

## Adm. Cecil Haney assumes command of U.S. Pacific Fleet

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Adm. Cecil D. Haney, former deputy of the U.S. Strategic Command, relieved Adm. Patrick M. Walsh as commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet during a change of command ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 20.

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert presided over the ceremony and praised Walsh for his service in the Navy and the impact his leadership had on the command.

"He's had a marvelous career. He knows what it means to take care of a family, he knows what it means to take care of a command, and he's encouraged his staff to do the same," said Greenert to a crowd of almost 900 attendees. "He's (Walsh) all about being ready. He's harnessed that Pacific Fleet teamwork, the talent and resources."

Greenert also praised Walsh for his ability to foster strong international relationships. "Pat has been committed to the building and improving of our relationships in and around the western Pacific."

Under Walsh's command, U.S. Pacific Fleet provided humanitarian relief for numerous countries struck by natural disasters including Operation Tomodachi, a humanitarian assistance and disaster relief effort conducted in response to the earthquake, tsunami and subsequent radiological crisis that



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(Inset) Adm. Cecil Haney delivers remarks during the U.S. Pacific Fleet change of command ceremony. Haney assumed command from Adm. Patrick Walsh during the ceremony.

(Above) Adm. Patrick M. Walsh and his wife pass through ceremonial sideboys following a change of command ceremony during which he turned over command of U.S. Pacific Fleet to Adm. Cecil Haney. (More photos on page A-5)

impacted Japan in March 2011.

Commander, U.S. Pacific Command (PACOM) Adm. Robert F. Willard praised Walsh for his work leading all U.S. military support efforts during Operation Tomodachi.

"As the magnitude of this epic disaster reached an unprecedented scale of any of our experience, my senior staff implored me to assign our senior-most joint

warfighting commander to lead the U.S. response. That morning Adm. Pat Walsh assembled elements of his joint task force staff and prepared to depart for Japan," Willard said. "Every day I observed Pat's organization, initiative, imagination and drive to provide Gen. Oriki (Japan Joint Staff) and his forces every service they required, including nuclear engineering expertise on an

unprecedented scale. Such leadership will never be forgotten in Japan nor in the Pacific Fleet. That is the legacy of Adm. Pat 'Sponge' Walsh."

In his remarks, Walsh spoke of the important role maritime forces play in the vast Pacific Fleet area of responsibility and the U.S. Navy's commitment to that role.

"In this region, sea power

is an essential element of national power," Walsh said. "In the Pacific Century, sea power resumes its traditional role in the sea-lines of communication. It's an instrument of peace; it's an instrument of stability; it's a protector of trade and development."

He warned that other nations are gauging our commitment, particularly in light of budget constraints.

"They are watching with keen interest the effect of the U.S. economic challenges, the strain of more than a decade of war on the Navy's ability to remain forward, to remain engaged and ready," Walsh said.

But he stressed that the Navy has overcome such challenges before and remains committed to main-

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## Information about potholes, street defects announced

Lt. Cmdr. Michael O'Donnell

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Street defects form in roadways after moisture has saturated asphalt surfaces causing a breakdown in the asphalt. The most commonly reported type of street defects are potholes.

A pothole is a depressed area of the roadway that has deteriorated over time due to wear and tear. Potholes are created when the pavement or the material beneath it (called the base or subbase) cannot support the weight of the traffic it carries.

Naval Facilities Engineering Command

(NAVFAC) Hawaii's goal is to expeditiously respond to personnel requests related to street defects with repair beginning and completion timeframes contingent on the location and severity of the street defect.

It is important to note that not all defects are potholes; some repairs may be more extensive and involve more time. To ensure that NAVFAC Hawaii addresses the underlying cause in these cases, additional surveys and further investigative work is necessary prior to making any repairs.

They also correlate identified street defects with a scheduled paving plan for the installation, which determines method of repair.

Numerous paving projects

are scheduled to begin this year, including roadways in the vicinity of the shipyard (South Avenue, Fuller Avenue, Central Avenue, Seabee Way, and Paul Hamilton Avenue) and SUB-PAC area (Arizona Avenue, Simms Street, and Hurt Avenue). There is also a project to repave Ford Island Bridge within the next few months.

These paving projects should address most, if not all, the current major street defect problems in the foreseeable future since these projects will address the root cause of the recurring problems.

To report street defects located on Pearl Harbor, call 471-8481 or if the street defect is on Hickam, call 449-3100.



