

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

Mess of a whale

Team Hickam works overtime removing unwanted guest

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey
 Kukini Editor

Tales of unruly and uncooperative patrons are easy to come by at any tourist resort, but nothing comes close to the unexpected beachgoer the staff at Bellows Air Force Station encountered Saturday morning.

At around 11 a.m., the remains of a 25-foot, 2-ton yearling Humpback whale beached itself on the shores at Bellows.

"Our lead lifeguards, Tom Hearty and Mark Kawakami spotted the carcass about 700 yards off," Capt. Nate Chine, Det. 1, 15th Mission Support Group commander said. "Our other lifeguards, David Loui, Crystal Olsen and Kim Rugge had also spotted the carcass and relayed some decent-sized sharks were feeding on it."

After conferring with the lifeguards and Chris Skully, Bellows Outdoor Recreation Department director, Captain Chine said swimmer safety was priority one.

"We contacted security forces for their assistance, and they responded immediately," he said. "Staff Sergeant Joe Gonzalez and his team, Senior Airman Elliot Reid and Airmen 1st Class Charles Humphrey and Nate Kemp were a huge part of our initial success."

"Our lifeguards, working with joint-use lifeguards and the Bellows security forces team were able to clear the waters within 15 to 25 minutes," he said. "We had the entire beach up to the tree line closed and the campers on the joint-use side removed in less than an hour and a half."

He said the reasons they were able to work so quickly were clear. "The \$10,000 allocated to us this year for the lifeguard patrol all terrain vehicle and trailer was money very well spent," Captain Chine said.

Representatives from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a team well-versed in handling such situations, arrived



Photo by Staff Sgt. Nickolas Bauer

Master Sgt. Andrew Bizer, 15th Civil Engineer Squadron, works to remove the carcass of a yearling Humpback whale from Bellows Air Station Saturday.

and were a welcome source of information, Captain Chine said.

"I was very happy to see those folks respond so quickly," He said. "A whale beaching itself on our shoreline isn't in any of our unit checklists I've seen recently, and we're prepping for the UCI," he deadpanned.

After a disposal plan was determined, members of the 15th Civil Engineer Squadron sprang into action, Captain Chine said.

"Master Sergeants Brian Nolan

and Andrew Bizier and their CE team executed the removal of the whale perfectly," he said. "From providing the flood lights and temporary security fencing to utilizing the heavy equipment, they were tireless in the efforts to safely and expeditiously remove the carcass."

Though the whale situation was unique, the reaction from the members of Team Hickam was superb, according to Col. John Medeiros, 15th Mission Support Group commander.

"Time and time again I am impressed with the quality of our airmen," Colonel Medeiros said. "By the time Captain Chine called to inform me of the situation, he had a game plan in place and was ready to execute."

"His Bellows troops and the local NOAA, city and state agencies were already responding with safety first, and preservation of property and protection of the environment as guiding principles," he said.

Construction at main gate starts today

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey
 Kukini Editor

In order to further enhance force protection, a construction project scheduled to take four weeks starts today at Hickam's Main Gate.

The project, brought about after an Air Force Vulnerability Assessment Team survey, is designed

to ensure only authorized members have access to Hickam, according to 1st Lt. Gregory Osbourne, 15th Civil Engineer Squadron Simplified Acquisition of Base Engineer Requirements chief.

"CE and security forces designed a bollard-and-cable system to prevent vehicles from crossing over the median and entering the base from the outbound lanes," Lieutenant Osbourne said. "Construction will

also include colorful vegetation as a scenic backdrop."

The construction is scheduled to run through March 26.

To accommodate the members of Team Hickam, the project will only occupy one outbound lane closest to the median, helping to avoid morning and lunchtime inbound traffic, Lieutenant Osbourne said.

Live the "Law of Victory"

By Col. Scott Wardell
15th Medical Group commander

What saved England from the Blitz, broke apartheid's back in South Africa, and won the Chicago Bulls multiple world championships?

In his book "The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership," John Maxwell says the answer is the same in every case - the leaders lived by the "Law of Victory".

Simply stated, the "Law of Victory" is the concept that some leaders, through strength of character, will not allow acceptance of defeat. This concept makes the alternative to victory either so morally repugnant or unreasonable that the possibility of defeat becomes unfathomable.

Given a challenge, a leader will

use all their authority and desire to foster a common understanding among their followers of a shared victory. To be successful in this endeavor, the leader will have to reach beyond themselves to incorporate into their style those characteristics that facilitate and emanate an attitude of determination focusing on the goal; success — the ultimate shared victory.

The leader's very fiber is dedicated to victory and this then transcends the individual to engender a greater will and ultimately a shared victory.

The examples above present very different leadership challenges. I'm not saying the Chicago Bull's multiple world championships are of the same historic importance as the dismantling of apartheid or the sur-

vival of England during the Blitz of World War II. The common thread amongst all these examples used by Mr. Maxwell was the existence of a leader who was unwilling to accept defeat. Winston Churchill, Nelson Mandela, and even Michael Jordan "willed" others to victory.

They drew strength from their leader's inability to accept defeat; their ability to envision and articulate how to be victorious; and their drive to attain the impossible.

So, how can we apply this "Law of Victory" to our daily efforts?

I believe leadership is not tied to the organizational chart. Good leadership can be employed by any airman regardless of rank.

Authority and responsibility are inherent to organizational positions but the basic characteristics of lead-

ership can be employed by anyone in any situation or challenge.

If we accept nothing but excellence and victory from those around us, we will continue to be successful.

This is an essential element of what it means to build the Air Force's best wing, a Pacific mobility hub. Given our current geopolitical challenges, mission changes, deployments, expectations and state of readiness we must internalize the will to win and pursue "leadership" in situations both large and small.

Whether we are making an appointment or getting ready to deploy, "The Law of Victory" can be applied.

It's our challenge to learn from the great teachers of history and realize victory can come to those who will not accept anything else.

Action Lines



Col. Ray Torres

15th Airlift Wing commander

Editors Note: 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.

Moral courage: Do you have it in you ?

