

Veterans remembered



U.S. Navy photo by PH3 Ian W. Anderson

Specialist Brian Dexter of Alpha Battery 211, Field Artillery Schofield Barracks, carries the governor's wreath during the Governor's Memorial Day Ceremony conducted at the Hawai'i State Veterans Cemetery. The ceremony was conducted to honor the nation's fallen warriors and their families.

Veterans and civilians gather to remember America's heroes

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The State of Hawai'i held the 2005 Governor's Memorial Day Ceremony May 30 at the Hawai'i State Veterans Cemetery at Kaneohe.

Civilians and service members from all branches of the military were on hand to pay their respects to fallen comrades.

More than 50 Sailors from Hawai'i manned the walk way around the cemetery during the ceremony.

"This ceremony is important because it really puts into focus the sacrifices service members make for our freedom," said Susan Anderson-Hill, veterans counselor for the State of Hawai'i Veterans Affairs. "Memorial Day is an opportunity for us as a community to show respect for what military members and their

families go through," she said.

For many Sailors, representing the Navy during the ceremony was an honor.

"We as Sailors are usually at sea during times of war and are not on the battlefield," said Command Master Chief (SW) Timothy Butler, assigned to Advanced SEAL Delivery Team One. "This is our opportunity to show Soldiers and Marines we respect and appreciate the risk and danger they take to keep us safe. Although there are different services in the military, we are all one team. I think that Memorial Day is a way, not only to show other services but the community which we serve we are all part of one unit. We are America's military," he said.

Memorial Day also allowed service members to pay respects to family members who had gone before them in times of war.

"I have grandfathers and uncles who have fought and died in war," said Fire Controlman 3rd Class Vincent Ludovici, assigned to USS Russell (DDG 59). "Today is my chance to show them I understand the sacrifices they made for our country. That is what compels me to serve in the military. I know they would be and are proud of me and that makes me proud," he concluded.

USS O'Kane donated funds for the purchase of leis which were placed upon each service member's gravesite at the cemetery.

The Hawai'i State Veterans Cemetery at Kaneohe was opened in 1991 to further accommodate the needs of approximately 89,000 veterans on the island of Oahu. Spanning 123 scenic acres at the foot of the Koolau Mountain Range, day-to-day operations are handled by the State of Hawai'i.



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The Honorable James "Duke" Aiona, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, addresses the assembled active and retired military service members, families and friends during the Governor's Memorial Day Ceremony. The cemetery spans 123 scenic acres.



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Maureen Nakashima releases white doves over the Governor's Memorial Day Ceremony conducted in the Hawai'i State Veterans Cemetery. The doves symbolize peace to the fallen heroes being honored on Memorial Day.

Auto extravaganza revving up for June 12 show

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Auto aficionados, bring your family and friends to the 3rd Annual Pearl Harbor Auto Show and see what happens when the automobile and the artist come together. Featuring hundreds of show cars, trucks and imports, the automobile extravaganza takes place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the parking lot of The Mall at Pearl Harbor, June 12.

Last year, thousands of car enthusiasts were delighted with an up-close look at the wild aftermarket gadgetry, custom paints, performance boosters and retro fits that set these vehicles apart.

"This is the third year that we've put on this event. Participants are a mix of active

duty and civilians. But we hold it for one reason only – to show our appreciation for our military. It's our way of saying thank you," said Dennis Parsons, NEX automotive division manager. Parsons said it's also an opportunity to show gratitude to the people who put so much effort into their vehicles.

Four active duty Sailors will be judging the show entries. Trophies will be awarded to the favorites in several categories: vintage, classic, street rod, American sports car, Asian import, European import, custom truck and best in show.

Along with all of the automotive innovations, the day is packed with activities, family-friendly entertainment and food. Highlights of the day's activities will include a bounce house, a

rock climbing wall, live performances by the Navy rock band, Tsunami; a local band, First Verse; and the Sunshine Generation, a musical and dancing youth group among others.

Support groups and recreation committees from USS Bremerton (SSN 698), USS Louisville (SSN 724), USS Chicago (SSN 721), USS Santa Fe (SSN 763) and the USS Chafee (DDG 90) will be selling food and beverages.

Drawings and raffles will be held throughout the day. "We're giving away lots of cool stuff," said Parsons.

The event is free and open to the public. An on-site vehicle registration begins at 8 a.m. For more information on this event, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or call 423-3206.



