

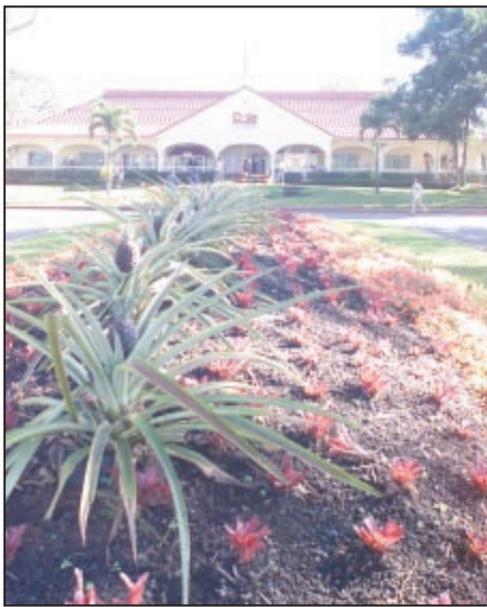
LIFESTYLES



Above — North Fork Pine from New Zealand surround and dance with rays from heaven.

Right — Six-foot-tall trees hide and skirt paths along the 1.7 mile maze. Visitors must solve the life-size puzzle to find their way out.

Below — Dole Plantation greets visitors with a beautiful arrangement of pineapples, which lead to the entrance and gift shop that boasts varied treats and merchandise.



Opening soon will be Dole's latest creation, a botanical garden featuring a vast collection of plants and trees indigenous to tropical locations like Hawaii, coaxing all to sit a spell and soak in the beauty that surrounds them.

Explore the world's largest maze and find treasures hidden in lush scenery

Story and Photos by
Staff Sgt. Jesus A. Lora
Training/Operations Chief

WAHIAWA — Tucked in the North Shore of the island of Oahu is a bit of paradise rich in history, beauty and folklore.

It is a location where a dream was realized and became a complete success.

James D. Dole, founder of the Dole Foods Company, came to Hawaii in 1899. He had only one dream — to make pineapple mean to Hawaii what tobacco means to Havana.

Dole single-handedly began the pineapple industry here with 60 acres of rich, red dirt, today known as the Dole Plantation.

More than a century later, in 2001, the Dole Plantation received exciting news from the Guinness Book of World Records: one of its attractions was the most popular on earth and befitting of the title "The World's Largest Maze."

Visitors to the Pineapple Garden Maze will hear the sounds of kids' laughter and squeals directing moms and dads this way, then that, perhaps leading to yet "another dead end" or a breakthrough in the well-manicured, six-foot-tall walls of the maze.

Smiles are usually the norm when all complete the maze. Some emerge ex-

plaining they tackled it for the sheer joy of solving the puzzle. Others appear saying they were trying to find the six secret stations hidden inside — within record time — to net them a victory prize and public, posted notice of their feat.

The maze is made up of 11,400 colorful Hawaiian plants and trees, including varieties of hibiscus, the official state flower of Hawaii, and pineapples.

"I think it's great for the kids; in fact, they just got off the train and loved it," said Tom Harren, from East Oahu. "I love what Dole is doing to preserve what they have here for future generations to enjoy."

The Pineapple Express is one of the newest attractions at the plantation. It was brought all the way from England and makes more than 17 runs a day.

"A lot of people can't believe a train is here on the plantation," said conductor



The Pineapple Express steams by on its run of the 60-acre plantation, richly abundant with gardens that showcase 21 varieties of pineapple from around the world; botanical wonders like the bird of paradise flower; majestic, but peaceful waterfalls that intermingle with silence; and exotic ponds teeming with koi and other fish.

Keith Yamauchi. "Visitors really love the plants we have, and leave happy with what they've seen and done."

Many take the brief tour of the Pineapple Variety Garden, which boasts 21 varieties from around the world.

Offering still further delight is an exotic koi pond teeming with fishes anxious to be fed like pigeons in a park.

Before their day which has been filled with mazes and train rides has ended, visitors are invited to browse the Dole Plantation Gift Shop, which stocks a bountiful assortment of delights, souvenirs and clothing. Plus, the bakery serves fresh

baked goods such as sweet breads, cheesecakes and turnovers.

