron

"Ensure you are alert, your seatbelt is on, and you're aware of speed limits and road conditions."

(Provided by David D. Underwood Jr.)

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'Great White Fleet' world cruise visits Honolulu in 1908



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Pineapples are piled on an Atlantic Fleet battleship's deck, during the "Great White Fleet" visit to Honolulu in July 1908. The Great White Fleet sent around the world by President Theodore Roosevelt from Dec. 16, 1907 to Feb. 22, 1909 consisted of 16 new battleships of the Atlantic Fleet. The battleships were painted white except for gilded scrollwork on their bows. The 14-month long voyage was a grand pageant of American sea power.

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Military families urged to weigh in on school study

An opportunity to make changes

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Military families in Hawaii have an opportunity to make a difference in Hawaii's educational system and the quality of education for their children.

As the time nears for the conclusion of phase one of the study, which captures the beginning data related to education in Hawaii, parents are urged to enroll in the survey and begin the process.

"The emphasis at this point would be to get involved in sharing your voices so that needs are heard. It is also the last opportunity to get into phase one of the study, which is where the perception is captured, as phase two/three are the assessment phases," explained Liz Gocong, school liaison for Navy Region Hawaii.

The three-year longitudinal study was launched in August 2009 by U.S. Pacific Command (PACOM), who contracted with the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

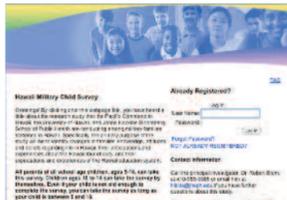


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with assistance from the University of Hawaii.

In its beginning phase, the study will survey military parents and their children, who are between the ages of 10 and 18, in order to identify the perceptions and needs of military children families that are related to their educational experiences in Hawaii.

According to PACOM, the survey and focus group results will promote informed decisions about education in future years.

"These surveys will be taken annually for a total of three consecutive years. They are hoping that, over time, this will show changes as the educational system undergoes changes," noted Navy Region Hawaii Command Master Chief Marcos Sibal.

"The data collected from this

study will also be used to initiate any changes that need to be made with regards to policy and procedures. The more families we have taking the survey will equate to a more realistic outcome and analysis of the data that will be gathered at the end of the study. The information that families provide to this survey will have a lasting impact on our families now and in the future," Sibal explained.

All participants in the survey are anonymous and a code is used for them to input their data. The initial phase of the survey is the most labor-intensive to complete, requiring about 30 minutes.

The three elements of the survey include an arrival survey, an annual survey and a PCS survey. As part of the arrival survey, parents are asked about preparations for coming to Hawaii, previous school experiences and their perceptions at the quality of education offered in Hawaii.

Parents who are on-island or are newcomers to the state will be asked to participate in an annual survey. The objective is to gauge their perceptions of how educational opportunities in Hawaii changed during their tour of duty here.

Participants will also be involved in a follow-on survey about three to six months after they PCS from Hawaii. The goal is to determine if their children were academically prepared and able to easily transition into their new schools at the next duty station.

Leadership from all services weighed in on the importance of the PACOM survey and encouraged military parents of school-age children to participate.

"Given the importance our children's education has on the military mission, I am asking you to consider participating," said Adm. Robert F. Willard, commander, U.S. Pacific Command.

Adm. Patrick M. Walsh, commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, also emphasized the importance of military parents participating in the study. "This study is high priority and I appreciate your participation. The information you provide can make a difference for you, your children and future students of military families in Hawaii."

"I encourage our Air Force families, including children 10 years of age and older, to participate. The responses will provide information that will aid in supporting quality

education in Hawaii," added Gen. Gary L. North, commander of Headquarters Pacific Air Forces.

The survey and focus groups discuss all topics that affect children's performance in school, including the quality of education, educational equipment, social relationships, safety, transition to Hawaii, and services available to military children and parents. The survey also asks about another important issue that can influence the school day - parental deployments.

"This is an important part of our continuing efforts to provide military children the quality education they deserve. Oftentimes, we hear how schools on Oahu are mostly not up to par, but the reality is we need to provide our experiences in quantifiable data that can then be presented and analyzed to effect changes," Sibal said.

