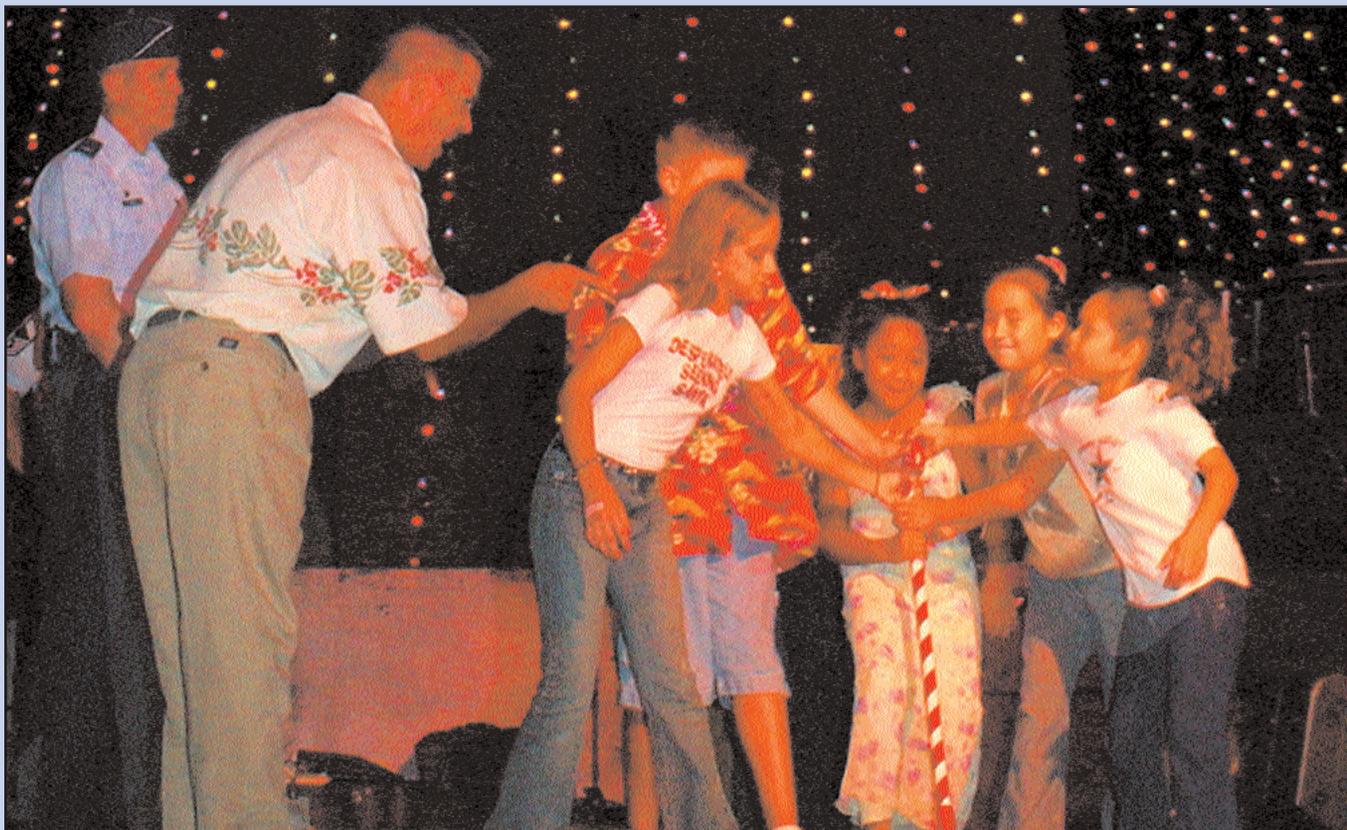


Meaning swift and valued runner, the *Kukini* in ancient times took news from one Hawaiian leader to another.



Children are the power

Essay winners Melanie Griffin, Aaron Toman, Aaliyah Grander-son, Casey Aramawich, and Ticia Simon all help to light the Aloha Tower by pulling the magic candy cane switch during the Tower Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec. 3.

Photo by Mysti Cabasug

Johnston Atoll:

Deactivation brings end to historic era

By Staff Sgt. Andrew Leonhard
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A deactivation ceremony marked the end of an era on Johnston Atoll Tuesday as the Detachment 1, 15th Airlift Wing commander relinquished command and the unit's guidon was retired.

Lt. Col. Mark Hostetter relinquished command of Det. 1 to Col. Ray Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander, who then retired the guidon.

"Better than a half a century of unprecedented accomplishments have originated here," said Colonel Hostetter. "Extreme events that changed the history of civilization."

Those events include the first megaton devices detonated in the stratosphere by the United States; and the destruction of more than 2,000 tons of chemical munitions.

"Nothing unprecedented comes from a single member, rather it's the synergy of a group of people dedicated to a common cause," said Colonel Hostetter in his closing comments. "It couldn't have been done without each individual and I can say I am proud to have worked with each and every one of them."

According to Colonel Torres a fantastic job has been done at Johnston Atoll in preparation of the deactivation and to prepare the island to be turned over to the Department of Interior.

"Colonel Hostetter and his Johnston Atoll team have had a very challenging time during both clean up and the demolition to lead up to the deactivation," said the wing commander.

"My thanks to the entire JA Team for all of your efforts on behalf of our Air Force and the 15th Airlift Wing," he said.

Work at the Atoll will continue as contractors tear down buildings to return the island to its original mission as a pristine refuge. It's home to 20 species of migratory birds, 32 species of coral, 300 species of fish, along with threatened and endangered animals such as the green sea turtle and Hawaiian monk seal.

Atoll did you know?

President Richard Nixon is the only president to date to visit Johnston Atoll Island.

In July 1969 he stopped at JA en route to a Navy carrier for ceremonies celebrating the safe return of Apollo 11's Columbia spacecraft.



Aerial view of Johnston Atoll Island

Courtesy Photo

What is this transformation?