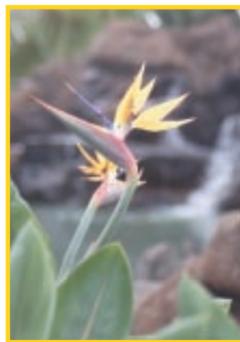
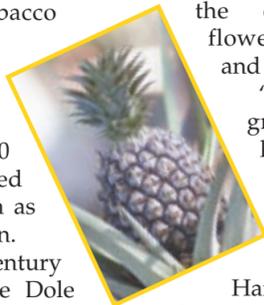
Perhaps the most craved delight is the famous Dole Whip, a frosty nondairy treat, fresh with cut pineapples. Also, the pineapple chili dog, chili bowl and chocolate-covered pineapples tickle fancies.

"When visitors leave here, they have received a pineapple experience," said Kara Gorgonio, operations supervisor.

The Dole Plantation can be reached by travelling along the H-2 freeway and following signs to the North Shore. For a more leisurely trip, take Windward's Kamehameha Highway to the North Shore, going left at the fork just past Haleiwa.

Get more details on the whole Dole Plantation experience at www.dole-plantation.com, or call 621-8408.

Your day chockful of excitement awaits.



If high above, one can see that the heart of the maze is shaped like the stem of a huge pineapple, and branches off into different paths. With patience and a little luck, visitors sooner or later discover which path leads to the exit.



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POSSIBILITIES IN PARADISE

By Debbie Robbins, MCCS Public Relations

JANUARY

31 / Today

Rocker Room to Host Bosses' Night — Bring in your top dog to the Rocker Room for Bosses' Night from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Free pupus, entertainment and beverage specials await.

It's time for a little recreational networking. For more Bosses' Night information, call the Rocker Room at 254-5592.

Sharkey's Quick Bite now Open — Recharge your mid-day with a quick meal at the new Sharkey's station near the Base Marina.

Sharkey's serves hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and soda Monday – Friday from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

For more details, call 254-7641.

FEBRUARY

4 / Tuesday

SM&SP



Mahalo to AT&T In-Room Service for supporting the Single Marine & Sailor Program.

All events are open to single, active duty military, E-5 and below.

The SM&SP Office is located in Bldg. 219. Call 254-7593, for more information on any program or activity.

Program Review

Thursdays: Enjoy free tennis lessons from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at K-Bay's tennis courts. Call 258-8081 for reservations.

Thursday, Jan. 30 - 31, and Feb. 1 - 3: Volunteers are needed to assist with the Pro Bowl halftime show, stage prep, rehearsal, support and breakdown.

Feb. 8: Enjoy deep sea fishing; however, space is limited to six people. Make your reservations now.

Mark your calendars now for the following 2003 SM&SP Island Get-Aways:

•Feb. 15 – 17: Kauai at \$250.

•May 24 – 26: Maui excursion at \$270.

•Aug. 30 – Sept. 1: The Big Island of Hawaii at \$270.

Fees cover airfare, transportation and accommodations.

SM&SP Goes Online

Get more SM&SP at www.MCCSHawaii.com under the "Semper Fitness" icon.

MCCS One Source Brief — Marine Corps Community Services' Headquarters' facilitator Mary Craig will be aboard MCB Hawaii to share exciting news regarding the new MCCS One Source, a 24-hour phone and online resource for Marines, Sailors and their family members.

Craig is scheduled for two briefings Tuesday at the Base Chapel at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m.

For more details, call Personal Services at 257-7786.

Diaper Derby — All parents-to-be are invited to attend the next free Dad's Baby Boot Camp and Mom's Basic Training Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Attendees will gain knowledge in third trimester care, child delivery, post-natal care and more.

Reservations are required as space is limited. For additional details, call the New Parent Support Program at 257-8803.

6 / Thursday

New Arrivals Orientation — Get the inside scoop to the best resources, events and more during the next New Arrivals Orientation at the Base Theater from 7:30 – 12:30 p.m.

All newly stationed Marines, Sailors and their family members are welcome.

Keynote speakers from both the base and MCCS will brief and get you acquainted with this new paradise you call home.

Children are welcome to attend, or parents may elect to bring them to the "Keiki Aloha Orientation," which is held in the same building upstairs in the Base Library from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Children will enjoy making a Hawaiian craft as well as discovering the culture here.

