

## CNO visits Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert conducts an all hands call for more than 500 Hawaii-based Sailors at Sharkey Theater on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 19.

Adm. and Mrs. Darleen Greenert arrived in Hawaii, 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, will be replacing Adm. Patrick Walsh as PACFLT commander.

Darleen Greenert visited Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) and toured the Center Drive Child Development Center with Joint Base Commander Capt. Jeff James. She also visited the Ford Island Community Center and was invited to visit the homes of several military families, where she discussed quality of life issues.

At the all hands call, 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," said Greenert.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Mark Logico



## Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. honored at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Story and photo by MC2 Daniel Barker

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More than 100 participants including Sailors, Airmen and civilians attended a special observance celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. held at Hickam Chapel Center Sanctuary on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Jan. 13.

The observance event reflected on the theme, "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On, Not a Day Off!" to increase King's contributions to American history and civil rights through participation in military and community service.

Capt. Lawrence Scruggs, chief staff officer, JBPHH gave opening remarks for the special observance.

"I want to encourage everyone; to go out and work in the community," Scruggs said. "And remember that we take strength and faith from what Dr. King has taught us."

King was the chief spokesman for nonviolent activism in the civil rights movement, which successfully protested racial dis-



A special observance celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is held at the Chapel Center Sanctuary on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 13. The event was attended by Sailors, Airmen and civilians including Navy Capt. Larry Scruggs and guest speaker Dr. Dorothy Goldsborough.

crimination in federal and state law. In 1968, amidst a country embattled in a civil rights struggle, King was assassinated.

In honor of King's unfinished efforts, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was

established by then-President Ronald Reagan in 1983. In 1992, then-President George H.W. Bush proclaimed the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. federal holiday would be observed every year on the third Monday of

January. Congress passed the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday and Service Act, Aug. 23, 1994 designating the King Holiday as a day of volunteer service. The first observance was held Jan. 15, 1986, the anniver-

sary of King's birthday.

The observance at Hickam Chapel included a presentation of Dr. King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech along with dramatizations and musical performances by the MLK drama

team and mass choir.

The guest speaker, Dr. Dorothy Goldsborough, University of Hawaii professor and wife of Tuskegee Airman Romaine Goldsborough, spoke about some of the struggles with discrimination they experienced and how they were able to persevere.

"He was so proud to be around Tuskegee Airmen," Goldsborough said, about her husband. "He enjoyed working but was a little surprised at the segregation and behavior he received while in Alabama. It was difficult for him but he had many, many good comrades there and he learned so much."

Goldsborough also spoke about an upcoming movie release titled Red Tails, a film about the Tuskegee Airman. Although the plot and story are fictionalized, the events shown are inspired by the real-life situations of America's first all-black aerial combat unit.

Goldsborough encouraged everyone to read books and watch historical based films and documentaries to become better aware of our past and to apply lessons learned from those events to make a better future for everyone.

## USS Houston arrives at new homeport at JBPHH

Story and photo by MC2 Ronald Guttridge

Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet

The Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine USS Houston (SSN 713) arrived at her new homeport, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 17, after completing a change of homeport from Commander, Submarine Squadron 15 in Apra Harbor, Guam.

Houston, with a crew size of 150, departed Guam on Jan. 6 after nine years of being forward deployed. During her time at Pearl Harbor, she will be assigned to Commander, Submarine Squadron Seven.

Houston personnel are looking forward to enjoy-



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ing the sights, sounds and culture of Hawaii, according to Cmdr. David

Schappert, commanding forward to living in a officer, USS Houston. "The crew is looking more diverse tropical paradise and enjoying

everything Oahu has to offer and at the same time, being closer to family in the continental United States," Schappert said.

While the crew was focused on preparing the submarine for the voyage across the Pacific, families transferred their children to their new schools and shipped household goods largely without the assistance from their Sailor. Personnel support detachments and housing offices in Guam and Hawaii provided assistance during this change.

"It was a lot of work leading up to this move, and I am glad we are finally here," said Machinist's Mate 2nd Class (SS) Reynaldo Perez from San Antonio.

"I am really looking forward to learning about the Hawaiian culture and experiencing all the great things Hawaii has to offer."

While transiting to Hawaii, the crew conducted a time-honored Navy tradition of "crossing the line." This was a unique ceremony where the submarine crossed the equator and the International Date Line at the same time, allowing the crew to qualify as "Golden Shellbacks."

Houston is the fourth 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.



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## Adm. Haney replaces Adm. Walsh at PACFLT change of command today

U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

Adm. Cecil D. Haney, former deputy of the U.S. Strategic Command, will become commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet in a change-of-command ceremony at 10 a.m. today at Pearl Harbor's Kilo Pier.

Haney will succeed Adm. Patrick M. Walsh, who will be retiring after 34 years in the Navy.

Walsh, who has guided the U.S. Navy in the Pacific for more than two years, led all U.S. military relief efforts following the March 11 earthquake, tsunami, and subsequent nuclear crisis in Japan.

The change of command ceremony is a formal transfer of responsibility from one senior naval leader to another. Today's event will be a traditional one conducted in a unique



Adm. Cecil D. Haney

Adm. Chester Nimitz and Adm. Raymond Spruance.

U.S. Pacific Fleet protects and defends the collective maritime interests of the United States and its allies and partners in the Asia-Pacific region. In support of U.S. Pacific Command and with allies and partners, U.S. Pacific Fleet enhances stability, promotes maritime security and freedom of the seas, deters aggression and when necessary, fights to win.

military location with the USS Arizona and USS Missouri memorials as a backdrop.

