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## Navy League

The Honolulu Council of the Navy League is preparing to honor 68 men and women in the three sea services here for outstanding performance of their duties. Deadline for submission to the awards program is Sept. 22. The awards are open to officers in grades O-1 to O-3 and enlisted in grades E-3 to E-6. The awards will be presented at a luncheon hosted by the Honolulu Council of the Navy League Nov. 12 at the Hibiscus Ballroom of the Ala Moana Hotel. Commands wishing to nominate their outstanding Marines and Sailors can contact Chuck Little, MCB Hawaii community relations officer, at 257-5744 for a nominations package.

## Water Outage

There will be a water outage Sept. 14 from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. in buildings 5070, 5071, 1604 and 1632. The outage is for the 237 Housing project being constructed on Kansas Tower. For more information, call Steve Butala at 257-2171, extension 258.

## Hazmat Course

The MCB Hawaii Environmental Department will be sponsoring a Hazardous Waste Facilities Operations Course provided by the ALMC Monday through Sept. 12. The course targets persons working with hazardous waste and is open to all personnel on MCB Hawaii. Classes will be conducted in building number 1359, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information call 257-6920, ext. 241.

## Fiesta '97

The MCB Hawaii Hispanic Heritage Committee invites you to Fiesta '97 at the Enlisted Club, Sept. 16. The event, which begins with cocktails at 6 p.m. and is open to the public, will feature guest speaker BGen. Christopher Cortez, deputy commanding general, 1st Marine Division. There will be an authentic Hispanic buffet with live entertainment by the Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de Hawaii and all night dancing. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6 to 12 and free for children 5 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the Single Marine Program or by contacting your unit's Hispanic Heritage representative.

## LINKS

Join other spouses in learning the ins and outs of being a member of the Marine Corps family. The next available LINKS session is Sept. 15. On-site child care provided free. For more information, call 254-1477 or 254-0373.

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# 13th MEU to land at Bellows

## Topic

Marines land at Bellows in response to community concerns about a proposed landing at Makua beach.

Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 Combat Correspondent

Marines and Sailors of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit will begin four days of training with an assault on Bellows Air

Force Station's beaches today. Nine hundred Marines, Sailors and their 78 vehicles will hit the beaches and then be conveyed to the Kahukus and Schofield Barracks to train in preparation for their deployment to the Western Pacific. Others will be flown into Makua Valley from the USS Peleliu as well as from Bellows.

While in Makua Valley, these units will be conducting various live fire exercises.

"Conducting training in Hawaii is an important part of

preparing Marine Expeditionary Units that deploy semiannually to forward locations in the Indian Ocean and Persian Gulf," said BGen. Ralph E. Parker Jr., deputy commanding general, Marine Forces Pacific. "These units are key elements in assuring peace and security throughout the world. Their operations have saved lives and protected American interests in numerous crises."

The Marines originally planned to land at Makua Beach and cross Farrington Highway

into the valley, but community concerns prompted a second look and continued discussion on the landing.

Protests of the landing were centered on the sacredness of Makua Beach. Entertainer Israel Kamakawiwo'ole's ashes were recently spread in the waters off Makua beach.

"For us in Waianae, this is a sacred place. It is our church," said Glenn Kila, Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board member.

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## Engineers launch demolitions rockets at range

Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 Combat Correspondent

Engineer Platoon, Combat Support Company, launched two MK 155 linear demolitions charges at the range here, Aug. 26.

The inert line charges were fired in preparation for the upcoming deployment to Pohakuloa Training Area in September, according to Sgt. Joseph Manuso, squad leader, engineers platoon.

"It's really a refresher course for the new devil dogs before we go up to PTA," said Manuso. "Once we get up there we'll have the live charges, and this way everybody will be ready."

"It's good training to have for future reference," said PFC Shawn Heaton, combat engineer. "We're going up to PTA to do the real charges and this will make things up there easier."

Not only does the training provide experience, but it adds

another element important to any Marine, said Heaton, who launched the second rocket.

"It gives me a lot of motivation and makes me want to train and learn more," said Heaton. "It was a rush setting it off."

The rocket pulls a line of C-4 weighing around 1,750 pounds, simulated for training, approximately 170 meters to the front and clears a 16-meter wide path through an obstacle or minefield, according to 1st Lt. Gary Reidenbach, Engineers Platoon commander.

"When the C-4 goes off, it explodes down and out creating overpressure and detonating pressure charged mines," Reidenbach said. "It will clear a path about 90 meters long and 16 across."

The line charge is not always effective against non-pressure charged mines, but does do an effective job against pressure-charged mines, according to Reidenbach.



Digital photo by Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 PFC Shawn Heaton (front) and Sgt. Greg Burbig brace themselves after firing a MK 155 line charge rocket.

## ASE defends West Field from 1/3

Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 Combat Correspondent

Aviation Support Element Marines defended West Field Aug. 26 against a 600-man invasion force.

The Marines tested skills uncommon to their usual jobs when 1st Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment returned from a field exercise.

"The training was basically in conjunction with 1/3 finishing their field exercise," said 2nd Lt. Joshua Clover, supply and logistics officer. "Our mission was to defend the simulated air tower

and headquarters building, and theirs was to take down the airfield. It was about 50 Marines against an entire battalion, so we were a little outnumbered."

1/3 flew into the zone in eight CH-53 Sea Stallions, then split. Four of the helicopters headed for the MAC-2 site, a simulated radar facility, while the other four touched down and offloaded Marines at West Field.

From rooftop positions, behind cars and hidden in thick brush, the ASE Marines defended their ground against the multiplying enemy. Eventually, the superior numbers took control and overran the airfield, but not before the ASE Marines had learned something.

"This isn't something we normally do," said Sgt. Anthony Rodriguez, logistics chief, Marine Corps Air Facility. "We don't go out to the field that often, and this provided us with great battle skills training."

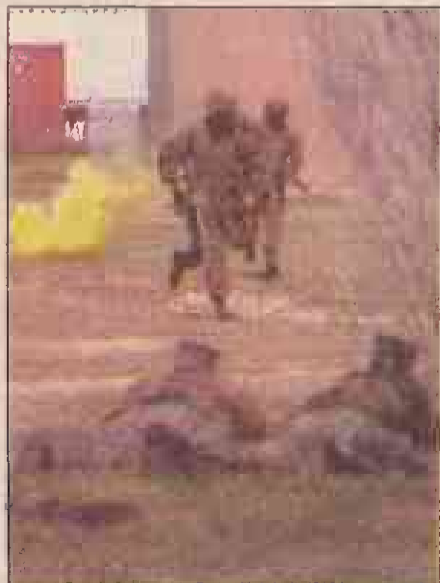
Before the attack at West Field the Marines received other training with help from 3d Marines. Along with a 5-mile hump, land navigation and patrolling

went force-on-force and set up ambushes. Their training ended with the airfield assault.

"3d Marines did a great job working with us this whole week," Rodriguez said. "They gave us some real good training, and even though we were seriously outnumbered, we were told we did really well defending the airfield. We were only expected to last two minutes, but we lasted eight or 10."



Digital photo by Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 Sgt. Anthony Rodriguez gives orders to his Marines while engulfed in a cloud of smoke.



Digital photo by Cpl. Michael Wiener  
 Two ASE Marines lay down fire as 1/3 aggressors advance on their position.

## MWR celebrates centennial

Kathy Baker  
 MWR Marketing

Acting Secretary of the Navy Theodore Roosevelt signed an order establishing the first Marine Corps Exchange Sept. 17, 1897.

To celebrate the 100th birthday of the Marine Corps Exchange, MCB Hawaii's MCX will celebrate with a host of promotions and activities from Sept. 11 to 21.