By Lt. Col. Brad Ashley

Pacific Air Forces Plans, Policy and Resources Division chief

Editor's Note: Gen. John Jumper, Air Force chief of staff, speaks at length about the courage to do the right thing in his Feb. 11 'Chief's Sight Picture.' To read more, visit the Web site at www.af.mil/media/viewpoints/character.html.

What is moral courage? Can you learn it? Can you teach it?

Some say moral courage is standing up for what you believe in or what you know is right. Some say it's telling the truth in spite of the consequences. Others say moral courage is doing what's right, in the face of adversity, when turning the other way would be much easier.

Our principle Air Force core value of Integrity First provides the foundation on which to build strong leadership and moral courage.

Moral courage is an admirable character trait every member of the Air Force should strive to achieve. Stand up for what is right! As leaders, we must establish a standard of fairness and create a work environment of trust and integrity -

our people deserve nothing less.

Mark Twain once said, "It is curious that physical courage should be so common in the world and moral courage so rare."

So what do you stand for?

Every day we're faced with hundreds of decisions. It's through our decision-making process we show those around us the quality of our character. True tests of character come when the stakes are high; when you know your decision will not be popular but it must be made. That is when our true character is exposed. If we don't use moral courage every day, what makes us think it will be there when the chips are down?

It is curious that physical courage should be so common in the world and moral courage so rare.

Mark Twain
Famous Author

When the big tests of moral courage come, and believe me they will come, there will be a

moment of reflection and silence in which a decision must be made. Our character is shaped by those decisions and our people will be watching. When your personal moment of silence comes and you are wrestling with that tough decision – I know you'll make the right one.

Standing up for what is right is precisely what makes our Air Force so great.

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Jack of All Trades

25th ASOS partners with 25th ID (light), Montana Guard

Story and photo by
2nd Lt. Craig Savage
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The fog rolled in, the temperature dramatically dropped, and an ominous tone was set for the treacherous night ahead.

Members of the 25th Air Support Operations Squadron completed Sentry Strike on the Big Island last week, an exercise that marked the climax of their training before they deploy in support of operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

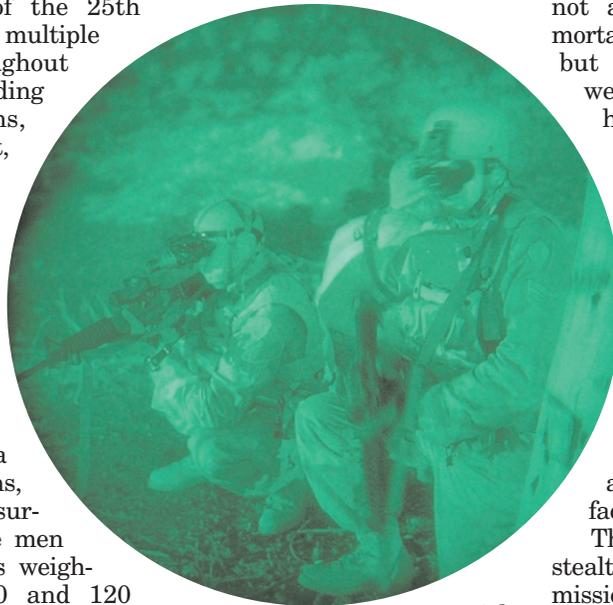
The joint exercise also featured the Army's 25th Infantry Division (light) and the Montana Air National Guard 120th Fighter Wing.

With a large number of their unit already overseas supporting operations in Iraq, JTACs – Joint Tactical Air

Controllers – of the 25th ASOS rehearsed multiple scenarios throughout the week including night operations, close air support, and Army artillery coordination.

Night operations for the 25th ASOS focus on stealth tactical movement. Armed and equipped with a variety of weapons, technology, and survival gear, these men carry ruck sacks weighing between 50 and 120 pounds.

The night began with a briefing of the mission and threats that might be encountered. An added element to the mission was moving and pro-



viding security to an embedded reporter, something unfamiliar to this unit until this point.

The toughest opponent was

not avoiding night guards, mortar rounds, or an ambush, but adapting to the cold weather and maintaining hydration. The exercise was held at a modest elevation, with daily temperature swings of nearly 60 degrees, and steady winds; the weather took its toll on a number of JTACs.

One of the controllers earned the nickname "Blister" after significant wind and sun had torched his face.

The night operation and stealth tactical movement is mission familiarization JTACs may encounter if teamed with a special operations unit.

The 25th ASOS is attached to the Army's Infantry Division (light) based at Wheeler Army Airfield. ASOS

units can also be attached to a number of divisions including airborne, armor, and special operations units.

"Sentry Strike is a great exercise to help us with realistic situations," said 1st Lt. Patrick Murphy, F-16 pilot and scheduler for the 120th FW. "It's also great working with guys like the 25th ASOS who are getting ready to deploy."

Their primary specialty is controlling and communicating with Air Force fighters and bombers to provide close air support, but their schooling is not limited to just the Air Force fleet. They are also qualified to control and coordinate Marine Corps Harriers and Hornets, Navy fighter jets, and if need be, missiles fired from naval ships.

They are a jack of all trades and are only limited by their own motivation.

Next generation bus comes to Hickam

By Staff Sgt. Celena Wilson
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A first-of-its-kind bus was added to the Hickam transportation inventory during a joint ceremony Feb. 19.

The hydrogen fuel cell-powered bus was unveiled at the ceremony.

The hydrogen fuel cell bus uses hydrogen and battery power instead of fossil fuel products.

This new technology results in zero emissions.

This venture came together under a joint effort by the Advance Power Technology Office from Robins Air Force Base, Ga., Enova Systems, Hydrogenics and Hawaii's High Technology Development Corporation. All these efforts came together with the help of Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii.

The bus, which will be used for base shuttle services, aircrew, and distinguished visitor transport, is also the first of its kind in Hawaii.

The bus will undergo one year of

data collection and analysis effort while operating under daily routine service conditions. This information will assist Air Force management with future procurement decisions, technology development and demonstration decisions.