By Lt. Col. Dan Settergren,
15th Operations Support Squadron commander

In 1901 Wilbur Wright said to his brother Orville "man would not fly for 50 years." In 1908 Orville Wright said "no flying machine will ever fly from New York to Paris...[because] no known motor can run at the requisite speed for four days without stopping."

Fortunately, they did a better job inventing airplanes than they did predicting the future.

Aviation has constantly evolved as quickly as technology and human imagination allowed. Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker once said "aviation is proof, that given the will, we have the capacity to achieve the impossible."

So, if we have evolved so much over the years, why are we talking about

transformation?

A new Air Force publication entitled "THE EDGE: Air Force Transformation" defines transformation as "a process by which the Air Force achieves and maintains advantage through changes in operational concepts, organizations, and/or technologies that significantly improve its warfighting capabilities or ability to meet the demands of a changing security environment."

By incorporating new technologies, doctrine, and organizational structures we can combine the best the Air Force has to offer with the capabilities of the other military services and national organizations to respond to and defeat emerging threats. This is a continuous process that focuses on getting the right capabilities to the joint warfighter.

According to Air Force Secretary James Roche, "transformation is a philosophy...a predisposition to exploring adaptations of existing and new systems, doctrine and organizations."

So, instead of just adding a new precision-guided bomb into our inventory and declaring success, transformation requires us to find new ways and doctrine to employ that new weapon in a joint arena in order to maintain a significant advantage over our adversaries.

Is this transformation? The Air and Space Expeditionary Force concept is a transformation in doctrine and structure. Before the fall of communism, specific units were dedicated to each theater. This worked great during the cold war, but the Air Force found flaws in the old doctrine as new threats emerged around the world.

We transformed into the AEF structure to provide combatant commanders with the warfighting capabilities they need to defeat our enemies and maintain the peace. Every article written about transformation discusses the human factor. To succeed, the troops need the right knowledge and skills required to meet new challenges. Unfortunately, change is rarely easy, but we must change to survive.

Although it is difficult to predict the future with any certainty, we must not fear the unknown. As Charles Lindbergh once wrote, "Whether outwardly or inwardly, whether in space or time, the farther we penetrate the unknown, the vaster and more marvelous it becomes."

Embrace transformation and open your mind to new possibilities.

Action Lines

The purpose of the Action Line is in its name it's your direct link to me so we can work as a team to make Hickam a better community. It also allows you to recognize individuals who go "above and beyond" in their duties - and we all know there are plenty of those folks here. All members of Team Hickam are welcome to use the Action Line, however, I urge you to give the normal chain of command the first crack at resolving problems or issues. It's only fair to give our commanders and managers the first opportunity to work issues under their responsibility. If you have done this and are still not satisfied, give my commander's Action Line a call. If you want me to get back to you, leave your name and number, state your issue, tell me who you have talked to and why you were not satisfied with their response. I'll work your issue and respond verbally or in writing. The Action Line number is 449-2996. Messages may also be sent by e-mail to 15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil.



Col. Ray Torres
15th Airlift Wing commander

Running track improvements

Comment: Please consider surfacing the base running track next to the bowling alley with a rubberized running surface. This running track is in constant use by individual runners, Airman Leadership School, and

numerous squadrons performing PT. The current running surface is composed of a red lava rock material that kicks up into your shoes, leaves permanent red stains on your shoes, and does little to reduce the impact on your legs, feet and knees. Now that the Chief of Staff of the Air Force has directed that running will be the primary method to gauge aerobic fitness, I believe the base would benefit greatly by installing a rubberized running track. The increased morale and reduced physical injuries are two major reasons why this would benefit the wing.

Response: There is currently a study in the coordination process with Civil Engineering to determine the best avenue to bring the Earhart Track to a level conducive to handling the new demands of Air Force fitness program. The plan is to level and compact the Earhart track. There are no plans at this time to rubberize the track. Additionally, a project is also in coordination to widen and resurface the 1/3-mile track located behind the fitness center. With the new Air Force fitness test and the huge interest in fitness in general, providing a quality track is a priority for Hickam Air Force Base. In addition, we have established several running routes that our community can use to track their running/jogging miles. These are posted at the fitness center and are marked on the side of the routes in half-mile increments.

COMPACAF: ensure happy holidays

By Gen. Bill Begert
Pacific Air Forces commander

The holiday season is quickly approaching. Soon you will gather with family and friends to celebrate the blessings you have received in the previous year. While traditionally a time of great joy, it is also a time of increased risk.

Once again, we find ourselves spread out across the globe in defense of our country. I am grateful to each and every one of you for the effort you are giving, but I want to stress the importance of caution and safety during the holiday season.

This past year, we lost a record number of airmen to needless vehicle mishaps.

There was a recurring theme in the majority of them...excessive speed and the use of alcohol. If history is any indication, we will lose more airmen this holiday season. I do not want the statistics to reflect you in that number.

In order to ensure you remain off the stat sheet, you only need to do one small thing...act—assess, consider, take. Assess the environment for risks, consider the options to limit the risks, and take appropriate action to mitigate the risks. In order to win the fight, we must arrive at it. I wish you a safe holiday season. (Courtesy of Pacific Air Forces News Service)

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CSAF approves Air Force Doctrine

By Tech. Sgt. David Jablonski
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON -- The service's core document outlining the enduring basics of air and space power has been revised and hard copies will be in the hands of every officer and top-three noncommissioned officer by spring 2004.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper approved the latest revision to Air Force Doctrine Document 1, Air Force Basic Doctrine, during a doctrine review at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

General Jumper, Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche, and commanders of major commands met at Maxwell for Doctrine Summit IV. The summit is a periodic meeting of the

most senior Air Force leaders to review operational-level doctrine in light of recent contingencies and events.

The document is the source for enduring basics such as the principles of war, tenets of air and space power, and functions of air and space power. The revised version also updates the discussion on core competencies and distinctive capabilities, and it adds new text on the linkage between vision, operating concepts and doctrine.

Overall it has been substantially restructured for better readability and updated to include references to operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, officials said.