Call home free courtesy of AT&T Sept. 11 at the MCX, and take advantage of the 100th Hour sale Sept. 12, with specials throughout the store, featuring 100-cent and \$100 items. From 10 to noon, there will be prizes, demonstrations and entertainment for the entire family.

For every \$50 or more purchased at MCX or Exchange Annex, customers will receive a coupon for 100 cents off at the Officers' Club lunch buffet or the lunch special at Pacific Hideaway's Koa Malina Sept. 12.

ITT will celebrate with a \$100 entertainment giveaway package. K-Bay Gas Lanes will reward the first 100 customers with a silver dollar for filling their car with 10 gallons or more of gas from Sept. 12 to 14.

MCX and MWR plan to make this a year of customer appreciation with more exciting happenings during the 100th anniversary of the MCX.

# Gunny gets results with letter to commandant

LCpl. Barry Proctor  
Combat Correspondent

A Marine here got an idea concerning substance abuse prevention. His voice was heard, and now his plan has been executed.

The vision of GySgt. Gary J. Stearman, a substance abuse control officer, MCB Hawaii Substance Abuse Control Center, on how the Marine Corps could battle alcohol abuse was relayed in a e-mail sent March 14, 1996, to Gen. Charles C. Krulak, commandant of the Marine Corps.

"There are a high percentage of Marines getting discharged because of substance abuse and abuse-related incidents," said Stearman. "It's a big problem and it does much harm to the Corps."

Stearman's objective, stated in the e-mail, was to make a secondary military occupa-

tional specialty to formally train substance abuse prevention officers to work on the unit level. It's big step the Marine Corps took to fight the war against abuse, said Stearman.

Stearman has worked as a SAPO since 1991 and has seen many of the problems which drugs and alcohol brings to Marines. His e-mail also outlined his thoughts and solutions to fighting this problem.

"The battle needs to be fought at unit level," said Stearman. "I've seen guys come in for treatment after being involved in two or three alcohol-related incidents. We need to help these people before they get into trouble. I feel if a SAPO was appointed at unit level, and he was a well-trained, highly credible person, he could evaluate and get these guys treatment before all the trouble starts."

"Stearman should be applauded and recog-

nized for all the great work he has done in this field and for his time and effort and his genuine concern for his fellow Marines," said Ken Fujimori, SACC director.

The ideas and request could have gone to unit commanding officers, according to Stearman, but the program, if approved, would only be implemented here.

"This is something which can benefit the entire Marine Corps, so I felt it was important enough to be brought to the commandant's attention," said Stearman.

Krulak thought the recommendation was well-thought and a good idea, and was behind the recommendation from the start, said Stearman. Within a year-and-a-half, the new MOS was implemented.

"There is still a lot of work to be done," said Stearman. "However, the battle can be fought more effectively and we can win."



Digital photo by LCpl. Barry Proctor  
GySgt. Gary J. Stearman's program for substance abuse prevention was so well-received, it was made a new military occupational specialty.

## MEU

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Other issues discussed were the impact the landing would have on local fisherman and the traffic problems caused by Marines crossing the highway.

However, the Marine Corps was aware of the cultural sensitivity of the area.

"We look at ourselves as stewards of the land that has been assigned to us," said LtCol. Sarah Fry, public affairs officer, MarForPac. We take pride in how we take care of our lands that we work with."

The change in venue will be costly. "Tens of thousands of dollars" will be lost in extra transportation costs, said Air Force Col. Thomas J. Boyd, spokesman for the U. S. Pacific Command.

Because of the community's concerns, the beach landing was not only changed to Bellow Beach, but future operations at Makua Beach will now be looked at more in depth.

"We are trying to balance community concerns with training requirements of our Marines who are deploying into harm's way," said Admiral Joseph W. Prueher, commander in chief, U. S. Pacific Command. "In consideration of the issues voiced by community leaders, we will conduct further assessment prior to conducting any large scale amphibious operations across Makua Beach."

*"We are trying to balance community concerns with training requirements."*

ADM. J.W. PRUEHER  
CinC, U.S. PACCOM



Digital photo by Cpl. Steven Williams  
L.K. Kamalii, 15, of Kaneohe (center) practices techniques of controlling a fire hose with help from Cpl. Carl Castas (left) and LCpl. Daniel Williams, AARF.

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# Every Clime and Place

## Challenging desert environment tests 15th MEU Marines, machines

SSgt. Craig Larson

15th MEU(SOC)

**AL HAMBRA, United Arab Emirates** — Marines and Sailors of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) learned first hand what "harsh desert environment" means while participating in Exercise Iron Magic '97.

With temperatures reaching more



Capt. Douglas M. Powell

Cpl. Christopher D. Smith, S Battery, 5/11, attaches fuses to artillery shells during Exercise Iron Magic '97.

than 130 degrees and 85 percent humidity, Marines and Sailors were directed not to conduct training from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. With nothing to do during the day except rest under the broken shade of camouflage netting, the Marines found themselves consuming up to a quart of water every hour. Even in the shade the Marines were drenched in sweat.

"We had a lot of manual labor to do and learning to adapt to this harsh environment is good training itself," said Capt. Michael D. Robinson, commanding officer, S Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines.

"Not training between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. forces us to train at night, and I think if we're ever going to fight for real it's probably going to be at night," said GySgt. John A. McKean, company gunnery sergeant, A Company, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Bn.

"We knew the heat would be a big player during this exercise and we took appropriate steps to minimize its effects," said Maj. Kevin Trepa, opera-

tions officer, Battalion Landing Team 2/1. "We scheduled training during early morning, late evening and night hours and emphasized rest and hydration during the hot part of the day. Having an opportunity to work in a harsh environment such as this and successfully accomplish all of the training objectives, the exercise showcased the MEU's ability to pull together and operate under adverse conditions."

In addition to the challenges associated with the heat, the Marines clashed with another environmental challenge — "sabkhas," which are vast expanses of soft, wet, sinking sand difficult to maneuver heavy vehicles through.

"The desert environment here is vastly different from back at Twentynine Palms," said Sgt. Stephen F. Bright, vehicle commander, A Co., 1st LAR. "It provides a lot of on-the-spot training."

Bright, who served with an LAR unit in Desert Shield/Storm, said his pride



Capt. Douglas Powell

Sgt. Steven D. Pipes digs out his LAV after it became stuck in a sabkha during Exercise Iron Magic '97.

was wounded the first day of training as his LAV-25 became stuck.

However, the Marines in his vehicle made the most of the situation, practicing techniques of vehicle recovery.

Iron Magic provided the Marines a chance to gain valuable battle skills sustainment training, said Capt. James Donnellan, Headquarters and Service Co. commanding officer.

"Most of the company's Marines and Sailors are required to directly support the battalion with transportation, communications, embarkation and

debarkation, and it's usually a difficult task to give them a chance to train outside of their job skills," he said. "Iron Magic allowed us to get good training."

In addition to boat familiarization and live-fire training, the battalion was able to train squad and team leaders in requesting and adjusting close air support missions.

"Our goal," Trepa summed up, "was to get everyone ashore in this challenging environment and conduct live fire at a company level."

