

# Hawaii MARINE

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## A Thanksgiving feast



A line of servicemembers gathered around the many dishes of food prepared by their co-workers at the Marine Corps Air Facility's Thanksgiving dinner, held in Hangar 105, Friday.

## MCAF hosts holiday gathering



Petty Officer 2nd Class Craig Miller carves one of the Thanksgiving turkeys eaten at MCAF's Thanksgiving dinner.

Story and Photos by  
**Lance Cpl.  
Jason E. Miller**  
Combat Correspondent

The Marines and Sailors of Marine Corps Air Facility held their Thanksgiving Day dinner aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Friday, inside Hangar 105.

This year marked the third consecutive year that the event has taken place to help junior Marines and Sailors who are not with their families during Thanksgiving to feel more at home.

"We made a lot of food and this whole event turned out really good," said Sgt. Melissa Ohm, a section leader at K-Bay's Aircraft Rescue and Fire

Fighting unit, who coordinated the dinner.

The Marine Corps Air Facility bought 14 turkeys and hams to compensate for the 250 servicemembers who attended the annual event.

The Marines and Sailors themselves prepared all of the traditional side dishes that go along with any Thanksgiving dinner.

Along with the 14 hams and turkeys were stuffing, mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, and of course pumpkin pie.

"I think that this is a very good event that we



Marines and Sailors at MCAF cooked 14 turkeys and hams for 250 servicemembers during their Thanksgiving celebration.

have here," said Lance Cpl. Jeremiah Crouch, an air traffic control communications technician at MCAF. "It really helps out the Marines with no families and brings the unit together by having us all eat together. Plus, the food was very good too," he added.

## 3/3 heroes honored in Waikiki

Honolulu's Navy League honored a total of 60 "Everyday Heroes" on Oahu

Sgt. Richard  
**W. Holtgraver Jr.**  
Combat Correspondent

WAIKIKI — Three Marines from Headquarters and Service Co., 3rd Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, were honored with the Everyday Heroes Award from the Honolulu Council Navy League of the United States during the 41st Annual Sea Services Awards luncheon Nov. 14 at the Ala Moana Hotel Hibiscus Ballroom.

With more than 500 people in attendance, the luncheon also honored more than 60 Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen for their dedication towards volunteerism and



Glenn K.Y. Hong, president of Honolulu's Navy League, poses with (from left) Lance Cpls. Lauren Wayne, Christopher A. Buckley and Christopher E. Settle — 'Everyday Heroes' awardees.

helping support the local Hawaiian community.

Lance Cpl. Lauren Wayne, a police sergeant; Lance Cpl. Christopher A. Buckley, a dispatch-

er; and Lance Cpl. Christopher E. Settle, an administrative clerk were honored with the Everyday Heroes Award for their actions Sept. 7, when they risked their lives to rescue eight people from a burning home in Kaneohe before the fire department arrived.

"The act that they did was really a selfless act, they had no expecta-

See NAVY LEAGUE, A-5

## CSSG-3 examines logistics theories

Kahukus training validates concept of sea-based logistical support

Col. Paul D. Adams and  
1st Lt. Justin E. Goering  
CSSG-3

The Marine Corps has traditionally been one of the great driving forces of innovation within the Department of Defense, and the units stationed at MCB Hawaii are no exception.

Combat Service Support Group 3 recently had the opportunity to test some of these innovations as part of logistical support operations during Hawaii Combined Arms Operation 02-1.

The Marine Corps has been working to enhance its war fighting capabilities with such concepts as Operational Maneuver From the Sea, Ship to Objective Maneuver, and Marine Corps Strategy 21. These concepts depend on a scalable, interoperable, combined arms force, supported by robust and flexible logistics support, possessing the ability to fight today's fight and to rapidly provide the right force for the assigned mission.

During CSSG-3's recent field exercise in the Kahukus, the ability to effect total asset visibility with radio tracking equipment from the Naval Engineering Facility was tested and validated. Planning and simulated logistical support via aerial delivery was conducted with 3d Transportation Support Bn.'s Air Delivery Platoon.

The operation proved to be an excellent opportunity to continue developing a Corps wide competency in logistics focusing on tailored logistical support from over the horizon.

"The Marine Corps' logistic mission, at all command and support levels, is to generate MAGTFs that are rapidly deployable, self-reliant, self-sustaining, flexible and rapidly reconstituted.