Haney will become the 33rd Navy officer to command the Pacific Fleet since it was established in February 1941 with headquarters at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Past commanders of the Pacific Fleet include such naval giants as Fleet

The U.S. Pacific Fleet encompasses 100 million square miles, more than half the earth's surface, 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.

## Register by Feb. 10 for IA recognition luncheon

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii

The Honolulu Navy League is hosting an Individual Augmentee (IA) recognition luncheon for all returned "boots on the ground IA/overseas contingency operation support assignment (GSA) Sailors and their spouses, or guests" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at the Ala Moana Hotel. Sign-in for IA/GSA Sailors begins at 10:30 a.m.

All commanding officers, executive officers and command master chiefs are invited to attend. This is a premier opportunity to recognize and appreciate IA

Sailors' honorable and faithful service. Spouses will also be recognized for their loyalty and steadfast support of the IA Sailor.

Registration forms will be distributed through the command master chief network and must be completed to obtain a ticket. Bring the completed form to the Military and Family Support Center (MFSC) to pick up tickets until Feb. 10 at \$40 per person.

The luncheon will be paid by the Navy League for the IA Sailor and their spouse, or one guest. Forms and tickets are available at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-

Hickam MFSC (formerly FFSC), Moanalua Navy Services Center. Checks are made payable to Navy League of Honolulu.

The uniform for Navy personnel attending the luncheon is the service uniform, for other services it is the class equivalent, and aloha attire for civilians.

IA Sailors who will be attending are asked to send electronic pictures of themselves while deployed to Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Command Master Chief Gary Smedley at gary.smedley@navy.mil, or call 474-4291.

For more information, call MFSC at 474-1999.

## Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Sailor selected as NAVSEA Sailor of the Year

Katie Vanes

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs



Navy Machinist Mate 1st Class (SS) Cody W. Davis was selected as a Naval Sea Systems Command 2011 Sailor of the Year (SOY) at Washington Navy Yard on Jan. 13.

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Sailor Machinist's Mate 1st Class (SS) Cody W. Davis was selected out of 3,000 enlisted men and women as the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) 2011 active-duty Sailor of the Year (SOY) at Washington Navy Yard on Jan. 13.

"As NAVSEA continues to build, deliver and maintain the world's most cutting-edge and highly capable ships, we look to dedicated individuals like you to get things done," said NAVSEA Command Master Chief (AW/SW) Evelyn Banks to the finalists in the competition. "All of NAVSEA's Sailor of the Year candidates exemplify the Navy core values and embody the institutional and technical expertise, professionalism, and character that make this command successful."

Selection as NAVSEA Sailor of the Year reflects demonstrated ability to lead and inspire a group of personnel and to improve and expand the capabilities of their respective field activities while supporting the command's mission of developing, delivering and maintaining ship systems on time and on cost for the U.S. Navy.

"Receiving Sailor of the Year (honors) was humbling because we have a very talented workforce," said Davis, originally from Pell City, Ala. "I represented Pearl Harbor Naval

re-enlistments.

"My favorite part about the SOY session in D.C. was the open forum about ways to improve NAVSEA's mentoring program," Davis said. "The valuable insight we provided will be implemented for next year's program."

As the shipyard's assistant command fitness leader, Davis encouraged Sailors to improve their physical fitness by coordinating and monitoring physical performance tests. He further graduated from Hawaii Pacific University magna cum laude with his bachelor's degree in criminal justice and is working to complete his master's degree from Central Michigan University.

Davis also led the effort for shipyard community relations as president of the First Class Petty Officer Association, where he spearheaded numerous fundraisers and activities such as student robotics programs, blood drives, playground construction for Waipahu YMCA, Sailors Against Drunk Driving, and coaching athletics at neighboring schools.

"It was especially surreal to see the World War II Iwo Jima monument because my grandpa fought there," Davis said. "He was also in the Navy – he was injured and earned a Purple Heart. He inspired me to be the person I am today."

Davis will represent NAVSEA at the vice chief of Naval Operations' Shore Sailor of the Year competition at the Pentagon in April, where he will go up against winners from 28 other naval commands.

# CMSAF discusses top issues affecting Air Force

Tech. Sgt. Randy Redman

633rd Air Base Wing Public Affairs



U.S. Air Force photo by Airmen 1st Class Racheal Watson. Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy signs his portrait at the Langley Club during a visit to Langley Air Force Base, Va., Jan. 11. Portraits of previous chief master sergeants hang on the walls of the Langley Club, enshrining chiefs who made a significant and lasting impact during their service.

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. (AFNS) -- Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James A. Roy addressed a capacity crowd of Airmen and civilians at the Langley Theater on Jan. 11, and covered a wide variety of key Air Force issues.

Roy spoke on topics such as training, force management programs and how the current budget will affect operations, and took questions from Airmen on promotion, mentorship, retirement and commissioning programs.

"Hopefully, you've all had a chance to hear the new defense strategy. If you haven't, I would challenge you to go and read it," said Roy, offering his support for the president's recent announcement that the military will re-focus its efforts on the Asia-Pacific region and cyber warfare.

Roy said there are many changes coming to how the military operates at home and abroad and how most of these changes are driven by

the current budget constraints facing the entire nation, including the \$487 billion cut to defense spending over the next 10 years.