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Navy Marine Golf Course and Sam Snead's – reminiscent of a golf icon



Photo courtesy of MWR Quality of Life Marketing

Sam Snead's Tavern at the Navy Marine Golf Course is named after golf legend Sam Snead. His unmatched success included victories in 81 PGA tournaments and every major golf championship for which he was eligible – except the U.S. Open.

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Sam Snead's Tavern, named for the golf icon, sits atop the Navy-Marine Golf Course (NMGC) clubhouse adjacent to the golf course. Museum-quality golfing memorabilia from Snead's personal collection is on display at the tavern. Framed photographs, magazine covers and glass-encased golf gear illustrate his golfing glory days.

Famous for his straw hat and smooth, self-taught swing, Sam Snead, or Slammin' Sam (May 27, 1912 – May 23, 2002), was a golfing icon whose unmatched success included victories in 81 PGA tournaments and every major golf championship for which he was eligible - except the U.S. Open.

Samuel Jackson Snead had no instructors to groom his raw talent for golf in 1930s Virginia.

He grew up playing in bare feet with clubs made from tree limbs, but from these meager

beginnings, a legend was born.

As the only player to win tournaments over six decades, his celebrated legacy is marked by longevity. In 1950 alone, he won 11 times. In 2000, Tiger Woods came close to that record with nine victories.

Snead wrote two books, "How to Play Golf" in 1946 and "The Education of a Golfer" in 1962. His highly sought after advice on swing technique was simply to "take it easy and lazily, because the golf ball isn't going to run away from you while you're swinging."

Even with all his much-celebrated victories, Snead never won the U.S. Open. He was a runner-up four times, but his most infamous showing was the 1939 U.S. Open where on the 17th hole, he needed only par to win but ended with a triple bogey.

Haunted for days, Snead told the Associated Press, "It weighed on my mind so much that I dropped 10 pounds, lost more hair and began to choke even in practice rounds."

He won his first Masters in

1949, the inaugural year of the green jacket, again three years later and his final Masters victory in 1954.

He also had a British Open victory and was a three-time winner of the PGA Championship.

Sam Snead was one of the most loved and admired athletes of the 20th century.

A big makeover is currently happening at Navy-Marine Golf Course as various portions are temporarily closed, beginning with irrigation upgrades of the front nine holes.

Other improvements will include a three million-gallon lake to be located in front of the seventh tee, providing a new water hazard for the course.

A new computer-controlled system will have a pump house with two miles of pipe and wire controlling nearly 2,000 sprinkler heads.

This system will lower the cost of course maintenance through better use of water and maintenance staff.

The driving range and the back nine holes will remain

open during most of the course enhancements. Upon completion of initial improvements, the front nine holes will reopen and the back nine holes will close for similar upgrades.

Navy-Marine Golf Course patrons are reminded to also consider teeing off at the Barbers Point Golf Course and enjoy the new clubhouse that is scheduled to open this summer. To reserve a tee time at the Barbers Point Golf Course, call 682-1911. For tee times at NMGC or for more information about course upgrades, call 471-0142.

Menu options at Sam Snead's Tavern feature oak-grilled selections from certified Angus beef, chicken and seafood; appetizers; pasta, sandwiches and desserts – all in a family-friendly setting. The tavern is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. For more information, call 421-SAMS (7267).

(Some information provided by Sports Illustrated, Golf Magazine and Associated Press)

Navy Nurse Corps: 97 years of care and commitment

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The Navy Nurse Corps celebrated 97 years of devoted service May 13, with a force of 3,000 active-duty and 2,000 Reserve nurses equipped to utilize their medical skills in support of their fellow Sailors and Marines on the home front and at the front lines overseas.

"Navy nurses must readily adapt and deliver superb medical care throughout the battlefield continuum in support of operational and humanitarian missions," said Rear Adm. Nancy Lescavage, director of the Navy Nurse Corps and commander of the Naval Medical Education and Training Command, Bethesda, Md. "We provide care to support the medical mission on Navy ships, the hospital ship, fleet, forward resuscitative system, surgical companies and surgical

teams. To do so, we must be personally and professionally vigilant in maintaining our operational readiness."

A key component of maintaining operational readiness is education and training.

"Our nurses are committed to having the right skills and training necessary to respond to a variety of medical situations," said Cmdr. Randolph Kirkland, Navy

Nurse Corps Career plans officer. "In order to maintain superior medical treatment, the Nurse Corps has designed an annual training plan to meet an operational requirement of having the

right mix of nurses with the right training and skills to care for our patients."

