

PEARL HARBOR CHIEF SELECTS RECEIVE THEIR ANCHORS

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Twelve chief petty officer (CPO) selectees from Naval Station (NAVSTA) Pearl Harbor, Naval Branch Health Clinic Makalapa, Region Legal Service Office Hawaii and Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility Pearl Harbor, were presented their new CPO anchors and covers Sept. 21 during a traditional pinning ceremony at Lockwood Hall on board NAVSTA Pearl Harbor.

During the ceremony, the selectees were joined by their families, friends and shipmates to be formally recognized for their accomplishments, pinned, covered and pinned on board as CPOs.

"It's a relaxing thing to see our families and friends see us in our khakis," said newly pinned Chief Yeoman (SW) Cedric Sanders, assigned to NAVSTA Pearl Harbor. "I think it means more to them than it does to us."

Sanders also noted that to become a chief, junior Sailors must learn all they can about mentorship.

"You need to mentor your Sailors because you will not put on this uniform without doing that," he said.

Becoming a chief is a goal most enlisted Sailors share and strive towards throughout their entire naval career.

"I've been leading up to this for the past eight years and

it's a great feeling to finally put on anchors," said newly-pinned Chief Hospital Corpsman (SW) Curtis Hall, assigned to Naval Branch Health Clinic Makalapa.

Upon the announcement to their selection as CPOs, the selectees took part in a six-week induction period to help hone their leadership skills and learn more about naval heritage.

"We definitely learned a lot from the classes," said Hall. "They really help you in moving from a first class to a chief."

Guest speaker for the ceremony, Capt. Taylor Skardon, commanding officer, NAVSTA Pearl Harbor, commented on the role the new selectees will take on as a chief.

"Chiefs have always been the backbone of the Navy," he said. "Any time a Sailor needs to find an answer to a question, they should be able to 'Ask the chief.'"

Skardon also spoke about what he expects from the new chiefs in regards to leading junior Sailors.

"You need to be down on the deck plates with the Sailors. You can't lead as a chief from a desk," said Skardon.

Since establishment of the CPO grade on April 1, 1893, the date in which a first class petty officer is recognized for their leadership and profes-

sional abilities, dons the uniform of a chief and is accepted into the CPO community continues to be one of most significant and proudest days in an enlisted Sailor's naval service.

Rear Adm. T.G. Alexander, commander, Navy Region Hawaii, commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, congratulates newly pinned chief petty officers (CPO) at the conclusion of a pinning ceremony on board NAVSTA Pearl Harbor.

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A family member places the chief petty officer (CPO) cover on Chief Legalman Lisa Vrtiska, assigned to Region Legal Service Office, Hawaii, during a CPO pinning ceremony on board NAVSTA Pearl Harbor.

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(Right) A senior chief petty officer places the CPO cover on Chief Culinary Specialist (SW) Donovan Scott, assigned to Naval Station (NAVSTA) Pearl Harbor, during a CPO pinning ceremony on board NAVSTA Pearl Harbor on Sept. 21.

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NEX hosts CPO Appreciation Night at Pearl Harbor Uniform Center

Scheherezade Roundtree

Navy Exchange Hawai'i Marketing

The Navy Exchange (NEX) Uniform Center assisted service members in making their transition from enlisted Sailor to esteemed leaders as chief petty officers in the U.S. Navy, one of the most pivotal and rewarding moments in a Sailor's Navy career, when it hosted its annual CPO Night on Sept. 6.

The festivities began with a march by CPO selectees from multiple commands in Oahu. Chief Aerographer's Mate (select) Jessica Mihailin, one of several selectees present at the event, explained how her once-in-a-lifetime experience in becoming a CPO had been informative, educational and highly rewarding. When asked about her experience at the uniform center, Mihailin responded, "The associates made it fun. They

had a good setup and their expertise was extremely helpful."

Chief Master at Arms Derrick Vaughns agreed. "They [uniform center] have everything you need. I don't have to go outside for anything," he said. Vaughns also said his journey throughout the CPO season has been great and makes him proud to be a Sailor.

The newly-selected chiefs enjoyed an evening of catered cuisine provided by NEX food vendors. Former Navy Region Hawai'i CMC David LaJoie said he was particularly impressed with the uniform center's prowess in facilitating the needs of many CPO selectees over the season and shared his sentiments regarding the CPO event. "I really think it's been an honor to be a part of the whole thing...the uniform center's service is second to none. The turnaround time was phenomenal. They really have a reputation they own on these waters, but

also on the west coast and other ships know the service they provide. That's why they come here," said LaJoie.

Julie Herring, uniform center manager, explained, "Becoming a CPO is one of the biggest transitions in the enlisted man's life. They totally change all their uniforms and the way they wear those uniforms."

Herring believes the uniform center is one of the most vital entities within the Navy Exchange. "The uniform centers really have the most important mission of the Navy Exchange because this is the only place that the Navy Sailors and officers can shop and get what they need to wear every day for work," she noted.