Following the evaluation, the bus will continue routine service at Hickam.

The bus' hydrogen refueling will be accomplished initially through the use of a tube trailer connected to a compressor, storage cylinders

and a dispensing unit. Future plans are in the works for the establishment of a hydrogen generation and dispensing station at Hickam.

"The fuel cell bus is our future," said Col. Ray Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander. "Unlike diminishing fossil fuel, controlled by a few countries around the world, hydrogen is readily available.

"This bus is the way ahead for our military and the United States," he said.

Solving weather mysteries

Hurricane Hunters take to the sky

By Staff Sgt. Celena Wilson
15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Many hunters spend hours searching on foot for their prey. But these hunters are aloft for hours seeking their targets – hurricanes and winter weather storms.

The Hurricane Hunters, from the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., deploy all over the world to help weathermen in the prediction of the path of potential hurricanes and other weather fronts.

The team recently came to Hickam for their biennial deployment to track winter storms. These efforts help meteorologists on the mainland more accurately predict incoming weather fronts by 30 percent. On alternate years they deploy to Alaska.

The Hurricane Hunters have 10 WC-130H and four WC-130J aircraft to perform their mission, according to their fact sheet. These specially-configured C-130 Hercules aircraft are equipped with computerized meteorological

data-gathering instruments.

All the information the crew needs to collect is gathered from a parachute-borne sensor called a dropsonde, according to Chief Master Sgt. Mike Scaffidi, dropsonde operator. "This device transmits weather information back to the crew including air speed, temperature, humidity and air pressure two times a second during its descent," he said. "From 34,000 feet, it takes about 11 minutes for the dropsonde to reach the ocean. This equals about 1,320 readings per drop. With 15 drops in one flight, the crew can come back with almost 20,000 bits of information."

On one of their recent missions, the crew of five spent nine and a half hours in the air, tracking a potential winter storm front northwest of Hawaii. The crew consists of a pilot, copilot, navigator, flight meteorologist and a dropsonde systems operator. The first three crewmembers perform their normal duties to get the aircraft in the air, but once in the air, the meteorologists and dropsonde operator, or 'drop,' are busy at work in the cargo hold.

The drop prepares each dropsonde by synchronizing it with the computerized system aboard the WC-130. Once it is ready, the dropsonde is released from an opening underneath the aircraft and put on its course to the ocean by a simple click of a computer mouse.

Once all the data has been collected, the meteorologist inputs the data into the meteorological system and with the information from all the flight's drops, meteorologists can better predict the incoming weather fronts.

The Hurricane Hunters have a support agreement with the wing that "works like a champ," according to Lt. Col. Doug Niolet, 53rd WRS mission commander. "Whether we come out on short notice to fly hurricanes or our regular deployment for winter weather missions, everything is set up for us. The support we receive from Team Hickam is great," said Colonel Niolet. "We have billeting, a good place to work out of right on the flightline and the aerial port folks help us load our equipment."

The Hurricane Hunters depart Hickam tomorrow morning.

Fluoride: Friend or foe?

By Airman 1st Class Brandy Harris
15th Aeromedical Dental Squadron

Our bodies require many different types of vitamins and minerals to maintain good health.

Fluoride is one such mineral required by our teeth. This mineral is critical because it strengthens teeth and helps prevent decay.

Fluoride is obtained in two forms: systemic and topical.

Systemic fluorides, such as fluoridated water, dietary supplements, certain infant formulas and dry cereals, are ingested into the body and are incorporated into developing teeth.

Topical fluorides, including toothpastes, mouthrinses and professionally applied fluoride therapies act by a different mechanism. They protect the outside layer of existing teeth.

The right combination of topical and systemic fluoride is critical in the fight against tooth decay. Too much fluoride can result in an

unsightly brown/white staining of the teeth called fluorosis. Too little fluoride results in a lack of cavity protection.

Today, the main sources of systemic fluoride are drinking water and dietary supplements. Drinking water in many communities provides an ideal level of fluoride, however, the same does not hold true for most bottled waters.

At Hickam, the fluoride content in our water is kept at or slightly below the optimum level. Unfortunately, there is little or no fluoridation in off-base drinking water.

In non-fluoridated or minimally fluoridated communities, supplemental dietary fluoride is recommended for children ages 6 months to 16 years. After considering the total amount of fluoride your child is receiving from all known sources, the dentist or pediatrician can prescribe additional fluoride if

required in the form of drops or tablets based on

the child's age.

It is critical to administer only the prescribed amount of fluoride; excess amounts can be harmful.

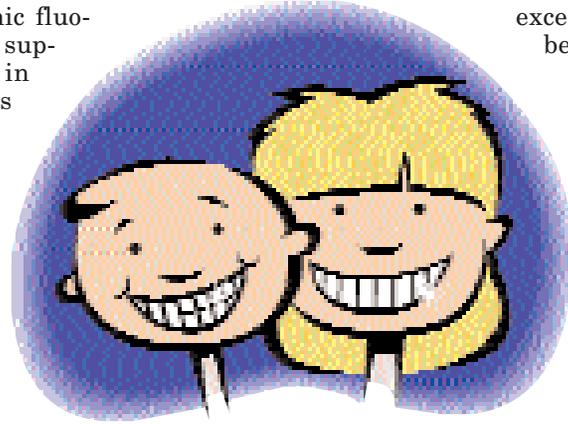
Beginning around age 2, children should be introduced to topical fluorides in the form of toothpaste. A pea-size drop of toothpaste is all that is required.

Remember to always supervise young child to prevent the inadvertent ingestion of toothpaste.

Fluoride mouthrinse is an additional source of topical fluoride, but due to the possibility of swallowing, they are not recommended for children under age 6.

Fluoride is an important component in your child's dental health and helps ensure a beautiful smile for life.

With the aid of a dentist, children can be provided with the best insurance against future dental problems.



ESOHHCAMP evaluation set to commence

By Airman Ryan Simpson
Staff Writer

The Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Assessment Management Program team is scheduled to assess Team Hickam March 8 through the 12.