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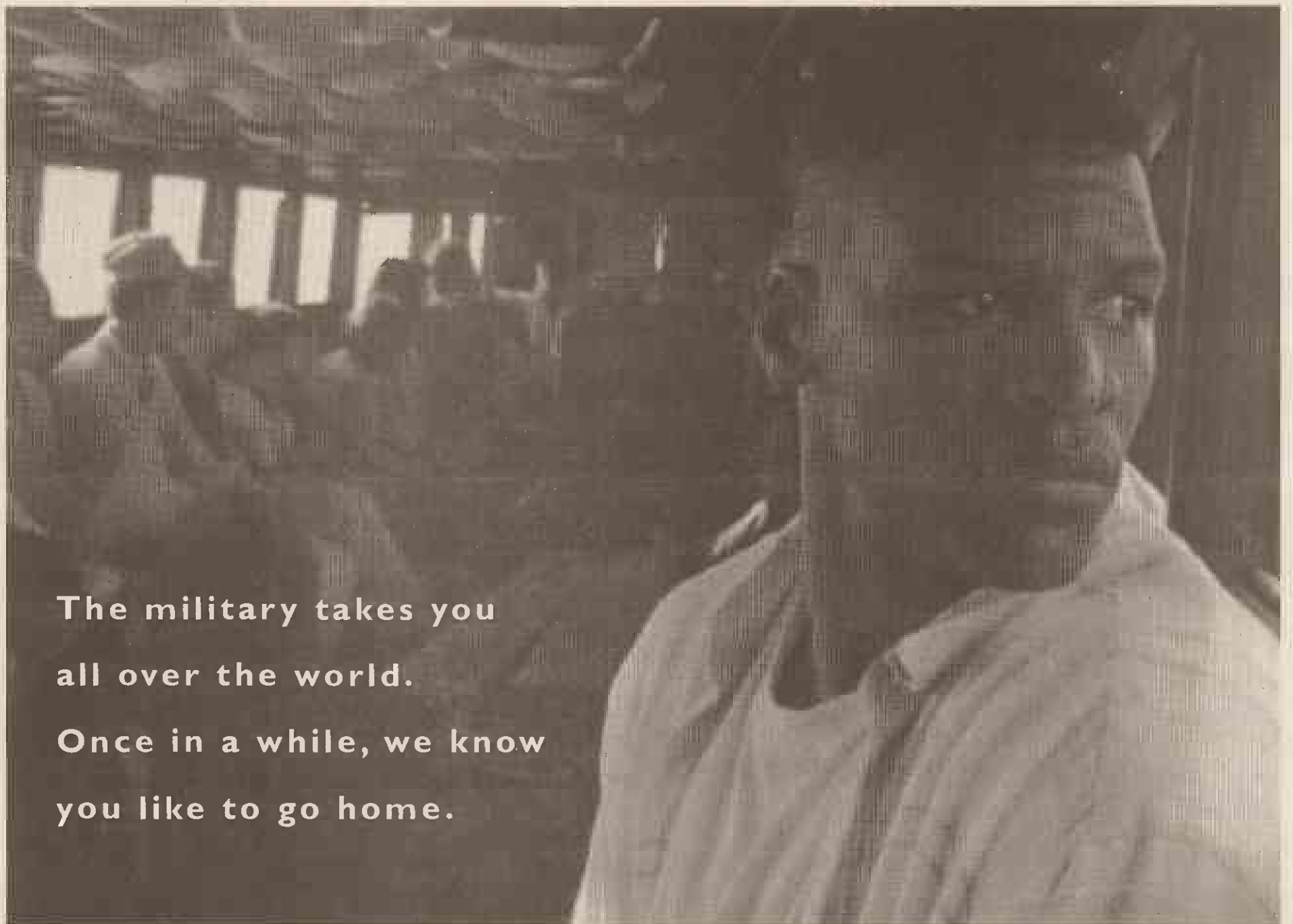
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# Be prepared for Job Fair '97

Jim Gardner  
Family Service Center

The Joint Employment Management System will sponsor its 11th annual job fair Sept. 23 at the Pearl Harbor Palms from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

More than 70 Hawaii companies and government agencies will be present to recruit for positions within their organizations. Several mainland recruiters will also be present.

Job Fair '97 is open to military family members, active duty personnel, retired military personnel and their family members from all service branches. There is no charge for admission, but you must present your military identification card before entering. No children will be admitted.

Job Fair '97 provides an excellent opportunity to explore a number of employment options — talk to personnel representatives of many companies and government agencies, leave your resume with the "hiring people" and make appointments for interviews — all in one location.

Remember, when attending Job Fair, or

any other job fair, there are two areas of preparation which will enhance your success — resumes and appearance.

• **Your resume.** If you do not have a current resume (written within the last six months), now is the time to update it. Be sure to include your latest work experience and double check your address and phone numbers. If you will be moving soon, add a permanent address and/or phone number where you can be reached or a message left for you; this could be the home of a relative or a permanent post office box.

A good resume is typed perfectly on good quality paper. One page is considered the best length, as your resume is not a history. If you need help writing your resume there are several "how to" books available at libraries and book stores, and classes offered at the Family Service Center. Call them to get their latest schedule and enroll in the next workshop.

A well-written resume will assist you in getting an interview, so bring as many copies as you think you will need. We recommend at least 25; you may not need that many but you don't want to run out.

You never know if a copier will be available, or if it will be working or if any paper is left (which will not be the same quality paper you use for your resume).

• **Your appearance.** This will probably be the first time you meet these company representatives and it is important to make a good impression. Take full advantage of the opportunity. Arrive at the Job Fair dressed in the same clothing you would wear for a job interview. Choose conservative colors, accessories, hair styles and makeup. Here in Hawaii, an aloha shirt (tucked in), slacks and polished shoes are acceptable for men, and a suit is always appropriate.

Professional dresses, skirts, blouses or suits and nylons and dress shoes are acceptable for women. Military personnel coming directly from work may wear a military uniform, which is fine as long as the uniform is clean and your appearance is neat. However, if the uniform of the day is fatigues or dungarees, change into civilian attire. Shorts, jeans, t-shirts and slippers are never appropriate.

To register or for more information, call the FSC at 257-3135, extension 353.

# Watch where you park — or your car may pay

Genea Weaver  
Special to the Hawaii Marine

Last Tuesday night, my husband and I decided to go out for a nice evening after having a stressful day. We chose to go to Buzz's Steakhouse across from Kailua Beach Park.

Arriving around 7 p.m., it was quite crowded and we had to park past the restaurant by the canal. We went in, had dinner, and left around 8:30 p.m. By this time, it was quite dark. We went back to our home on base and turned in for the evening.

The following morning, I received a call from my husband, who told me it was obvious someone attempted to break into our car the night before and had done damage to it while trying to dig out and pry into the keyhole.

This infuriated me, so I called Buzz's to see if anyone else had their vehicle damaged the same evening. The manager informed me another car had been broken into and a stereo was stolen. What shocked me, however, was she informed me this type of thing happens there sometimes and they are aware of the problem.

She explained they only own part of the way down on the land where patrons park and they are able to put up lights only so far. After I talked to her, it occurred to me if there had been some type of sign or warning patrons could notice indicating the threat of having a vehicle damaged or broken into, we would have never parked our car there, and anyone else would think twice before they did as well.

Anyway, I'm just doing what I wish someone who knew would have done for us — give us a warning. If you go to Buzz's, don't park past the safety of the lights, and if you do, be aware of the possibility of having your vehicle broken into.

# Area wives rush to register for conference

Cynthia Church  
Special to the Hawaii Marine

With less than a month to go before the close of registration, hundreds of military wives on Oahu are rushing to sign up for this year's Joint Women's Conference.

"I'm looking forward to it even more this year," said Rachel Clement, a Marine wife at Kaneohe Bay. "Last year, I was newly married, new to the military way of life and new to the island. The conference showed me I'm not alone. It was so much fun."

The two-day event, which will be held at the Hickam Officers' Club Oct.

24 and 25, features more than 70 different workshops.

"This conference sells out, said conference director Lynne DeFrancisco. "It's become that popular."

"I was so impressed with it I decided to volunteer on the board of directors this year," said Bernie Milbury, whose husband is in the Coast Guard.