For more information or to participate in the survey, visit <http://bit.ly/hESpwx>. If survey takers experience technical computer problems, they can obtain help from the Hopkins technology team at padmin@hsph.edu.

For general questions about the study, contact Blum at www.hawaiikids.org.

Navy Reads: 'Amazing Grace' Hopper's 2011 milestones

Review by Bill Doughty

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If she didn't invent the computer revolution in the United States, Rear Adm. Grace Murray Hopper gave it a voice - and a language in which to communicate.

"Amazing Grace" Hopper (1906-1992) played a pivotal role in developing COBOL (Common Business-Oriented Language) and creating FLOW-MATIC (the first data processing language to use English).

She promoted computer standardization for the Navy with the Air Force and eventually throughout the Department of Defense. A lifelong inventor who preached common sense, she considered herself a discoverer rather than an inventor, according to Kathleen Broome Williams, author of "Grace Hopper - Admiral of the Cyber Sea," recommended by the Navy Professional Reading Program.

In 2011, and especially this month, there are some significant Grace Hopper milestones to remember:

Eighty years ago, 1931, Hopper began teaching at Vassar College.

1940s

Seventy years ago, 1941, she earned a faculty fellowship at Vassar. On Dec. 7, 1941, there were no women serving as commissioned officers in the Navy, but Hopper wanted to join the war effort. She became one of the early WAVES -



U.S. Navy photo

Thirty-five years ago, August 1976, "Amazing Grace" Hopper reads in her office.

Women Appointed for Voluntary Emergency Service - during WWII and began working at Harvard on the Mark I computer (which was formally dedicated Aug. 7, 1944). At the time, the few computers that existed in the world were the size of a room and were known as "computing machines." The term "computer" was used for the women who operated the machines, entering data to generate calculations, according to Williams.

Sixty-five years ago, 1946, Hopper was promoted to lieutenant, recognized for her computer programming skills.

1950s

Sixty years ago, 1951, she began working on the world's first compiler, completing it the following year.

A compiler is a program or set of programs that transforms complex source code into a simpler code. Hopper's invention or "discovery" was a fundamental contribution to the evolution of computing.

In "Grace Hopper - Admiral of the Cyber Sea," Williams takes us through "Amazing Grace's" career. The author shows us that the biggest challenge Hopper faced was an established bureaucracy's resistance to change, but many leaders in the Navy began to fully embrace the potential of computing between 1950 and 1960. In the 50s, Hopper and her team developed some of the world's first compiler-based languages for programming: ARITH-MATIC, MATH-MATIC and FLOW-MATIC; by the end of the decade she was playing a key leadership role in developing COBOL.

Fifty years ago, in August 1961, Hopper was promoted and appointed director of research in systems and programming for the Remington Road division of Sperry Rand.

Forty-five years ago, 1966, as Hopper was about to turn 60, then-Cmdr. Hopper received a letter from the Chief of Naval Personnel, asking her to apply for a resignation from the Navy due to her age and length of service. When she then retired, Hopper called it, "the saddest day of my life."

But on Aug. 1, 1967, the Navy recalled her from the Reserves to active duty. The computer age was accelerating.

Hopper, who wrote curriculum for the Navy's "A" and "C" schools (basic and advanced training) and set up an operational analysis division for the Bureau of Naval Personnel, was now a recognized leader in computer science and the information technology revolution.

Forty years ago, in August 1971, 12,000 copies of Hopper's manual, Fundamentals of COBOL, had been sold - 25 years after she had worked on the Mark I.

Williams describes Hopper's principal role working with the Air Force, Secretary of Defense and

Government Services Administration to standardize computer language throughout federal agencies.

On Aug. 2, 1973 Hopper was promoted to captain.

She continued to be a teacher, mentor and recruiter for the Navy in the '70s and early-mid '80s.

1980s/90s

Then, 25 years ago, on Aug. 14, 1986, Grace Hopper retired a second time, at the rank of rear admiral. Her retirement was held aboard USS Constitution in Boston Harbor. She was awarded the Defense Distinguished Service Medal.

Twenty years ago, on Sept. 16, 1991, Grace Hopper was awarded the National Medal of Technology, the highest honor of its type in the United States. (Steve Jobs and Bill Gates are other recipients of the medal, now known as the National Medal of Technology and Innovation.)