The Air Force Doctrine Center's commander, Maj. Gen. David

MacGhee, explained the importance of the changes within the revised document.

"We all realize that 9-11 changed the world forever," General MacGhee said. "The old construct I grew up with, where forces were garrisoned at home and when we were called upon we moved forward, is very much an old construct. I think we've made great progress through lessons learned from Afghanistan, something we did not plan for, or train for. The services applied those lessons to Operation Iraqi Freedom, and I think you can see the results -- a resounding success in combat operations."

Retired Lt. Col. Bob Poynor, a military doctrine analyst at the center, explained the revisions.

"This time, the introduction discuss-

es why doctrine is important," Poynor said. "We explain to airmen why they need to understand and apply it."

"AFDD 1 provides an intelligent baseline on which to form command relationships and set priorities; it contains all the basic information," he said.

"Most importantly," he said, "it tells airmen the difference between policy, strategy and doctrine, and what doctrine is and is not."

With General Jumper's signature, the document was approved for release. It is available for download from the AFDC Web site at <https://www.doctrine.af.mil>. Hard copy publication will follow. Professional military education schools will begin teaching from it soon.



Stop, Cookie Time

Letonia James (left) and Senior Airman Shauna Covell wrap cookies in plastics for the Cookie Caper. Approximately 30 volunteers are preparing as many as 12,000 cookies for this year's event. The cookies will be delivered to nearly 650 airman at Hickam and Bellows AFB.

Photo by Ed Foster

Ensure a safe and jolly holiday season

By Staff Sgt. Andrew Leonhard
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

It's the time of year when people are getting into that holiday cheer and base leadership wants to make sure everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

People around Hickam are showing off their Christmas spirit with lights and sounds. But as they do, they should observe of a few safety facts.

Last year there were 300 Christmas tree fires in U.S. homes, resulting in 11 injuries and \$8.4 million in direct property damage.

This year, like every holiday season, people are reminded to properly use holiday lights. The airlift wing's ground safety office suggests few simple guidelines to follow.

"Holiday lighting must be installed safely," said James Hammonds, 15th Airlift Wing Ground Safety chief. "That means inspecting all lights and wiring

before putting them up. Don't overload circuits."

According to safety guidelines set by the safety office people should not plug more than three strings of lights together and to unplug the lights before replacing bulbs.

Hickam members are also reminded to choose holiday decorations made with flame-resistant, flame-retardant or non-combustible materials and purchase lights and electrical decorations bearing the name of an independent testing lab, then follow the manufacturer's instructions for installation and maintenance.

"Increased social activities that may involve alcoholic beverages require everyone to make a plan before starting the evening to get home safely," he said. "Designated drivers are only totally safe if they do not have any alcoholic beverages at any time so they can provide the safe ride home."

The safety office and Fire prevention wish a safe and jolly holiday season.

AFPC passwords reset online

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - More than 500 people forget their passwords to the Air Force Personnel Center's customer service Web applications every day. Many of them are unaware they can reset a password on their own online within seconds, officials said.

"Instead, hundreds of people call the technical assistance center number, which yields the same result, but takes five to 10 minutes longer," said Danny O'Neil, Air Force Personnel Center chief of the information assurance branch. "Obviously getting a new password online instantly is the best option."

"Logging in can sometimes be a frustrating process," Mr. O'Neil said. "But resetting a password online will save folks time and effort."

For online resets, people need to provide their social security number and mother's maiden name, O'Neil said. The system is case sensitive.

First-time users need basic personal information including civilian service computation date, or pay date for military, he said. Common access card users can create an account using the security "certificates" on the card and the card reader.

To access Virtual Military Personnel Flight or other online personnel resources, visit <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/>. (Courtesy of Air Force Personnel Center News Service)

Jacket, pullover require nametags

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - The Air Force has established both the mandatory wear date and proper wear for the new metallic nametag on service dress uniforms and pullover sweaters.

Effective Jan. 1, the nametag must be worn on the wearer's right side of the service dress jacket with the bottom of the nametag level with the bottom of the ribbons, said Air Force Personnel Center officials here. It should be centered between the sleeve seam and the lapel.

If a duty badge is worn on the wearer's right side, men will center the badge a half-inch below the new nametag; women will center the badge a half-inch above the new nametag. An exception is when a command insignia is worn by either men or women. It is worn either a half-inch above or below the nametag. Then, the duty badge is worn either a half-inch above or below the command insignia, depending on whether the airman is a current or former commander.

When the maternity jumper is worn as the maternity service dress, the nametag should be centered on the right side and placed even to, or 1 1/2 inches higher or lower than, the first exposed button.

The nametag will also be worn on pullover sweaters on the wearer's right side with the bottom of the nametag level centered between the middle of the sleeve seam and the seam of the neckline. It will not be worn on the cardigan sweater.

For more information, airmen can contact their military personnel flight or commanders support staff. *(Courtesy of Air Force Personnel Center News Service)*



The Crime Line

The 15th Security Forces Squadron would like to keep the Hickam community abreast of security forces incidents on Hickam AFB. Here is a sample of sanitized excerpts from the security forces blotter.

Criminal attempt/ unauthorized entry into motorvehicle:

Time/Date: 2:27 p.m., Dec. 1

Location: Parking Lot to Bldg. 1102

Victim: A civilian contract worker

Witness: A civilian contract worker

Subjects : All civilians; one being a contractor

Synopsis: The witness telephoned the Security Forces Control Center (SFCC) reporting four individuals attempting to break into the victims car. The Witness told Security Forces the four individuals fled the above location and gave a description of the vehicle. The SFCC briefed all posts and patrols to be on the look out for fleeing vehicle and a sweep of the base was initiated. Mobile patrolman spotted a vehicle matching the description and conducted a traffic stop. All individuals were brought out of the car and identified. The witness arrived on scene and positively identified the subjects. All subjects were searched, handcuffed, and escorted to the SFCC for further processing. A Wants and Warrants check was conducted revealing one of the subjects was wanted by Honolulu Police for an outstanding warrant. All subjects were processed, issued indefinite barment letters and escorted off the installation. The Honolulu Sheriffs Department dispatched a patrol and took custody of the warrant subject. Subjects gained access to the base using a contractor identification card which was subsequently seized.