U.S. Navy photo by Don Robbins

Members of a NAVFAC Hawaii road crew repair potholes at Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMS PAC) on Jan. 25.



Shown is the covered entrance and drop-off area for the newly completed Pearl Harbor Child Development Center located along Center Drive at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The facility includes many sustainability and energy efficiency design features such as solar water heating roof panels, occupancy sensor lights, building integrated thin film photovoltaic technology, LED light fixtures in roof eaves and under parking canopies as well as additional thin film photovoltaic panels on parking canopies.

## Construction completed on energy efficient CDC at JBPHH

Story and photo by Denise Emsley

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii public affairs

Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii turned over the newest military child development center (CDC) in the state to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Morale, Welfare and Recreation on Jan. 17.

"We are extremely happy to accept this new structure and begin the installation of furniture and other items needed prior to opening a highly anticipated addition to our CDCs for Navy and Air Force military families," said Al Worley, facilities and projects manager for JBPHH Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

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### Job opportunities at JBPHH Morale, Welfare & Recreation (MWR)

There are various job openings for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam MWR facilities on the island of Oahu, with approximately 200 new positions being placed online to staff Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam child development facilities. Interested individuals should go to [www.nafjobs.com](http://www.nafjobs.com) to see what positions are available and follow directions for applying.

awarded the design/build \$18.9 million contract to Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company Inc. on Sept. 29, 2009. NAVFAC Hawaii executed and administered the project. A ground breaking ceremony was held June 4, 2010 at the site near Center Drive, between Nimitz and Makalapa Gates to JBPHH, and the new facility began to take shape.

"This project brought Navy and contractor personnel into a very close working relationship that enabled us to not only build one of the largest child development centers in the nation, but also include a multitude of sustainability innovations, potentially achieving the first Leadership in Environmental and

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# CNO sees Hawaii as 'gateway' to operate forward

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Navy Region Hawaii Public  
Affairs

The chief of naval operations (CNO) appeared on local Fox affiliate television station KHON2's Wake Up 2day morning show in Honolulu on Jan. 19.

CNO Adm. Jonathan Greenert talked to news anchor Olena Heu about the strategic importance of Hawaii and the Pacific region.

"Hawaii is really the gateway to the western Pacific," Greenert said. "Here in Hawaii, you have a hospital, a shipyard. You have ships, aircraft, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Coast Guard and Airmen. Really, this is our gateway. It is probably the most important strategic base for the western Pacific, which is the centerpiece of our strategy."

In the morning show, Heu asked how potential budget cuts will impact the Navy and specifically the Navy in Hawaii. Greenert provided no details but emphasized the strategic importance of Asia Pacific and of Hawaii as a base to operate from.

"It's a matter of where the proper investments should be



Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert conducts an all-hands call to more than 500 Hawaii-based Sailors. Greenert arrived in Hawaii on Jan. 19 to meet with Sailors and to participate in the U.S. Pacific Fleet change of command ceremony.

to really align with our strategy," Greenert said. "Hawaii and the Pacific are key to our strategy, and that will be reflected in the budget."

Greenert and his wife Darleen arrived in Hawaii on Jan. 18 to meet with Sailors

and their families and to participate in the U.S. Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) change of command ceremony Jan. 20. Adm. Cecil Haney, former deputy of U.S. Strategic Command, replaced Adm. Patrick Walsh as PACFLT commander.

On Jan. 19, Darleen Greenert visited Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) and toured the Center Drive Child Development Center with Capt. Jeffrey James, commander for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. She also visit-

ed the Ford Island Community Center and was invited to visit the homes of several military families, where she discussed quality of life issues.

After the CNO's appearance on the morning show, he held an all hands call for more than 500 Sailors at Sharkey Theater at JBPHH.

"We are so lucky to have a generation who give much more than themselves to a larger institution, and we have a generation of people who are dedicated to our country," Greenert said. "I just want to say thank you to them, and thank you to the people of Hawaii for supporting these Sailors and their families. They are truly the land of aloha. It's a privilege to be here."

With a world map as a backdrop, Greenert fielded questions and talked about the Navy's overall strategy, not only in the Pacific region but to the entire world. He said that at any given time, there are about 100 ships forward-deployed around the world, more than half of which are in the Pacific region.

"The focus of the Navy in the future is the Asia Pacific region - where you are," Greenert said.

# Nimitz Elementary School celebrates with big week of events

Don Robbins

Assistant Editor

Last week was an exceptionally busy week at Nimitz Elementary School, said Melissa Cole, school Parent-Community Networking Coordinator (PCNC).