Reservations must be made in advance for the Keiki Aloha Orientation.

Parents may do so by calling 257-7786.

8 / Saturday

Karaoke Contest at the Rocker Room — Ready to make a little music medley and score some big prizes? All staff non-commissioned officers and their guests are invited to compete in the Karaoke Contest.

Doors open at 6 p.m., and contestants may sign up between 6 – 8 p.m. The contest will begin at 8 p.m.

This karaoke contest is free for club members and \$2 for nonmembers. Prizes first through third will be awarded.

First prize will be a DVD player, second a CD jogger and third a Rocker Room T-shirt.

The Rocker Room has

changed its hours of operation on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

The new club hours are Wednesdays 4:30 – 10 p.m. and Saturdays 6 p.m. – midnight.

For more Rocker Room information, call 254-5592.

Make a Treat for Your Sweet — All base children and their parents are invited to get under the Base Library's love spell at 1 p.m.

It will be a pre-Valentine's Day celebration, complete with sweet stories, sweet treats and valentine creations.

The Base Library is located in Bldg. 219. For more information, call 254-7624.

14 / Friday

Valentine's Day Dance Party — Treat your sweetie to a Valentine's Day Dance Jam at the Rocker Room. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m.

This cupid connection is free for all staff NCO Rocker Room members, and \$2 for all non-members.

For additional details, call the Rocker Room at 254-5592.

20 / Thursday

Government Job Fair — Perfect and polish your resume. Get ready to land your dream job at the Government Job Fair at the Banyans Club at Pearl

Harbor.

From 9:30 a.m. – noon, fairgoers may meet with recruiters and company representatives from city, county, state and federal agencies.

Attendees should dress accordingly, and children are not permitted into the fair.

For more information, call Personal Services at 257-7795 or log on to www.jemshawaii.com

22 / Saturday

O-Club Hosts Fathers & Daughters Sweetheart Dance — All MCB Hawaii daddies can celebrate their little angels during the Armed Services YMCA's Fourth Annual Fathers & Daughters Sweetheart Dance.

This sweetheart gala takes place at the O-Club's Lanai Ballroom from 5 – 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale now through Feb. 14, at ASYMCA, Bldg. 579.

Daughters 4 and under are \$6.50, daughters ages 5 – 11 are \$13, and daughters 12 and older and all fathers are \$15.

The ticket price includes a buffet dinner, door prizes and entertainment. Also, a professional photographer will be available.

This gala calls for fathers to arrive in military dress or black tie, and daughters should don formal attire.

For more information, call at 257-4719.

'Are you ready to be a pet owner?'

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Featurettes

If you're thinking of welcoming a four-legged companion into your home on a long-term basis, you may want to "paws" and take this quiz from the Humane Society of the United States, to see if you're indeed ready to be a pet's best friend.

For each question, honestly choose the statement that best applies to you, then score your responses accordingly.

QUICK QUIZ

Question One

- a. I own my own home (score 5 points)
- b. My rental unit allows pets (3 points)
- c. My rental unit doesn't allow pets (subtract 5 points)

Question Two

- a. My budget allows at least \$500 per year to spend on a pet (5 points)
- b. I can afford pet food and annual veterinarian visits, but not much else (2 points)
- c. I would have to borrow money for the pet adoption fee (subtract 5 points)

Question Three

- a. I have lots of free time for a pet (5 points)
- b. I can squeeze in a few minutes



Lance Cpl. Monroe F. Seigle

Andrea Kerns, a family member aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, affectionately pets her dog Kate before departing outside for Kate's comfort break and exercise.

- (0 points)
- c. I'm really busy and rarely home (subtract 5 points)

Question Four

- a. I can keep a pet for up to 20 years (5 points)
- b. The next five years look good, but I'm not so sure after that (0 points)
- c. I'm not sure where I'll be living next year (subtract 5 points)

Question Five: I want a pet because:

- a. Pets offer companionship and unconditional love (5 points)
- b. Pets are good practice for hav-

- ing kids (2 points)
- c. My kids are begging for a puppy (subtract 5 points)
- d. I love the dog in the hit movie/TV show (subtract 10 points)

Question Six: When I travel:

- a. A trusted neighbor/relative lives near by and can pet sit (5 points)
- b. I can afford professional pet sitting services (5 points)
- c. I'd probably board my pet at the local kennel (2 points)
- d. My pet would be okay alone for a few days (subtract 5 points)

How did you score?