Team Hickam Thrift Shop:

Gives more than good deals to the community

By Anne-Lise Gere
15th Public Affairs Airlift Wing

The Hickam Thrift Shop is known as the place to look for a bargain on base, but it also provides an equally important service to Team Hickam members trying to advance their education.

As a non-profit organization run by the Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club, the thrift shop generates thousands of dollars of charitable donations for the Hickam community.

As a non-profit organization, all profits from the Thrift Shop go back to the Hickam community in the form of charitable donations through the HOSC.

Thanks to very low running cost, it is able to turn most of its income into charitable donations, according to Lina Ruhlman, Thrift Shop chairwoman.

"Last year, we gave back \$42,000 to the community and this year we are on track to give back \$50,000," said Mrs. Ruhlman.

The major contribution of the thrift shop is to fund the scholarships offered by the HOSC to all dependents of Hickam-based military members. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,000 and typi-

cally benefit six to 10 recipients every year.

This year's scholarship budget has not yet been set but it will be more than \$10,000, Mrs. Ruhlman said. The application process starts January.

The money generated by the thrift shop also goes to many other endeavors.

Operation Warm Heart, for military families in need at Thanksgiving, and the Tripler Fisher House each received \$1,500. The HOSC also made a \$1,000 donation to the Hickam Family Support Center.

Located on Kuntz Avenue, behind the Information Tickets and Tours office, the thrift shop carries a broad selection of clothing, linens, house ware, furniture, sporting goods and toys, all at very reasonable prices. This time of year, it also has a Christmas section.

"We can't keep up with the Christmas store," Mrs. Ruhlman said. "It is very popular at the moment."

The thrift shop is able to provide good deals thanks to donations and consignments handled by 50 volunteers who donate about 500 hours every month, she said.

"We are a resource for the military community and retirees to help get rid of their unwanted items," she added.

Donations from the Hickam community are the main source of income. Customers can bring their donations to the store or drop them in the donation shed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The donation shed is located just outside the thrift shop.

The thrift shop also acts as a consignment store, taking a 20 percent consignment fee on items sold. "Microwave ovens sell as soon as they are put in the store," Mrs. Ruhlman said.

The Thrift Shop is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for sales. The store will be open tomorrow and will be closed for the Christmas break beginning on Dec. 20 and it will reopen Jan. 5.

The store takes consignments Mondays, Fridays and the second Saturday of each month from 9 to 11 a.m.

Best selling items are videotapes, VCR/DVD players, furniture, and kitchenware.

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact the thrift shop at 449-6603.

New Fit 2 Win program set

By John Stanchfield

15th Services Marketing division

Backpacks, visors and bears, oh my!

These are just some of the incentives in store for participants of Pacific Air Forces' new Youth Fit 2 Win Program starting next month.

Unlike Fit To Win, which served the 16 and over market in PACAF, F2W has been created as an exclusive program for 9 to 18-year-old youth.

The driving force behind this incentive-based program is www.pacaf-f2w.com, a state-of-the-art interactive website where participants can record their fitness activities online and log fitness points towards five different fitness levels. Youth will receive credit for participating in a number of core program areas including individual fitness activities, league sports,

instructional classes, weekly active programming, and monthly fitness events.

"According to a 2002 report by the American Obesity Association, the percentage of children and adolescents who are overweight and obese is now higher than ever before," said Larry Hileman, 15th Services Squadron deputy director. "Today's youth are considered the most inactive generation in history.

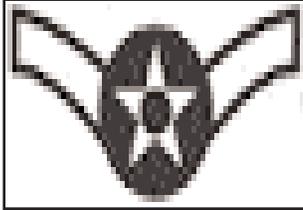
"We are excited to offer F2W to PACAF youth as a motivating program that should increase their levels of fitness and assist in the development of healthy behaviors," he said.

Registration takes place at the youth center this month. Registrants will receive a user ID and password for www.pacaf-f2w.com and the first incentive, an F2W water bottle. The participant may start to log in fitness activities starting Jan 1.

Progress will be measured by completing five program levels: Explorer, Explorer II, Extreme, Master Extreme and Ultra Extreme. A variety of incentives, including F2W wristbands, visors, Air Bears, T-Shirts, and backpacks coincide with each level and will provide positive reinforcement throughout the program. Two program drawings are also planned.

Participants who log a minimum 400 points will be entered into a drawing for MP3 players at the base in July monthly fitness event. Participants who log a minimum of 1200 points will be entered into a drawing for a sports jacket at the base in December monthly fitness event.

For more information about program registration and fitness-oriented activities, classes and events, please contact Julie Klembara at the Community Center, 449-6758.



WHEN WE SAY THANKS, WE MEAN EVERYONE.



That's out of the ordinary

By Master Sgt. Rob Mills

15th Civil Engineer Squadron Readiness Flight

“Hey, Sergeant Snaggletooth, what do you think that gaseous cloud of vapor is?” “I have no idea what that is Airman Snuffy, but I do know it’s out of the ordinary and we need to take some immediate action.”

This conversation could likely take place in the moments following a terrorist attack using weapons of mass destruction in or around any of our facilities on Hickam.

WMD is a broad term for a class of substances typically consisting of lethal chemical, biological or radioactive material that could be released upon unsuspecting and unprepared victims by terrorists.

Since Sept. 11, 2001 the Air Force has taken a hard look at and revised the WMD sheltering procedures.

These revised procedures spell-out exactly what everyone must do in the event a WMD is released inside or outside of the office, home or other building. They also take into consideration whether a person is inside or outside the affected facility at the time of the release.

To read about these actions check out the commander’s channel and view them at <https://www.hickam.af.mil/ces/limited/cex/P age3.htm>. For more information about what to do in a WMD attack call Master Sgt. Robert Mills and Staff Sgt. Greg Brannan at 449-5213.