Williams reports what President George H. W. Bush said at the time, that it was Hopper who "pioneered the revolution that put personal computers on

the desks of millions of Americans - and dragged even this president into the computer age."

The voice of Navy's computer revolution was silenced when Hopper passed away on New Year's Day in 1992.

Fifteen years ago, during the summer of 1996, Sailors - men and women - began reporting aboard a newly launched guided missile destroyer bearing Hopper's name. USS Hopper (DDG 70), "Amazing Grace" was commissioned Sept. 6, 1997. The Arleigh Burke-class destroyer is homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, equipped with state-of-the-art computerized systems.

Author Williams achieves both a history of the development of computing in the Navy and a look at the professional milestones of this dynamic woman whose achievements continue to echo decades later.

Bill Doughty's blog *Navy Reads*, in support of books and the Navy Professional Reading Program is available at <http://NavyReads.blogspot.com>

Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*

(Right) The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) participates in the Parade of Ships in the Elliott Bay during the 62nd annual Seattle Seafair Navy Week. Seafair activities allow U.S. and Canadian sailors and Coast Guard personnel to experience the local community and to promote awareness of the maritime forces.

U.S. Navy photo by MCI Joan E. Jennings



U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Dustin W. Sisco

(Above) Children from Joint Base Youth Services summer camp dust cans for fingerprints during a fingerprint lifting exercise at a field day at Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) field office Hawaii. The event was held to teach the children about Internet safety, gun safety and to inform the children about the importance of NCIS.



AF Rodeo return

(Photos below) Amid smiles and cheers, families and friends joined together to welcome home Team Hickam at base ops, DV row, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on July 30. The team arrived back in Hawaii after it competed in the 2011 Air Mobility Rodeo, which was held at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash. July 24-29.

U.S. Navy photos by Randy Dela Cruz



USS Chung-Hoon Sailors commemorate USS Forrestal

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USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) Public Affairs

The guided missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) hosted the 44th memorial anniversary of the fire aboard USS Forrestal (CVA 59) July 21 off the coast of Vietnam.

On July 29, 1967, while operating off the coast of Vietnam in the Tonkin Gulf, an accidental firing of a Zuni rocket from an F-4 Phantom on board the USS Forrestal flight-deck caused one of the worst losses of life in naval history. A total of 134 crew members lost their lives and 161 were seriously injured. The damage to Forrestal totaled more than \$70 million.

The commemorative ceremony, held on Chung-Hoon's flight deck at sunset, included an invocation, a speech by Cmdr. Scott Erb, Chung-Hoon commanding officer, a wreath laying and a 21-gun salute to the Sailors who perished in the Forrestal fire.

At the conclusion of the ceremony,



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Katherine Noll

Cmdr. Scott Erb, commanding officer of USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), and Chung-Hoon Command Master Chief Chris Detje place a wreath July 21 in the vicinity of Yankee Station to honor the crew of USS Forrestal (CVA 59). Chung-Hoon is currently deployed in the western Pacific conducting maritime presence and partnership missions.

emony, each Sailor who had a relative who fought in the Vietnam War spoke the name of their relative and tossed a rose into the Gulf of Tonkin.

"Today as we take the opportunity to reconnect with our naval history and heritage and lay a wreath near the site of the Forrestal tragedy, we also remember the service of all who served in the Vietnam War, whose honor, courage and commitment continue to serve as examples to each of us," Erb said.

He reminded the crew that, with every tragedy, lessons are learned that, in turn, shape our Navy. The ceremony resonated with the crew when he said, "Now, every Sailor is a firefighter."

Chung-Hoon is currently on a deployment to the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility, conducting maritime presence and partnership missions.

For more information about "Hawaii's Destroyer," visit www.chung-hoon.navy.mil.

New hydrant system enhances strategic aircraft refueling

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The U.S. Navy unveiled a new hydrant system that markedly enhances its aircraft fueling function at a ribbon-cutting ceremony held July 18 at the Air Mobility Command's hydrant system pump house, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The \$32 million project, completed by Watts Construction under contract by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Honolulu District, saw the replacement of the old hydrant system with a state-of-the-art pressurized hydrant loop, a pump house capable of delivering 3,600 gallons of fuel per minute, 12 single hydrant outlets, an emergency generator, cathodic protection, micro-processor controls, and various other features that will enhance aircraft refueling.