A self-reliant MAGTF is organized to support itself logistically with accompanying supplies for specific time frames without undue concern for resupply or developed infrastructure ashore.

Marine Corps maneuver philosophy demands that a MAGTF maintain battlefield flexibility, organizational adaptability, and the ability to react to the changing operational situation."

CSSG-3 typically supports HCAO evolutions with a task-organized Combat Service Support Element of more than 200 Marines and Sailors. The CSSE would have the capability of providing all six functions of combat service support, from transportation to medical and dental support.

The CSSG-3 goal for this recent HCAO was to validate the concept of sea-based logistics. Working from a commanding officer directive to "reduce the logistical footprint ashore," CSSG-3 logistical planners redesigned the entire concept of combat service support.

Utilizing a "Forward" element concept, the CSSE ashore embodied approximately 50 Marines and Sailors. Through electronic "reach-back" capability into a tactical logistics cell manned 24/7, the HCAO exercise was in effect supported by all 780 CSSG-3 Marines and Sailors.

The CSSG (Forward) was able to meet or exceed the needs of the HCAO exercise with a reduced logistical footprint ashore.

Commercial airlift and delivery sources were also employed in order to meet exercise requirements. CSSG-3 also experimented with the use of commercial laundry services vice "landing" extra personnel and equipment that would have been employed two or three times over the month long exercise.

Another innovation tested was the use of the

See CSSG-3, A-3

## 'Homeland Defense' Marines get tested

Cpl. Roman Yurek  
Lifestyles Editor

CAMP H.M. SMITH — Early Nov. 14, intelligence intercepted a call from Hawaii to Afghanistan with the following message, "the fireworks start tonight."

Later that day, an anonymous phone call was received asking the location of the command building.

As a build up of information indicated a possible terrorist attack upon the installation, Base Cluster Command X-ray formed and began its plan to combat this training situation.

This training is a component of the Joint Rear Area Command Hawaii, a civilian authority led initiative to support the new homeland defense program.

For the Marine Corps, it was its turn to train for a possible attack. Military police from Camp H. M. Smith and MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, worked with other Marine units and civilian agencies in the training.

"It's great to see Marines in action and to see this exercise take shape," said Maj. John Manson, the BCCX commander. "We get to see

what we need to work on in the training environment."

The BCCX was set up similar to a Marine Air Ground Task Force. All three squadrons from K-Bay augmented CH-53D "Sea Stallions" to the exercise to transport Marines to Camp Smith as part of the air combat element.

Inside the Sea Stallions,

See BCCX, A-5



Cpl. Roman Yurek

Lance Cpl. Graham Faulk, a mortar man for Golf Co., 2/3, provides security around Building 1 during a training evolution in support of JRAC Hawaii and homeland defense.

## MCBH NEWS BRIEFS

### MONITORS VISIT

The HQMC Manpower Management Enlisted Assignment (MMEA) monitors and career counselors will be visiting MCB Hawaii from Monday through Wednesday.

Briefings will include a command brief targeting officers; a sergeant major brief, open to senior enlisted Marines; a career brief, focusing on individual awareness of competitive and retention issues; and a first term brief to address current issues surrounding retention, lateral moves special duty assignments.

For more, at K-Bay call Master Sgt. Iosefa Elisara at 257-8858, or at Camp Smith, call Master Sgt. Patrick Buckley at 477-8698.

### WAIKIKI PARADE, FRIDAY

Themed "Celebrating Santa and Pride in America," this year's Third Annual Waikiki Holiday Parade will pay tribute to America's armed forces and honor survivors of Pearl Harbor. It will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and is free and open to the public.

Scheduled are bands from the mainland, which will march in the parade representing battleships and cruisers that were sunk during the attacks, several local bands, and the Marine Forces Pacific. U.S. Navy and U.S. Army bands.

The parade will make its way down Kalakaua Ave., starting at the corner of Saratoga Rd., and ending at the Honolulu Zoo. It is sponsored by the DoubleTree Alana Waikiki. For more information, call 941-7275.

### COMMISSARY CLOSURE

The Kaneohe Bay Commissary will be closed today and tomorrow. It will reopen for normal operations Saturday, Nov. 24 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

### MSG SCREENINGS, DEC. 5-6

A HQMC Marine Security Guard Screening Team will visit MCB Hawaii to conduct detailed briefings and screen volunteers for MSG duty. The briefs are scheduled for Dec. 5 at 8 a.m. and Dec. 6 at 8:30 a.m., at the Kaneohe Bay BOQ Conference Room. The uniform will be Charlies.