"Will that change the way we operate? You bet it will, but I like the way the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Gen. (Norton) Schwartz, says it, 'You've got to understand that we are a \$100 billion Air Force, and we are the best Air Force there is.'"

As always, Roy said his highest priority is taking care

of the men and women who serve in the greatest Air Force the world has ever known.

"What I'm concerned about is what education, training and experiences would be taken away from you. I've got to make sure we continue to develop you in such a way that you are prepared for the future," Roy said.

Because of the current financial issues facing the Air Force, Roy said only 45 percent of the budget for travel for

enlisted professional military education (EPME) is currently funded. Additionally, Col. Stewart Price, Air Education and Training's Barnes Center commander, recently announced that travel for senior leaders to attend EPME graduations for their personnel has been permanently suspended. These changes are only the beginning of how EPME will transform in the coming years.

"One of the things that we are trying to do is what I call EPME Next. You will hear more about that soon, but what I will tell you is that we are trying to make sure that you continue to get what I call the core," said Roy, referring to basic training and technical schools. He said those are the foundation of our culture and what enables us to achieve monumental success on a daily basis.

"If you are working on the flightline on the F-22 (Raptor), the most modern aircraft we have in the inventory today, and you have not been to tech school and learned the fundamentals of maintaining that thing, do you think we are going to get the same level of expertise? I don't think so. So

we've got to hold onto that core," Roy said.

On a lighter note, Roy said training opportunities for EPME have been recently designated internationally.

"We have now opened up a couple of schools across the globe that we accept as equivalent courses to our NCO Academy and particularly our Senior NCO Academy," said Roy, dropping hints at potential opportunities in Canada, South America, Singapore, New Zealand and Africa.

In addition to these initiatives, Roy said the Air Force is making sure it is taking care of its people.

"We realize that we are still at war; there are people being shot at and people being blown up, and we need to make sure that you and your family are resilient," Roy said. "I clap my hands every time I mention it, because it was really ACC that started comprehensive Airman fitness."

CAF, which was spearheaded by Gen. William M. Fraser III, the former ACC commander, is a program that focuses on four pillars of wellness.

"Being fit to fight means more than just being physically fit," Fraser said. "With all of

the demands on our Airmen and their families, psychological and emotional health are just as important to our overall fitness and to our readiness as a command."

Roy said there are plenty of Airmen who are affecting battle space around the globe from their home station. When they get off work and have to take care of their day-to-day responsibilities, like mowing the lawn or changing diapers, those Airmen face mental challenges none of the other services endure.

"There are quite a few ways that manifests itself ... we've had seven suicides already this year," Roy said. "What do I say about that? Know yourself, but be a good wingman. It's not just a one-on-one approach. If you see somebody struggling, go to them and help them. That's being a good wingman."

In addition to the all-call, Roy had breakfast with enlisted Airmen of all ranks, held a meeting with Langley's Top 3. He also discussed current issues affecting security forces and equal opportunity before heading back to Joint Base Andrews, Md.

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# Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet announces 2011 Battle Efficiency award winners

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Commander Submarine  
Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet

Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) announced the recipients of the 2011 Battle Efficiency (Battle "E") award in an official message to the submarine force Jan. 1.

The Battle "E" is an award of merit presented to the most proficient submarine crew in each squadron and recognizes sustained superior technical performance and continual combat readiness throughout the year. The awards are presented by the commodore of each squadron to the submarine under their command which has demonstrated the highest level of battle readiness during the evaluation year.

"The competition for Battle Efficiency awards was extremely tough. These awards recognize commands which were evaluated during the past year to have attained the highest overall or departmental readiness to carry out their wartime task," said Rear Adm. Frank Caldwell, commander of Submarine Force, U.S.



Capt. James Childs, commander of Submarine Squadron 3 (CSS-3), presents the 2011 CSS-3 Battle Efficiency (Battle "E") award to Cmdr. Michael Boone, commanding officer; chief of the boat, Master Chief Machinist's Mate (SS) Richard Salisbury, chief of the boat; and Lt. Cmdr. Christopher Lindbergh, executive officer; of the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) at the submarine piers onboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 13.

Pacific Fleet, in the message to the force. "I am extremely proud of your

outstanding performance. Well done and congratulations!"

The Pacific Force Battle "E" winners and their homeports are:

USS Texas (SSN 775), Submarine Squadron (SUBRON) 1

(Pearl Harbor, Hawaii); USS Olympia (SSN 717), SUBRON 3 (Pearl Harbor); USS Santa Fe (SSN 763), SUBRON 7 (Pearl Harbor); USS Connecticut (SSN 22), SUBDEVRONN 5 (Bangor); USS Hampton (SSN 767), SUBRON 11 (San Diego); USS Buffalo (SSN 715), SUBRON 15 (Guam); USS Nebraska (SSBN 739) (Blue & Gold), SUBRON 17 (Bangor, Wash.); USS Michigan (SSGN 727) (Gold), SUBRON 19 (Bangor); Submarine Tender USS Frank Cable (AS 40) and Floating Dry Dock Arco (ADRM-5).

Special category was awarded to the Torpedo Weapons Retriever Devil Ray (TWR 6) at Naval Base Point Loma.

Winners of each of the Battle "E" competitive categories were also announced. Those categories are the Engineering Red E, Tactical Operations White T, Navigation Red and Green N, Communications Green C, Damage Control Red DC, Supply Blue E, Deck Seamanship White D, Medical Yellow M, Deep Submergence White DS, Strategic Operations White S, Repair Red R, Dental Yellow D and Weapons Black W.