U.S. Navy photo by James Murray

Representatives of the Army, Navy and Air Force join forces to cut the ribbon to unveil a new hydrant system that markedly enhances its aircraft fueling function at the July 18 ceremony on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Left to right are: Col. Dann Carlson, deputy commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH); Capt. Jeffrey James, JBPHH commander; Capt. John Polowczyk (back), commanding officer, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor; Col. Robert Dague, vice commander of 15th Wing; and Ed Yago, Air Force resident engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District.

The 12-hydrant outlets were designed specifically to meet current strategic airlift demands during "surge" conditions. One of the surge requirements was the ability to simultaneously refuel multiple C-5 aircraft. Other requirements were determined in accordance with the Wartime Aircraft Activity Report and the Defense Planning Guide.

Constructing the complex hydrant fuel system demanded stringent quality control in the tight tolerances of welding, pipe slopes and cleanliness.

Through diligent quality assurance (QA) efforts by corps construction representatives, Steve Mora and Deane Shephard, the independent commissioning subcontractor stated that the new system was by far the cleanest they had seen in more than 30 years of project evaluations.

The Air Mobility Command (AMC) provides

essential services in the support and deployment of U.S. forces across the globe. Many special duty and operational support aircraft, including Air Force One, are also assigned to AMC and during "surge" periods, it is vital that AMC aircraft can be swiftly and safely refueled.

The new hydrant system will help to ensure fuel is readily available during times of urgency.

As part of the military ohana on Oahu and throughout the Pacific, the importance of joint efforts and valuable partnership of PACAF, the 647th Civil Engineering Squadron (CES), the Honolulu District and the design-build team of Watts Construction to deliver essential mission capabilities for our military men and women is essential.

The hydrant system facility is operated by the fuel department, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor.

Former Hawaii Gov. Lingle talks leadership with service members

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Former Hawaii Gov. Linda Lingle was the guest speaker at a Learn from the Leaders event at the Ford Island Conference Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Aug. 2, where she shared her experiences as a leader.

Service members learned how traits such as having a vision, good communication skills and the ability to inspire, as well as surrounding yourself with the right people, are all important steps in being a leader.

"Leaders are not born, leaders are made," said Lingle as she described a basic framework on how to lead as well as train people to become future leaders.

"I think we can all define where we are, but few people can define clearly where they want to go," said Lingle.

Lingle explained that with today's technological advances communication is a powerful tool in leadership.

"Communicate where you want to take people," said Lingle. "Today, the ability to communicate is so vast."



Linda Lingle, the former governor of the state of Hawaii, was the guest speaker during a Learn from the Leaders seminar Aug. 2.

"Everybody thinks the military is just 'everybody follows orders' and that's that," said Lingle. "There is following orders, then there is being enthusiastic about working together as a team."

Lingle stated that an important step in leadership is assembling a top-notch team.

"Don't be afraid to get people that are smarter

than you," said Lingle. "It may be more comfortable to have people around you who you know more than they do, but it really is not going to help you lead your organization forward."

On the topic of transparency, Lingle cautioned leaders to be more careful with important information.

"The media sometimes doesn't draw the line

between the goodness of having transparency and our national security," said Lingle. "There is a line, in my opinion."

Among the military leadership who attended was Capt. Jeffrey James, commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"We focus so much on the military view that it was refreshing to hear that a former governor re-affirmed all that we

learned about leadership in the military," said Capt. Jeffrey James, commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. "It's about moving forward and having your people move with you."

Lingle also spoke to those gathered about what motivates real leaders.

"I wouldn't talk in terms of what would look good on your resume or

you end up making more money. That's not the kind of thing that motivates me, and I don't think a real leader is motivated in that way," said Lingle. "That's not why you get up in the morning. You get up because you've been given certain abilities and you worked hard, and you can make a difference for your organization."