Herring was confident that this year's CPO Night was a huge success. "CPO Night is typically for all the CPOs around the island to come and get together, talk story with other CPO selectees from different com-



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mands. She added, "We had a great turnout and it seemed that everyone

enjoyed themselves. It was great to have the support from Rear Adm. Alexander,

Capt. Skardon, Capt. Hodge, CMC LaJoie, and Fleet MC Howard."

'Walktober' with MWR

Morale, Welfare and Recreation Marketing

It's never too late to get a jump on the upcoming holiday season. All Navy Region Hawai'i Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) patrons are encouraged to get started on a regular walking routine this October, so when the holiday parties begin they will have already incorporated this habit into their daily lifestyle. An MWR fitness specialist can show you how easy it can be:

Week one: On Oct. 1, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., enjoy a free walking clinic, which includes a discussion on proper form, attire, motivational and mindful tips. Then they will lead you on a brief fitness walk to assess your style and show you how to put it all together.

Free pedometers will be given to the first 50 people who register. The group will meet at the Ward Field bleachers.

Week two: The walking goal is to reach 5,000 steps.

Week three: The walking goal is to reach 10,000 steps.

Week four: On Oct. 27 at 8 a.m., participate in the Woof Walk on historic Ford Island. This short course will bring family and friends together to celebrate a healthy lifestyle that everyone can enjoy, even the dogs. Entry forms are available at the Bloch Arena front desk or online at www.greatlifeohawaii.com.

Week five: On Oct. 31, get out and walk on Halloween and leave the treats behind. To register for the free walking clinic or for more information on the program, call 473-0793.

Golly... Gomer gets promoted to corporal



Actor Jim Nabors, star of the hit 1960s television show "Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C.," was promoted to honorary corporal by Marine Lt. Gen. John F. Goodman, Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific, during a ceremony Sept. 25. The promotion was held on the 43rd anniversary of the show's premiere in honor of Nabors' years of contribution to the military's image worldwide.

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WWII era NAS Pearl Harbor plane returns to Ford Island after 62 years

Pacific Aviation Museum

A liaison plane that was stationed at Pearl Harbor during World War II has returned to Ford Island to take its place among other vintage aircraft at the Pacific Aviation Museum. The plane is back on Ford Island where it started its aviation life on June 30, 1945.

Thanks to the generosity of Thomas Kaiawe, a long time Big Island resident who dreamed of flying for the military during WWII, the 1945 Stinson L-5 E liaison airplane will have a permanent home at the newest addition to the Pearl Harbor historic sites.

Kaiawe acquired the Stinson L-5 in 1953 and personally flew it for 20 years. He is now 85 years old and wanted his plane to have a permanent home somewhere it could be appreciated for years to come. Kaiawe's son-in-law, Burton Freitas, provided the perfect solution. Freitas works as an electrical engineer on Ford Island and thought that the Pacific Aviation Museum was the perfect location for his father-in-law's plane.

The Stinson L-5 is a liaison plane that was used for both an artillery spotter and, in the case of Kaiawe's plane, as an air ambulance carrying a single passenger on a stretcher to safety. The L-5's ability to take off and land in short unimproved air fields, like the ones found in the jungle air strips of the South Pacific, made it a natural for this purpose. Thomas Kaiawe's plane is true kama'aina. The Stinson



Consolidated Vultee L-5E Army Air Force number 44-18144 was stationed at Naval Air Station Pearl Harbor and for the past 62 years, it never left Hawai'i.

Thomas Kaiawe also donated his 1942 Harley Davidson military police motorcycle to the museum. His vintage bike is complete with original saddle bags and gun holster, virtually untouched, authentic and still in working order.

Highlights:

Stinson Consolidated Vultee L-5E -1-VW AAF serial number 44-18144

- June 30, 1945 - Accepted into service at NAS Pearl Harbor as an OY-1 Ambulance Variant L-5.

- June 20, 1946 - Transferred from NAS Pearl Harbor to War Assets Administration.

- 1953 - Bought by Thomas Kaiawe.

- Sept. 17, 2007 - Brought to the Pacific Aviation Museum-Pearl Harbor.



(Far left) Thomas Kaiawe on his 1942 Harley Davidson MP motorcycle.

Thomas Kaiawe stands beside his L-5 airplance on March 9, 1954 at Upolu Airport, Kohala, Hawai'i.

Photos courtesy of Pacific Aviation Museum

Skylark CENTRAL

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| NAPLES | SAGINAW | TAMPA |
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| NARRAGANSETT | SAN DIEGO | THUNDER |
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WHO SAID IT?