The conference is designed to give military wives from all services a chance to meet and share their talents.

"It doesn't matter which service you're associated with or what your husband's rank is," said Navy wife D.J. Watson. "What counts is that we're all

military wives and we share a common bond."

"I just felt fortunate to be able to attend," said Mary Mobley, whose husband works at a joint command. "I had just arrived and the conference was already sold out. I was able to go because someone cancelled at the last minute."

Linda Shaw, an Air Force wife, tells everyone she can about the conference because it's so inspirational and uplifting. "This is for women who share the same concerns, interests and lifestyle."

"I learned how to travel 'Space-A' and how to improve my resume," said Bobrie Hite, an Army wife

who lives at Wheeler Army Airfield. "I even met someone who told me about a wonderful church nearby."

"The educational opportunities are wonderful, but so are the opportunities to share those experiences which are uniquely ours," said Suzanne Prueher, the conference's honorary director. "There is so much to celebrate as military wives."

Registration for the 1997 Joint Women's Conference is limited to the first 500 participants. All registration forms must be received by Sept. 30. For more information, call Bridget Riggs at 254-2397.

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# Apprenticeship program places Anderson Hall chefs on cutting edge

LCpl. Barry Proctor  
Combat Correspondent

Marines who work in the chow hall can turn their work time into the equivalent of an associate's degree with the Chief's Apprenticeship Program.

The program allows Marines to convert the hours spent preparing food into experience on the job and a chance to get ahead in the civilian work force, said SSgt. Richard Martinez, program coordinator, Anderson Hall.

"You take the knowledge from your military occupational specialty and apply it to a civilian job," said Martinez. "Instead of attending cooking school after leaving the military, the Marine is credited with the training for

doing his job while in the service."

Aspiring cooks could spend nearly \$10,000 for education in the food services field, but military members get the same training, if not better, from the military free, according to Martinez.

The program requires 6,000 hours of recorded work. This might seem long, but it only takes about a year-and-a-half to complete the program, said Martinez, depending on how much time you have in the military.

"When cooks who go through this program get out of the military and get civilian jobs, they usually

start off as assistant chefs making around \$20 or \$25 an hour," said Martinez. "A couple former Marines who went through the program were recently hired at a hotel in Waikiki making close to \$30 an hour."

Marines can apply for the program through the Joint Education Office here, said PFC Kevin Aull, education clerk, JEO.

"Marines should bring in page eight from his service record book, fill out an application and we will explain how the program works," said Aull. "A packet will be sent to the Marine with log-in sheets, rules and description and

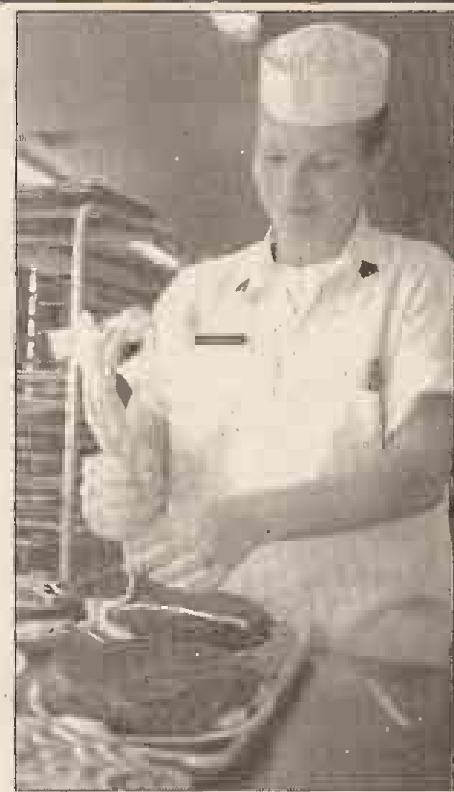
other information."

All Marines have to do is record the hours they spend at work, and when the program is completed, they will receive a certificate from the Department of Labor, said Aull.

"It gives you an advantage," said Aull. "Anyone can say 'I've done this, I've done that', but you can say the same and have documented proof you actually did do it."

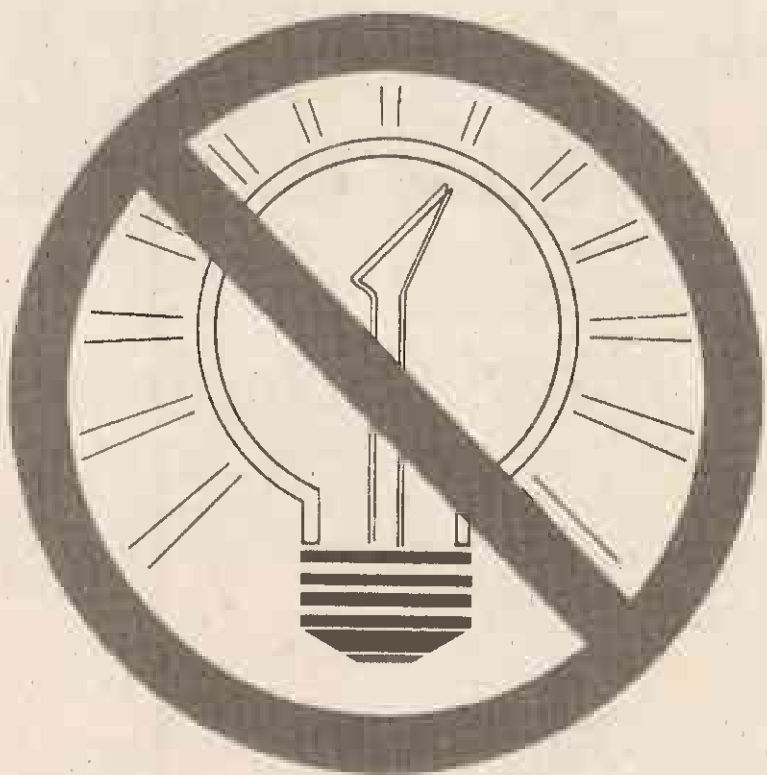
"You're making yourself better," said Sgt. Ivana M. Alegria, chief baker. "It makes you more knowledgeable and it's just like getting an associate's degree, but without all the work."

"It opens the door of opportunity for restaurant management," Alegria continued, "or as a cook, you can walk into a \$60,000 per year job."



LCpl. Barry Proctor

Sgt. Ivana M. Alegria, chief baker, Anderson Hall, applies creative designs while icing chocolate cakes. She is enrolled in the Chef's Apprenticeship Program.



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## HQMC monitors making October trip to Hawaii

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Billet monitors from Headquarters Marine Corps will be visiting MCB Hawaii Oct. 29-31, to talk to Marines about what they desire for their future in the Marine Corps.

Career counselors and monitors will be here to speak to all enlisted Marines about what they prefer for their next duty station, lateral moves, promotions and reenlistment Oct. 29 and 30 at Kaneohe Bay and Oct. 31 at Camp Smith, said Sgt. Willie E. Shaw Jr., career planner, Headquarters Battalion, here.

"This allows the enlisted Marines to actually meet their monitors, the Marine who will cut their orders to their next duty station," said Shaw. "Not all of the actual monitors will be able to make it, but there will be a direct representative for each military occupational specialty field to talk to individual Marines."

The proceedings will run normal business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., but monitors and counselors will be flexible

and spend extra time if necessary, said Shaw. Times and locations have not been finalized, but the proceedings are currently planned to take place at the Pacific Hideaway and the Officer's Club here.

"This visit will give Marines the chance to sit down and talk to their monitor, and maybe get a real good deal right on the spot," said Shaw. "They copy down lots of information and react on it."

There will be briefs for first term Marines, NCOs, staff NCOs, and sergeants major and first sergeants covering billet information and career opportunities during these three days, according to Shaw.