The ESOHCAMP evaluates the effectiveness of Hickam's ESOH programs, according to base civil engineer officials.

It's a process that helps commander's assess status of environmental, safety and occupational health programs through identification of short-falls, while providing a mechanism to track solutions.

The overall objective is to improve compliance and eliminate notice of violations. The team vis-

its each Pacific Air Forces base once every three years to make sure the base is in compliance with federal, state and local laws.

The difference between this year's ESOHCAMP and those previous is the method of inspection.

This year's inspection is an internal assessment using individuals from Team Hickam. The last inspection was an external assessment performed by PACAF.

Col. Ray Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander, knows full well the impact the ESOHCAMP can have on a base's environmental reputation.

"The Department of Defense, Air Force and the 15th Airlift Wing are committed to preserving our resources for future generations," Colonel Torres said. "We have several very strong programs in place to ensure compliance with all federal, state

and DOD guidelines. ESOHCAMPS are part of the assurance process that routinely help us focus our efforts, ensure compliance and seek continual improvement."

An internal ESOHCAMP provides an opportunity to fix problems before regulators or PACAF identifies them, said Dennis Poma, 15th Civil Engineering Squadron ESOHCAMP contractor.

"ESOHCAMP is important to Hickam and all who work, live and play on the base," said Mr. Poma. "It is important because this process provides an opportunity to see how well the base is maintaining and complying with the federal, Air Force, state and local laws and regulations.

"This process helps identify root causes and trends that may not be prevalent from day-to-day activities," he said.

Womens' History Month starts next week

Events scheduled to commemorate historic contributions

By 2nd Lt. Kelly West

15th Communications Squadron

This year's national Women's History Month theme is "Women – Inspiring Hope and Possibility," and to commemorate this important occasion, many events have been scheduled throughout March.

The first week's theme is women's fitness and health. Pamphlets and promotional items will be handed out at the base exchange Monday from 1 to 5 p.m.

The Health and Wellness Center will sponsor a specialized class on nutrition and fitness Tuesday morning from 2 to 3 p.m.

Team Hickam is invited to join members of the University of Hawai'i at Manoa's women's track team Wednesday from 9 to 11 a.m., at the

base fitness center. Track team members will demonstrate stretching techniques and provide tips on how to improve running skills and stay fit.

Wrapping up fitness week, representatives from the 15th Medical Group will hold a panel discussion speaking about women's health concerns March 5 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Hickam Community Center.

Great moments in history will be celebrated March 8 through 12.

Biographies will be displayed throughout the base detailing accomplishments of female role models, including Sacagawea, Susan B. Anthony and Patsy Mink among others.

Book reading will be conducted at local schools. Those interested in participating in this activity should contact Staff Sgt. Lisa Thomas

at lisa.thomas@hickam.af.mil or call 449-0641.

Aloha is the theme for March 15 through 19.

An all-female retreat ceremony is scheduled for March 16, 4:30 p.m. at the base flagpole. The scheduled guest speaker is Col. Pamela Milligan, 624th Regional Support Group commander.

Bring a bag lunch March 19 and relax with a panel of five women as they open the floor to a question-and-answer session from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the community center. Refreshments will be served.

A luncheon scheduled for March 31 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hickam Officers' Club will conclude the month's activities. Those interested in attending should contact 2nd Lt. Cherissa DeChico at cherissa.deChico@hickam.af.mil or call 449-0300.



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.

PATROL RESPONSE:

Location: Kamila Gate

Complainant: An active duty Air Force member residing in base housing

Subject: A military family member of an

active duty Army member

Witness: A military family member of an active duty Air Force member

Synopsis: The complainant telephoned the Security Forces Control Center via E-911 and related he witnessed an individual jump the fence at the Kamila Gate. The complainant fur-

ther stated there were two other individuals on the outside of the perimeter that appeared to be looking for another area to climb over. The SFCC dispatched multiple units to investigate. Patrols arrived on scene and quickly detained the two individuals outside the fence. Both individuals were interviewed and identification seized. A search of the surrounding area for the subject was conducted and resulted in negative findings. A name and phone number was collected from the other two individuals and contact was made with the subject. The subject's guardians were ordered to report to the SFCC with the subject for further questioning. An investigation is pending.

News Notes

'Stairway' off Limits

The Haiku Stairs in Kaneohe remain closed. Trespassing is strictly prohibited, and violators will be prosecuted. For more information contact Benjamin Lee at 527-6634.

Phase I Residents

Residents living in the Capehart housing area who are being relocated due to the Phase I housing privatization project are authorized to relocate their small plants and fencing from their old dwelling to their newly assigned unit. Plants and fencing must be moved prior to final clearance from the currently assigned unit and an approved digging permit must be obtained from the housing office. People who are not affected by Phase I privatization are prohibited from removing any items from any family housing area. For more information contact the privatization office at 449-3088.

Detour Notice

Due to construction on the base operations parking lot a detour will be implemented through May 30. Drivers traveling westbound on O'Malley Blvd., will be rerouted right onto Freedom Avenue, left on G Street, and then left onto Hangar Avenue. This will lead the driver back onto O'Malley avoiding the construction. The speed limit along the detour is posted. Bike and pedestrian traffic must to adhere to this detour route.

Anyone entering the construction area other than authorized personnel will be asked to leave. For more information contact Capt. Reid Matsuda at 449-1560.

Hawaii Top 3

The Hawaii Top 3 will hold their annual membership social Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at Area 61. All Team Hickam Senior NCOs and master sergeant selects are invited. For more information, call Master Sgt. Dale Brocius at 449-1584 ext. 250.

AFAS Loan

It's not too late to apply for an Air Force Aid Society Gen. Henry H. Arnold Education Grant. The deadline is March 12. The program awards \$1,500 grants to sons and daughters of active duty members. Stateside spouses of active duty and Title 10 Air National Guard/Reservists on extended active duty; and surviving spouses of deceased members are also eligible candidates. For more information and the application, visit the Air Force Aid Society's Web site at www.afas.org or call the family support center at 449-0300.