Combined training programs and the mutual sharing of clinical expertise across the federal, state and local sectors are beneficial in meeting Navy Medicine operational, humanitarian and conventional missions.

The challenges of today have created a need to evolve the nursing role into a greater perspective, which crosses the joint service and interagency world at all levels.

"The future of the Nurse Corps relies on the combined talent, expertise and leader-

ship of our Navy nurses in meeting our readiness mission, providing force health protection now and into the future," said Lescavage. "Through our human capital strategy of alignment and agility, we shape the Nurse Corps with the right number of people in the right specialties to meet the mission in all care environments."

"To do so, we must continuously monitor our capabilities, embrace innovations and maintain our competitive edge as savvy business professionals to meet challenges head-on during these rapidly changing times," he said.



U.S. Navy photo by J02 Brian Brannon

Lt. Cmdr. Lisa Kromanaker, a nurse assigned to Operational Health Support Unit Great Lakes, Ill., measures the blood pressure of a Nicaraguan woman during a medical readiness training exercise. The Navy Nurse Corps celebrated 97 years of devoted service May 13.

MWR offers Sailors sneak preview of movies

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Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR), in conjunction with its film industry partners, is offering Sailors and their families a sneak peek at some of this summer's most anticipated films.

The Navy Motion Picture Service (NMPS) has partnered with major motion picture studios to offer sneak previews this summer of "The Longest Yard" and "Herbie: Fully Loaded."

"The Navy's sneak preview program gives our Sailors the opportunity to view selected movies before they are released to the general public," said Ron Rossman, head of MWR's NMPS.

A "sneak preview" is an advance screening of a movie prior to its official commercial release date.

According to Rossman, movie studios use sneak previews to generate word of mouth and create a buzz about an upcoming film.

"We have developed a partnership with the film industry that provides special movie program events for Sailors and their families," he said.

Participating movie studios provide Navy MWR with these opportunities at no cost, as a way to show appreciation to Sailors and their families.

"In exchange, we provide a service to the film companies by giving them an advance, real audience reaction," added Rossman. "The demographics of our military theaters are very close to those of commercial cinemas."

NMPS began its sneak preview program in 2001 and has since offered more than 50 sneak previews to over half a million Sailors and family members.

"Through the sneak preview program, MWR has provided customers with more than \$3 million in entertainment value," explained Rossman. "It also has generated over \$575,000 in concession revenue for MWR base theaters."

The revenues are used to support quality of life programs for Sailors and their families.

"The sneak previews are a pat on the back for our Sailors and their families for all the hard work they do," said Chief Electrician's Mate (SW) Michael G. Newquist, who is assigned to the Naval Intermediate Maintenance Facility in Bremerton, Wash.

The sneak preview activity augments regular NMPS programming, which provides movies to more than 800 locations worldwide on film and tape.

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Photo courtesy of the Hawai'i Humane Society
A pet owner takes her dog through a K-9 agility course at the 2004 PetWalk sponsored by the Hawaiian Humane Society.

Military invited to participate in 15th Anniversary PetWalk

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On June 12, it will all go to the dogs... and the cats... and the bunnies... and other critters... as the Hawaiian Humane Society hosts its 15th Anniversary PetWalk.

The society is hoping to enlist the support of Hawai'i's military for its grassroots fundraiser which will begin at 8 a.m.

Proceeds from the fund drive will be used to help further the society's work with animals. Some of those efforts include 6,000 adoptions, 4,500 lost pets reunited with families, 15,000 calls for service for investigations, cruelty cases and rescues, 10,000 children benefit from humane programs, and 700 ill, injured or young animals are fostered.

Another program sponsored by the Hawaiian Humane Society, Pets of Patriots, is a program for

the military to foster pets of service members who are deployed. Additionally, the organization is a leading provider of pets to the military and reunites thousands of lost pets with their military families every year.

According to Jacque Smith, director of community relations for the society, if for some reason military members have to give up their pets after their tour of duty in Hawai'i, the organization offers them hope that their pets will find new homes.

The event will include a pet costume contest, refreshments, pet games and entertainment. Those collecting donations in person can drop off pledges as early as 7 a.m.

Visit <http://www.justgiving.com/pfp/PetWalk2005> to create an online team or donate to a team. For more information, call 945-3929 or email mkim@hawaiian-humane.org.

