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Homeland Security turns 1

Sgt. 1st Class Doug Sample
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The Department of Homeland Security will turn 1 year old Monday, but the past year has not been without challenges, one official said Tuesday.

The homeland security undersecretary for management, Janet Hale, told members of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association that the past year has been

extraordinary and that standing up the department has been one of the "largest management challenges the federal government has ever seen."

Hale was the keynote speaker for the opening day of AFCEA's 2004 Homeland Security Conference here. She said when the department was stood up in 2003, some 180,000 employees had to be "fired, then rehired" and that 22 agencies, including the Coast Guard, had to fit under one umbrella.

Hale noted that over the past year the

department set out to merge and create new organizations with new capacities better integrated for the department's post-911 mission.

Hale said the department has taken "steps forward" to better communicate with the public through "information sharing," an effort she added would enable the public to be more prepared. She called this initiative a cornerstone of the department and one that Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge cares tremendously about.

In the next three to four months, Hale said, the department plans to have in place a two-way, secure communications network that will operate between state governor offices across the country. The department has also moved forward with the creation of several public Web domains such as Ready.gov and DisasterHelp, she said.

Hale said the nation's preparedness against a terrorist attack is "a national

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MCB Hawaii aids monk seal



Cpl. Jason E. Miller



Gunnery Sgt. Rhys A. Evans



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An 18-year-old Hawaiian Monk Seal was tagged by members of the National Marine Fisheries Service aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Monday. The seal was found on North Beach just off the 16th tee box of the Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course earlier that morning. Researchers fitted the animals with a radio transmitter and new tags before releasing it in an attempt to learn more about the lifestyles of these endangered Marine mammals.

Pedestrian injured on Mokapu

Hawaii Marine Staff
Press Release

A privately-owned vehicle struck a pedestrian while he was crossing in a crosswalk on Mokapu Road at 7 a.m. Tuesday. The pedestrian was treated at Tripler Army Medical Center for a broken leg and a cut on his hand, then released. The vehicle involved in the incident was traveling at a normal rate of speed, but failed to stop at the crosswalk.

Base Safety and the Provost Marshal's Office said that while operating a motor vehicle on base, motorists should be especially cautious when approaching crosswalks, and to remember that pedestrians do have the right of way, so future incidents can be prevented.

School zones, pedestrians, housing complexes and recreation fields are located in various places along Mokapu, which require drivers to slow their speed to avoid potential dangers.

"Troops also march along this road," said Sgt. Matthew Baughman, traffic bailiff at the Military Police Department, MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. "People need to follow the posted speed limits to avoid being surprised by a crossing pedestrian wearing dark clothing."

Base Order 5500.15A Ch 9 provides guidance regarding reflective gear.

Kaneohe Bay Marines fall victim in two accidents

Hawaii Marine Staff
Press Release

A Marine with 3rd Marine Regiment, located aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, was injured Feb. 18 during a training exercise here. Sergeant Christopher Raize-Montez remains stable in the intensive care unit at Queen's Medical Center. The cause of the accident is being investigated.

In a separate incident, Cpl. Stephen Dunham, also a K-Bay Marine, died in a motorcycle accident Feb. 14 when he lost control of his motorcycle while exiting the H-3 freeway to Moanalua freeway at approximately 10:50 a.m.

Dunham, who was conscientious at the scene and wearing a helmet, died at the Queen's Medical Center. The accident is being investigated.

CH-53Ds keep their rotors spinning hard

Lance Cpl. Rich Mattingly
Combat Correspondent

Ver•sa•tile, adjective, defined by "Miriam-Webster" dictionary as with many uses, moving easily between tasks, free moving and changeable — from the Latin versatilis, meaning turning easily.

More than 80 aviators, maintainers, supply logisticians and civilian contractors, who work and live with CH-53D Sea Stallions, gathered at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay's Staff NCO Club Feb. 19 and 20, to share ideas on how to maximize the airframe's continued value to the vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) mission as the aircraft are

retrofitted and adapted to the Marine Corps' changing demands.