HIANG change of command

During the Hawaii Air National Guard Change of Command Ceremony Sunday, Brig. Gen. Darryll Wong, Commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard, hands Col. Peter Pawling the wing guidon as he receives command of the 154th Wing.

Photo by Mysti Cabasug

Article 15: Airmen receive nonjudicial punishments

Two members of the Hickam community receive Article 15s in December. Punishments vary, based on such factors as an offender's age, prior work and disciplinary record, financial condition, suitability for continued service and the level of severity of the particular offense committed. To ensure fair administration of justice throughout the Hickam community, the legal office reviews all cases.

- An airman was disrespectful in language and deportment toward a noncommission officer, violation of Article 91, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and also disobeyed a lawful order from her supervisors to obtain new blue uniforms violation of Article 91. Punishment consisted of a suspended reduction to Airman Basic, 14 days restriction, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand.

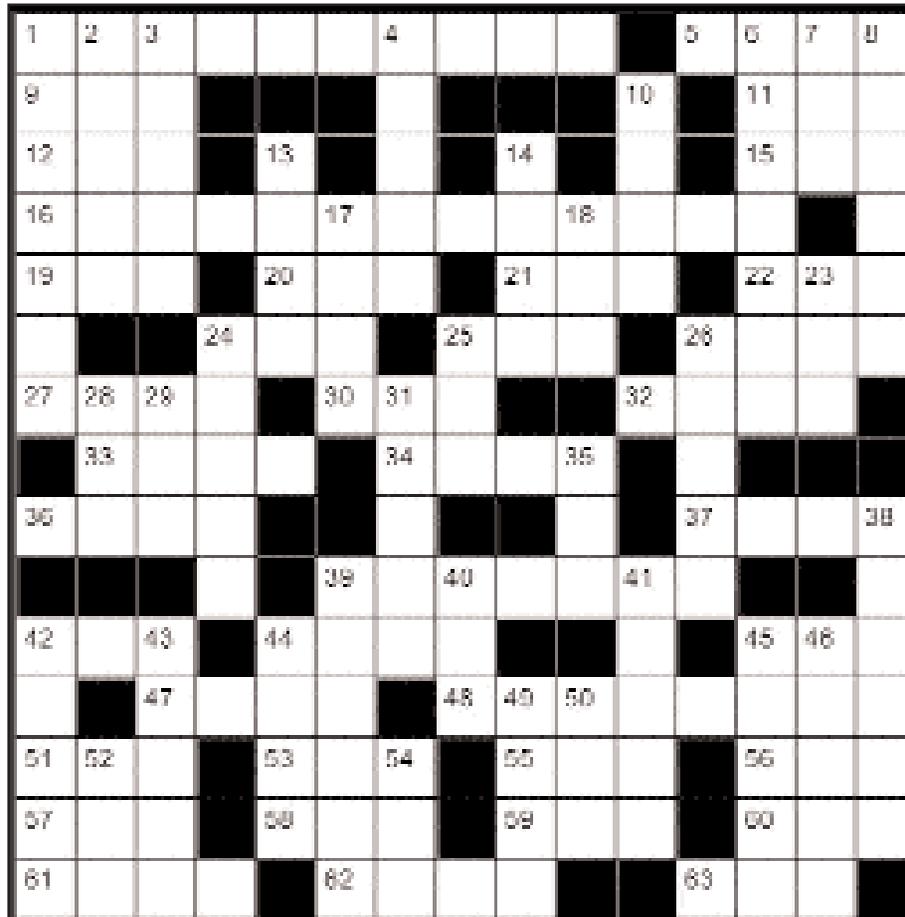
- A senior airman was derelict in the perfor-

mance of his duties, violation of Article 92, UCMJ, by failing to complete the proper Dropped Object Prevention Program inspection on a C-17 aircraft, and signed a false official document by stating on an Air Force document 781A that he in fact completed the inspection, violation of Article 107, UCMJ. Punishment consisted of forfeiture of \$500 pay and 14 days extra duty. (*Information provided by 15th Security Forces Squadron*).

Crossword puzzle: Very Merry Christmas

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

- ACROSS**
- Christmas Eve visitor
 - Item used to decorate Christmas presents
 - Referring to the environment
 - Stereo button (abbrev.)
 - Military commander's place of control (abbrev.)
 - Female sheep
 - Christmas present cover
 - Terminate
 - Anger
 - Glimpse
 - Dally
 - Water
 - News org. founded by Turner
 - School subject
 - Top
 - Compass direction
 - Deal with
 - 1 ACROSS tool to control reindeers
 - Eras
 - Item left for 1 ACROSS
 - Item needed for a white Christmas
 - Wash
 - Housing extension
 - Items 1 ACROSS delivers
 - Skillful
 - European currency
 - How 1 ACROSS gets into homes
 - By way of



- ___ out a living
- Tree
- JLo scent
- Mistake
- German one
- Tarzan once

- Charged particle
 - Rational
 - One more (Latin)
 - Branch of DoD
- DOWN**
- Kelp
 - Tree starter
 - Military org. that tracks 1
- ACROSS**
- Actor Greene
 - Protrude
 - Amaze
 - 1 ACROSS method of transportation
 - Back of the neck
 - Andy's boy
 - Ajar
 - Mideast country
 - Writer Rand
 - Dined
 - Time piece maker
 - Company head (abbrev.)
 - Symbol of Alaska?
 - USAF military inspection (abbrev.)
 - Director Brooks
 - Rap artist who released Country Grammar
 - Male offspring
 - Holmes' assistant
 - Item left for 1 ACROSS
 - Keyboard key
 - Rat Pack ___ Davis Jr.
 - 1 ACROSS helpers
 - Catch on
 - Where 1 ACROSS puts 44
- ACROSS**
- Type of American naval ship; ___ cruiser
 - Support
 - Part of the foot
 - Sick
 - A Gershwin
 - Lord of the Rings character

Crossword puzzle: Answers to Nov. 28 Flying into the Blue



OFFICER TRAINING

- LEAD
- FOLLOW
- GET OUT OF THE WAY

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Note: For more information about programs offered by *Life Skills*, call 449-0175; *Family Support Center*, call 449-0300; *Health and Wellness Center*, call 448-4292; or *Family Advocacy*, call 449-0175.