Navy family members pose for the cameras



U.S. Navy photo by J03 Ryan C. McGinley

Family members of Sailors stationed aboard USS Rushmore (LSD 47) walk the pier on Pearl Harbor as a cameraman from the NBC television show, "The Biggest Loser," films their arrival. The four spouses are competing against Marine Corps wives in the upcoming season of the show, which motivates women and men to lose the most weight.

Navy Lodges welcome guests with the spirit of hospitality

NEX Staff

Navy Lodge rooms are air-conditioned, have cable TV, a video cassette player, direct-dial telephone service and a kitchenette complete with microwave and utensils. Guests will also find housekeeping service, vending machines and an on-site laundromat. All Navy Lodges are handicapped accessible and non-smoking. Business class rooms feature data ports for computer hook up, large desks to work on and task lighting. Free local calls, in-room coffee, newspapers as well as convenient on-base parking and interconnecting

rooms mean quality and value during guests' stay. Patrons can select the Navy Lodge of their choice - on the beach, in the city and always on base.

Best of all Navy Lodge patrons save money; there are no taxes or extra person or equipment charges when staying at a Navy Lodge. The lodge's no-bumping policy assures that the room will be ready when you arrive. Once your reservation is confirmed, your credit card guarantee holds your reservation. Otherwise, your room is guaranteed until 6 p.m. on the day of arrival. Room reservations are made on a first come, first serve a basis with no

regard to rate or rank. Check-in is between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.; check-out time is noon.

Award-winning service
Several Navy Lodges worldwide have been awarded the Meritorious Achievement Award and the Golden Pineapple Award from the American Hotel & Lodge Association Educational Institute. This award recognizes hotels that have exceeded performance standards and guest service standards through training. Navy Lodges have been participating in the Institute's training program, which focuses on customer service, front desk procedures, safe-

ty and housekeeping, since 1994.

Central Reservation Center

Guests may reach the Navy Lodge Reservation Center by calling toll-free 1-800-NAVY-INN (628-9466) in the continental United States, 942-5173 DSN, 800-87-0740 within Italy, 0031-11-3311 within Japan and 900-931123 within Spain. The Reservation Center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year to serve Navy Lodge customers around the world.

(The Navy Lodge in Hawai'i is located on Ford Island. For more information, call 440-2290.)

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Movie Call

Sharkey Theater
Naval Station Pearl Harbor
(473-0726)

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. The Upside of Anger (R)

SATURDAY

2:30 p.m. A Lot Like Love (PG 13)

4:45 p.m. King's Ransom (PG 13)

6:30 p.m. Sin City (R)

SUNDAY

2:30 p.m. Fever Pitch (PG 13)

4:45 p.m. A Lot Like Love (PG 13)

6:30 p.m. The Interpreter (PG 13)

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. XXX: State of the Union (PG 13)

\$3 adults; \$1.50 children (6-11)

Memorial Theater
Hickam Air Force Base
(449-2239)

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Amityville Horror (R)

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. A Lot Like Love (PG 13)

\$3 adults; \$1.50 children (6-11)

Sgt. Smith Theater
Schofield Barracks
(624-2585)

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Sahara (PG 13)

SATURDAY AND THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Sahara (PG 13)

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. King's Ransom (PG 13)

\$3 adults; \$1.50 children (6-11)

Editor's note: Every effort has been made to provide the most up-to-date information at the time of publication. However, scheduling of these events is subject to change. It is recommended that you call the contact numbers for the individual events to determine whether or not the activity will be held.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE EVENTS

- **June 11:** Kahuku Ridge hike, 8:30 a.m., \$5. Register by **June 8**.
- **June 11:** Makapuu Ridge hike, 5:30 p.m., \$5. Register by **June 8**.
- **June 12:** North Shore shark watching, \$90, call for more information. Register by **June 8**.
- **June 15:** Pig hunting workshop, 6:30 p.m., free. Register by **June 13**.
- **June 18:** Kaena Point tidepool exploration, 8:30 a.m., \$5. Register by **June 15**.
- **June 18:** Three Tables snorkeling, 8:30 a.m., \$10. Register by **June 15**.
- **June 19:** Chinaman's Hat kayaking, 7:30 a.m., \$15. Register by **June 15**.

TGIF AT OCEANS CPO CLUB

Enjoy free pupus beginning at 3 p.m. **today** for TGIF at Oceans CPO Club. A DJ will spin the latest tunes from 5-8 p.m. For more information, call 473-1743.