The six-bladed rotor of the versatile CH-53D Sea Stallion has been a welcome battlefield sight for the eyes of countless Marines. The Sea Stallion has dramatically impacted Marine Corps warfighting strategy and continues to be an important asset. Its reliability and uncanny ability to adapt to a dizzying array of combat scenarios is matched only by the reputation of the Marines who have completed countless missions staged from its 30-foot-long cargo area.

"The CH-53D is an indispensable, relevant and powerful aircraft for Marine aviation and national defense,"

said 1st Lt. Ann Burke, operations and logistics officer for Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24. "The objective of this conference was to determine how to effectively maintain that and sustain it over the next decade."

The Sea Stallion, still used as both a heavy and medium-lift platform, can carry 38 combat-equipped troops, or a 105mm howitzer, or even a Hawk missile system, and vertically insert into virtually any terrain.

Speakers discussed, in a forum setting, how to ease supply and logistics issues as the Sea Stallions move into the future, a future particularly important

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MCBH NEWS BRIEFS

TODAY IS DEADLINE FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE NOMINATIONS

The deadline to submit nominations for active duty service members who selflessly contribute to their local community through generous off-duty volunteer activities is today. The Chamber of Commerce, the Military Affairs Council, and major local businesses want to recognize and show their appreciation for the outstanding contributions of Hawaii's military members with a luncheon at the Hawaii Hilton Village, May 19. First Hawaiian Bank, Inc., and Alexander & Baldwin, LLC, will be sponsoring the luncheon.

Nomination forms are available at the U.S. Pacific Command's Community Relations office and should be submitted through senior command enlisted leaders. Fax nomination forms to the U.S. Pacific Command's Community Relations Office at 477-6247.

STATE ALERT TO SOUND MONDAY

The State Civil Defense monthly test of sirens and the Emergency Alert System will be held Monday at 11:45 a.m.

The siren test is a steady 45-second tone, used to alert the public of any emergency that poses or may pose a threat to life and property. The siren signal alerts the public to turn on any radio or television for emergency information and instructions broadcast by civil defense agencies.

Tests of the State Civil Defense are conducted simultaneously in cooperation with Hawaii's broadcast industry each month. Disaster preparedness information is located in the front section of the white pages of telephone directories in all counties.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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Fraud, Waste, Abuse & EEO	257-8852
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McAbee assesses troops

Cpl. Danielle M. Bacon
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CAMP DOHA, Kuwait — The Commanding General of MCB Hawaii, serving in his capacity as Deputy Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific, visited Marines from I Marine Expeditionary Force who are deployed to Kuwait for the reception, staging, onward movement and integration phase of Operation Iraqi Freedom II, Feb. 16.

In assessing the current buildup of troops and equipment, Brig. Gen.

Jerry C. McAbee toured Camp Udairi, meeting with Marines from both 1st Marine Division and 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing.

"Up to this point the deployment for OIF II has been a lot smoother than the deployment for OIF I ... in that we have done just a great job of getting our supplies and people to the airfield ... and getting our equipment to the docks to put on board the ships," said McAbee. "It has all gone like clockwork. It has been virtually flawless."

Although not his first stop,

McAbee's pause at the 7th Marine Regiment command post may have been his most important. It was there that he saw the result of armoring the High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle A2.

"I think the most important difference between this time and last is the armor plating that is being placed on the HMMWVs, seven-ton trucks and other rolling stock. We didn't do or have that last time," McAbee said.

Although new armor was one of McAbee's highest priorities it was not his only concern.

"The first hope that all of us have is that we return home uninjured," McAbee said. "The second thing is that we want our Marines to develop and take home leadership skills and great tactical skills that will hold the Marine Corps to its standards for the next thirty years. We are developing our leaders and our combat proficiency."

"We want our good Marines to stay, to learn a lot, to come back and lead, and to make a career out of it."

While eating lunch with several junior enlisted Marines, McAbee reflected on the combat readiness of the Marines he saw at Camp Udairi.

McAbee added, "I don't think we have ever sent a group of Marines and Sailors into harm's way who are better led, better manned or better equipped than the force that we are getting ready to send into Iraq."

"All Americans should take a great



Lance Cpl. JonDior Ferrell

Brigadier Gen. Jerry C. McAbee, deputy commander of Marine Forces Pacific, visited Marines from I MEF at Camp Udairi, Kuwait, Feb. 16.