25-30: You're ready; find the pet for you.

20-24: In most respects, you're ready for a pet, but you may want to consider whether your lifestyle can meet the needs of an animal before you make your decision.

10-20: You may think this is the right time for a pet, but take a hard look to be sure you get the right pet. A gerbil, hamster or other small domestic mammal is probably a better choice than a dog.

Below 10: Now is not a good time to get a pet. Re-evaluate in another year or two before making a decision you may regret.

For more information about pet car and responsibilities, visit www.hsus.org.



MOVIE TIME

Prices: Adults (12 and older) \$3, Children (6 to 11) \$1.50, Children (5 and younger) free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for "R" rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 years old and younger.

For E-5 and below, admission is free to the second show on Friday and Saturday evenings only. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons.

Show your I.D. at the box office, Bldg. 219. Phone 254-7642 for record-info, 254-7641 for the theater manager.

- Treasure Planet (PG)
- Friday After Next (R)
- 8 Crazy Nights (PG13)
- Empire (R)
- Treasure Planet (PG)
- Friday After Next (R)
- Empire (R)
- Die Another Day (PG13)
- Extreme Ops (PG13)

- Today at 7:15 p.m.
- Today at 9:45 p.m.
- Saturday at 7:15 p.m.
- Saturday at 9:45 p.m.
- Sunday at 3:30 p.m.
- Sunday at 7:15 p.m.
- Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.
- Feb. 7 at 7:15 p.m.
- Feb. 7 at 9:45 p.m.

DoD takes steps to further deter identity theft of records

The Health Information Security Task Force is tackling security needs of TRICARE records

TRICARE Press Release

In its continued response to the criminal theft of computer equipment and personal identification information contained on some of the equipment, the Department of Defense announced additional steps today to enhance patient protection from unauthorized access to — or criminal use of — sensitive, personal information.

"Trust remains the bedrock of a successful doctor-patient relationship, and the expectations that our service members, retirees and families rightly have," said Dr. William Winkenwerder Jr., assistant secretary of defense for Health Affairs. "Electronic sharing of health care information provides great advances in patient safety, in reduced errors in claims processing, and in improved customer service. But, there are risks in electronic communications that must be identified and measures implemented to prevent or manage those risks.

"Working with our contractor, TriWest, I am pleased to report that we have initiated contact with all 562,000 beneficiaries who had their personal information stolen. These efforts to quickly identify and inform beneficiaries should help deter or prevent identify theft crimes."

Winkenwerder cited a number of steps taken to inform and help beneficiaries protect themselves from criminal use of their personal information. All 562,000 military beneficiaries whose information was contained on the computer files have been notified by mail of the theft as of Dec. 31, 2002, and informed of the actions they should take to protect themselves from identify theft or other misuse of their personal information.

Fewer than 25 persons also may have had personal credit card information compromised. Each of these individuals has been contacted by phone and informed of the incident and proper actions to take in response.

Every TRICARE contractor, worldwide, has been notified of the theft and directed by DoD to conduct an assessment of information security procedures. The DoD will evaluate each assessment with its contractors.

The criminal investigation remains active, led by the Defense Criminal Investigative Service and supported by the U. S. attorney in Phoenix, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other law enforcement agencies.

A \$100,000 reward has been posted by TriWest for information leading to the arrest and successful prosecution of the perpetrators, and return of the stolen items.

"Although this incident has raised patient concerns about the security of their military medical

records, there is no connection with this criminal theft and the military's computerized health care records," Winkenwerder said. "Our new health records system has security built into the basic design, and security is continually reassessed.

"Cutting edge data encryption and a high level of physical protection at a secure government location provide a solid security framework to that program," he added. "Nonetheless, we are taking additional steps to heighten information security throughout our health care system."

These steps include a worldwide health care information security assessment that will be conducted at every military treatment facility and contractor location, to review existing procedures and to ensure physical security of sensitive information.

A health information security task force, comprised of DoD and service medical leaders and information system experts, will assemble next week, consult with TRICARE contractor representatives, and recommend any additional requirements for information security.

New health information systems to be introduced in the coming months will be compliant with or exceed the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act's legal requirements for protection of patient information.