RAIDRS groundbreaking ceremony

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tremendous capability," Cole said. "This is a great day for both the Air Force and the Navy."

The RAIDRS site at RTF Lualualei is scheduled to be completed in spring 2012. Other RAIDRS sites in Florida, Germany, Japan and U.S. Central Command are scheduled to be completed within two years.

NCTAMS PAC comprises two major land areas at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The main station and receiver site is NCTAMS PAC Wahiawa and the transmitter site is RTF Lualualei.

Wounded Warriors in Paradise Weekend set for Aug. 26-28

Lt. Col Tom Bell

Vice President of Warriors for Warriors

Warriors for Warriors is a non-profit organization that raises money and community awareness for both Wounded Warriors and military families on the island of Oahu.

The organization is in its second year of fund raising for Wounded Warriors, with the first year's event being the 2010 Wounded Warrior benefit hockey game played last August at the Ice Palace. In that 2010 event, the group raised more than \$10,000 in a game with all proceeds going to the Wounded Warrior Project, Washington D.C.

This year the event has been expanded to include an entire weekend, called the Wounded Warriors in Paradise Weekend, which will be held Aug. 26-28. On Aug. 26, a charity dinner will be held from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Hickam Officers Club. Then, on Aug. 27, there will be a three-man best ball golf tournament at the Hawaii Prince Golf Course in Ewa Beach. Finally, from 6 to 10:30 p.m. Aug. 28 the organization will cap the weekend off with its annual inter-service hockey game, pitting an Army/Air Force team against the Navy/Marine/Coast Guard at the Ice Palace. For more information, to purchase tickets, volunteer and donate, visit the website: warriors4warriors.org.

Blood donations requested by ASBP

One in seven people will need a blood transfusion sometime in their life. Blood donations are used every day for service members, veterans and their families around the globe. Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) drives will be held as follows:

- Aug. 9**, Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) (11 a.m.-3 p.m.).
- Aug. 10**, 205th MI Battalion (10 a.m.-2 p.m.), Fort Shafter building 520.
- Aug. 15**, Schofield Health Clinic (10 a.m.-3 p.m.).
- Aug. 16**, Camp Smith (8 a.m.-1 p.m.), Pollock Theater.
- Aug. 17**, Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) radiology department (9 a.m.-1 p.m.), third floor.
- Aug. 23**, Kunia Tunnel (8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.) Access is required.

Aug. 24, Schofield Exchange (11 a.m.-3 p.m.).

Aug. 29, UH ROTC Army (6:30-9:30 a.m.) 1311 Lower Campus Road.

Aug. 30, Tropics Schofield (10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.).

Aug. 31, Kaneohe Bay Chapel (9 a.m.-1 p.m.).

Sept. 12, UH ROTC Air Force (6:30-9:30 a.m.), 1311 Lower Campus Road.

Sept. 13, Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (11 a.m.-3 p.m.).

To learn more about the Armed Services Blood Program, to make an appointment or to organize a blood drive, call 433-6148, or visit online: www.militaryblood.dod.mil. To interact directly with staff or to get the latest news, visit here: www.facebook.com/militaryblood.

Multi-lateral engineering takes place in Mongolia

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DELGERKHAAN, Mongolia – U.S. military engineers worked alongside Mongolian Armed Forces (MAF) and civilian engineers as they refurbished a skin clinic in Delgerkhaan of the Hentii province in Mongolia during Pacific Angel Mongolia, a 13th Air Force-led joint and combined humanitarian assistance operation, which took place from July 18-23.

U.S. engineers from Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska and Schofield Barracks teamed with members of the 014 Engineering Unit, MAF and civilian contractors to build a roof, paint the outside structure, rebuild a deck, re-wire electrical power, post new doors and re-panel the inside floor of the clinic that treats, on average, 300 people yearly for skin problems.

The shabby building brought together sister services for the first time, and they learned from one another.

“I’ve learned a lot of new things working with our Air Force and Mongolian Armed Forces counterparts,” said U.S. Army Sgt. Lester Hoy, currently assigned to the 643rd Engineers, Schofield Barracks. “There is a slight difference in the way we all do things, but we all get it done with our various skill levels.”

Those differences were some of the most important points of this project. Subject matter experts had an opportunity to exchange ideas and knowledge.