APAH

The Asian Pacific American Heritage committee is soliciting volunteers from the Hickam community to participate, or teach others to participate,

in APAH events. APAH is searching for talents in a wide range of areas such as music, dancing, martial arts, story telling, etc. as well as those willing to display personal items which reflect their Asian Pacific American heritage at various venues across the base. For more information, contact the APAH committee chairperson, Capt. Joyce Johns at 449-6860 ext. 417 or by e-mail at joyce.johns@hickam.af.mil. The next APAH meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, at 10 a.m. in the Ali'i Conference Room of bldg. 1201 (15th Contracting Squadron).

Air Force Officers Dining-In

The Team Hickam Officers' Dining-In is scheduled for March 19 at the Officers' Club. The social hour starts at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. All Air Force officers on island are invited to attend. The cost of the dining-in is \$38 for club members and \$40 for non-members. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Ty Christian at 449-6860 ext. 607.

Security Awareness Day

Security Awareness Day is scheduled for March 9 at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Hangar 7 for 15th Airlift Wing personnel and tenant unit personnel. PACAF personnel are scheduled to attend March 15 at 1 p.m. People unable to attend at the specified time, you may attend an alternate session. The day will feature Ray "The Diceman" Sempko. The sessions are open to all military and civilian employees of the base.

Carnival fun, night and



By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey
Kukini Editor

The electric ooze of carnival-ride neon setting the evening aglow. The can dancing perilously on the edge of the baseball-toss ledge, a blessing from the gravity goddess away from rewarding the hurler with an oversized stuffed animal. The momentary sensation of sugary delight on the taste buds before the cotton candy dissolves altogether.

These are some of the sensations that have drawn Team Hickam members back to the annual carnival for close to five decades, and this past weekend was no different as more than 50,000 attendees bumped cars, enjoyed the Band of the Pacific, and set their senses ablaze on the midway of rides at Area 61.

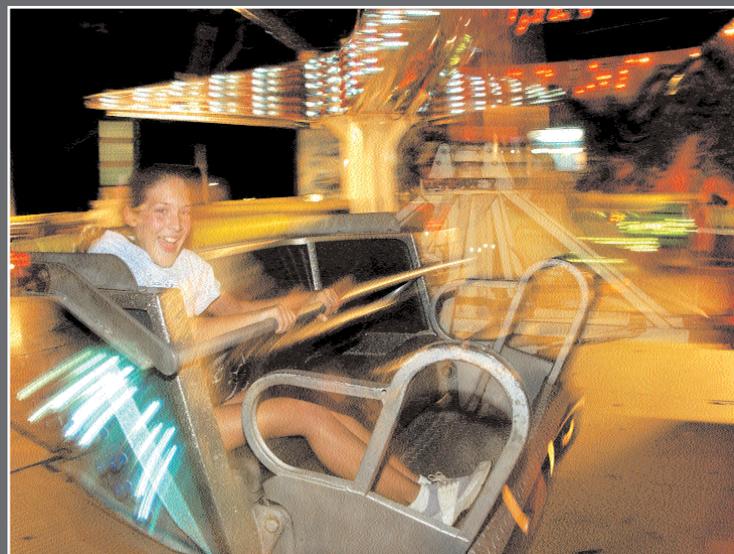
It was fun in the name of Hickam youth's future, according to Lt. Col. Denise Hollywood, 15th Services Squadron commander.

"Friends and families of Team Hickam got treated to a world-class carnival experience in a safe and controlled environment," Colonel Hollywood said. "The best part of the event is that it raised more than \$30,000 for Hickam community youth programs."

Events like this don't 'just happen,' according to Ron Kubo, Hickam Teen Center director, they take incredible preparation and hard work.

"The Community Center staff of Richard Totten, Douglas Clark, Evelyn Mills, Amanda Meier, and Wayne Kayata provided endless support of the carnival, from entertainment to Kiddieland, scrip sales and site preparation," Mr. Kubo said. "Much aloha to Jim Klembara and his hard-working crew from 15th SVS for preparing the carnival site."

Top: Yvonne Trujillo is all smiles as she prepares to dig into her cotton candy at the Hickam Carnival.
Left: The carnival area starts to come to neon life as the sun sets Sunday night.
Bottom: Jordan Bright, gets tossed around on the Sizzler during the Hickam Carnival.



day *more than 50,000 Hickam friends and family had a 'smashing' good time over the weekend*



Top: Hickam Keiki put the 'bump' in bumper cars at the Hickam Carnival. Left: Carnival revelers get the thier hearts racing on the Dizzy Dragon Sunday. Bottom: Band of the Pacific's Hana Hou members Tech. Sgt. Derrell Hankins and Master Sgt. Debra Jamison perform on the Carnival's main stage.



Right: Brandie Williams beats Navy Chief Warrant Officer Adrian Pope during midway action at the Hickam Carnival.



**Photos by
Jerry Banks**



We will not forget

SOUTHWEST ASIA -- Staff Sgt. Bashiruddin Ataullah and members of the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing honor guard perform the POW/MIA ceremony at the combat dining-in Feb. 18. Sergeant Ataullah is deployed to the 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron Pacific Air Forces Logistics Group. The event gave deployed members an opportunity to take a break from the everyday dining experience here and take part in a long-standing military tradition.

Photo by Airman 1st Class Brandi Branch

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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.