POKER TOURNAMENT

The JN Chevrolet Navy All-Nighter Poker Tournament is in full swing and is open to all active duty Sailors. Participants can sit in on any round they choose; there is no fee to participate. There are four preliminary rounds remaining (**June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22**), lasting 6 p.m.-6 a.m. Every night, a prize package featuring a

complete personal computer system will be given away. Other prizes, including gift certificates, T-shirts and promotional items, will be given away at random. For more information, call 473-0606 or visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

AUTO SHOW

From vintage classics to Euro imports, join other auto enthusiasts as they showcase their pride and joy at the Third Annual Pearl Harbor Auto Show from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **June 12** at the parking lot of Navy Exchange Hawai'i. The event will feature food, live entertainment and fun activities for the entire family. For (free) registration information, call 294-1188 or visit greatlifehawaii.com.

JULY 4 BALL TOURNAMENTS

Sign-ups are now being held for MWR's annual **July 4** softball and basketball tournaments. Softball games will be played on Millican Field and basketball games will be played at Bloch Arena. Tournaments are open to intramural teams (active duty, adult family members, DoD employees). The cost is \$175 per team per tournament. For more information, call 473-2494 or 473-2437.

SUMMER CAMPS

Registration is now ongoing for Camp Adventure, summer camps sponsored by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Navy Hawai'i. The camps provide children with the chance to develop character, learn valuable life skills, make new friends and discover new interests. There are different options from which to choose. Programs are operated from Catlin Clubhouse and Iroquois Point

Clubhouse. For more information and registration requirements, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or call 421-1556 (Catlin) or 499-2572 (Iroquois Point).

NBA PLAYOFFS AND FINALS

Watch the NBA playoffs and finals at Club Pearl's Pool & Pizza at Naval Station Pearl Harbor. The regular season is over and the playoffs have started. Times of games vary and will be announced and posted. Then be on hand when the conference champs battle for the big win. For more information, call 473-1743.

TENNIS LESSONS

Spread the "love" by signing yourself and a friend up for tennis lessons. Tennis lessons are available year-round at Wentworth tennis courts. For more information, call the Wentworth Pro Shop at 473-0610.

CATERED EXPERIENCE

The team of professionals at CATERED Experience can lend their expertise in planning your next special occasion with menus, locations and ideas for your wedding, conferences, picnic, retirement celebrations and more. They offer many alternatives to meet all tastes and budgets. The summer special offers a 10 percent discount of certain party menus through August. Patrons can also receive 50 percent off when ordering a decorated sheet cake. The offer is good for all authorized patrons. For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or call 473-1706.

SALSA DANCE CLASSES

Salsa dance classes are offered on

Thursdays and Fridays at Bloch Arena Fitness Center. Samir Hana, instructor, teaches the latest dance styles, including merengue, cha-cha and cumbia. There is no partner and no experience necessary. Level I and II classes are available:

Salsa (Level I): Thursday, 7:30 – 8:45 p.m.; Saturday, 5 – 6:15 p.m.
Salsa (Level II): Friday, 7:30 – 8:45 p.m.; Saturday, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.
Merengue/cha-cha/cumbia: Friday, 6 – 7:15 p.m.
For more information, call 473-0793.



- **June 3:** Waikiki Nightclub tour, 9 p.m., bring money.
- **June 4:** Hawaiian Waters, 10:30 a.m., \$20 plus lunch money.
- **June 5:** Surfing with Jodie, 10 a.m., \$5.
- **June 7:** Fear Factor at LIP, 6 p.m., free.
- **June 8:** Game show at Beeman Center, 7 p.m., free.
- **June 9:** Dinner at Cheesecake Factory, 5 p.m., bring money.
- **June 10:** Waikiki Pan-Pacific ho'olaule'a, 6 p.m., bring money.
- **June 11:** Waimea Falls and beach, 10 a.m., \$5.
- **June 12:** Sea Life Park, noon, \$13.

Weekly events:

Sunday: Chess tournament, 6:30 p.m.
Monday: WWE wrestling, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 8-Ball tournament - 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Game show - 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: 9-Ball Pool tournament - 7 p.m.

Community Calendar

To have your activity or event featured in the *Community Calendar*, e-mail your requests to hnn@honoluluadvertiser.com or fax 473-2876. Deadline is **Thursday for the following week's issue. Items will run on a space available basis.**

The Honolulu Zoo will host **Military Appreciation Day at the Zoo** from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. **June 4**. The special event for military personnel and their families will offer free admission to all military ID card holders - active, Reserve, Guard, retired and dependents. There will also be free lunches for the first 5,000 military ID card holders. The event will feature entertainment and activities for the entire family. There will be a brief ceremony from 11-11:30 a.m. with the mayor of Honolulu and the Royal Hawaiian Band. Military Appreciation Day at the Zoo is sponsored by USO Hawai'i, City and County of Honolulu and Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i.