## Diverse Views



"How do you find ways to keep physically fit while on deployment, or while on a ship or submarine?"



Hospital Corpsman 1st Class (FMF) Paulo Torres  
Navy Environmental and Preventive Medicine Unit 6

"I pretty much work out every day with the exception of the weekends, sometimes two a day, the morning and lunch. I do a lot of cardio and mix in some strengthening. I try to eat as healthy as I can."

Lt.j.g. Martha Claeys-Jacobson  
Navy Environmental and Preventive Medicine Unit 6



"Mondays through Friday, I work out twice a day. For lunch I go on a three-mile run, and after work I go to crossfit."



Capt. Greg Long  
647th Force Support Squadron

"Taking advantage of all the great fitness classes, facilities and group runs our services Airmen provide is a great way to keep in shape and boost morale."

Master Sgt. Jason Adkins  
PACAF/A4



"There have been many great fitness centers available at my deployed locations. In addition, many of us would get together and run as a group."



Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Victor Torrico  
Navy Environmental and Preventive Medicine Unit 6

"I do light weight training every day, combined with sit-ups, pushups. For cardio, Mondays Wednesdays, and Fridays, I do swimming. Tuesdays and Thursdays I go running."

(Provided by MC2 (SW) Mark Logico and David Underwood Jr.)

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## Birds-eye view of Pearl Harbor Jan. 1941



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Above is an aerial view, looking north, with the Navy Yard in the foreground, of Pearl Harbor taken on Jan. 7, 1941. Ford Island Naval Air Station is in the center-left, and Pearl City is in the extreme upper left. There are about 27 patrol planes at the seaplane base, at the lower left point of Ford Island. The aircraft carrier moored on the far side of Ford Island is USS Lexington (CV-2). Other identifiable ships include USS Wright (AV-1), USS Curtiss (AV-4), USS Oglala (CM-4) and USS Medusa (AR-1).

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The regional dispatch center is the primary 911

Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) center for all military installations on Oahu.

For all JBPHH emergencies and police assistance, dial 911.

To call for police response throughout JBPHH, phone the regional dispatch center (RDC) at 808-474-2222, 808-471-1550 or 808-471-1551. In an emergency, contact the RDC at 911 or 808-449-2677. The RDC is the primary safety, security and fire dispatch center for all

Navy military installations on Oahu, including JBPHH and all annexes.

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For walk-in law enforcement support at West Loch, contact the JB2 desk lieutenant in building 600.

For walk-in law enforcement support at Wahiawa, contact the JB2 desk lieutenant in building five. For walk-in law enforce-

ment support at Lualualei, contact the JB2 desk lieutenant in building two.

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Master Sgt. Scott Elmlblad, USAF (airfield security oper-

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# Navy advanced metering installation is underway in Hawaii

Story and photo by Denise Emsley

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii

Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii and Weston Solutions Inc. are working on a \$10.2 million advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) project and on Dec. 5 began installing "smart meters" to utility service connections at major Navy facilities on Oahu.

"Increased energy efficiency and identifying operations to improve utility consumption management is needed throughout the Navy," said Glenn Todd, NAVFAC Hawaii utilities and energy management projects manager. "The Navy in the state of Hawaii faces an extremely challenging energy environment with the cost of electricity on the island of Oahu among the highest in the nation," he said.

AMI is a NAVFAC enterprise network solution that incorporates modern "smart meters" and a secure communications backbone to provide timely energy data to support energy awareness and validate energy reduction efforts at Navy facilities throughout the country. With almost half of the Navy's shore budget spent on utility bills, management of this costly resource requires modern tools and analysis.



Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii's advanced metering initiative (AMI) contractor Weston Solutions Inc. installs a new irrigation meter to measure water usage.

"In addition to various federal energy reduction mandates that require all federal facilities to install meters where practical to meet energy goals by October 2012, there are federal requirements for a reduction in water usage as well," Todd said. "NAVFAC Hawaii's AMI project on Oahu includes approximately 290 water meters, 609 electric meters and 560 radios to be installed on 550 facilities.

NAVFAC Hawaii officially began this effort with a contract award on Dec. 21, 2010 to Weston Solutions Inc. In March 2011, AMI site survey work got underway where photography and the surveying of existing electrical equipment occurred for design purposes. Then, in April 2011, material ordering and server procurement was initiated.

The installation of water meters began on Dec. 5, 2011, with electrical meters soon to follow in January 2012. Progression of all meters and radios will continue from Jan. 3 until scheduled completion in September 2012. Various locations have been mapped out to assist the installation process.

The first site is at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) main facilities, then Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard/Intermediate Maintenance Facility, JBPHH

Wahiawa Annex, JBPHH West Loch Annex/Lualualei, Camp Smith and JBPHH waterfront. Normal working hours for NAVFAC Hawaii and contracted personnel are from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., daily. Electrical outages will be scheduled during non-working hours or during working hours if available.

Once the AMI equipment, meters and communications network is in place, then testing, training and acceptance of the system will occur, with a project completion date set in December 2012.

NAVFAC Hawaii's utility customers may notice contractors working around their facilities; however, this work should, in most cases, not interfere with Navy or Air Force military or civilian personnel. Any temporary power outages during installation will be announced in advance and should pose no danger to any customer employees.