Receiving the Bronze Star Medal



Pfc. Bernadette Ainsworth

CAMP H.M. SMITH — Lieutenant Cmdr. Andrew P. Spencer, force health protection officer, Marine Forces Pacific, was recently awarded a Bronze Star Medal for implementing anthrax and smallpox vaccination programs for 75,000 Marines and Sailors deployed in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom from Dec. 12, 2002 to June 7, 2003. He was also honored for his involvement in post-deployment health assessment programs, as well as for publishing an information pamphlet on nuclear, biological and chemical medicine that was widely praised by Marines and Sailors in the field.

Civ-Mil president ends 25-year run

Cpl. Jason E. Miller
Combat Correspondent

After approximately 25 years at the helm of the Windward Civilian-Military Council, Mrs. Dorothy Rose Babineau stepped aside as president of the organization recently, to allow new leadership to head the group into the future — though she intends to continue to play an active role in the organization.

Mr. David Earles, marketing director of Castle Medical Center and former president of the Kailua Chamber of Commerce, has taken over as president of the organization.

"There's no way I can fill the shoes of Dorothy Rose," said Earles. "My hope is to walk beside her, and learn from her and the experience she has, to be an effective leader for the organization."

After effectively heading the organization for more than a quarter century, Babineau relinquished her title during a ceremony in which both leaders were presented with lei and a round of applause.

"She has a unique leadership style," said Earles, "just in the way she commands respect. I can only hope to learn from her."

The Windward Civ-Mil holds monthly meetings in an effort to foster better relations between the military community of MCB Hawaii and



Cpl. Jason E. Miller

Babineau has passed on the gavel of the Civ-Mil Council, but will continue to be an active member.

the residents and businesses of Windward Oahu. Key members of the local community and military officials are invited to the meetings to accomplish this goal.

Earles said his first order of business will be to help get more active participation from the civilian community.

"As far as the military goes, things are great. We have the right members

at all the meetings, and that's good. But what we need is a little more help from the civilian side of the house. I want to encourage civilian members of the council to be more actively involved."

Though relations are currently very good, Earles believes that there is always room for improvement.

"I can't say that I have any big plans, or that there's one big thing that needs to be fixed," he said. "It's really up to the council members to give us direction. I'm sure that with Dorothy Rose's continuing mentorship, we'll be able to keep things on the right track."

Most on the council are excited about the new leadership, but share sentiments similar to Earles about Dorothy Rose.

"There is no greater proponent of the armed forces than Dorothy Rose," said Maj. Chris Hughes, director of public affairs for MCB Hawaii and an active Civ-Mil member. "Long before matters become problems for either the base or our neighbors, they are solved at the Civ-Mil."

"When people show indifference toward the military or openly take us for granted, she [Dorothy Rose] still responds with the determination of someone who has experienced warfare firsthand," explained Hughes, "and [she] genuinely appreciates the American military."

Under Hawaiian Waters



Lance Cpl. Rich Mattingly



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Members of Singapore's Naval Dive Unit, who train alongside many U.S. armed forces, emerge from the water of Kaneohe Bay after completing a successful helo cast and swim to shore.



Lance Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

Marines with 3rd Recon Bn. and Singaporean divers prepare for an underwater diving exercise, which will test various diving tactics during their time at K-Bay.

Reconnaissance Marines from Okinawa meet Singapore divers for bilateral training

Lance Cpl. Megan L. Stiner
Combat Correspondent

Okinawa's 3rd Reconnaissance Bn. from Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Japan, traveled to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Jan. 27 through Feb. 18, for Operation Sand Fisher — a bilateral joint training exercise in amphibious and ground reconnaissance with the Republic of Singapore Navy Diving Unit members.

While at K-Bay, the Marines and Singaporean Sailors were active in continuous training and knowledge exercises.

The main purpose of the training was to conduct ground reconnaissance and combatant diving operations. Some of the activities they participated in included combat-man tracking, helo casting or helicopter drops, limited-scale raids, combatant diving exercises and tactical

swimming exercises.

"The joint training environment gives us the opportunity to learn from each other," said Cpl. Steve A. Bushay, team leader with 3rd Recon Bn.