Most of the students are military affiliated and live on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam or Aliamanu Military Reservation.

"We had a short but busy week here at Nimitz Elementary School. We started Spirit Week on Tuesday, Jan. 17 with crazy hair day, wacky-tacky Wednesday, Thursday was pajama day, and Friday, Jan. 20 was sports day. All week, the students dressed to fit the theme for participation points in this student council event. It takes a lot of imagination and creativity to put together some of the costumes the students showed up in," Cole said.

The eventful week gained momentum on Jan. 19 and 20 when the school hosted its yearly career fair. Counselor Jill Kurisu, Parent-Community Networking coordinator (PCNC) Melissa Cole, and parent volunteer Paula Biggs invited various professionals from the community to speak to the students about their career fields.

"It was an enriching experience for both the teachers and the students," Cole said.

"At the end of the week on Friday, Jan. 20, we had a Chinese New Year celebration at Nimitz



Photos courtesy of Nimitz Elementary School



Elementary School. A group came from the Gee Yung International Martial

Arts Dragon and Lion Dance Association. They performed the lion dance

and did a martial arts demonstration. The students fed the lions 'Li-See'

or little red envelopes filled with monetary gifts for good luck. For many of our

students, it was a new and exciting cultural experience," Cole said.

## 'Recalibrate your career' seminar will take place Feb. 21-23

The Military Family Support Center will host a "recalibrate your career" seminar for Sailors and spouses affected by the Enlisted Retention Board and other force-shaping tools from Feb. 21 to 23 at the Aloha Center, room 294. The seminar will include a resource fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 23.

Due to the increased number of Sailors and Airmen facing involuntary separation, "recalibrate your

career" has been developed to provide the necessary tools and information for a successful career shift.

Information provided supports the learning experience of the Separation Transition Assistance Program (STAP) with a platform to evaluate motivational factors of a chosen career path, develop an individual transition Plan, and practical exercises to apply fine tuned skills.

For more information, call 473-0838.

## South Avenue roadwork update announced

Starting Feb. 1, parking stalls between the east and west wings of building one and the waterfront operations tower, building S-1058, will

be secured to support the restoration project of the waterfront operations tower.

Personnel are required to obey caution and warning

signs. Any vehicles obstructing the construction site will be towed at the owner's expense.

Personal protective equipment is required

within the construction barriers. The area should be entered for official purposes only.

The project is scheduled for completion on Oct. 26.

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# Deployed/remote and IA families supported with dinner, information fair

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Approximately 35 families of deployed/remote tour Airmen and individual Augmentee (IA) Sailors from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) attended a spaghetti dinner and information fair on Jan. 25, regarding programs and services that are available to them while their loved ones are deployed.

"It's [the information session] critical for families," said Lt. Col. David Henry, deputy commander of 647th Air Base Group and deputy chief staff officer for JBPHH. "It's good for them to be able to create bonds of friendship; they can walk the road together and feel like they're not alone."

Families were invited to sign in for the chance to win two certificates for a family of four to a buffet at two restaurants in the Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki. Parents could walk around tables with numerous different organizations such as Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Red Cross Hawaii, the Mental Health Clinic, USO, the Air Force Aid Society (AFAS) and



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chapel services to name a few.

Volunteer Airmen ran arts and crafts tables, Legos and a play area for the children.

"It's good so that they know they're not the only ones that their dad's not there," said spouse and mother Robbye Nelson. "We live out in Ewa and I drive here so they [her two children] can be with these other kids."

After a short blessing by Chaplain Capt. David Haltom, dinner was served.

Families are notified by email and morale calls, personally invited to multiple events throughout the year. Anyone not in contact with the Military and Family Support Center or the Key Spouses Program is urged to get into contact with them as soon as possible, said Work and Family Life Specialist Christina Gonzalez.

"It's important for them [the families] to be aware of resources and organizations available to them during their service member's deployment," Gonzalez said.

Every man, woman and child with a birthday in January was heralded with "the birthday song" by the crowd.

## Diverse Views



This week is the Pro Bowl. Are you attending any of the events? Which is your favorite NFL team and why?



Boatswain's Mate 1st Class  
Curtis Walker

"I am going to the Pro Bowl. A friend got me tickets and I'm going with my family. [My team is] the Giants. I'm from Long Island."



Tina Marzan  
15th Medical Support Squadron

"Probably not, watching on TV. My favorite team is the Giants because my husband is from New York and because they deserve to win."