Briefs will target volunteers in the grade of lance corporal through master gunnery sergeant; however, all Marines may attend.

The team will also be available for individual screenings. Marines, including those who have received orders, who desire to be screened must bring their SRB, Health Record, current BIR/BTR and a signed, completed C.O.'s MSG screening checklist. Call your unit career planner for more details.

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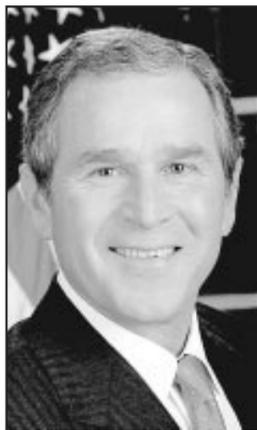
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### Military Family Week, Nov. 18-25

## From the commander-in-chief



BUSH

I am proud to offer my sincere thanks to the brave wives, husbands, children, and other family members of our soldiers, Sailors, airmen, and Marines during Military Family Week.

Many military families serve our country by sacrificing personal comfort as their loved ones help protect our Nation.

The men and women who serve in America's military depend on their families for solace and strength as they defend our people and our interests around the world.

Your active support of our servicemembers plays a vital role in our national de-

fense and in making our country's Armed Services the finest in the world.

As we work to eradicate the evil of terrorism, military families must continue to meet their distinctive challenges with the American spirit of honor and courage.

Your selfless dedication to your loved ones and to our country sets an example of patriotism for all Americans to follow.

Laura joins me in sending our prayers, gratitude, and best wishes.

George W. Bush  
President of the United States

## 'Code Talker' tells of undecipherable code

Cpl. Jacques-Rene Hebert  
MarForPac Public Affairs

CAMP H.M. SMITH — "We're here today to recognize two very distinct events the Native Americans had direct involvement in," Col. Bruce R. Gathwohl explained. "Those two things are Thanksgiving and the Navajo Code Talkers."

Thus began a Marine Forces Pacific feast and celebration, Nov. 14, honoring the valiant Navajo Code Talker, Teddy Draper, Jr., and celebrating Thanksgiving Day, where those same Native Americans helped the Pilgrims forge their way in a brave new world.

Draper was born on a reservation in northern Arizona on April 2, 1923. He first attempted to enlist at the age of 18, but due to the age limit of 21 at the time, he was denied.

"I tried to join the Marines early," Draper explained to the crowd of approximately 200 Marines and Sailors. "I hadn't really been off the reservation my whole life, and the Marine Corps offered me the chance to do that."

In 1943, however, the age limit was lowered to 18, and he quickly joined the Marine Corps. After completing recruit training in California, Draper attended the four week, Code Talkers course at Camp

Elliot, Calif.

"I remember being sent to Camp Elliot, but I really didn't know why," Draper recalled. "When I got there, I was brought to a group of officers who told me I was there to do a special duty. That's how I came to be a 'code talker.'"

The 'code talkers' were spawned from an idea to use Navajo for secure communications. Philip Johnston, the son of a missionary to the Navajos and one of the few non-Navajos who spoke their language fluently, is credited with the idea.

Johnson believed Navajo answered the military requirement for an undecipherable code because it is an unwritten language of extreme complexity. Its syntax and tonal qualities, not to mention dialects, make it unintelligible to anyone without extensive exposure and training.

The language has no alphabet or symbols, and is spoken only on the Navajo lands of the American Southwest.

At Camp Elliot, the course consisted of training in basic communications procedures and equipment. At the same time, the Navajos comprising the first group recruited devised more than 400 Navajo words for military terms that were not part of their language.

"Air-planes went by the same name as certain birds



Cpl. Jacques-Rene Hebert

Navajo code talker Teddy Draper Jr. speaks to Marines and Sailors gathered at Camp H. M. Smith for a celebration of Native American heritage.

that were on the reservation," Draper explained. "Battalions, companies and units were called by the names of different tribal clans."

Upon completing the difficult course, Draper was immediately deployed and utilized for his important skill in such places as Timian and Japan.

"A long time ago, we fought the U.S. for our land," Draper reflected. "But the time came to change that way of thinking. The urgency of war got us all to go out and help. We had to do a good job — and we did. We helped save thousands of lives."