Bushay also said the Sailors are very well trained. They go through strenuous training that is similar to the Special Forces' Navy SEALs team. It is very beneficial for both groups to have the opportunity to train together and learn from each other, he said.

Members of 3rd Recon go through

rigorous training on a routine basis. They deploy to training operations once every couple of months, said Cpl. Mark J. Sorel, assistant team leader with 3rd Recon. The Marines have trained in many different environments in countries such as Australia, Thailand, Guam, the Republic of Korea and the Republic of the Philippines.

"It is kind of hard, not having a stable place to live all the time," said Sorel. "The people I work with make it well worth it though."

The unit consists of nearly 200 Marines, but not all of them go on each deployment.

"The number of Marines that go on each trip depends on the training that will be exercised in that location," said Capt. Bradford R. Carr, commanding officer of Bravo Co., 3rd Recon Bn. "The smaller numbers allow the Marines to interact and learn more from the groups they train with."

"This exercise was very beneficial; we all had a good time and learned a lot from the Singaporean divers," said Sorel. "I am looking forward to the next time we have the opportunity to train with them."



Lance Cpl. Rich Mattingly

A Singaporean diver jumps into the bay from a Sea Stallion helicopter during a helo-cast exercise aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

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problem with national partners."

At the top of his list were improved border functions, to include tighter security, said Homeland Security Deputy Secretary James Loy, at the conference Wednesday. Also, he said the department took measures to enhance aviation security. In less than a year, 50,000 newly trained screeners, air marshals, and state of the art technology helped make airline travel safer and more secure, Loy explained.

Further, the department took a closer look at the Internet-based Student

and Exchange Visitor Information System to maintain current information on nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors coming and going to and from the United States.

Another initiative has reviewed expansion of the Container Security Initiative in an effort to ensure the 20,000 containers entering U.S. ports every day are safe. Loy said the department has increased inspections at ports around the world.

Still despite all the department's accomplishments and initiatives, Loy reminded the group early on that the department is a "work in progress."

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to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, as all of the Marine Corps' Sea Stallions have been based here. Falling under the command of Marine Aircraft Group 24, three tactical or "gun" squadrons have combined with one training squadron and MALS-24 to make K-Bay "Sea Stallion Central" for the Marine Corps.

"The Sea Stallions are involved in everything from exercises and contingency operations abroad, to fire bucket drops near the H-3 if fires break out," said Burke. "We are working to sustain these aircraft by creating maintenance and sup-

ply efficiencies all the way from the tactical to the strategic levels."

One major improvement is a new type of paint that will help minimize corrosion. The paint is expected to significantly increase the aircraft's life span.

Two twin-turbine T-64 turboshaft engines, boasting nearly 4,000 horsepower each, will keep the rotors turning easily for another 10 years — when they're slated to be replaced by the MV-22 Osprey as the Marine Corps' VTOL signature vehicle. With new components and a deep reserve of Marine Corps know-how, the Stallions will remain an integral part of Marine aviation.

Word on the Street

"What women out there today are impacting our tomorrow?"



"Jessica Lynch because she inspires people in the military to go the extra mile."

Lance Cpl.
Reece Chingliak
Rifleman
Charlie Co., 1/3



"Hillary Clinton because she is an important representative in government."

Staff Sgt.
Thomas Gilpin
Field artillery
operations chief
1/12



"Hillary Clinton because she is setting a good example for women who want to go into politics."

Lance Cpl. Sarah Allen
Supply clerk
MALS-24



"Rosalynn Smith Carter, President Carter's wife, for her humanitarian work across the globe."

Petty Officer 2nd Class
Brian Anderson
C-26 air crewman
Pacific Missile
Range Facility



"Oprah Winfrey because she gives women a face and a voice, and challenges them to maximize their potential."

Nashawn Turner
Family member

HCAX wraps up on the Big Island

Sgt. Jereme Edwards
Ops / Training Chief

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA — Both active and reserve Marines and Sailors from units stationed in the Pacific arena — which included Okinawa and Iwakuni, Japan, and MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay — were tasked to work together in a single scenario in support of the Hawaii Combined Arms Exercise here.

Marine Aircraft Group 24 Commanding Officer Col. Gregory C. Reuss was designated as the exercise officer in charge, a position usually reserved for a ground combat element officer.