Parenting

Hickam play group - Tuesday through Friday sessions, through Dec. 19 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the youth center skating rink. Parents and children ages 0-5 are invited to join our early childhood specialist for age-appropriate educational and recreational activities. No registration required.

Relationships

Family readiness briefing - All active duty, civilian and family members facing the possibility of a deployment or remote assignment are encouraged to attend Monday, Dec. 22, and 29 from 1 to 2 p.m. Call FSC to register.

Operation Safe Return - Members who were deployed from July to Dec. are welcomed to attend this event with commanders and family members to celebrate their safe return Thursday at 3 p.m. on the FSC lanai.

Worklife

Interviewing with confidence - Learn the skills and techniques to turn your interview into a positive experience Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. Call FSC to register.

Looking for employment in Hawaii - Explore local employment trends, be informed on employment and education resources, register to use the JEMS computerized job bank, and learn how to maximize your job search via the Internet Tuesday from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Call FSC to register.

How to start and expand your own business - If you are thinking about starting your own business Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m., this workshop is a must. Call FSC to register.

Smooth move - Subject matter experts will update people on the latest policy changes that may impact a move Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. Call FSC to register.

Finance

Money management - Wednesday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. This class offers the participant the opportunity to create a personalized budget. Topics include debt management, car buying, credit cards and financial decision-making.

Other Happenings

Holiday Party - The African-American Heritage Association is hosting a Holiday party Dec. 26 at 6 p.m. in the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. The attire is semi-formal. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$45 per couple. For more information contact Staff Sgt. Rosalind Turner at 449-4498 or Staff Sgt. Nicole Jones at 449-8503.

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HICKAM Kukini

Refrigerator-worthy events happening on Hickam over the next seven days

Movies

Hickam Grind Time

- Weekly lunch menus at the Hale Aina dining facility, enlisted and officer clubs.

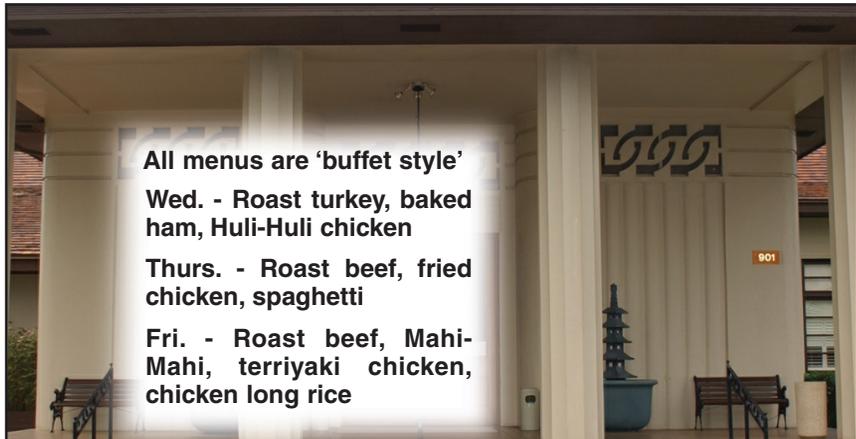


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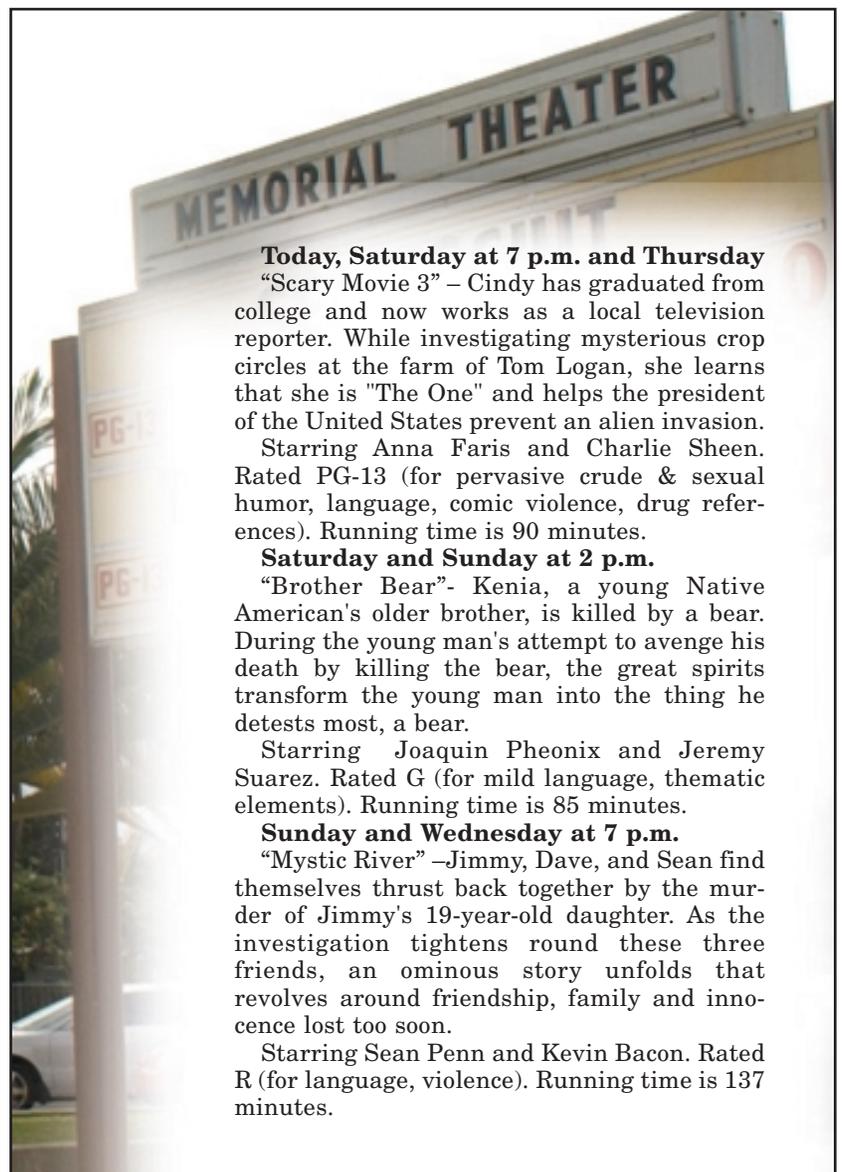
Mon. - Baked chicken, Swiss Steak w/tomato sauce, Baked Italian sausage
 Tues. - Onion lemon Baked fish, pork schnitzel, Beef yakisoba
 Wed. - Sauerbraten, pork schnitzel, Veal Jaeger Schnitzel
 Thurs. - Orange spiced Pork chops, Tempura fried fish, liver and onions
 Fri. - Lemon baked fish, Roast Turkey, Beef and Corn pie