While in Japan, Draper learned to speak fluent Japanese, though shortly thereafter, he left the Marine Corps as a sergeant after completing a four-year commitment. Since then, Draper has remained an active participant in the Navajo Code Talker Association.

After speaking to the group of Marines and Sailors, the former Marine was presented with the statue of a

Marine rifleman, to represent his service, to the Corps, and a K-Bar knife for playing an integral role in a group that was highly instrumental in bringing about the end of World War II.

The event, however, would not have included Draper, if not for his grandson, Lance Cpl. Richado Tsosie, a motor transport specialist for MarForPac. Tsosie is one of six Marines from his family that have served in the Corps.

"Growing up, I always heard about my grandfather being a Marine, and as long as I can remember, I wanted to be one, too," Tsosie said proudly. "Though the Marine Corps has changed since my grandfather served, I'm proud to carry on the tradition of serving Corps and country."

After the presentation by Draper, the Marines and Sailors present were treated to a home-cooked Thanksgiving feast and an emotion-rousing set by the local Native American dance and drum group Red Thunder, of which Tsosie is an active member.

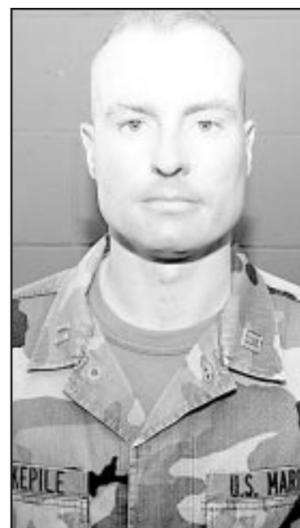


BROWN

## 1/12 receives new commander



Captain Henry D. Brown relinquished command of Charlie Battery, 1st Bn., 12th Marines, to Capt. Keith E. Burkenpile in a ceremony, Nov. 15.



BURKENPILE

# Marines help keep community safe

**Sgt. Robert Carlson**  
Press Chief

KANEOHE — Hawaii Marines joined forces with members of the community at Windward Mall, Saturday, to help improve the safety of children riding in vehicles.

In addition to MCB Hawaii Base Safety Center representatives, Marines from 1st Radio Bn. and Combat Service Support Group 3 volunteered to work alongside members of the Honolulu Police Department, Hawaii's Department of Health, Kapiolani Medical Center, and several other organizations to ensure parents knew the proper way to secure their children in their cars.

"This is normally our busiest event of the year," said Dan Martynuik, traffic safety specialist with MCB Hawaii's Base Safety Center. "This is a busy time of year for the mall, too, and with the visibility we're getting from Kam Highway, a lot of folks see us and come in."

The child safety seat inspection, held in the parking lot of the Windward Mall, was one of several conducted each year by the Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition.

Event volunteers are trained inspection technicians and work with parents to help them properly fasten



Sgt. Robert Carlson

**18-month-old Ashton Johnson watches as Gunnery Sgt. Patrick Kaiahua, group safety chief, CSSG-3, demonstrates proper installation of a child safety seat. Kaiahua was training to be a certified safety seat inspector during the event.**

their children into a child safety seat.

Visitors to the inspection stations had their child safety seats checked for wear

and tear, for recall status, and for proper installation.

According to Martynuik, the inspectors also checked the appropriateness of the

seat for the child's size and to see that the harnesses holding the child in the seat were adjusted properly.

"We find that nearly 90 percent of the car seats we inspect are not installed properly," said Lori Pakujaku, a traffic safety coordinator at the Hawaii Department of Health.

"Since motor vehicle accidents are the number one killer of children 14 years old and under, we're out here teaching people how to install and use their safety seats properly to increase the chances of survival during an accident," Pakujaku added.

Martynuik said the event was not just for children in safety seats, but all children.

"We have these events to help parents understand how child safety seats work, but also to help them understand about safety belts and booster seats," he said. "We're also using the event as an opportunity to train brand new inspectors."

Partnering with the community to achieve common goals is what events like the child seat inspection are all about, said Martynuik.

Having more trained child seat inspectors aboard MCB Hawaii also adds resources to the military community's arsenal of tools to improve safety aboard the base.

## WORD ON THE STREET

*What do you have to be thankful for this year?*

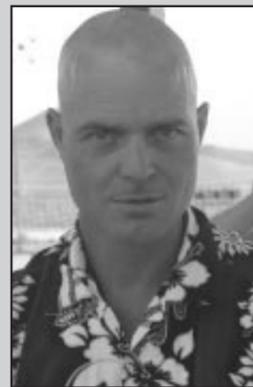


"My health and my family's safety."