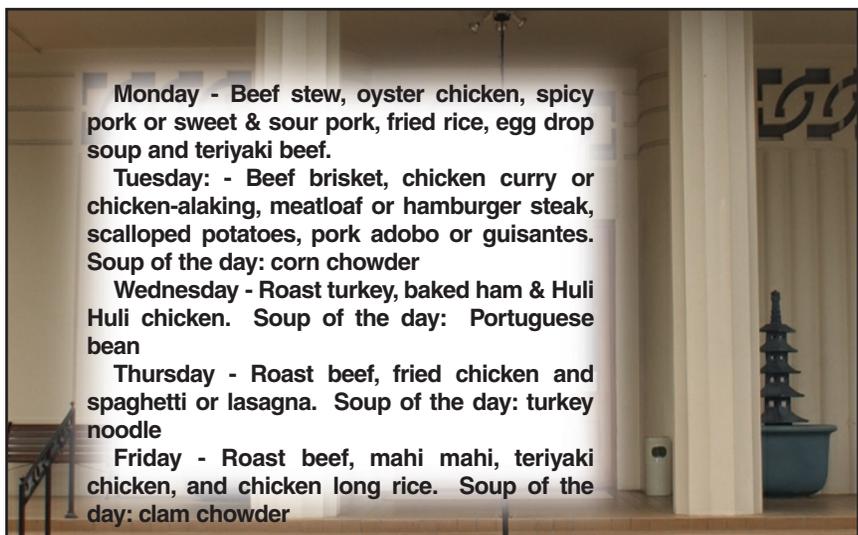


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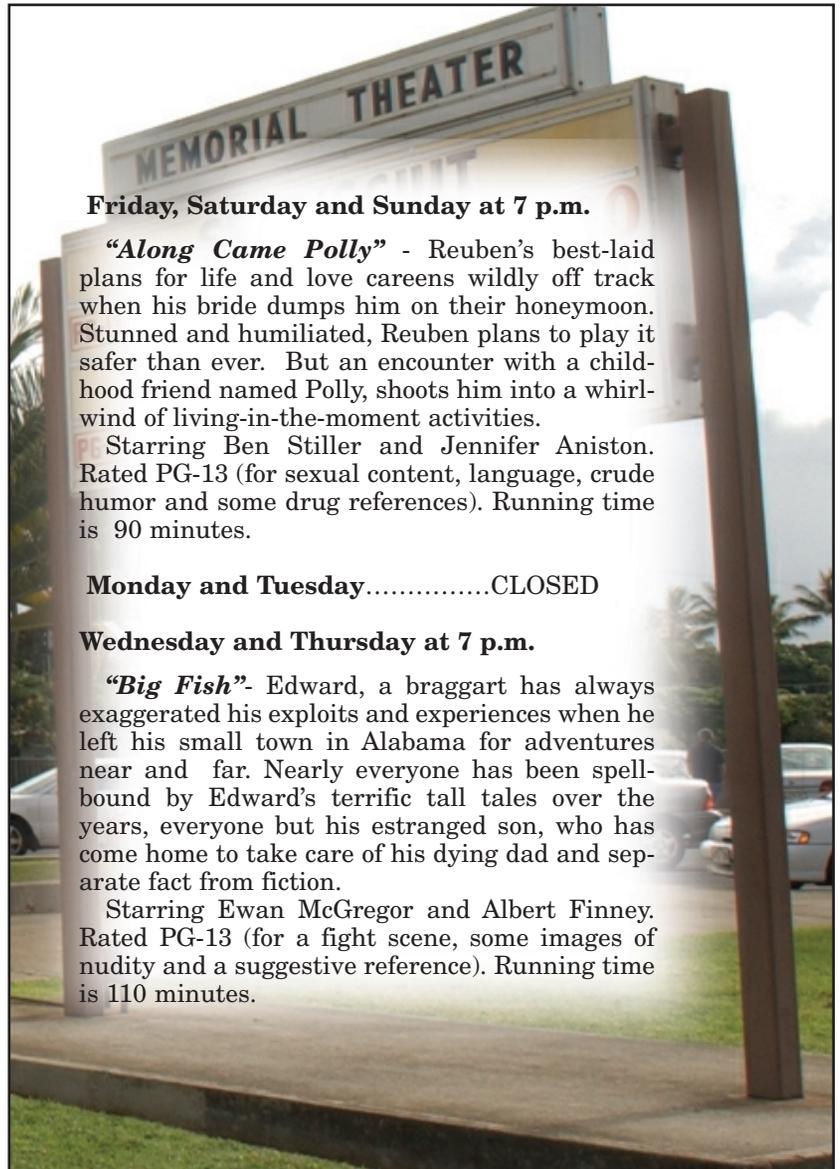
Monday - Baked chicken, Swiss steak w/ tomato sauce, baked Italian sausage
 Tuesday - Onion lemon baked fish, pork schnitzel, beef yakisoba
 Wednesday - Sweet and sour pork, five-spiced baked chicken, sukiyaki
 Thursday - Orange-spiced pork chops, tempura fish, liver and onions
 Friday - Lemon-baked fish, roast turkey, beef and corn pie



Monday - Baked ham, roast turkey, fried chicken
 Tuesday - Barbecue ribs, baked chicken, chicken fried steak
 Wednesday - Fried noodles, chicken long rice
 Thursday - Soul food
 Friday - Roast pork, rosemary demi glaze, chicken supreme apple and green peppercorn sauce, salmon casserole



Monday - Beef stew, oyster chicken, spicy pork or sweet & sour pork, fried rice, egg drop soup and teriyaki beef.
 Tuesday: - Beef brisket, chicken curry or chicken-alaking, meatloaf or hamburger steak, scalloped potatoes, pork adobo or guisantes. Soup of the day: corn chowder
 Wednesday - Roast turkey, baked ham & Huli Huli chicken. Soup of the day: Portuguese bean
 Thursday - Roast beef, fried chicken and spaghetti or lasagna. Soup of the day: turkey noodle
 Friday - Roast beef, mahi mahi, teriyaki chicken, and chicken long rice. Soup of the day: clam chowder