“The electricians are getting a chance to see how the Mongolian electricians work and they are able to exchange information,” said U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Tim Willis, a water and fuel systems maintainer. “We also have U.S. Army participating as well, so there is an incredible amount of subject matter exchange going on and it’s great for everyone involved.”

For many of the Airmen on this trip, it was not only their first

time in Mongolia, but also their first trip on a military operation of this kind.

“This has been a great experience for me,” said Airman 1st Class Ameer Rafeek, a water and fuel specialist and a native of Fruitland Park, Fla., currently assigned to 354th Civil Engineering Squadron (CES), Eielson AFB, Alaska. “This country is so open and beautiful; it’s kind of cool not seeing any heavy traffic or skyscrapers.”

One of the biggest challenges was communication, whether it was trying to obtain supplies or it was in the refurbishment of the building, but everyone got through it and made it work.

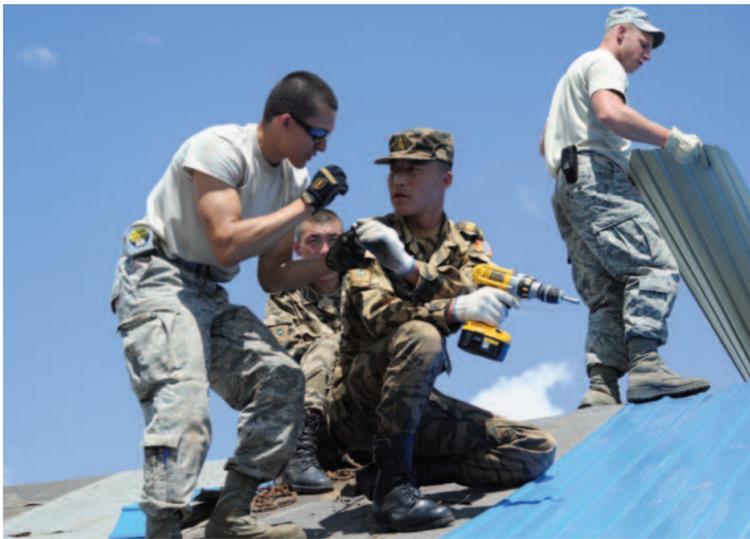
“Communication was tough at first, but we’re all builders,” said Senior Airman Joshua Rugloski, an electrician with the 354th CES, Eielson AFB, Alaska and a Boerne, Texas native. “Once we started working, everyone knew what to do because we had tools and a job to do and it was the same.”

“I was very fortunate to have been selected to come to Mongolia because it’s a great project that helps others,” said Willis. “Not only do our Airmen get the opportunity to see how others live and provide a helping hand, but to show another country how we tie in multiple forces and incorporate contracting as well to complete a project.”

In addition to this civil engineering project, Pacific Angel-Mongolia also conducted medical outreach events in Ondorkhaan, Delgerkhaan, Jargalkhaan and Tsenkhermandal soums of the Hentii province along with a veterinarian-training project throughout the region.

This is the second of Pacific Angel events this year. The first was held in Indonesia in June, while the next two will be held in Cambodia in August and Timor Leste in September.

These engagements support U.S. Pacific Command’s capacity building efforts by partnering with other governments in the region by providing medical, dental, optometry, veterinary and engineering assistance to their citizens.



Senior Airman Jorge Perez-Gileta, a native of Oceanside, Calif., and currently assigned to 354th Civil Engineering Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska communicates with a Mongolian Armed Forces Soldier as they repair a roof of a skin clinic in Delgerkhaan, Hentii in Mongolia on July 17 as part of Pacific Angel-Mongolia, a 13th Air Force led combined humanitarian assistance operation. The team of multinational engineers replaced the roof, changed out doors, re-accomplished the electrical work and painted the outside of the building.

KHON (FOX) TV 2 Hawaii Navy News upcoming segments

- Aug. 11 – PHNSY apprentice graduation
- Aug. 18 – Pacific Aviation Museum Biggest Little Airshow
- Aug. 25 – JEMS Job Fair
- Sept. 1 – Naval Air Museum Barbers Point
- Sept. 8 – Navy League – American patriots

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