**Lance Cpl. Jeremiah Davies**  
Artilleryman  
Charlie Battery,  
1/12

"I'm thankful for the armaments and warships we have to combat terrorist countries."

**Staff Sgt. Thomas Shields**  
Training  
SNCO  
Charlie Battery,  
1/12



## Fire in the hole



Sgt. Richard W. Holtgraver Jr.

**Above Left — Sgt. Nathan W. Shields, a Tuba player for the Marine Forces Pacific Band, throws a grenade at the range during training. Above Right — Sgt. Michael J. Brown, an oboe player for the Marine Forces Pacific Band throws a grenade at the MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Range Training Facility during field training Nov. 5.**



Lance Cpl. Luis R. Agostini

**Sgt. Jake Luquin, combat engineer, CSSG-3 Landing Support Co., and Cpl. Keith Wills, heavy equipment operator, CSSG-3 Landing Support Co., provide security against all aggressors.**

### CSSG-3, From A-1

Direct Ordering System (DOS) employed by Supply Company CSSG-3. Through electronic access of the entire General Account of the Sassy Management Unit, CSSG-3 (Forward) logisticians were able to order parts from the PTA directly onto the warehouse floor.

Supply Marines then prepared and shipped those parts within hours. At times, parts arrived just hours after being ordered.

Benefits of the DOS system were, a

significant reduction in the size of the Class IX repair parts block from more than 800 items ashore to approximately 200, hundreds of man-days and resources saved in loading and shipping of excessive items ashore and reduced order-ship time with this reach-back capability.

Marines attached to CSSG-3 forward were able to validate the sea-based logistics concept over the course of the 21-day exercise. They performed their support missions with 50 personnel, vice 200, the employment of commercial services, consolidated organiza-

tional and intermediate maintenance operations and outstanding support from HMH 362 providing ACE MAR-LOG support.

The logisticians of CSSG-3 validated the concept of sea-based logistics during HCAO 02-1.

By aggressive use of technology, commercial resources, and innovative supply and maintenance procedures, HCAO 02-01 participants learned that logistics support is not a function of the size supply dumps ashore, or the numbers of personnel assigned to the CSSE.



"My friends and my family."

**Jessica Simpson**  
Pizza delivery person

"I'm thankful just to be alive."

**Pfc. Luke Spencer**  
Heavy equipment mechanic  
CSSG-3



"I'm thankful to be in a country where we have freedom of religion, speech and choice."

**Chief Warrant Officer 4 Randall Harris**  
Range management officer  
Headquarters  
Bn.

# CREDO provides weekend support

DoD singles, couples, families, units and retirees can participate in CREDO programs

Lance Cpl.  
Jason E. Miller  
Combat Correspondent

At difficult times during a servicemember's career, finding a place to confront problems and share thoughts with listening, caring and understanding peers may seem a difficult task.

The CREDO program, at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, offers servicemembers having a difficult time, a place to turn.

The Chaplain's Religious Environment Development Operation is designed to take a person, couple or family away from the stresses of everyday life to an isolated place where reflection, conversation and relaxation are the focus of every day.

"Our primary mission is to promote personal, spiritual and emotional welfare of Sailors and Marines," said Lt. Cmdr. Tony Headrick, director of the CREDO program in Hawaii. "We do that by providing a safe place where Marines and Sailors can talk about their problems and begin finding solutions to their problems within

themselves."

A CREDO retreat comes at no cost to those wishing to attend and can last for up to three days. Even the lodging and food, which receives numerous complements from guests, are free.

Retreat weekend themes vary from personal growth to marriage to even unit team building.

Personal growth retreats are opportunities for individuals to pursue growth in a quiet peaceful setting. Participants are encouraged to share their thoughts, dreams and feelings about their lives in an environment of confidentiality and safety.

"We're not here to provide people the answers," Headrick said. "We're here to give individuals the tools they need to find the answers by themselves."

"The change that is made over a person in just a single weekend is amazing," he added. "First they get here and don't know anybody, and after a few days, they've made some lifelong friends."

The Marital Enrichment program is a retreat that lasts during a single weekend. The program focuses not on solving problems within mar-

riages, but instead, upon making good marriages even better by building communication and sharing experience with other married couples in similar situations.