American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Hickam/Pearl Harbor Region 188 will hold **registration for fall youth soccer** from noon-4 p.m. **June 5** at the Hickam Chapel Center on Kuntz Avenue. Registration is open to boys and girls ages four-18. The season runs from August through early November. The registration fee is \$55. Proof of age is required for first time registrants. Participants can pre-register on-line at www.aysoregion188.org. For more information, call 834-5438 or email reg@aysoregion188.org.

The **USS Hopper Wives Ohana** will hold a meeting to introduce the new commanding officer and command master chief at 6:30 p.m. **June 7** at the fellowship hall of the Pearl Harbor Base Chapel. Babysitting services will be provided. Those who plan to attend should RSVP by **June 6** to hopperohana7@yahoo.com. For more information, call 683-1134.

American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Hickam/Pearl Harbor Region 188 will sponsor a **summer soccer camp** from July 18-22 at Hickam AFB. Boys and Girls ages four-18 are invited to participate. No experience is necessary. For more information and on-line registration, visit the AYSO web site @ www.aysoregion188.org, call 834-6629 or email Camps@aysoregion188.org.

The NEX offers congratulations to first grader Drew Carpenter, the latest winner of a \$2,000 savings bond from the **A-OK program**. Customers can bring their child's most recent report card to the Navy Exchange to register for the Project A-OK program. Kids could win \$5,000, \$3,000, \$2,000 or \$1,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds. For more information, visit the NEX customer service department in The Mall rotunda.

For the protection of NEX shoppers, **security measures** mandate that bags, purses or personal bags larger than 12 inches by 12 inches will not be allowed in the Navy Exchange. The NEX thanks patrons in advance for their cooperation.

The 2005 Shop NEX **"shop and win"** bumper stickers are available at any Navy Exchange location. NEX patrons can place a bumper sticker on their car for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate from the Navy Exchange; winners are selected weekly. Winners are then entered in a grand prize drawing for a \$2,000 shopping spree at the NEX.

The NEX Autoport offers **free brake inspections** from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The **American Red Cross**, Hickam Service Center is seeking volunteers to fill the following positions: chairman of volunteers, records chairman and publicity chairman. For more information, call the Red Cross office at 449-0166. The office is located at 655 Vickers Ave., building 1105 and is open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The **USS Chafee Ohana** meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Moanalua Community Center. Child care is provided at a cost of \$2 for the first child and \$1 for each additional child. For more information, call 422-5619 or email usschafeefsg@yahoo.com.

For information about upcoming meetings for the **USS Lake Erie Family Support Group**, call Liz at 454-2440 or plumeria04@verizon.net.

As part of the **price matching policy** at the Navy Exchange, the NEX will match the price of any identical item sold in any local store. Customers should provide proof of the lower price and the NEX will match it. If the price difference is under \$5, the NEX will match it on the spot. Some restrictions apply to the policy. Patrons should see a sales associate for more information.

The Navy Exchange Autoport provides a **free safety inspection** to families of deployed Sailors. This service is available one week prior, one week after and during deployment periods. The Autoport is located on Naval Station Pearl Harbor, sub base side. For more information, call 423-3226.

How to contact **TriWest/TRICARE services** - Beneficiaries can contact TriWest with enrollment; Primary Care Manager and address changes; program benefits questions; claims status; fee payments and locating network providers in the area by calling 1-888-TRIWEST (1-888-874-9378), visiting their web site at www.triwest.com, or visiting TRICARE Service Centers located at Makalapa Medical Clinic and Kaneohe Bay Medical Clinic. The TRICARE Service Center located at the Pearl Harbor Makalapa Clinic is open from 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. The TRICARE Service Center located at the Kaneohe Clinic is open from 7-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4 p.m.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), a nonprofit, noncommercial weight-loss support group, meets every Wednesday at the Armed Services YMCA, Aliamanu location. Weigh-in begins at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6:15 p.m. Membership fees are low and includes the T.O.P.S. magazine. There are also incentive programs offered.