Mon. - Carved Ham, Roast Turkey, Fried Chicken
 Tues. - BBQ Ribs, Baked chicken, chicken- Fried steak w/ country gravy, cornbread
 Wed. - Filipino buffet
 Thurs. - Soul food buffet
 Fri. - Braised beef, Chicken adobo, Breaded mahi-mahi, Peel and eat shrimp



All menus are 'buffet style'
 Wed. - Roast turkey, baked ham, Huli-Huli chicken
 Thurs. - Roast beef, fried chicken, spaghetti
 Fri. - Roast beef, Mahi-Mahi, terriyaki chicken, chicken long rice

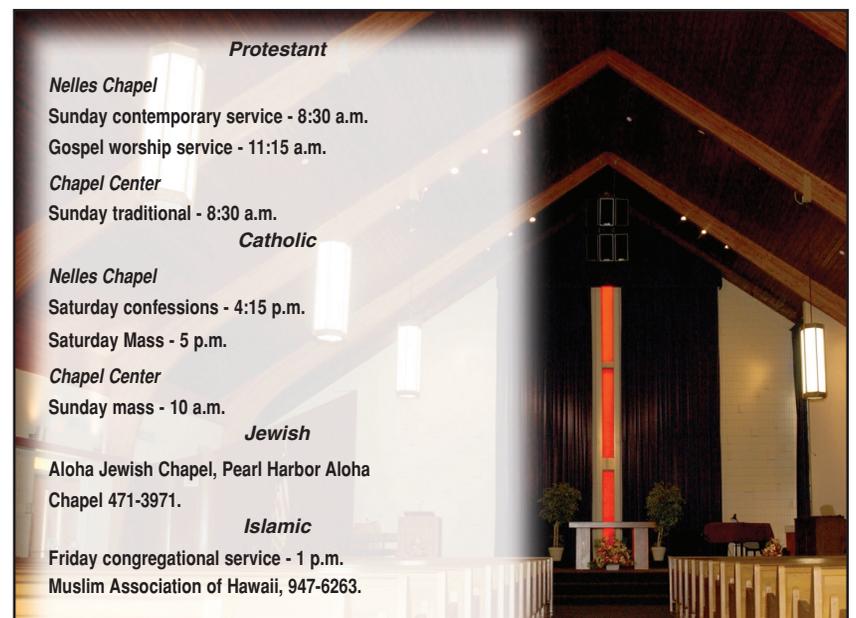


Today, Saturday at 7 p.m. and Thursday
 "Scary Movie 3" – Cindy has graduated from college and now works as a local television reporter. While investigating mysterious crop circles at the farm of Tom Logan, she learns that she is "The One" and helps the president of the United States prevent an alien invasion. Starring Anna Faris and Charlie Sheen. Rated PG-13 (for pervasive crude & sexual humor, language, comic violence, drug references). Running time is 90 minutes.

Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.
 "Brother Bear"– Kenia, a young Native American's older brother, is killed by a bear. During the young man's attempt to avenge his death by killing the bear, the great spirits transform the young man into the thing he detests most, a bear. Starring Joaquin Pheonix and Jeremy Suarez. Rated G (for mild language, thematic elements). Running time is 85 minutes.

Sunday and Wednesday at 7 p.m.
 "Mystic River" –Jimmy, Dave, and Sean find themselves thrust back together by the murder of Jimmy's 19-year-old daughter. As the investigation tightens round these three friends, an ominous story unfolds that revolves around friendship, family and innocence lost too soon. Starring Sean Penn and Kevin Bacon. Rated R (for language, violence). Running time is 137 minutes.

Chapel



Protestant

Nelles Chapel
 Sunday contemporary service - 8:30 a.m.
 Gospel worship service - 11:15 a.m.

Chapel Center
 Sunday traditional - 8:30 a.m.

Catholic

Nelles Chapel
 Saturday confessions - 4:15 p.m.
 Saturday Mass - 5 p.m.

Chapel Center
 Sunday mass - 10 a.m.

Jewish

Aloha Jewish Chapel, Pearl Harbor Aloha Chapel 471-3971.

Islamic

Friday congregational service - 1 p.m.
 Muslim Association of Hawaii, 947-6263.