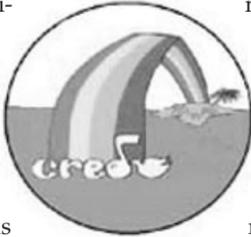
CREDO also offers retreats for families as well as a teen retreat weekend that allows young adults to take part in Bible studies and presentations and to address issues that face youth in a military environment.

CREDO's newest addition to its list of helpful programs is DEFUSE. The Dependence Enhancing Freedoms Using Self Empowerment program is designed to help servicemembers work their way through situations like assault, chemical dependence and suicide.

"DEFUSE is a program that is helpful in a variety of ways. It can be done in two-hour increments through classes that we can bring to the units, or through weekend retreats," said Headrick. "The longer we have to work with a person though, the better the results will be."

To attend a CREDO activity, a Marine or Sailor should process a special request chit through the chain of command and notify CREDO for further instructions.

CREDO can be contacted at (808) 257-1941.



# MCI workshops set for Dec. 10-11

Annually, the Marine Corps Institute visits major bases and stations around the Corps.

These visits allow MCI the chance to meet with Marine leaders and to conduct a workshop for the training of officers and training noncommissioned officers who administer unit MCI programs.

Presently, MCI is scheduled to visit Hawaii, Dec. 10-11.

During the visit to each of the individual camps on Hawaii, MCI will conduct two, one-hour briefs.

The first brief will be the leader's brief — a good professional military education opportunity for staff NCOs and officers.

During the leader's brief, MCI's operations officer will discuss recent improvements, MCI initiatives, and training technologies.

The second brief will be for unit training of-

ficers and NCOs.

This brief will follow a mobile training team format. Also, MCI representatives will demonstrate how to track unit enrollment, provide techniques for managing the Unit Verification Report and provide inspection preparation procedures.

#### Dates are as follows:

•Dec. 10 at 8 a.m.  
*Leaders Brief*  
at the MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay Base Chapel

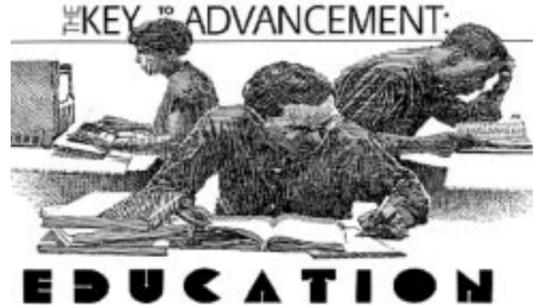
•Dec. 10 at 9 a.m.  
*MTT Workshop*  
at the K-Bay Base Chapel

•Dec. 11 at 8 a.m.  
*Leaders Brief*  
at Camp Smith's Bldg. 27 Classroom

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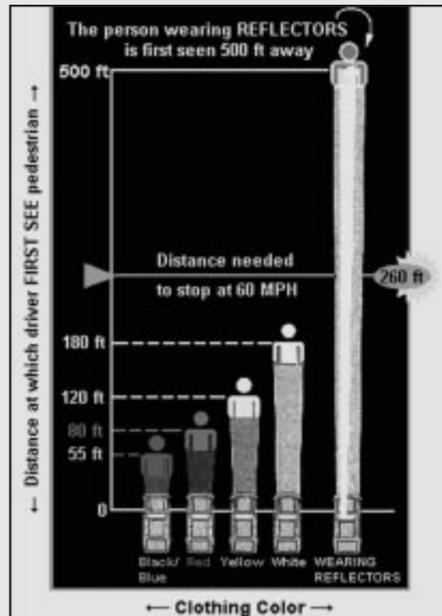
## KILL • A • WATT

IT'S EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY  
TURN OFF WHEN NOT IN USE



## 'Be reflective,' that's an order

Residents of MCB Hawaii are reminded that reflective clothing is required outside during the hours of darkness. Walking, running, bicycling, or skating in the dark is prohibited without approved reflective gear. The Department of Transportation graphic shows that pedestrians walking along a road in dark clothing at night are first seen approximately 55 feet away giving the driver less than one second reaction time. A driver traveling at 60 MPH needs more than 260 feet to stop. These are the distances for personal nighttime visibility according to Cornell University's Cooperative Extension Program.



Cpl. Roman Yurek

**A CH-53D Sea Stallion unloads 2/3 Marines for a training evolution at Camp Smith.**

### BCCX, From A-1

more than 70 Marines from Golf Co., 2nd Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, flew to the base and fast roped from the helos onto the Camp Smith landing zone to become the ground combat element.