"I encourage all enlisted personnel to put whatever you are doing on those days on standby if you plan on staying in the Marine Corps," said Shaw. "If you have a wife, bring her in, talk to your monitors and he'll help you out. If you are a career-oriented Marine, this is where you need to be."

If any Marines have questions about this upcoming visit, they should speak with their unit career planner.

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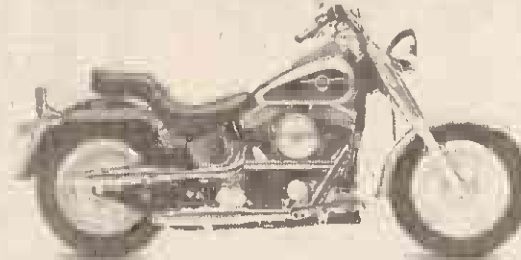
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# Sea Stallion Crew Chiefs:

## Working with some of the Corps' oldest birds

Cpl. Steven Williams  
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The slightest malfunction could mean catastrophe. The smallest amount of miscommunication could mean losing control. The faintest of hesitation could cost lives.

Helicopter crew chiefs carry a lot of weight on their shoulders, but CH-53D Sea Stallion crew chiefs here have the biggest pack to lug. Taking care of one of the Corps' oldest helicopters while transporting dozens of Marines in training is a huge responsibility, according to crew chiefs here. "It's a challenge to get everything together and get the helicopter up and running smoothly," said Cpl. Jason S. Ladner, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463.

"It's amazing how we have the planes in pieces one day and flying the next," said Cpl. Jeff R. Schott, HMH-463. "We put a lot of hours into them."

"They're really hard to maintain because they're so old," said Cpl. Ivan R. Colon, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 363.

Maintaining the Sea Stallions takes approximately 40 manhours per every flight hour, according to SSgt. William T. McKelvey, HMH-463. Newer model helicopters, such as UH-1N Hueys, only require about 25 hours per every flight hour.

One skill all crew chiefs share is they "have to know everything about the aircraft," said Cpl. John J. Oostpan, Marine Training Squadron 301. "If something goes wrong we have to know how to fix

it or how to get out of the problem safely."

"Our number one responsibility is ensuring our aircraft are safe for flight and mechanically sound before every flight," said McKelvey. "We have to open up the entire helicopter and inspect it inside and out."

There are dozens of problems to look for during an inspection, including leaks, cracks and missing parts. The entire inspection, which takes approximately three hours, is outlined in a laminated Marine Corps maintenance manual the Marines carry with them during every inspection, according to McKelvey.

The crew chiefs also do hourly inspections, which are conducted every 25, 50, 100 and 1,000 flight hours, and calendar inspections, conducted every 14, 28, 56, 182 and 365 days whether the helicopter flies or not, according to McKelvey.

But once the birds are up and flying, the crew chiefs said they get satisfying rewards.

"I like it because I not only get to fix it, I get to fly in it," said Colon. "I get to see a lot of different things a lot of people don't ever get to see."

"I like doing low-level flying like flying through canyons," said Oostpan. "I also like doing parachute operations and the challenge of landing in tight spaces."

All crew chiefs agreed that raiding targets with .50 caliber machine guns and exploring Hawaii's scenery were the best parts of the job.

"I enjoy what I do and that's why I keep re-enlisting," said McKelvey. "If you don't enjoy this job, you will burn out quick."



Digital photo by Cpl. Steven Williams

A crew chief prepares to lead Marines from 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment aboard a CH-53D Sea Stallion. Pick ups like this one in Kahuku Training Area are common for Hawaii crew chiefs.

# Transportation choices plentiful for those without a ride

LCpl. Barry Proctor  
Combat Correspondent

There are many choices in Hawaii to get people from point A to point B. Between TheBus, carpooling, walking or cycling, Marines here have many affordable options.

With a car come the usual traffic jams and slowdowns during the week on the way to work, especially on a trip across the island. The new school year has kicked off and during this time, traffic nearly doubles, said Ross Smith, spokesperson, Hawaii Department of Transportation.

A car may also not be the most economical choice for the financially inconvenienced, said Smith.

To avoid these problems, Marines have a few options to beat the traffic heat. There are ride sharing programs here to lessen burden of traffic, wear and tear on vehicles and gas expenses, said Smith.

One form of ride sharing is the car pool, said Smith.

"Car pooling is usually an informal arrangement between employees to ride together to work," said Smith. "One person will drive his car one week and the others the next."

For people who don't live near their co-workers, the DOT has a program to assist in finding car pool partners, according to Smith.

"If you have no one to car pool with, we could set you up with someone who lives in the same area and works in the same area," said Smith.

The DOT has a computer base of many different people in different areas on the island, according to Smith. They look up people who have similar residences and destinations.

Van pooling is another option, Smith said.

"For \$50 each month, groups of people can take vans to work," said Smith. "The vans seat anywhere from nine to 12 people, and van pooling is a more formal arrangement. There are designated drivers, so there is no dri-

ver rotation."

Ride sharing is very advantageous because it means fewer people are driving their cars, there are less people to slow traffic, said Smith.

"For every person who ride shares there's one less car on the road," said Smith. "If 10 people ride share, that's 10 less cars on the road."

Those who ride share can also use high occupancy vehicle lanes, which generally flow faster than the other lanes, said Smith.

There are Park-and-Ride lots for people who might have to drive to meet their ride share partners, said Smith. Parking is free at these lots and they are in five locations on the island — Hawaii Kai, Wahiawa, Mililani, Waialua and Royal Kunia.

But perhaps motorized transportation isn't necessary, said Smith. "If workers live within five to 10 miles of their job, walking or cycling is a great way to get exercise and to get to work without getting stuck in traffic."

"For every five miles you travel in a car in traffic, you can cover the same distance in less time on a bike," said Smith. "It also frees parking space for those who do have to drive to work."

To ride a bicycle on base, a helmet is required. If it's dark out, a light visible from 50 feet away is also required, said LCpl. Ron E. Feather, military policeman here.

To accommodate cyclers, there are bike racks on any TheBus buses, said Smith. There is no extra charge for using the racks.

The bus makes stops on MCB Kaneohe Bay five times a day every day, and shuttles to and from Camp Smith three times each morning and afternoon

Monday through Friday, said Jenny Schwartz, information clerk coordinator.

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The bus is an inexpensive alternative to driving, said Schwartz. It only costs a dollar per person to ride and monthly passes cost \$25.

The bus system goes anywhere on the island, seven days a week.

"Many people say 'if traffic is bad, they should build more roads,' but it's not necessary," said Smith. "It's also not a better solution. Something has to be done to lessen traffic on our roads and everyone has to cooperate. Fortunately, we have these programs and systems established and there are many alternatives to fighting the everyday traffic rush."

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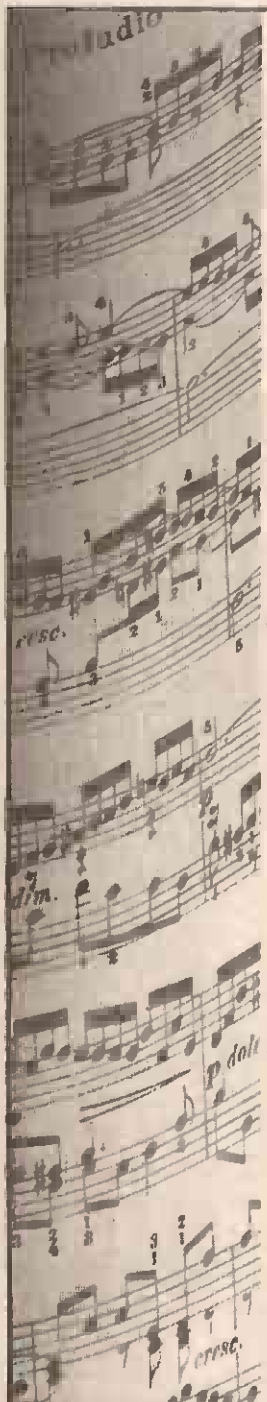
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Hawaii Marine B Section

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## Hispanic Heritage runs deep

1st Lt. M.C. Ross  
Deputy Public Affairs Officer

In general the word "Hispanic" seems to conjure images of tacos, low riders and little Mexican guys sleeping under the shade of their sombreros.