"It has been a learning experience for our staff," said Reuss. "We are normally just the air combat element. The Marine Air Ground Task Force flavor offers a broader focus on working with the ground combat element, and the various support elements in a lot of areas," he explained.

"Also, the Tactical Exercise Control Group [TECG] has provided a great exercise scheme which integrates a myriad of scenarios that gets all units engaged."

The mission of III Marine Expeditionary Force, TECG, is to provide the command element of III MEF with tactical exercise support and "a war-gaming conflict simulation capability, in order to provide integrated MAGTF training for the III Marine Expeditionary Brigade command element and MSC and Marine Expeditionary Units headquarters staffs," explained Maj. John Coleman, assistant operations officer for TECG III MEF.

Colonel Reuss made a decision that it



Photo Courtesy of Lt. Col. Scott Kerchner

Several CH-53D Sea Stallion helicopters with HMH-463, known as the Mighty Pegasus, return to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, from the Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island of Hawaii after a month-long exercise in support of the HCAX 2004.



Sgt. Jereme Edwards



Lance Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson

Above — Lance Cpl. Aaron Durbin, operations clerk for CSSG-3, is restrained by guards while trying to infiltrate the front gate of the embassy during the NEO exercise.

Left — Petty Officer 3rd Class Cameron Begbie, a corpsman with Charlie Co., 1/3, covers up with his poncho to stay warm and dry during a rainy day.

was time to "up the challenge" for HCAX. His intent was to create an environment for subordinate commands that

was as close to the real MAGTF operation, as possible," Coleman explained, "but without impacting the subordinate

command, individual training goals."

The MAG figured out a way to completely integrate individualized, unit-level training events into a MAGTF training scenario.

"The MAG staff created a scenario based upon the fictitious country of Erita, which had been invaded by the federated Ogden States. They did a great job of establishing an intel scenario where Erita had asked for U.S. assistance, and MAGTF had been given the mission to secure and defend the forward operations base, prior to the arrival of follow on forces," said Coleman.

Though fully challenged by the scenario, MAGTF-3 successfully neutralized hostile forces that crossed the Eritian main line of defense within the area of operations. Participating commands said that this year's training offered a lot more learning points.

Captain Andy "Fester" Needles, squadron weapons and tactics instructor with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463, flew several missions in support of HCAX.

"The most beneficial training is with the members of the units we are supporting, to include mission planning and execution," said Needles. "It allows us to evaluate our standard operating procedures, along with our weapons and tactics procedures."

"This was my first deployment, and I didn't know what to expect, but I thought it was awesome and I had a good time," said Sgt. Ysak Webley, a weather forecaster with Marine Wing Support Squadron 172, based in Okinawa. "I thought it was a great experience; I learned my job with limited

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Sgt. Jereme Edwards

Corporal Byron Walter delivers important cargo to the military in all environments — their mail.

Marine gets mail to 'every clime & place'

Sgt. Jereme Edwards
Ops / Training Chief

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA — For the most part, Marines in garrison never have to wonder about how to send or receive mail. They merely go to the post office of their respective base to take care of all of their postal needs.

For Marines in the field, though, getting and receiving their mail isn't quite as easy as that.

"My job is to provide support for field Marines, by means of selling postal stamps and money orders," said Cpl. Byron Walter, postal clerk with Combat Service Support

Group 3. "I also receive forwarded mail from garrison and relay it to the corresponding mail clerks with the units in the field."

The postal Marine is the connection to the outside world for Marines and Sailors when they are deployed.

"Obviously, a deployed Marine may not have access to the Internet to check e-mail, and in most cases won't have access to a cellular or pay phone, in order make calls back home," Walter explained.

"Being able to receive and send mail to their loved ones is an important issue to not only the Marines in the field, but also to their family members back home," said Walter. "The mail system is pretty much their only

way to communicate to find out how their loved ones are doing."

Walter believes that the best part of his job may be that he's a very popular guy, since he provides everyone's mail. He likens himself to Santa Clause because when Marines and Sailors see him and his yellow priority bags, they know it's mail call.

"It makes me feel good cause I know I'm helping the mission by helping to maintain the morale of our troops in the field," he said. "No matter if you're in garrison on ship, in the field, or even in some remote location, there will always be mail call because we [the Military Postal Service] will always deliver," added Walter.