"AMI is a high-end smart metering and network communications system that will gather consumption data in 15-minute intervals and make it available over the Navy Marine Corps Internet every four hours at a minimum," Todd said. "This data will provide energy managers and customers utility usage information essential to their energy reduction efforts."

# Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*



Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert presents a coin to news anchor Olena Heu during the Fox affiliate KHON2's Wake Up 2day morning show Jan. 19. Greenert talked to Heu about the strategic importance of Hawaii and the Pacific region.

"Hawaii is really the gateway to the western Pacific," said Greenert. "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."

"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," said Greenert. "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."

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Mark Logico

(Below) The U.S. Pacific Fleet Band participates in the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. parade, hosted by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Coalition of Hawaii.

U.S. Navy photo by Musician Second Class Selina Centkowski



(Left) Seabees attached to Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit (CBMU) 303 pour concrete for the foundation of a beach-front cottage on Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Sean Furey



U.S. Navy photo by Denise Emsley

Glenn Todd, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii utilities and energy management projects manager, holds one of the new "smart electrical meters" to be installed throughout Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam beginning this month. This is part of a \$10.2 million advanced metering initiative project that is expected to be completed September 2012. (See related story on page A-4.)



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(Above), Three Seabee chiefs pose wearing three different uniforms, including the new Navy woodland uniform, issued in December. They are Construction Electrician (SCW) Rolando Cayetano, Builder (SCW) James Davenport, and Builder (SCW) Howard Robinson.



U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Racheal Watson

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy speaks to enlisted Airmen during a visit to Langley Air Force Base, Va., Jan. 11. Roy provided insight on current Air Force issues such as force management programs and how the budget will affect operations. (See related story on page A-2.)

## '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 Feb. 21 - 23 at the Aloha Center, room 294, including 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 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.

## How to find assistance for your inbound/outbound PCS moves

**Rich Rohr**

*Joint Personal Property Shipping Office*

Help us, help you! By obtaining a Defense Personal Property System (DPS) account, you will be ready and able to receive and/or ship your personal property to/from Hawaii. Please visit [www.Move.mil](http://www.Move.mil) to register for a new DPS account, update a current account, or find some great information on DPS and your entitlements.

Remember, if you have a DPS account but forgot your password, just go to the DPS login and type in your SSN (without dashes) in the user ID space, then click on "need a new password" at the bottom of the page. You will obtain a new password immediately for login.

For all of you new arrivals, welcome to Hawaii. To begin your traffic management office (TMO) inbound processes for the delivery of your personal property, please go to [www.move.mil](http://www.move.mil) and log into DPS. Click on the DOD service members and civilians link, which provides a step-by-step guide on how to schedule your household goods (HHG) delivery.

From the left menu, screen click on the DPS

how-to-guides, then select one of the three main guides needed for your inbound shipment - either personal info update, requesting delivery or filing a claim.

Are you getting close to the end of your tour here in Hawaii and on your way to a new PCS location? To begin your TMO outbound processes for the pick-up of your HHG, please go to [www.move.mil](http://www.move.mil) to log-in to DPS. If you need assistance with DPS, go to [www.navsup.navy.mil/navsup/ourteam/navsupgls/navsupflcph/whatwedo/pp\\_hhgs](http://www.navsup.navy.mil/navsup/ourteam/navsupgls/navsupflcph/whatwedo/pp_hhgs) and then look under the "Getting Started - A Quick Start Guide for Your Move" for the step-by-step process to register, self-counsel and manage your move or for completing your customer satisfaction survey.

This can be accomplished at any computer with Internet access - just make sure the pop-up blocker is off and that you have a current DPS account. You'll need to bring your completed and signed DD1299, DD 1797, a copy of orders (front and back), and any amendments or power of attorney to your local TMO/transportation office so your shipment can be booked.

If you're separating or retiring from Hawaii,

please come into the JBPHH PPD (Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Navy Personal Property Department) office for specific entitlement information and shipment scheduling. This process can be started as soon as you have orders.

Please contact your local TMO/transportation office if you have any questions. The TMO office at JBPHH is in building 2652 and phone number is 473-7782. The quality assurance (QA) section's phone is 473-7775.

## IG cautions against fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement (FWA)

**Lt. Col. Heath Shelburn**

*15 Wing/IG*

Who is responsible for FWA (fraud, waste, abuse)? The prevention of FWA is inherently a command responsibility; however, the success of an FWA program lies with each individual. Preventing and eliminating FWA within DoD requires support by both military and civilian employees. Individuals must report FWA or lack of controls that could permit resources to be wasted or diverted.

Air Force policy is to prevent, detect and correct instances of FWA; to appropriately discipline perpetrators involved in FWA activities; and to recoup, if possible, losses of cash, property, and services resulting from FWA.

Did you know that the intentional use of the government purchase charge (GPC) card for anything other than official government business is consid-

ered misuse? Sometimes misuse may also be considered fraud. Examples of misuse include exceeding the cardholder's purchase and limit; purchases not authorized by the unit; purchases made with no funding; purchases for personal consumption, and purchases that do not comply with federal acquisition regulation or applicable procurement statuses and regulations.

Cardholders who misuse their GPC cards will be held personally liable to the government for the amount of any unauthorized transaction, and are subject to disciplinary action ranging from verbal counseling by a supervisor to discharge or termination of employment. Fraud is a more serious criminal offense for which the cardholder can be convicted and subject to fines and/or imprisonment.

**Other examples of FWA include:**

- Making false statements.
- Submitting false claims.