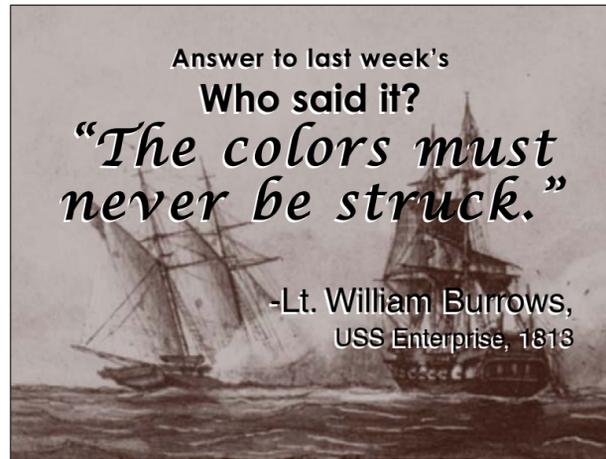
“Leadership under pressure will often entail being a moralist, jurist, teacher, steward and philosopher.”

Answer to last week's

Who said it?

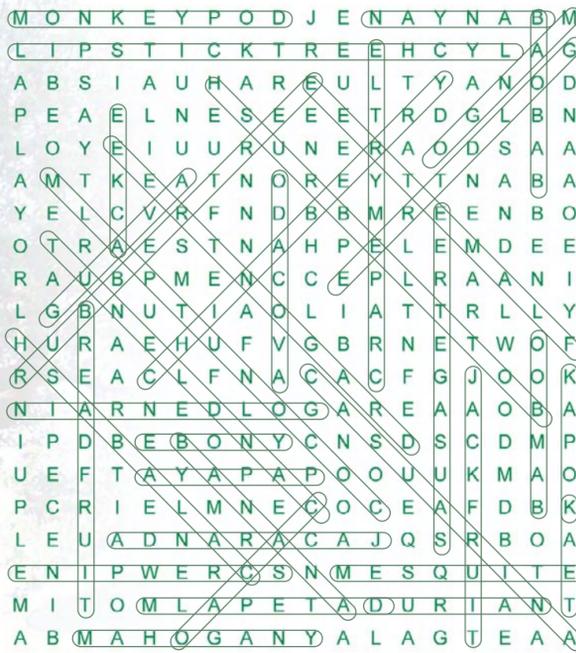
“The colors must never be struck.”

-Lt. William Burrows,
USS Enterprise, 1813



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| COFFEE TREE | BAOBAB | SANDALWOOD |
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| BAMBOO | PAPAYA | JACARANDA |
| DATE PALM | BREADFRUIT | SCREW PINE |
| MAHOGANY | FLAME TREE | CHINABERRY |
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| DRAGON TREE | CACAO | TEAK |



Q. Who was the first Hispanic-American to reach the rank of admiral?



Last week's question...

USS Cowpens shares its pennant number with which U.S. carrier?

Answer... USS Kitty Hawk

Navy Region Hawai'i Manawa Nanea

Morale Welfare & Recreation

WINTER BASEBALL

Sign up your child for winter baseball. Registration will be for the Winter 2007 Season from Oct. 1 to Nov. 2 at the Morale Welfare and Recreation youth sports office. When registering, parents should bring their child's birth certificate and a current physical examination card. Practice begins in November and the season runs: January - February 2007. The cost is \$40 (for minors, majors and juniors) and is open to all military-affiliated youth ages 8 - 14 years old. FMI: 474-3501.



NAVY HOMESCHOOL GROUP

In an effort to provide more support for Navy homeschool families, the school liaison office is forming a homeschool group on Oct. 12 at 10 a.m. at the Catlin Clubhouse. Participants will meet once a week to share ideas, curriculum, have park days, offer structured physical education classes and field trips. Learn how you and your child can benefit from this free program. The program is open to all active duty Navy family members who homeschool their children. FMI: 474-1999, ext. 6316.

For more information on Navy Region Hawai'i MWR events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com

Community Calendar



October

1-4 ~ Testing will be performed for the Giant Voice Mass Notification System at NAVSTA Pearl Harbor, NCTAMS, West Loch and Makalapa. All messages, sirens, tones, alerts, etc. emitted from the system are tests and should be disregarded.

3 ~ The Navy Exchange will hold a job fair from 5-7 p.m. outside the Mall complex. The NEX will be doing on-the-spot hiring. FMI: 423-3330.

Sharkey Showtimes



Rush Hour 3 (PG 13)

While in Paris, Lee and Carter inadvertently get mixed up with the Chinese Triad crew. LAPD detective James Carter and Chinese Chief Inspector Lee travel to Paris to battle a wing of the Chinese organized crime family, the Triads.

TODAY

7:00 PM Rush Hour 3 (PG 13)

SATURDAY

2:30 PM Daddy Day Camp (PG)
4:45 PM Stardust (PG 13)
7:15 PM The Invasion (PG 13)

SUNDAY

2:30 PM Daddy Day Camp (PG)
4:45 PM Rescue Dawn (PG 13)
7:15 PM The Bourne Ultimatum (PG 13)

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Stardust (PG 13)