"I am confident that the steps we have taken, and will take in the coming weeks and months, will provide an exceptional level of security and protection of personal and medical information for those served by the Military Health System," Winkenwerder emphasized.

Vigilance helps prevent I.D. theft

NAPS Featurettes

You can help keep yourself from being among the increasing number of Americans who become victims of identity theft by following a few simple tips.

- Prevent thieves from getting your personal information in the first place. Never leave your purse or wallet unattended.
- Sign your credit and debit cards in permanent ink as soon as you receive them.
- Call your card issuer if a new or reissued card does not arrive when expected.
- Don't carry your Social Security card, birth certificate or passport in your wallet or purse, and cancel any inactive payment card accounts.
- Never throw away receipts in a public trash container and destroy account numbers on receipts and statements before discarding them.
- Do check all account activity on statements.
- Do not write your account number on check payments.
- Do not ever give Social Security and bank information to anyone by telephone.

RECIPE

Stew can comfort

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Featurettes

The warmth of a home-cooked meal with family and friends can have unparalleled power to lift our spirits and comfort us. Possibly topping the comfort list, is a steaming bowl of savory stew to delight palates.

Herb-Simmered Beef Stew

Preparation Time: 15 minutes
Cook Time: 1.5 hours

- 2 pounds beef for stew, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cups thickly sliced fresh mushrooms
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon each dried marjoram, thyme and crushed rosemary (or 1-1/2 teaspoon fresh)
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 can (14 ounces) broth
- 3 cups fresh baby carrots
- 12 whole baby red-skinned potatoes



Herb-Simmered Beef Stew

Season beef with pepper and coat with flour. Heat oil in saucepot. Add beef and cook until browned, stirring often. Add mushrooms, garlic, herbs and bay leaf, and cook until mushrooms are tender and liquid evaporates. Add broth.

Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 45 minutes.

Add carrots and potatoes. Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 30 minutes or until done. Remove bay leaf. Serves 6.

Nutritional values per serving: calories 416, fat 12g, protein 35g, carbohydrate 43g, sodium 330mg.

ON THE MENU

Anderson Hall will prepare the following this week:

Today

Lunch

- Pepper Steak
- Southern Fried Catfish
- Rice Pilaf
- Potatoes Au Gratin
- Sugar Cookies
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner

- Beef Pot Pie
- Roast Turkey
- Paprika Buttered Potatoes
- Steamed Rice
- Sugar Cookies
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar

(For Lunch and Dinner)
Pasta Bar

Saturday

Dinner/Brunch

- Baked Lasagna
- Chicken Parmesan
- Pizza Slices
- Garlic Bread
- Marble Cake
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Sunday

Dinner/Brunch

- Barbecued Beef Cubes
- Baked Turkey & Noodles
- Steamed Rice
- Ginger Molasses Cookies
- Spice Cake w/ Butter Cream Frosting

Monday

Lunch

- Meat Loaf
- Pork Ham Roast
- Steamed Rice
- Mashed Potatoes
- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner

- Beef Brogul
- Baked Cajun Fish
- Mashed Potatoes
- Steamed Rice
- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar

(For Lunch and Dinner)
Pasta Bar

Tuesday

Lunch

- Simmered Corned Beef w/Mustard Sauce
- Glazed Cornish Hens

- Parsley Buttered Potatoes
- Egg Noodles
- Peanut Butter Cake w/Peanut Butter Frosting
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner

- Turkey Pot Pie
- Sweet & Sour Pork
- Steamed Rice
- Parsley Buttered Potatoes
- Peanut Butter Cake w/Peanut Butter Frosting
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar

(For Lunch and Dinner)
Taco Bar

Wednesday

Lunch

- Pork Adobo
- Beef Yakisoba
- Steamed Rice
- Pork Fried Rice
- Oatmeal Cookies
- Strawberry Shortcake
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner

- Steak w/Onions
- Southern Fried Catfish
- Mashed Potatoes

- Steamed Rice
- Oatmeal Cookies
- Strawberry Shortcake
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar

(For Lunch and Dinner)
Country Bar

Thursday

Lunch

- Turkey A La King
- Beef Porcupines
- Mashed Potatoes
- Boiled Egg Noodles
- Marble Cake w/Chocolate Cream Frosting
- Pineapple Cake
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner

- Braised Liver w/Onions
- El Rancho Stew
- Honey Ginger Chicken
- Steamed Rice
- Boiled Egg Noodles
- Marble Cake
- Pineapple Cake
- Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar

(For Lunch and Dinner)
Taco Bar

Did You Know?