T.O.P.S. in Hawai'i is a support group for helping members Take Off Pounds Sensibly. The group recently held its state convention and crowned the state queen. She had lost all her weight by the end of December 2003 and lost 163 pounds. Call Delcie at 623-1403 for information on the several chapters and meeting places on the island.



A Lot Like Love: Oliver and Emily met on a flight from Los Angeles to New York seven years ago, each declaring that they couldn't be more wrong for each other. However, life keeps bringing them back together as they each search for love.

The Amityville Horror: In 1974, police discovered an entire family, all slaughtered with a .35 caliber as they slept. One year later, George and Kathy Lutz, along with their three children, moved into the house. The Lutz family only lasted 28 days in their home.

Fever Pitch: When Lindsey, a big time executive, meets funny and charming high school teacher Ben they hit it off until Lindsey realizes Ben is a Red Sox fan.

The Interpreter: See Review

King's Ransom: Malcolm is a wealthy and arrogant businessman whose soon to be ex-wife has plans to take him for everything he's worth. Determined to avoid losing his fortune to her, Malcolm plans his own kidnapping.

Sahara: Explorer Dirk takes on the adventure of his life when he embarks on a treasure hunt. Searching for what locals call "The Ship of Death", he uses his wits and clever heroics to help a doctor who believes the ship may be linked to mysterious deaths.

Sin City: In Sin City, there's the street thug who's desperate to find the killer of a prostitute, the sordid ladies of Sin City, who open up a mess of trouble after tangling with a corrupt cop and there's an ex-cop who's hell-bent on protecting a stripper.

The Upside of Anger: Terry is left to raise her four headstrong daughters when her husband unexpectedly disappears. Things get even more hectic when she falls for her neighbor Denny, a once-great baseball star turned radio D.J.

XXX: State of the Union: NSA agent Augustus Gibbons finds himself in need of an outsider. Gibbons and his new agent must track a dangerous military splinter group that is conspiring to overthrow the U.S. Government.

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The Interpreter

Sydney Pollack can be a wildly unpredictable director. His decision to make "Random Hearts" and "Sabrina" is still being debated by film students who could have done a better job, yet those same students consider "Tootsie" and "Out of Africa" masterpieces of the early 1980s. Such is the reason most likely, Pollack took a six-year hiatus from directing to find a truly great script.

"The Interpreter" has all the ingredients of a great film, and surprisingly delivers on almost all levels. First Pollack started with a smart political script centering around a United Nations interpreter who overhears a plot to kill an African dictator. Problem is, it was said in a language about eight people could understand. Secret Service agents come to investigate and find out the interpreter just might be the suspect.

Pollack assembled a top-notch cast including Sean Penn, Nicole Kidman and the underrated Catherine Keener, and let them act. The script and plot speak for itself, but adding Oscar-winning actors brings it to the next level. The dialogue and chemistry between Kidman and Penn is remarkably engaging, despite the almost non-existent sexual tension.

The story unfolds beautifully, giving the audience every reason to keep watching and hiding just enough to keep their appetite. Secret Service agents (Penn and Keener) constantly uncover new information about the interpreter's (Kidman) past, while trying to get to the bottom of the conspiracy.

It's an intelligent film, which succeeds almost completely. The ending of the film almost feels like not enough, given the amount of tension and buildup it received.

Still, the acting, directing and script are fabulous. "The Interpreter" succeeds among a boring list of spring movies, in engaging its audience and rewarding them with complete satisfaction.

OVERALL RATING: 4.5

Veterans to be guests of honor at Battleship Missouri ceremony

USS Missouri Memorial Association

On the 60th anniversary of the formal end of World War II, veterans will commemorate the historic date in Pearl Harbor, where America was drawn into the war, on the very same vessel where it ended (the Battleship Missouri.)

The USS Missouri Memorial Association will host "The End of World War II," a ceremony in honor of all WWII veterans and celebrating the day peace was restored to the world. The event will be held on Sept. 2, 2005, beginning at 8:45 a.m. (HST), at the Battleship Missouri Memorial. Space is limited and a preference will be given to veterans. Speakers will be announced. (The event has been moved to 8:45 a.m. from the afternoon and will now coincide with the timing of Japan's 1945 surrender on the USS Missouri.)

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye of Hawai'i is the event's honorary chair. The third most senior member of the U.S. Senate, Inouye earned the nation's highest award for military valor, the Medal of Honor, for his service in World War II as part of the U.S. Army's 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the famed "Go for Broke" regiment of Soldiers of Japanese ancestry.