MEMORIAL THEATER

Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

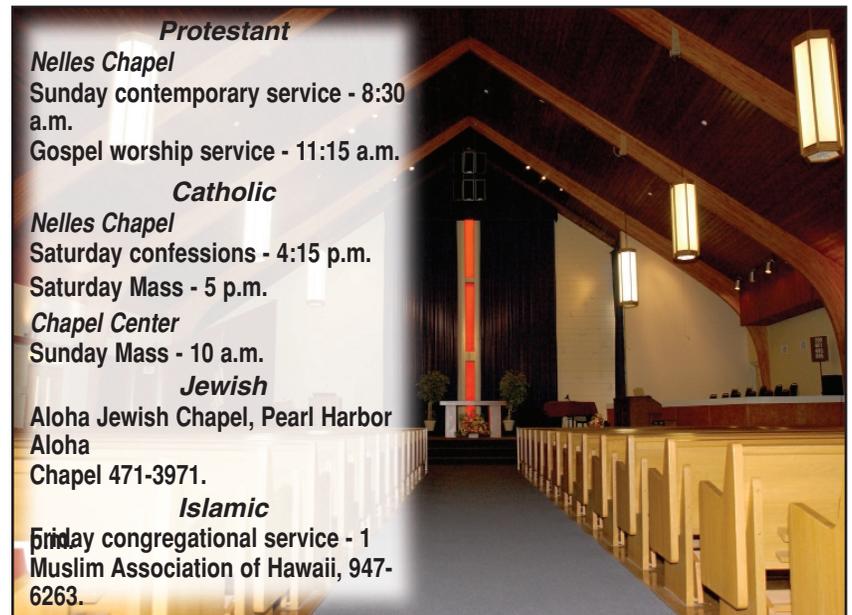
“Along Came Polly” - Reuben’s best-laid plans for life and love careens wildly off track when his bride dumps him on their honeymoon. Stunned and humiliated, Reuben plans to play it safer than ever. But an encounter with a childhood friend named Polly, shoots him into a whirlwind of living-in-the-moment activities.
 Starring Ben Stiller and Jennifer Aniston. Rated PG-13 (for sexual content, language, crude humor and some drug references). Running time is 90 minutes.

Monday and Tuesday.....CLOSED

Wednesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

“Big Fish”. Edward, a braggart has always exaggerated his exploits and experiences when he left his small town in Alabama for adventures near and far. Nearly everyone has been spell-bound by Edward’s terrific tall tales over the years, everyone but his estranged son, who has come home to take care of his dying dad and separate fact from fiction.
 Starring Ewan McGregor and Albert Finney. Rated PG-13 (for a fight scene, some images of nudity and a suggestive reference). Running time is 110 minutes.

Chapel



Protestant
 Nelles Chapel
 Sunday contemporary service - 8:30 a.m.
 Gospel worship service - 11:15 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
 Muslim Association of Hawaii, 947-6263.



Holding 'court'

Above: The Mardi Gras kings and queen (from left) Christopher "Devin" Forker, Kyla Everett, and Samuel Coyle carry their cardboard hut around the gymnasium during the Hickam Youth Center's Mardi Gras parade Thursday.
Right: Shaakila Battle (left) and Dendra Coleman decorate masks Tuesday that they wore for the children's parade at Hickam's Youth Center.

Photos by Mike Dey



Soccer Schedule

Monday

5 p.m – 324th IS vs. 15th CES
 6 p.m – 502nd AOG vs. 15th CS
 7 p.m – 352nd IOS vs. 735th AMS
 8 p.m – HQ PACAF vs. 15th SFS

Thursday

5 p.m – 502nd AOG vs. 15th CES
 6 p.m – 324th IS vs. HQ PACAF
 7 p.m – 735th AMS vs. 15th CS

March 8

5 p.m – 735th AMS vs. 15th CES
 6 p.m – 352nd IOS vs. HQ PACAF
 7 p.m – 502nd AOG vs. 324th IS
 8 p.m – 15th CS vs. 15th SFS

March 11

5 p.m – 735th AMS vs. 502nd AOG
 6 p.m – 324th IS vs. 352nd IOG
 7 p.m – 15th CS vs. HQ PACAF
 8 p.m – 15th SFS vs. 15th CES

Intramural Soccer Standings

Current as of Feb. 24

Rank	Team	Wins	Losses	Ties
1	HQ PACAF	5	0	0
2	15th CES	4	1	1
3	502nd AOG	3	1	2
4	15th CS	2	3	1
5	324th IS	2	3	1
6	15th SFS	1	3	2
7	735th AMS	1	4	1
8	352nd IOS	0	3	3

Basketball Standings

Current as of Feb. 25

Monday-Wednesday League				
Rank	Team	Wins	Losses	Win %
1	15th CES	6	1	.857
2	15th SVS	6	2	.750
3	PACAF CSS	6	2	.750
4	15 SFS	7	3	.700
5	HQ PACAF	4	3	.571
6	324 IS-A	2	8	.200
Tuesday-Thursday League				
Rank	Team	Wins	Losses	Win %
1	352nd IOS	7	1	.875
2	502nd AOG	6	2	.750
3	735th AMS	6	2	.750
4	PACAF RSS	5	3	.625
5	15th MDG	3	3	.500
6	HIANG	2	4	.333
7	15th CS	1	7	.125
8	324th IS-B	0	8	.000

Men's basketball schedule

Monday

6 p.m – 15th CSS vs. 15th SVS
 7 p.m – HQ PACAF vs. PACAF CSS

Tuesday

5:30 p.m – 15th CS vs. PACAF RSS
 6:30 p.m – 502nd AOG vs. 15th MDG
 7:30 p.m – 352nd IOS vs. 735 AMS
 8:30 p.m – HIANG vs. 324th IS-B

Wednesday

6 p.m – PACAF CSS vs. 324 IS-A
 7 p.m – 15th SFS vs. 15th CES
 8 p.m – HQ PACAF vs. 15th SVS