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The earth's moon is slightly egg shaped. Make it a point to see for yourself the next full moon.

Commissary patrons may now purchase food gift certificates

Bonnie Powell
Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. — Commissary gift certificates are selling like hotcakes; more than \$500,000 have been sold. But, moms and dads are not the top givers of the "gift of groceries."

The majority have been purchased by installation charitable concerns, such as chaplain's funds, but worldwide public donations of gift certificates are now possible, thanks to the USO and the Air Force Aid Society. These charitable organizations have agreed to facilitate the sending of commissary gift certificates to military members in need.

"The gift certificate program was started as a cus-

tommer service enhancement, but this adds a rewarding dimension," said Patrick B. Nixon, deputy director of the Defense Commissary Agency.

"The participation of prominent organizations means that military families can benefit from commissary gift certificates donated by the general public. We hope that more military-oriented charities will decide to participate."

The USO will accept donated gift certificates to help military service members overseas at USO centers wherever there are commissary locations.

"Commissary gift certificates are the perfect way to support our troops," said Edward A. Powell, USO president and CEO. "The USO is

pleased to be part of this partnership, to help bring a little piece of home to our men and women around the world."

The new commissary gift certificate program is made possible through a business agreement with CertifiChecks Inc. The Defense Commissary Agency does not derive any income from the agreement.

Anyone can buy commissary certificates, but only authorized shoppers can spend them. They can be purchased anytime, for any occasion.

"They range from the humorous to the touching," said CertifiChecks vice president Mike Baskerville. "We've seen them sent for new babies, housewarming gifts, or just because they miss

their loved ones."

The certificates are not sold in commissaries. In addition to the link at www.commissaries.com, certificates can be purchased by phone at 1-877-770-GIFT (toll free in United States only).

Purchasers select the "order" link for personal gifts or the "donate" link to donate certificates through the charitable organization page.

A standard charge of \$4.95 pays the costs for printing, mailing and handling of up to 20 certificates, as long as all are going to the same address. Additional charges may apply for bulk orders or special handling.

Installation charities can obtain a form at their local commissary, which waives the handling fee.

SEAT BELTS!

...a good thing to have around



WORD TO PASS

Iolani Palace Hosts Kama'aina Sunday

Local residents and active duty military families can walk in the footsteps of kings and queens at any free tour of Iolani Palace, offered the first Sunday of each month, with presentation of military I.D.

Located at 364 South King St. in the heart of downtown Honolulu, the Iolani Palace is the majestic symbol of Hawaii's monarchy era, and the staff has enhanced the tour selection with a new comprehensive, 90-minute, guided Grand Tour and a shorter, 30-minute, self-guided tour, both of which include the Palace video and Galleries.

Kama'aina and active duty military families may enjoy discounted admission during regular Palace hours. Call 522-0832 to make reservations or for more information.

FBI Recruits at K-Bay

Interested in a career with the FBI? Learn about requirements for applying by attending the

FBI career seminar on Monday at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay's Bldg. 267, Classroom 2, from 10 - 11 a.m.

For confirmation and additional information on future seminars, contact the Transition Office at 257-7790.

Women Marines Plan Reunion

It's not too soon to dust off your tattered *Guidebook for Marines* and prepare for a trip down memory lane.

The Tarheel Chapter, NC-1, Women Marines Association is planning its "Step Back in Time" reunion, May 5 - 8 in North Carolina and in commemoration of the women Marines' 60th anniversary.

The reunion is open to all former and retired women Marines who want to recollect a distinctive period in their lives. The itinerary will include events at MCB Camp Lejeune, MCAS Cherry Point and New River, N.C., as well as excursions to post exchanges for souvenirs.

For more details, email robinl@gibraltar.net or call 1-

910-346-6553.

Mustangs Schedule Reunion

The Marine Corps Mustang Association was founded on Nov. 10, 1985, and it is "an organization dedicated to the preservation of the history and accomplishments of all Marines who have risen from the enlisted to officer ranks ... thereby earning the title 'Mustang.'"