Chief Yeoman Demont Kinchen

"I most likely will go since my wife would like to go. I'm a Buffalo fan. I've been one since Jim Kelly in the 80s, since I was in eighth grade they've been just an awesome team."



Chief Culinary Specialist (SW)  
Daniel Schaeffer

"I'm going with the rest of the volunteers for the pregame show. [My team is] the Steelers. I'm from Pennsylvania."



Tech. Sgt. Ricardo Cisneros  
17th Operational Weather Squadron

"I'm attending the Pro Bowl and the practices. My favorite team is the Dolphins from Miami."



Chief Boatswain's Mate (SW)  
James T. Hypolite

"They asked for volunteers for the Pro Bowl so I decided to volunteer. I go every year. My team is the New Orleans Saints; I'm from Louisiana."



Capt. Robert Porter  
613th Air and Space Operations Center

"Probably not. I just came from Denver, so go Broncos."

(Provided by Jazzmin Williams and David Underwood Jr.)

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## Crew shown working on 'Phantom' fighter



Photo courtesy of T. Merrill

Ground crew personnel are shown here in the late 1970s, working on an F-4C "Phantom" belonging to the 199th Fighter Squadron of the Hawaii Air National Guard at the former Hickam Air Force Base. In the foreground rack are AIM-9 "Sidewinder" missiles (top) and AIM-7 "Sparrow" missiles (bottom).

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Dr. Byron Faber (center) of the Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council of the Navy League presented awards to Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (SS) Bevon Drummond, Sonar Technician Submarines 2nd Class (SS) Jerry Verant, Electronics Technician 2nd Class (SS) Christopher Beal and Machinist's Mate 2nd Class (SS) Charles Corcoran, assigned to the Los Angeles-class submarine, USS Bremerton (SSN 698), for outstanding achievement throughout the year of 2011 at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 20.

## Navy League presents awards to USS Bremerton

Story and photo by  
MC2 Ronald Gutridge

Commander Submarine  
Force U.S. Pacific Fleet  
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The Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council of the Navy League presented awards to four Sailors assigned to the Los Angeles-class submarine, USS Bremerton (SSN 698), for outstanding achievement throughout the year of 2011 at the submarine piers on board Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 20.

Dr. Byron Faber of the Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council of the Navy League presented awards to the following submariners: Machinist's Mate 2nd Class (SS) Charles Corcoran was awarded the "2011 Engineering Go-to Guy Award" for engineering excellence in 2011. Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (SS) Bevon Drummond was awarded

the "2011 Supply Silent Specialist of the Year" for supply department excellence in 2011. Electronics Technician 2nd Class (SS) Christopher Beal was awarded the "2011 Bowditch Award" for navigation excellence in 2011 and Sonar Technician Submarines 2nd Class (SS) Jerry Verant was awarded the "2011 Tactical Adonis of the Year" for tactical and weapons department excellence in 2011.

"It is a great privilege to present these awards and recognize what a great job these Sailors are doing," Faber said. "This is our way of showing them that the citizens of Bremerton appreciate all that they do for our country."

The Navy League, Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council sponsors Bremerton. Each year, the organization provides awards to four Sailors serving on Bremerton based on superior performance

over the past year. This initiative was started in 2010 by Faber. He was also instrumental in the adoption of the submarine by the city of Bremerton. A ceremony commemorating this event was held in Bremerton, Wash. in January 2011.

"Over the past year, Dr Faber and the Navy League have provided outstanding support for USS Bremerton, working to recognize superior performance and improve the quality of life of USS Bremerton Sailors and families," said Cmdr. Caleb Kerr, commanding officer of Bremerton. "This camaraderie between the city of Bremerton, the Navy League and the ship has paid big dividends in crew morale. It means a great deal to me that citizens of the fine city of Bremerton and the Navy League are supporting my Sailors and the ship, particularly while we are deployed," Kerr said.

## Gary Sinise and the Lieutenant Dan Band will perform Feb. 10

Gary Sinise and the Lieutenant Dan Band will perform a free show at 7 p.m. Feb. 10 at the Hickam Freedom Tower.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Round-trip shuttle service to and from Freedom Tower will be available from the Hickam BX/Burger King parking lot.

Shuttle times to the event will be between 5 to 8 p.m., and the return shuttle trip will be 9 to 11 p.m.

In case of rain, the event will be moved to hangar 35. The event is open to all Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests.

"Lieutenant Dan" is the character which Sinise portrayed in the 1994 film *Forrest Gump*, a role for which he earned an Oscar nomination for best supporting actor.