On Sept. 2, 1945, WWII ended with Japan's formal surrender on the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay. Today, the Missouri is operated as a floating museum on Battleship Row in Pearl Harbor, berthed a mere ship-length away from the USS Arizona, sunk in the attack on Pearl Harbor that heralded the United States' entry into WWII. Together, the two U.S. battleships are symbolic "bookends" to America's role in

the war.

During the week leading up to the anniversary, the Missouri will also be the site of a commemorative weekend and reunion held by the Tin Can Sailors, the National Association of Destroyer Veterans, in celebration of destroyers and destroyer escorts prominent role in bringing about the end of the war.

On Aug. 27, 1945, United States destroyers and destroyer escorts led Allied ships in entering Sagami Wan and anchoring in victory and peace in full view of Mount Fuji. They passed into Tokyo Bay during the following days after minesweepers had swept the entrance. Six days later, the surrender was signed onboard USS Missouri. More than 2,000 Sailors and Marines stationed on the Missouri jammed into every possible observation area to watch Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Adm. Chester Nimitz and a contingent of U.S. and Allied officers accept Japan's unconditional surrender in Tokyo Bay.

"As the world approaches the 60th anniversary of the formal end of World War II, we hope to ensure that humanity will always remember the courage and sacrifices of those who served," said retired U.S. Navy Vice Adm. Robert K.U. Kihune, chairman of the USS Missouri Memorial Association, caretaker of the battleship. "Through our commemorative events, it is our goal to instill in new generations a sense of pride in our nation's legacy of duty, honor, strength resolve and sacrifice."

The Missouri's 60th anniversary ceremony will be the culmination of a multitude of commemorative events taking place this year throughout the world to mark various decisive battles, liberations and other important wartime

milestones. WWII and USS Missouri veterans will fill the Missouri's superstructure, reminiscent of the crowds of Sailors, dignitaries and media that gathered on her deck to witness the historic surrender.

From the portside 01 deck, to the tops of the forward gun turrets, to the ship's superstructure and bow, to the pier below, veterans and their families will be joined by representatives of the active-service military of today who continue these traditions of duty, honor and bravery.

Primary program elements will include recognition of veterans present and around the world, keynote and guest speaker addresses, F-15 missing man formation fly-over, Howitzer 21-gun salute, Joint Forces Color Guard and multi-service military band representation. The ceremony will close with the sealing of a time capsule to be opened again in 2045 on the 100th anniversary of the end of WWII.

For more information or to request an invitation, call (808) 455-1600, extension 244, or visit www.usmissouri.org.

The USS Missouri Memorial Association is a private Hawai'i-based 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization designated by the U.S. Navy as caretaker of the battleship Missouri.

The association operates the Battleship Missouri Memorial. President George Herbert Walker Bush is the memorial's honorary chairman of the board. The memorial is supported by admissions, retail and concession sales, donations, grants, and the work of volunteers. It is not supported with government funding.

The association was formed in 1994 and includes a cross-section of leaders from Hawai'i's business, civic, political, and retired military communities.

Displaying their winning efforts



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Yard of the Month winners for Halsey Terrace proudly display the sign proclaiming them the April winner. Senior Chief Aerographers' Mate Frank Sullivan and his family were the recipients of the Yard of the Month honors.

"Healthy Choices for Life" program

Department of Defense

DoD has launched a new preventive healthcare program called "Healthy Choices for Life," according to the department's senior medical adviser.

The purpose of the Tricare-managed program is "to put information in the hands of individual service members and family members so that they can change their behavior," Dr. William Winkenwerder Jr., assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, said during an interview with the Pentagon Channel and American Forces Press Service at the annual Tricare conference.

The program will focus on persuading people to quit smoking, to moderate drinking habits, and to exercise and lose weight in order to become and stay physically fit, he said.

Smoking cigarettes and cigars, binge drinking and overeating/lack of exercise "are things we do to ourselves," Winkenwerder said.

Adopting more moderate health habits enables people "to avoid bad health outcomes and bad health problems" like lung cancer, emphysema, liver and brain damage, diabetes, heart attacks and strokes, he noted.

Winkenwerder said about \$13 million has been budgeted to fund pilot programs over the next few years. Some features of the pilot projects under consideration include 1-800-smoking- and drinking-cessation phone lines, and dedicated Web sites touting healthier lifestyles, he reported.

The program is envisioned as a DoD-wide and-managed endeavor rather than separate programs run by each armed service, he noted.