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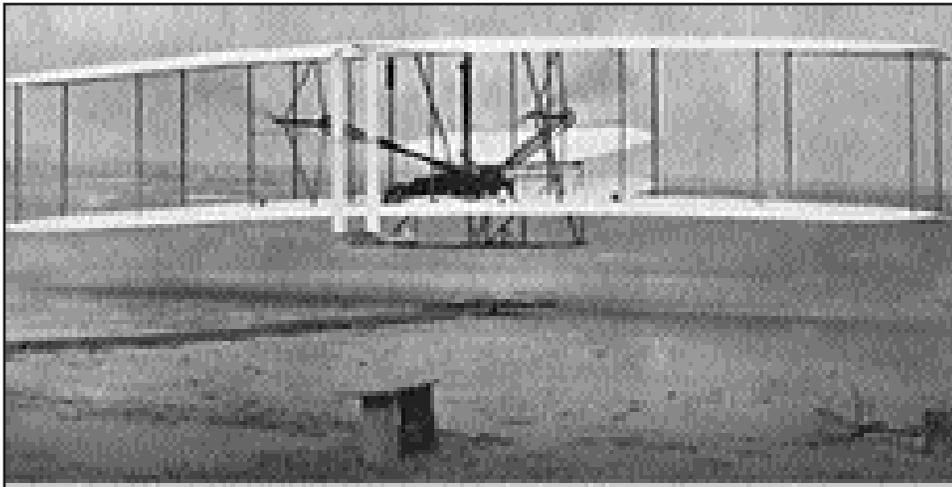
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Kapolei Hale to Kapolei Fairgrounds
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Air Force takes a shot

Kim Drews, assists goalie John Dreher in blocking the puck as No. 13 Tony Rissi of Team Navy/Marine attempts a shot at a goal.

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Andrew Howk lobbs the ball down the field to score as he participates in the Special Olympics Baccetti Tournament held near the Bowling Alley on Hickam.

Special Olympics get gold medal

By 2nd Lt. Craig Savage
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Roaring cheers came from the nearly 800 athletes as the 2003 Special Olympics Holiday Classic was declared open at the opening ceremonies here Dec 5.

Athletes and coaches from more than 65 delegations throughout Hawaii competed in the three-day event which featured basketball, bowling, and bocce.

Special Olympic Gold, Silver and Bronze medals were awarded in true Olympic-style following the

events. However, everyone was a winner.

Col. Raymond Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander, shared his opening remarks and the instant he mentioned the Special Olympics motto his words were matched with the voices of hundreds of athletes. The chant of "Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." shook the hanger walls.

Hickam personnel contributed a number of volunteers this year just as they have in past seasons.

Daina Hart, volunteer coordinator for Special

Olympics Hawaii, mentioned how the Hickam volunteers play such a key part in the success of the games. "Volunteers are a necessary part of Special Olympics Hawaii. Every year we look to Hickam AFB to help provide us the manpower it takes to make these games happen, and every year they come through. On behalf of the athletes, coaches, families and staff, I would like to personally thank each and every volunteer, you truly do make a difference. We look forward to working with Hickam and its volunteers at next years Holiday Classic."

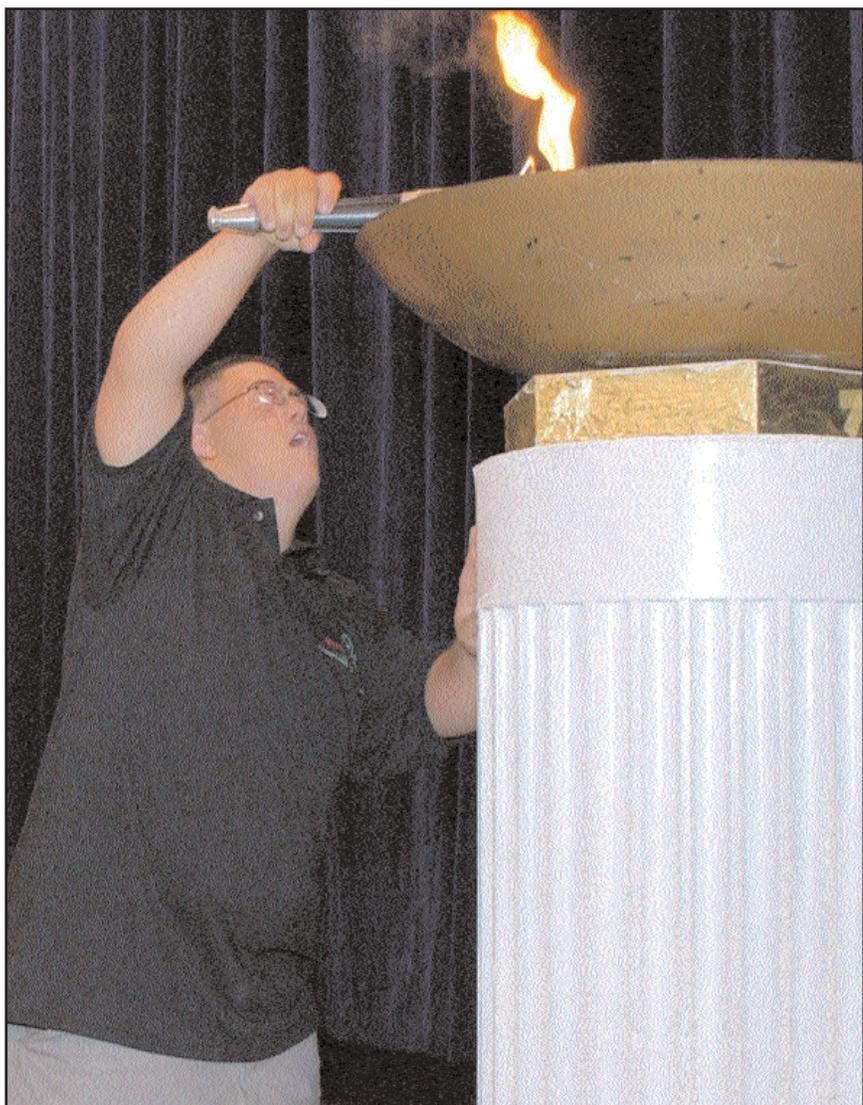


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Adrian Cleintuar, from West Hawaii, lights the torch during the Special Olympics Opening Ceremony, which took place Dec. 5, at Hangar 7 on Hickam.



Photo by Mysti Cabasug

During the Special Olympic Bowling event, Kimberly Stevenson assists Kathy Kahele who represents Goodwill E. Hawaii at the Hickam Bowling Alley Dec. 5.