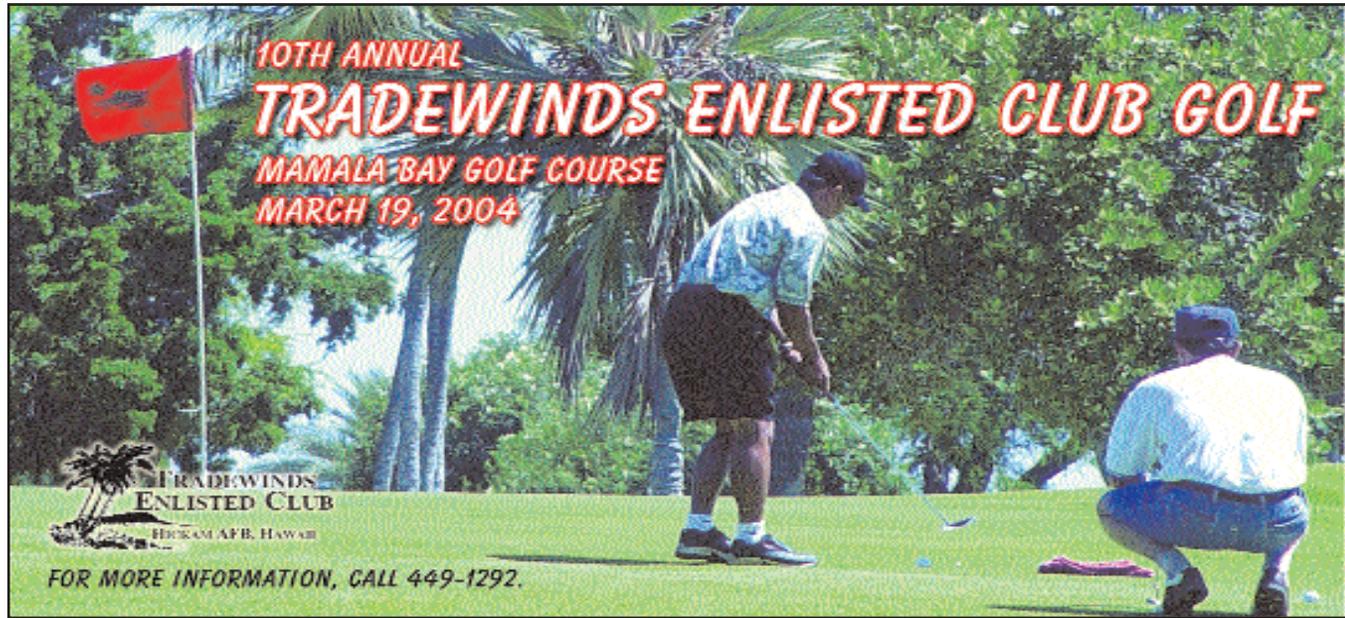
Thursday

5:30 p.m – 324th IS-B vs. 735th AMS
 6:30 p.m – 502nd AOG vs. 15th CS
 7:30 p.m – 352nd IOS vs. 15th MDG
 8:30 p.m – HIANG vs. PACAF RSS

March 8

6 p.m – 15th CES vs. PACAF CSS
 7 p.m – HQ PACAF vs. 15th SFS

Teams not on schedule have a bye that night. Season ends March 25 with any make-up games.



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735th slams HIANG 57-39 in hoop action



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

Out gunned and out numbered, the Hawaii Air National Guard was grounded in intramural basketball 57-39 by the 735th Air Mobility Squadron Tuesday night.

The Guard took the ball at the tip-off for the game's first points and led 6-4 early. AMS took control with five three-pointers during a four-minute surge and was never threatened again.

"It was a tough game for us not having the entire team due to our flying schedule," said Noa Morse, HIANG. The HIANG only had six players to field a team.

Even without all the players, Morse made no excuses and said the 735th had a well put together squad.

The AMS squad led at halftime 34-21 on the performance of Norman-Kalani Guillermo, who sank three from outside the arch and Victor Elam, who paced the team quickly up and down the court, wearing down the out-manned HIANG team.

"The Guard played a good game," said Edward Ector, 735th coach. "We just had great rhythm and beat them with our strength of play."

AMS's biggest lead came off Anthony Roane's three-pointer with less than 7 minutes to go to stretch out to a 20-point margin.

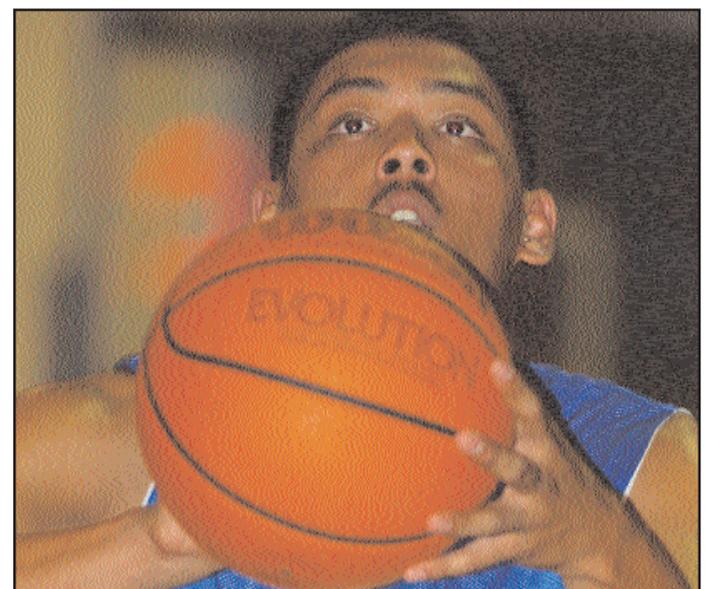
The victory raised the 735th to a 6-2 record and keeps them in a tie for second place in the Tuesday/Thursday league with the 502nd Air Operations Group. The HIANG drops to 2-4 and will look to improve their record Tuesday against the 324th Intelligence Squadron.

Other Tuesday night action:

352nd Information Operations Squadron topped 15th Communications Squadron 70-50.

502nd AOG downed 324th IS-B 58-39.

Pacific Air Forces RSS beat 15th Medical Group 48-40.



Photos by Angela Elbern

Victor Elam, 735th Air Mobility Squadron, takes a jumper over Noa Morse, Hawaii Air National Guard, during intramural basketball action Tuesday night at the Hickam Fitness Center. 735th topped the HIANG 57-39 to improve to 6-2 in the league.

Top: Victor Elam, 24, Norma-Kalani Guillermo, 12 and Shawn Johnson, 735th AMS, talk strategy during a time out. Bottom: Alexander Yancey, 735th AMS, attempts a free throw after being fouled.