Reserve squadron lends firepower to HCAX

Sgt. Joseph A. Lee
Combat Correspondent

A squadron comprised mainly of Marine reservists flew out to Hawaii to support the Hawaii Combined Arms Exercise in early February, assisting 3rd Marine Regiment with close air support while accomplishing its two-week annual training evolution.

Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 134, out of Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif., supported the HCAX with six F/A-18C Hornets by dropping live missiles and bombs at the Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island of Hawaii.

"This year our annual two-week training period happened to coincide with the HCAX, so we could conduct our own training while assisting the regiment with their training at the same time," said Maj. Mark Duffer, VMFA-134 safety officer. "We always enjoy coming to Hawaii to train. It's a good morale booster for the troops and good payback for all the hard work they do."

Staff Sgt. Jerry Esqueda, air frames supervisor for VMFA-134, is a banker and mortgage broker in his civilian life, but when it's time to train, he's all Marine.

"It's really neat seeing the way the unit comes together to accomplish the mission when you know the diverse jobs they all hold in the civilian world," said Esqueda. "Some are students, some may fly professionally for large corporations like FedEx, but when it's time to put on the uniform, the mission is all that is on our minds. It is really rewarding to see the dedication they all put into being Marines."

"We came here in two formations of three F-18s, one formation following a KC-10, and one formation following a KC-135," explained Duffer. "When we return, we will be flying in one large formation following the KC-10."

"It's really awesome to see the aerial formations and refueling operations from the sky as we travel. It is a series of precision movements that is very impressive."

The squadron conducts its two weeks of training, which could take place

anywhere, every year. The training usually involves either air-to-ground or air-to-air operations.

"That's the great thing about the Hornet," said Duffer. "It is a dual-function aircraft, the 'F/A' in the title meaning that the aircraft is both a fighter and attack aircraft."

With the ability to mobi-

lize in less than 24 hours, VMFA-134 is ready for any operation that may come its way.

"The Marines performed exceptionally well," said Duffer. "We accomplished all of the tasks in our training syllabus, and we want to thank the base and MAG-24 for their support."



Photo Courtesy of U.S. Navy

The support of six F/A-18C Hornets from MCAS Miramar, Calif., allowed HCAX air and ground combat elements at to learn how to maneuver with the aid of F-18 close air support.



Sgt. Ian Meinert

A CH-53D Sea Stallion, with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 flies past the island of Maui during its return trip to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, after a month long exercise in support of the Hawaii Combined Arms Exercise 2004.

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resources.”

Many other participants said they benefited from the HCAAX scenario and look forward to next year’s training evolution.

“I thought it was one of the better training exercises,” said Lance Cpl. Jeremy

Sandel, an Air Support Operations operator with Marine Air Support Squadron 2. “I learned a lot; it was all hands-on, and we got the opportunity to control aircraft.

“We had a few bugs in the beginning, but we got it all together by the end,” Sandel explained.

(Editor’s Note: Per the commanding general of MCB Hawaii, those convicted of DUIs or drug-related offenses shall be publicized in the Hawaii Marine newspaper.)

taken into custody Feb. 18 for driving under the influence with a blood alcohol content of 0.110 percent. His license was suspended Feb. 18, and his vehicle was removed from base the same day. The vehicle did not have a DoD decal.

- Mr. Waily W. Cope, a visitor to MCB Hawaii, was



DUIs are career killers

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reminds that impaired driving is not merely a traffic offense. Don’t be fooled. Impaired driving is no accident, nor is it a victimless crime.

Too many people still don’t understand that alcohol, drugs and driving don’t mix. If you also find this too hard to figure out when you’ve had too many drinks to drive, don’t risk it. If you’re feeling “buzzed,” you are most likely impaired. And, if you drive impaired, law enforcement will arrest you.

You drink & drive. YOU LOSE

TO DO LIST

With any activity that involves alcohol:

- Plan ahead.

- Choose a sober designated driver.

- Take mass transit or a taxicab, or ask a friend to drive you home if you didn’t plan in advance.

- Spend the night where the activity is being held.

- Celebrate responsibly.
- Report impaired drivers to law enforcement.