- Using false weights or measures.
- Deceiving either by suppressing the truth or misrepresenting a material fact.
- Adulterating or substituting materials.
- Falsifying records and books of accounts.
- Arranging for secret profits, kickbacks or commissions.
- Conflict of interest cases, criminal irregularities and the unauthorized disclosure of official information relating to procurement and disposal matters.
- Offering payment or accepting bribes or gratuities.
- Evading or corrupting inspectors or other officials.

Professionals at all levels are the eyes and ears of the Department of Defense (DoD). If you suspect FWA, report it to DOD IG at (800) 424-9098, Navy Region IG Hotline at (808) 473-1782, or 15th Wing/IG Hotline at (808) 449-1558.

### My Favorite Photo...

Photo by Allen Unger  
Allen Unger took this recent photo of sunset from Hospital Point.





Photo courtesy of 13th Air Force Public Affairs

Lt. Cmdr. Mike Norton of the 613th Air and Space Operations Center attended the Hawaii-Pacific Combined Federal Campaign recognition ceremony at Camp Smith Jan. 13 and accepted the award on behalf of the 13th Air Force.

## 13 AF receives top CFC level of recognition for 2011

**Capt. Kimberly T. Bender**

13th Air Force Public Affairs

For the 2011 Hawaii-Pacific Combined Federal Campaign, the Jungle Warriors of 13th Air Force accounted for more than 23 percent of the money raised for the joint base and received the highest level of recognition.

On behalf of the 13th AF staff, Lt. Cmdr. Mike Norton from

the 613th air and space operations center (AOC) accepted the platinum award at the 2011 Hawaii-CFC Recognition Ceremony held Jan. 13 at Camp Smith's sunset lanai. The 13th AF staff exceeded the standards for the platinum award with 68 percent of members donating and a per capita donation of more than \$314.

Also contributing under 13th AF was the 613th AOC, 17th Operational Weather Squadron, and the

56th Air and Space Communications Squadron. All these units exceeded the platinum level of per capita giving.

The CFC was established by President John F. Kennedy in 1961. It is an annual fund-raising drive conducted by federal employees in their workplace each fall. The mission of the CFC is to encourage philanthropy and to provide all federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.

## Diamond Tips

### Enforcing standards is everyone's business

**Senior Master Sgt. John Dempsey**

U.S. Pacific Command JIOC First Sergeant

You might have heard the Air Force First Sergeants' motto, "People Are Our Business." As first sergeants, we take this saying very seriously, some people might even say too seriously.

However, as Airmen in the United States Air Force, enforcing standards is everyone's business. But before you can start enforcing standards, you must know and understand them ... you must educate yourself first.

One place to find guidance would be AF instructions and polices avail-

able on the Internet. You can visit the base Internet and/or SharePoint site to find most of the local policies and publications specific to your location.

If local policies are not enough, you can visit the Air Force Portal Page and click on Air Force forms and pubs. At this location, you will find almost every Air Force related publication, from Air Force Instructions to Department of Defense regulations. Now that you have educated yourself on the standards, make sure you are in compliance before you start correcting other people.

I am not saying that enforcing standards will be easy, but it's every-

one's job. Please do not be the one who walks past a problem because if you do, you become part of the problem. Here are a few things I see a lot on JBPHH:

- Members pumping gas without their cover (this is not OK).
- Members walking around in their motorcycle PPE (personal protective equipment) is not OK. PPE must be put on and taken off at the bike.
- Members walking around base housing with no hats/blouses (this is not OK).

(Diamond Tips are provided by Air Force first sergeants to address concerns in the Air Force community and provide guidance to Airmen.)

## Navy to recruit 60 civilian security guards

**Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs**

Navy Region Hawaii is accepting applications to fill 60 civilian Security Guard positions in Hawaii.

The closing date is midnight, Jan. 24 (Eastern Standard Time), and start dates are in May and July to coincide with five-week academy classes. Salary ranges from \$31,960 to \$41,544 per year plus a 12.25 percent cost of living allowance.

Interested candidates must be U.S. citizens and should apply at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov).

Search for the job announcement NW20085-05-5903754B193959-D or for security guard, GS-0085-5 at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Positions are full-time, permanent and subject to uncommon tours of duty, call back and emergency overtime. Selectees must pass physical exams, agility testing and drug testing and obtain and maintain a security clearance.

Navy Region Hawaii provides installation protection services to all Navy installations in Hawaii to include the Pacific Missile Range

Facility on Kauai, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Lualualei the Naval and Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station in Wahiawa, and West Loch. The majority of the positions will be located at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The civilian security guard positions are being established to replace contract gate guards and provide continued installation security. Public Law 107, which permits the federal government to contract guard services, will expire Sept. 30, 2012.

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## Occupancy sensors: Proper use and understanding can save energy

**Randy Grant**

*Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Energy Manager*

All lighting systems are operated with lighting controls, devices that switch lights on and off or devices that dim light output. The most common and basic lighting control is a simple on-off switch, which, when flipped, opens and closes the circuit, feeding or cut-

ting off the electric current necessarily to operate the lamps.

Lighting system operation costs money, and yet organizations lose profits every day by paying to operate lighting systems when nobody is there to work. It is like paying workers to sit and do nothing.

Occupancy sensors are automatic switching devices that sense human occupancy and control the

lighting system accordingly, either by turning on/off the lighting system or, in tandem with other controls, increasing/decreasing light output.