Regrettably, the depth and breadth of the Hispanic community gets lost in these stereotypes as well as the notion they are lazy, illiterate and generally unemployed -- not to mention the physical attributes of short, dark skinned and thick features.

The community itself often struggles with its identity. For the Irish, Germans, Italians, Japanese, etc. it is easy to point back to their roots. Hispanics however, span three continents and are from Spain, Chile, Guatemala, Portugal, etc. contributing to the impossibility of a blanket definition of "Hispanic."

With such a diverse background within one community it also becomes difficult to find one trait or tradition which defines Hispanics, though courage runs strong across the board.

Hispanics of note include Admiral David Farragut whose father, a Spaniard, came to America in 1776 and fought for this country during the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

Hispanics have served in the North American armed services since the Revolutionary War and have been awarded 39 Medals of Honor to date -- more of the nation's highest military honor than any other identifiable group.

During World War II Hispanics were awarded 12 of the 431 Medals of Honor, the first one going to a Hispanic awarded to Private Jose P. Martinez for his role in the 1943 invasion of the Aleutian Islands. Nine Hispanics received the Medal of Honor during the Korean War and of the approximately 80,000 Hispanics who served in the Vietnam theatre of operations, 13 were awarded the Medal of Honor. Six of them were Marines. There were 20,000 Hispanic servicemen and women who participated in Operation Desert Shield/Storm and during Operation Restore Hope, Domingo Arroyo, a Hispanic Marine was the first casualty in the region killed in a firefight with Somali warlords.

It is the diversity, the wide range of traits, talents and background and the spirit of courage and service the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates. The Hispanic Heritage Committee of MCB Hawaii is participating in the festivities by hosting "Fiesta '97" in honor of the Hispanic community here.

Activities begin Sept. 13 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Enlisted Club with a craft fair, car show, food booths and a free soccer clinic all open to the public.

Fiesta '97 concludes with a Hispanic Heritage Banquet, Sept. 16 at the Enlisted Club ballroom at 6 p.m. BGen. Christopher Cortez will be the guest speaker at this event. Open to the public, tickets are available for the banquet buffet at \$10 per person. Come join the Hispanic Heritage Committee in celebration and learn about the diversity of the Hispanic culture.

## Island Adventure

# Sky high over the blue Pacific



Digital photo by Cpl. Michael Wiener  
Randy Beane, left, assists Testuya and Amano Nuaganama back into the boat after their parasailing adventure 200 feet above the Pacific ocean.

Cpl. Michael Wiener  
Combat Correspondent

After being lifted 200 feet high in the sky by a parachute attached to a boat, cool ocean air blows.



Digital photo by CPAO Staff  
Testuya and Amano Nuaganama parasail 200 feet above the Pacific.

There is a scenic view of Hawaii everywhere you look and dolphins seem to dance at your toes in the turquoise water below.

Every day, people flock to Big Sky Parasail at the Koko Marina in Hawaii Kai for the unique experience of parasailing.

"They all want the thrill or implied danger that's there, but it's actually very safe," said Dan Holzgrove, Big Sky president and former Marine.

The parasailist starts on the back of the boat with the wind filling the sail. Then the line attached to sail is slowly let out, lifting the rider to new heights.

"We have 300 feet of line from the boat at 40-60 degree angle, so you're up about 200 feet," said Holzgrove. "Eighteen miles an hour of windspeed is all it takes to lift the sail."

The parasailist really has no control, and banking isn't recommended. It's basically a kite being pulled by the boat captain, explained Holzgrove.

But even without control, para-

sailists have a great time.

"It was great fun," said Testu Nuaganama, who was vacationing from Japan. "It was very relaxing, but at the same time, exhilarating. I'd like to do it again."

"It was cool," said Amano Minami, a thrill seeker from Japan. "I was a little nervous at first, but once we got up in the air, I had a great time."

There are no limitations as to who can and can't experience the thrill of parasailing.

"Just about anybody who wants can do it -- no experience is necessary," Holzgrove said. "The only restriction is anyone under 80 pounds must do a tandem parasail. We take kids, older people, handicapped people -- it's really for everyone."

If you're seeking a safe thrill, jump into a harness and hook onto a parasail. With a \$10 military discount, a parasailing trip costs \$39. Big Sky Parasail is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and also offers powerboat and jet ski rental.

## Marine squeezes off pistol record

Cpl. Steven Williams  
Combat Correspondent

As the sun broke Aug. 28, Cpl. Andrew L. McCormack prayed for steady hands. Several bull's eyes later, he held the MCB Hawaii range pistol record.

McCormack, an organizational diesel mechanic with 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, always pinned on expert badges on qualification days, but targeting Cpl. J.D. Pyle's 1993 392 record never occurred to him. However, by the time McCormack was finished tearing up black, his scorecard was at 394.

"I just applied everything I've been taught," the 26-year-old Colorado Springs, Colo. native claimed. "I didn't think about shooting over the record."

The secret to his bull's eye bashing is keeping his mind on himself, he said.

"You shouldn't be competing with the guy next to you," McCormack said. "I believe in trying to accomplish a personal goal rather than try to beat the other guy."

McCormack plans to enter intramural competitions. And with the scores he's been posting on the range, other shooters may want to say a few prayers of their own.



Digital photo by Cpl. Steven Williams  
Cpl. Andrew McCormack shows off the pistol target he fired a 394 on, setting a K-Bay range record.

Ravings of a Madman



By Stephen Gude

## Endorsements

Since I'm an avid consumer of goods and services available throughout the civilian community, I feel I am more qualified than a guy like Michael Jordan to tell you to wear Hanes underwear.

After all, I did write an article titled "Holey Draws," not Jordan (can you imagine him wearing holey draws?). I have a tremendous amount of experience in discerning which men's underwear hides certain smells well (Arrow is particularly good) and which underwear just doesn't hold up under the stress a man like me places on them (Jockeys are expensive and tear up quickly. Don't ask me how I know -- trust me).

Therefore, I'd proudly be an Arrow spokesman. My commercial:

Me: "My Arrow draws..."

Director: "Cut! Not 'draws,' it's 'underwear,' okay? Action."

Me: "My Arrow underpants don't stink."

Director: "Cut! No, Steve, it's 'My Arrow underwear keep their fresh scent, even under the most demanding conditions. And no one demands more out of their underwear than me.' Got it? Action."

Me: "If you sweat like me, you need Arrow draws, because they won't stink like Jockeys."

Director: "I quit!"

Me: "You're just too stressed. You must be wearing Jockeys."

Another product I could be the spokesman for is Coca-Cola.

Me: "I grew up in Atlanta, where Coke Classic runs out of the faucet. I didn't drink milk when I was a baby; I drank Coke. I take baths in Coke. I sweat Coke. Man, I even pee..."

Director: "I quit!"

Me: "Just have a Coke and a smile. Coke ads life to the things that make living nice. I'd like to buy the world a Coke, and keep the change..."