Following one of his many trips overseas to visit those serving the country, Sinise asked the USO if they would allow him to take a band with

him on a tour. The USO agreed, the band began rehearsing and in February 2004, the Lieutenant Dan Band hit the road on their first overseas USO tour to Korea, Singapore and Diego Garcia.

The band covers everything from Stevie Wonder and Jimi Hendrix classics to contemporary songs by Kelly Clarkson, Evanescence, Beyonce, Lonestar, the Zac Brown Band and more. They also play tunes from the '40s big band era.



U.S. Army photo by Kimberly Gearhart



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mike Meares

# Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights



Boatswain's Mate Seaman Devon Nelson, assigned to the submarine tender USS Frank Cable (AS 40), holds up the 165-foot homeward bound pennant as the ship pulls into Pearl Harbor for a port visit. Frank Cable is temporarily relieved from conducting maintenance of submarines and service vessels deployed in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility by the submarine tender USS Emory S. Land (AS 39) and is in the Pacific ocean en route to Portland, Ore. for a regular overhaul and dry-docking.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jeremy Starr

Capt. James Pitts, commander of Submarine Squadron Seven (CSS-7)(left), presents the 2011 CSS-7 Battle Efficiency (Battle "E") pennant to Lt. Cmdr. Steven Faulk, executive officer; Command Master Chief (SS) Ronald Brooks, chief of the boat; and Cmdr. David Adams, commanding officer; of the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Santa Fe (SSN 763) at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan.19. The Battle "E" is an award of merit presented to the most proficient ship in each squadron and recognizes sustained superior technical performance and continual combat readiness throughout the year.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Ronald Gutridge



Adm. Cecil Haney has his new shoulder boards placed on his uniform by his wife and daughter. Haney was promoted to the rank of admiral by Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert before a ceremony during which Haney assumed command of U.S. Pacific Fleet from Adm. Patrick Walsh.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 David Kolmel

Adm. Cecil Haney (left) salutes Adm. Patrick M. Walsh as Haney relieves Walsh as U.S. Pacific Fleet commander during a change of command ceremony on the Pearl Harbor waterfront. Looking on are Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert (second from left) and Adm. Robert Willard, commander of U.S. Pacific Command.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 David Kolmel



Australian Consul-General Scott Dewar (left) and Lt. Col. Linda Meyer, defense liaison for Australian Consulate General, meet with Rear Adm. Frank Ponds (right), commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, on Jan. 25. Dewar presented Ponds with a copy of a book about Australia-U.S. naval relations in the 20th century. They talked about the strength of Australia-U.S. military cooperation and the history of the two countries' strong military partnership, which began even before the First World War when the Great White Fleet visited Australia in 1908. Coincidentally, the meeting took place one day before Australia Day.

U.S. Navy photo by Randy Dela Cruz

## My Favorite Photo...

U.S. Navy photo by Lt. Erik Molina  
Lt. Erik Molina took this photo of Waikiki on Jan. 23. More than 60,000 Sailors and civilians employed by the Navy in Hawaii, including 13,000 active duty Sailors from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, directly impact the local Hawaii economy. Hawaii-based Sailors, in turn, enjoy the quality of life Hawaii has to offer.



## Adm. Walsh retiring after 34 years

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taining regional stability. "Let's be very clear. We have been here before," Walsh said. "We have faced austere economic cycles in the past. And while the American public has kept faith with the Navy, they have not changed their view of our mission or their expectations of our response to crisis conditions."

Walsh, who is retiring after 34 years in the Navy, is confident in Haney's capabilities and leadership.

"If ever there were a person who's ready for the challenge to assume command of the Pacific Fleet with all its complexities, with all of its challenges and who has worked and held critical leadership positions at every level, it's Cecil Haney," Walsh said.

After reading his orders and assuming command, Haney thanked "our international allies and partners and our local community for (their) enduring relationship with the U.S. Navy"

and expressed enthusiasm about his tour at Pacific Fleet.

"I look forward to getting acquainted with you and building on the foundation of trust and mutual respect that Adm. Walsh has nurtured," Haney said. "The U.S. Navy has been a dutiful servant of the nation and its people, and a champion of freedom, security and prosperity abroad. In the Pacific, our history is rich and we have played an integral role in furthering those principles to better the lives of others."

Haney said he will work with the other military services to support U.S. Pacific Command to enhance "maritime security and freedom of the seas with the talented men and women of Pacific Fleet and our allies and partners."