Occupancy sensors must be located where they will detect occupants or occupant activity in all parts of the room. There are two types of occupancy sensors: ultrasonic and infrared. Ultrasonic sensors detect sound, while

infrared sensors detect heat and motion. Depending on the sensor, the sensitivity of the sensor can be set to adapt it to the normal amount of motion that occurs in the space. The sensitivity of the sensor can also set the time delay between the sensor detecting a lack of occupancy and turning the lights off (usually about 10-15 minutes).

Therefore, it is important to report any occu-

pancy sensors that have been installed and are not working properly. Sensors should be in the appropriate locations and rooms that make the most sense. If you do not have an occupancy sensor, then turning off the light switch when not in the room is always a good solution.

Energy, a basic product for which the electric utility charges, is the result of a lighting system used

over time: Power (watts) x time (hours) = energy (kilowatt-hours).

If we reduce the hours of operation for a lighting system, then we can significantly reduce energy use and associated costs. By turning off the lights when occupants are not present in areas using occupancy sensors, we reduce energy waste that can result in a reduction in lighting energy consumption.

## Navy Tax Center to offer free tax services

**Sarah Courageous**

*Pearl Harbor Naval Legal Service Office*

The tax season has arrived with its promise of generous tax refunds for many military personnel.

The Navy's Tax Center, run by the Pearl Harbor Naval Legal Service Office (NLSO), officially opens Jan. 30. Historically, the tax center has provided an important service to the military and their dependents with free tax return preparation and e-filing.

Last season, the tax center processed 1214 federal and state tax returns and saved its clients thousands of dollars in tax preparation fees.

In addition to "full service" tax preparation, the tax center offers "self-service" preparation by setting up computers and soft-

ware for the clients to use directly, with the help of a trained tax volunteer to assist in the preparation of the returns.

Learning to prepare one's own taxes can be fun, educational, and beneficial to the service member monetarily. It is a great way to spend off-duty time.

Members learn to take responsibility for their financial futures and become self-sufficient so they will not become beholden to professional tax preparation services when they get out and incur fees down the road.

Navy Tax Center volunteers are trained at basic, intermediate and advanced levels on how to correctly identify filing status, to prepare returns with wages, interest, dividends, social security and retirement income, as well as self-employed income for

schedule C-EZ.

Volunteers are also taught how to handle issues unique to the military, such as PCS moves and combat zone exemptions. "Each tax season, we spend much of the month of January assembling and training a quality team of tax preparers," said Lt. Alex Marin, the center's tax officer. Training includes quality instruction from JAG Corps instructors and certified IRS trainers.

The Navy Tax Center is located in the Navy College Building (building 679), room 11, at 1260 Pierce St. (corner of North Road and Pierce Street as you enter the former submarine base).

The Navy Tax Center, which is free, should not be confused with commercial vendors which, during the last tax season, operated

tax preparation businesses in the parking lot of the NEX and on base across from the ship channel near the Scott Pool. Unlike these commercial vendors, the Navy Tax Center does not charge tax preparation fees.

Any tax services offered in portable trailers are commercial and not part of the Navy Tax Center.

The Navy Tax Center allows members to file their returns electronically and, by selecting direct deposit, receive their refunds in as little as one week.

Some commercial tax preparers offer "refund anticipation loans" (RAL). A RAL is a high-profit, short-term consumer loan secured by a taxpayer's expected tax refund, and designed to offer customers quicker access to funds than waiting for their tax refund. Within recent years, one could expect to

pay about \$100 in order to get a RAL for the average refund of about \$2,150.

RALs are issued too often to individuals who are made to believe the wait for their refund is longer than it really is, who do not realize they are taking a loan, do not understand the high interest rates charged by the loan, and who do not actually need the funds immediately.

Because a member filing electronically can receive a refund in as little as a week, NLSO strongly discourages RALs as an unnecessary and costly expense. Taxpayers themselves will continue to have access to information about their refund through the "Where's My Refund?" feature at the irs.gov website.

NLSO is announcing openings for volunteer tax

staff. Free tax preparation training is provided to volunteers by the IRS.

Volunteers become tax counselors under the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program capable of preparing federal and state income tax returns.

Participants in the course may be active duty, reservists, dependents, or civilians, and must have the time, ability and desire to help clients at the Tax Center. No prior tax preparation experience is required to be a successful volunteer.

If interested in participating in this program email Lt. Marin at alexandra.marin@navy.mil or Katherine Lake at katherine.lake@navy.mil. Call the Naval Legal Service Office at 473-4717 for further information about free tax preparation.

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# NPC leaders to discuss post-ERB, transition

**Don Robbins**  
Assistant Editor

Capt. Steven Holmes, the director of community management branch for the Bureau of Naval Personnel, and the fleet engagement team from Navy Personnel Command (NPC) will visit Hawaii today and conduct briefs at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and Marine Corps Base Hawaii,

Kaneohe Bay.

As a result of record high retention and low attrition among active duty Sailors and to meet current and future planned end strength controls, the Navy announced the establishment of a focused Enlisted Retention Board (ERB) for specific ratings that are more than 103 percent manned. The guiding principles for the board are to maintain a balanced force in

terms of seniority, experience and skills while meeting reduced end strength controls.

These briefs are open to all hands. ERB-affected Sailors and their spouses are highly encouraged to attend the all-hands sessions.

**Listed below is the schedule:**

- 9 to 11 a.m. Jan. 20, all-hands brief for officers, chiefs, enlisted and family members at the Marine

Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay (MCBH) theater.