Of course, I'd endorse cars. One of my all-time favorite car endorsers was Ricardo Montalban -- "Mr. Rourke" of the television show "Fantasy Island" and "Khan" in "Star Trek: the Wrath of Khan" -- who used to talk about the "rich Corinthian leather" in Chrysler's cars back in the 70s. There was no such thing as "Corinthian" leather; it was something Montalban made up. But hey, it worked. Montalban's smooth, suave manner gave Chrysler's cars an air of sophistication, although as far as driving went, they might as well have been AMC Matadors (remember those beasts?).

I would endorse sports cars. The commercial would always be of me going for a wild drive on a race-track, since I don't race on public roads (I'll neither confirm nor deny anything anyone who knew me in the 1980s says about that). Then I get out of the car and give an honest appraisal of its abilities:

SCREEECH!

Me: "This car's acceleration is so powerful, it recurved my spine. It holds on in the corners like a leech sucking on an animal's leg, and it's brakes are so strong I had to put my eyeballs back in their socket."

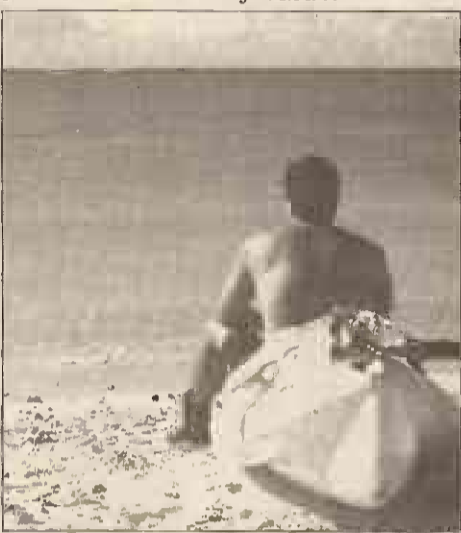
Voice-over: "So do you recommend the (your sports car here)?"

Me: "No, I'd rather buy a Yugo. Okay, just kidding. Absolutely."

The thing about all of this is, however, would America rather buy underwear from me or Jordan, Coca-Cola from me or some celebrity who doesn't really need the money or a car from me or Ricardo Montalban, who's suit is too well-pressed for him to be able to drive fast?

Trust me. I wouldn't steer you wrong.

# Hale Koa Beach offers calm waters, family fun



Digital photos by Col. Steven Williams. A kayaker enjoys a moment of reflection at Hale Koa Beach.

**Cpl. Steven Williams**  
Combat Correspondent

Campsites and picnic areas scattered along a white sandy beach crested by blue-green waters, Hale Koa Beach seems to be a hot spot for families to relax.

Its sand volleyball court and serenity also draw single base personnel and other groups just looking for fun, but many people here said Hale Koa is designed perfectly to fit family needs.

"It's got everything," said Ann Rodriguez, mother of five children here. "The waves aren't very big so I feel it's safer for my children. It's a great place to snorkel with all its nice fish. And you can be out camping, but close to everything you need."

"It's close to home and has an

excellent view," said Aaron J. McLeod, a hospitalman with Combat Service Support Group 3, here, as he built his fire for the evening. "It's a great place for camping."

And if it's not the barbecuing, swimming or playing on the beach that draws beach lovers, Rodriguez said enjoying the lack of activity is just as nice.

"I call it 'stress-free' beach," said Rodriguez. "We come out here to relax and get away. It really helps with stress."

"It's got a lot of trees so the shade makes in nice and cool," said Peter Chilecki, outdoor recreation attendant. "Everything about it makes it idealistic for relaxing and taking the kids to the beach."

Hale Koa's three pavilions and 15 camp sites are avail-

able for reservation up to a month in advance through the base Marina at 254-7666, according to Chilecki.

Pavilions are \$15 each and open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Campsites are \$8 for a 24-hour period.

But even though a small charge accompanies the use of facilities, base personnel said the rewards at the end don't have a monetary value.

# Hunt club offers chance to shoot big bucks

**LCpl. Barry Proctor**  
Combat Correspondent

If you feel you won't have the chance to experience hunting here, the Kaneohe Rod and Gun club has news for you.

The Hawaiian islands are full of big game animals, including axis and black tail deer, wild goats, and sheep said Mark Krieg, vice-president, Kaneohe Rod and Gun club.

Fresh and saltwater fishing is also very plentiful here, said Krieg. The club gives servicemembers the chance to hunt and fish at choice spots here for a cheap price.

"When the club goes on hunts, they split the expenses and it makes it cheaper for individuals to hunt," said Krieg. "What might be too expensive for non-members is made affordable through membership."

Yearly dues are \$25 and members must attend club meetings, said Krieg. Meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Bachelor's Officer Quarters conference room, building 503.

"The purpose of the meeting is to keep everyone informed about what events are happening in the

future," Krieg said.

Members are required to take the Hunter Education Class. Potential hunters can't get a license without this class.

The next class in Kaneohe will run Oct. 24 from 5:45 to 10:15 p.m. and Oct. 25 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., said Wendell Kam, conservation education program specialist, Hunter Education Office. The class is free and seats are subject to availability.

This class covers firearms and archery safety, first aid and hunting laws and regulations, according to Kam. Students must attend all 12 hours of the course and pass a 100-question test.

The classes are open to anyone 10 years and older and all students need a photo identification, paper and pencil, said Kam. To register for upcoming classes, call the Hunter Education Office.

The state of Hawaii also accepts education class certificates from other states. Take the certificate of completion to the Hunter Education Office of Hawaii for a letter of exemption. Upon request for a license, present the letter showing you have taken the course before, said Kam.

Hunting licenses here cost \$15 for military members

and are good for one year, according to Kam. They can be purchased at sporting goods shops.

Club members are also required to be members of the National Rifle Association, said Krieg.

"If you're not a NRA member, come to club meetings and we'll tell you what you need to do," said Krieg. "Members pay \$35 a year for enrollment and the hunting club is a charter member, as well. After members have acquired their hunting license and are NRA members, they are good to go."

Saltwater fishing in Hawaii doesn't require a license, but fresh water does, according to Kam. The license cost \$3.75 and can be purchased at most fish and tackle shops.

Whether it be salt or fresh water fishing, bow or rifle hunting, for deer, birds or pigs, the club offers something for everyone, said Krieg. "Some members stay on Oahu and hunt, and some go to different islands, it doesn't matter. We can accommodate any budget and any experience level."

"We go out, have a good time and share resources because we're a team," said Krieg. "Just come out to one of the meetings and you can see what we're all about."



LCpl. Barry Proctor Kaneohe Rod and Gun Club vice president Mark Krieg demonstrates aiming techniques with his bow and arrow.

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LCpl. Barry Proctor  
*Combat Correspondent*

Very few novice mainland surfers get the opportunity to surf in Hawaii, but military members and their families attack waves every day here at Pyramid Rock beach. Located across the flight line, Pyramid Rock offers surfers and body boarders a haven to catch some of the best surf on the windward side of Oahu.

"I come out here with my buddies every time I get the chance," said Peter A. Krog, Kailua resident and bodyboarder. "The waves are really powerful and large this time of year compared to other places." In the summer months most of the waves everywhere on the island are small, according to Krog. "However, the waves here are fairly big in the summer, and they don't get incredibly large in the

winter either," said Krog. "Any time of year you can usually encounter nice waves at Pyramid Rock." "The sandbar is what makes the waves big," said Krog. "The more shallow the water where the waves are breaking, the larger the waves will be."

Because of the sandbar, the water where the waves break is only waist deep on most days, depending on the tide, Krog said.

"I go out every day during lunch and after work," said LCpl. Jason Reese, a surfing patron of Pyramid Rock. "The sets are very clean and you can get good rides if it doesn't all crash at once."