Haney said he is "most grateful to Adm. Walsh for his unparalleled leadership of Pacific Fleet and tireless efforts strengthening critical ties to enhance security of the region" as well as the Sailors "headquartered

here and on station across the Pacific (who) performed remarkably across a wide spectrum of our Navy's mission areas."

Haney is the 33rd naval officer to command the Pacific Fleet since it was established in February 1941 with headquarters at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. A graduate of the United States Naval Academy with a bachelor of science degree in oceanic engineering, Haney is also a recipient of the Vice Adm. James Stockdale Leadership Award for 1998.

The world's largest fleet command, U.S. Pacific Fleet encompasses 100 million square miles from the west coast of the United States into the Indian Ocean. The Pacific Fleet consists of approximately 180 ships, nearly 2,000 aircraft and 125,000 Sailors, Marines and civilians.

U.S. Pacific Fleet staff report administratively to the CNO and operationally to U.S. Pacific Command, whose headquarters are at Camp H.M. Smith.

How to submit

## My favorite photo...

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any interesting details. Also include the name of the photographer and contact information. Please send your photos to editor@hookelenews.com and "cc" Karen Spangler, managing editor, at karen.spangler@navy.mil and Don Robbins, assistant editor, at drobbins@hookelenews.com.

Brush up on your photography skills. Ready, set, shoot!

## CDC slated to open in late March

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Energy Design (LEED) Platinum facility on a military base in Hawaii," said Lt. j.g. Christopher Hoggan, project manager at NAVFAC Hawaii.

LEED is an internationally-recognized "green" building certification system, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council. It has a point-based rating system which offers four certification levels for new construction: certified, silver, gold and platinum. Each level corresponds to the number of credits accrued in five "green" design categories: sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, and indoor environmental quality.

"Initially, our goal for this facility was LEED Silver," Hoggan said. "With additional sustainability and energy efficient design elements, material reuse and other innovations identified after award, the project began moving toward

LEED Gold."

Then during the early construction phase of the contract, NAVFAC Hawaii presented the contractor with an opportunity to add "energy enhancements" to include advanced metering, conversion to gas appliances, and more rooftop integrated thin film photovoltaic panels to be placed on new carport structures which would balance the facility's energy use and help it function as a "net zero" building when opened.

The Pearl Harbor CDC is constructed of reinforced concrete masonry walls, interior medal studs, and steel roof framing. It has 24 classrooms for infants, pre-toddlers, toddlers and preschoolers and encloses a large grass courtyard area with multiple age-appropriate play areas. In addition, the facility includes a full kitchen, laundry room, toilet facilities, storage and administrative spaces plus all supporting items such as exterior playground equipment, ten-

sion fabric structures, storage, fencing, gates, controlled parking, controlled access and a covered drop off/pick up area.

"Construction of this large CDC progressed well from start to finish and was ahead of schedule during much of the project," Hoggan said. "NAVFAC Hawaii and contractor personnel set up a great working relationship that resulted in a wonderful addition to Navy and Air Force child care facilities in Hawaii."

According to JBPHH's MWR director, the facility is expected to be open for business in late March. "Currently, there are seven CDCs and 37 child development homes that accommodate 586 children," said Frank Faria, MWR director, JBPHH. "With the opening of the new one on Center Drive in March 2012, Wahiawa in March 2012 and Ford Island in May 2012, an additional 680 quality child care spaces will become available for Navy and Air Force families."

## Diamond Tips

### Enforce self-discipline

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I often hear statements like, "These new Airmen don't have the discipline we had when we came in." What we fail to realize is that quite often we are the cause of the problem.

Some Airmen have forgotten the discipline and etiquette they learned in basic training. Use of first name is common. NCOs (non-commissioned officers) and Airmen don't stand when a senior NCO enters the area and speaks with them. Questioning

directions and stating, "Forget all that; you're in the real Air Force now" is also common. There is a lack of discipline and standards because there is a lack of strong leadership.

Why are our troops not putting their hats on to go from their car to their house when they go home? Is it because there's a clause in the instruction that says, if you are in your front yard, the rules don't apply? No. It's because somewhere in their career there has been one or many SNCOs and/or NCOs who didn't enforce standards and discipline and made it seem OK to bend the rules. They're respon-

sible for ensuring ALL personnel in their charge are doing it right.

Reward exceptional behavior to enforce self-discipline. Compliment the steps leaders are taking to ensure troops do the right thing all the time. Don't be afraid to tell someone when they aren't meeting a standard, and educate them about the standard at the same time. If we don't have the guts to do it, we need to find a new career.

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