- 11 a.m. to noon Jan. 20, leadership roundtable at Kaneohe Bay theater with Holmes and Personnel Readiness (PERS 4013) commanding officers, command master chiefs and leadership teams who have ERB-affected Sailors)
- 1 to 3 p.m. Jan. 20 all-hands brief for officers,

chiefs, enlisted and family members at Sharkey Theater.

- 3 to 4 p.m. Jan. 20, leadership roundtable with Holmes and PERS 4013 at Sharkey Theater.

For more information on the Hawaii briefings, call 473-0838.

U.S. Air Force Maj. Kirsten Aguilar of the PACAF 647 FSS/CC said the Air Force does not use Enlisted Retention Boards

but does employ other force management programs for the enlisted force, like Date of Separation (DOS) roll-back, NCO retraining program, High Year Tenure (HYR) adjustments and career job reservations to manage the end strength. Information is shared with commanders, chiefs and first sergeants as the Air Force announces these programs, but there are no formal meetings planned.

# This week in USAF and PACAF history

**Charles Nicholls**  
PACAF historian

On Jan. 18, 1778, Capt. James Cook sighted the Hawaiian Islands for the first time. Cook named them the Sandwich Islands after his patron, the Earl of Sandwich. At the time, Gen. George Washington and the Continental Army were at winter quarters in Valley Forge, Pa.

On Jan. 20, 1960, Soviet rocket test flights were planned to impact within a 44,800-square-mile area in the Pacific – only 1,000 miles southwest of the Hawaiian Islands. PACAF and the U.S. Navy's Pacific Fleet cooperated to observe these Soviet missile tests. On Jan. 20 and 22, PACAF employed KC-135, C-130, and RB-69 (P2V-7) aircraft to accomplish very successful observation and data-gathering missions.

The first flight of a TF-102A of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 199th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron occurred on Jan. 21, 1961. In May, the new aircraft replaced the old F-86s on



On Jan. 16, 1998 a humanitarian airlift to China took place. After a devastating earthquake hit China's Northern Hebei Province, a C-17 left Kadena AB, Japan, for Beijing with 40 tons of relief supplies, consisting of blankets, sleeping bags, medical supplies, rations, and cold-weather clothing.

alert status.

On Jan. 18, 1961, Operation Chrome Dome took place. SAC publicly announced continuous airborne alert missions for B-52 bombers with KC-135s handling the refueling. SAC first tested the airborne alert mission in 1958, and the program ended in 1968 after two alert bombers had crashed. SAC cited escalating costs and the emergence of the ICBM force as reasons for the termination.

The USAF completed Operation Blue Light, on Jan. 22, 1966, history's

largest airlift of troops and equipment into a combat zone. Since Dec. 27, 1965, more than 4,600 tons of equipment and more than 3,000 Army troops were flown from Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, to Pleiku, South Vietnam.

Communist forces began an extended siege of three Marine battalions at Khe Sanh, Vietnam on Jan. 21, 1968. The siege began on Jan. 21 and lasted into March, prompting an extensive airlift. USAF tactical transports made 447 landings and 576 airdrops under very

hostile conditions. The airlift reinforced Khe Sanh with another battalion and delivered 12,430 tons of cargo, giving the defenders a 30-day supply of food, fuel, and ammunition. Enemy fire destroyed three aircraft and damaged 18 others.

On Jan. 17, 1991, Operation Desert Storm, the liberation of Kuwait from Iraqi military occupation, opened with a massive barrage of air and cruise missile strikes against targets in Iraq and Kuwait. USAF special operations MH-53 helicopters initiated com-

bat by leading an Army helicopter force that destroyed enemy radar sites. During the first 14 hours, aircraft from a U.S.-led coalition flew more than 1,200 combat sorties. B-52G Stratofortress crews flew from Barksdale Air Force Base, La., to launch 35 cruise missiles against targets in Iraq and returned home, completing the longest bombing mission in history. Constituting less than 2.5 percent of all coalition aircraft, the F-117A stealth fighter-bomber successfully attacked over 31 percent of Iraqi strategic targets the first day.

Capt. Paul T. Johnson earned the Air Force Cross for his action in Desert Storm Jan. 21, 1991. An excerpt from the citation: "Capt. Johnson was the flight lead on Sandy 57, a two-ship of A-10s tasked for search and rescue alert at a forward operating location. While en route, he received tasking to look for an F-14 crew that had been shot down the night before. During the next six hours he would lead his flight through three aerial refuelings, one attack on a

possible SCUD missile site, and three hours of intensive searching deeper inside enemy territory than any A-10 had ever been. He risked his life as he had to fly at a mere 500 feet in order to pinpoint the survivor's location. When an enemy truck appeared to be heading toward his survivor, Capt. Johnson directed his flight to destroy it, thus securing the rescue." From July 2004 to July 2006, Col. Johnson was the Commander, 354th Operations Group, Eielson AFB, Alaska. Brig. Gen. Johnson is currently the deputy U.S. military representative to NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

On Jan. 16, 2002, the War on Terror in the Philippines took place. At the request of the Philippine government, the Department of Defense deployed U.S. forces to train, advise, and assist Filipino troops in combating the indigenous Abu Sayyaf terrorist group. Through Sep. 30, AMC flew 78 missions to transport nearly 1,600 troops and more than 3,000 short tons of cargo to the Philippines.