You are invited to join the ranks of this 1,600 member organization, as well as to attend the next reunion Oct. 12 - 16 at the Marines' Memorial Club & Hotel in San Francisco.

For complete details, email topmustang@aol.com. Or, write Bill Max; Marine Corps Mustang Association; P.O. Box 1314; Delran, NJ 08075-0142.

Military Widows Support

The Society of Military Widows invites widows and widowers to join the organization during any upcoming gathering, which provides informal and friendly fellowship.

The group meets at 6 p.m., the second Friday of every month at the Mongolian barbecue held at the Kaneohe Bay Officers' Club. It also meets the third Saturday of every month at different locations.

If you're interested in participating, contact Judith Breitwieser at 262-7953.

WAVES Seeks Members

Active, retired and female reservists of the Sea Services are invited to get involved with the local chapter of WAVES, Na Nalu O'Hawaii.

Meetings are held every second Saturday. For more information, call Eugenia Woodward at 623-4735.

Mall Hosts Recreation

Catch any one of the following activities at Windward Mall. For more information on any activity, call 235-1143.

•*Saturday at 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.* browse the Farmers Market, which features healthy local produce and an array of island

crafts. Also tomorrow, view the Windward Orchid Society's plants. Both activities will be staged in the courtyard by the lower level of Macy's.

•*Wednesdays at 6 - 9 p.m.* enjoy free chess lessons and tournaments at center court, sponsored by the Hawaii Chess Federation and America's Promise. All ages are welcome. Call 586-6151 for details.

•*Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.*, learn country line dancing at center court.

NMCRS Scholarship Changes

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society regrets to announce that the Vice Admiral E. P. Travers Scholarship and Loan Program will not be available to dependent children of retirees or spouses of active duty personnel during the 2003-2004 academic year.

The change has come as a result of significant losses experienced in the financial markets. Those in need of financial assis-

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tance should refer to the American Legion Publication, "Need a Lift," and at www.students.gov.

For more information, call 254-1327.

Econ Degree Offered

The University of Oklahoma offers a non-thesis Master's in Managerial Economics degree.

Located at Hickam Air Force Base's Hangar 2, the program only requires 32 semester hours, a comprehensive exam and a research paper — which all can be accomplished in 18 months.

Another benefit of attending the University of Oklahoma-Hickam — the program only meets weekly, making it TAD and TDY friendly for time-deprived students.

Call 449-6364 for more.

MARINE MAKEPONO

"HAWAIIAN FOR "MARINE BARGAINS"

Vehicles

1999 Ford Explorer XLT, V-6, automatic, cargo cover, 4-door, tint, PW/PL/PM, AM/FM CD, 4-year warranty. Only 41K miles. Must sell; have overseas orders. Provide \$1,000 down and take over NFCU payments. Call 224-1121.

1988 Honda Accord LXI, new starter, premium sound system, great island car. Asking \$1,950 with system or \$1,500 without system. Call 254-1016.

1988 BMW 750iL, only 75K miles, great condition, clean, well maintained, leather interior, power everything, sunroof, A/C, CD, tint, chrome rims, \$10,000 OBO. Call 222-4775.

Motorcycles

1983 Yamaha Midnight Maxim, in mint condition, 4,600 original miles, \$2,500 OBO. Call 254-5293 and leave a message.

Furniture

Bar, custom solid oak, L-shaped, with six barstools, mirror, fridge, overhead lighted glass holder, worth \$10,000. Asking only \$5,000. Call 216-7160

for more information or to purchase.

Pool table, Olhausen 4x8, custom, includes accessories, pool table light and much more. Cost \$4,800. Asking only \$3,200. Call 216-7160.

Appliances

Air conditioners, \$150 and \$100. Call 254-8010.

Yard Sales

Huge, huge, huge garage sale for two days with lots of bargains. Today and Saturday at 6448-B Webb Court (off Cochran) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Items available include 150-plus cookbooks, newer Compaq computer with table, jogging stroller, household items, crafts, clothes, toys, etc.

Miscellaneous

Berber carpet for four rooms and a hallway runner, \$200. Call 254-8010.

Magnavox digital receiver, Model DBS-500, single TV receiver with antenna dish, remote, all instructions, no cable, \$50. Call 253-0452 between noon and 8 p.m.

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