The best time to surf at Pyramid Rock is between 3 and 7 p.m., according to Reese, who has been surfing for six years.

"When I go out during lunch, sometimes it's flat," said Reese. "But when I go back after work around 4:30 p.m., it's great. I've had my best surfing experiences at Pyramid Rock and the sets are nice."

The waves aren't the

only good things offered to surfers. The beach itself is long and sandy, and there aren't many underwater rocks in the area like other beaches on Oahu. The threat of sharks is also not much of a factor either, Reese said.

"I've never seen a shark out there," said Reese. "I've gone out and people have said they have seen one, but I personally haven't encountered one."

The most dangerous shark in this area, the Tiger shark, usually feeds at night and isn't a threat here during the day, said Reese.

"That's why I get out of the water around 7 p.m.," said Reese. "I don't want to take my chances with a shark."

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LCpl. Barry Proctor

Kailua resident Peter A. Krog rides a wave on his bodyboard at Pyramid Rock beach Monday.

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ater atmosphere. Cost to attend movies playing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children ages 6 to 11 and children under 5 get in free. The theater kicks off the re-opening with its first showing on Sept. 12 featuring "Men in Black" starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones. For more information, call the Recreation Department at 254-7634.

#### Bosses' Night

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#### Fiesta '97 looking for crafters

The Hispanic Fiesta '97 Committee is

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#### Camp Smith gets into Aloha spirit

Experience a Base Information Expo at the Camp Smith Aloha Fair, Sept. 12 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Visit with neighbors and get to know the neighborhood at this free event in the parking lot of the Sunset Lanai. This event is sponsored by MWR and AT&T and features representatives from MWR activities and other base quality-of-life programs. Find out what activities are happening

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#### Manana pool closes for renovation

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**MWR Activities**  
 By Kathy Baker

#### Theater re-opening

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# No mistake about it — Warriors are champs

Lt. Col. Barry Proctor

Combat Correspondent

A two-run blast by Josh Powell in the fourth inning was all the ASE Warriors needed to slam the door on the Dawgs from CSSG-3 Aug. 22 with a 17-7 victory at Annex Softball Field here.

The Warriors proved to be quick and deadly in the 1997 Hawaii Marine Athletic Council softball tournament, scoring nine runs in the first with solid base hitting, and got solid pitching from Tito Guterrez, who held the Dawgs to only seven runs.

"I was pitching high and deep, I threw lots of strikes and I didn't walk anyone," said Guterrez. "It was my game out there. My pitches were good and they couldn't hit them well."

"We've played them before and we knew they had lots of power hitters, but they didn't live up to their past performances," said Warrior's coach Denton Dailey.

The Dawgs responded to the Warrior's nine-run spurt with their seven runs, and were only down by two runs heading into the fourth inning, 9-7. But an eight-run charge by the Warriors

in the fourth inning put the game out of reach.

"We came back to win the last game 13-12 against 3rd Marines and we thought we could come-back again, but our sticks just didn't produce," said Fred Wells, Dawgs' first baseman. "Their fans were in the game and supported them the whole game. They played tough and we just didn't have the hitting to catch up after the first inning."

"We only needed the nine runs in the first," said left-center fielder Walter Burnett. "The runs we scored in the fourth were the insurance we needed, but we had it wrapped up after the first."

The highlight of the Warrior's fourth-inning scoring surge was Powell's home run to dead center.

"It was out over the plate and I hit it hard," said Powell, who hit three homers in the tourney. "We slacked off until the fourth inning, but I think the first inning sealed the game."

"The Dawgs are usually hard to beat, but this game they seemed flat," said Dailey. "Their hitters tried too hard and they didn't produce."

SSgt. Stephen Gude  
Football expert

Lt. Col. James Gettings, G-3, MCB Hawaii, won the pool this week with a record of 9-5 after Sunday's games (10-5 overall).

Of course, the fact I am not eligible was his saving grace, for we both finished with the same record and I picked the combined Green Bay-Chicago score almost exactly. See how nice I am to you people?

The key pick for Gettings was the Giants/Eagles game, which stumped everyone else, including me. Surprisingly, only three of the eight poolers picked the Cowboys to beat the Steelers; did you guys really think Kordell Stewart was back to normal after that ugly knee injury? Everyone lost on the San Francisco and Carolina picks, which means the St. Louis Rams get to spend at least one week in first place. Enjoy it while you can, Rams fans. It's not going to last.

This week (Madman's picks in bold):

Buffalo at NY Jets: After that stomping they gave the Seahawks, maybe it's true what they say about Parcels.

Carolina at Atlanta: Everyone goes to Atlanta to feel better, whether it's at Underground Atlanta or the Georgia Dome.

Cincinnati at Baltimore: This is a tough pick, but the Bengals are a better team.

Tennessee at Miami: This will be a tough game, Dolphins. Don't be surprised if the Oilers pull an upset.

Minnesota at Chicago: Another toughie. Was Chicago for real against Green Bay, or just motivated?

New England at Indianapolis: The Patriots are a powerful team.

San Diego at New Orleans: "Nawlens" will rally this week behind a Ditka tirade.

San Francisco at St. Louis: Upset in the making? What are the Niners going to do without Jerry Rice?

Tampa Bay at Detroit: The key here is Barry Sanders versus the Tampa defense.

Washington at Pittsburgh: After being embarrassed by the Cowboys, the Steelers will want to make a statement.

Denver at Seattle: The Broncos didn't look sharp last week, but they'll have it together.

Green Bay at Philadelphia: Everyone's gunning for the Pack to shut them up, but they're too strong.

NY Giants at Jacksonville: I'm telling you, the Jags are for real. Wait till Brunell comes back — they are going to stomp other teams.

Dallas at Arizona: Should be an easy game for the 'Boys.

The Breaker: Kansas City at Oakland: The Raiders are the best Monday Night Football team ever. 41 points.

### Standings

Note: parentheses indicates pool wins

	W	L	Pct.
Lt. Col. J. Gettings (G-3)	10	5	.667 (1)
SSgt. M. Balmer (HQBn)	9	6	.600
Cpl. J. Glaister (MarForPac)	9	6	.600
Sgt. D. Phillips (HQBn)	8	7	.528
MSgt. L. Wimsatt (G-3)	8	7	.528
Cpl. S. Williams (HQBn)	6	9	.399
SSgt. R. Butler (MarForPac)	5	10	.330
Madman (Ineligible to win, but still the reigning champion)	10	5	.667

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#### Dinner

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#### Lunch

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#### Dinner

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### Sunday

#### Dinner

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### Monday

#### Lunch

Savory baked chicken  
Salisbury steak  
Steamed rice

#### Dinner

Pork adobo  
Oven roast beef  
Simmered succotash

### Tuesday

#### Lunch

Beef stew  
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#### Dinner

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Movie Review

SSgt. Stephen Gude Press Chief

Seeing "Mimic" was the first time I've had the chance to see a horror movie on the big screen...

"Mimic" — not for the squeamish

areas such as here, Florida and the New York subway system should not see this movie. Of course, if you like seeing insects get squashed, shot and burned...

Of course, Sorvino is successful in eliminating the roaches and the disease, but just as in "The Lost World," life found a way to keep the Judas Breed alive...

movie and some ticked-off customers. Just as an aside, I'd like to point out here Mira Sorvino is an extremely good-looking bug lover...

One of the things about the movie which bothered me were its quiet moments. They afforded me the chance to hear myself smacking on my Lemonheads and slurping my huge Coca-Cola...

Coke, I REALLY had to use the restroom... ..but the movie wouldn't let me. I won't give away any more of the movie except to say the gorgeous Sorvino saves the day against the insects...

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