Combat Service

Support Group 3 acted as the combat service support element and supplied the logistics support.

The final piece of the puzzle was the command element, which consisted of Manson, the commander, and the civilian JRAC authorities.

At 7:40 p.m., the first group of 31 Marines landed. The Golf Co. Marines positioned themselves around Building 1 at predetermined security points.

"It is always breathtaking, being able to fast rope out of a helo," said Lance Cpl. Graham Faulk, a mortar man with Golf Co.

All around Bldg. 1, Golf

Co. Marines stood ready. As vehicles approached, they checked the ID cards of drivers before letting them pass. In the end, Golf Co. secured the building and the training evolution was a success.

"This exercise was truly a success," said Manson. "It was a learning evolution. We live in a dynamic world. So, our training must be dynamic."

The Marines are ready to be called in at any time. The JRAC may not require them to travel to every clime or place. However, there are still many places on Oahu that may need the assistance of this well-trained Marine force.

### NAVY LEAGUE, From A-1

tion of any award; they just did it because it was something that needed to be done," said Capt. Steven M. Wolf, commanding officer of H&S Co., 3/3.

When he reflected back on the night that he and his cohorts risked life and limb to save people from the flames of the burning home, Buckley remained modest with his comments about receiving the award from the Navy League.

The three Marines acted on instinct that fateful evening, according to Buckley and he felt that any Marine would have acted in the same manner had they been placed in the same situation.

"I think it's exceptional on the part of the Navy League to recognize a positive action by Marines," said Buckley.

The Navy League is unique among military-oriented associations in that it is a civilian organization dedicated to the education of citizens, including elected officials,

and the support of the men and women of the sea services and their families.

"These three Marines did what many people in the civilian community would call 'an act of bravery,'" said Glenn

K.Y.Hong, president of the Honolulu Council for the Navy League.

"To go in and rescue people without a second thought for their own safety, and to not ask for anything in return — we

in the community really appreciate that," he said with pride.

Other honorees were:

- Navy Lt. Alexander J. Callahan
- Navy Lt. Mason E. Weisbrod

- Staff Sgt. Juanito T. Barrientos

- Staff Sgt. Rogelio Cervantes

- Petty Officer 1st Class Gary L. Phillips

- Petty Officer 1st Class Robert W. Gladden

- Sgt. Hayden J. McCall
- Petty Officer 2nd Class Timothy D. Dunaway

- Cpl. Steven R. Fuller

- Cpl. Megan L. Stambaugh

- Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Tonello

# MILITARY BLOTTER

There were a total of 73 traffic citations issued.

## The Blotter

-A Marine was arrested by the Honolulu Police Department for driving under the influence after he was observed driving erratically. He was processed and held on \$500 bail.

-A Marine was involved

in a traffic accident while backing and failed to maintain sufficient distance from a fire hydrant.

-A Marine reported that person(s) unknown stole miscellaneous 782 gear from him in a squadbay.

-A Marine was arrested by HPD for trespassing. He was processed and released on \$100 bail.

-A Marine was involved

in a traffic accident while backing and failed to maintain sufficient distance from another Marine's vehicle.

-A Marine was apprehended by the Military Police Department for drunk and disorderly conduct.

-A Sailor was arrested by HPD for a DUI after he was observed driving erratically. He was processed and held on \$500 bail.

-Two Marines reported that person(s) unknown stole a 1994 Honda CR125 motorcycle and a 2001 Yamaha YZ 250 motorcycle. Both motorcycles were stolen from the barracks parking lot.

-A Marine was involved in a traffic accident while backing and failed to maintain sufficient distance from a utility pole.

-A Marine was involved in a traffic accident while travelling and failed to

maintain sufficient distance from a Sailor's car which was stopped for a pedestrian on a crosswalk.

-A Marine was apprehended by MPD for a DUI after he was observed driving erratically.

-A Marine was apprehended for a DUI and for driving on state suspension, after he attempted to gain access to the installation via the main gate, during a 100 percent ID card check.

## Lost and Found

If you're missing valuables, contact Lost and Found to see if anyone has turned in the item(s). Call Cpl. Fernandez at 257-2103, ext. 325.

## Crime Prevention

Do you have questions about how you could take a stance against crime in your neighborhood? If so, contact Cpl. Gordon Scott at Crime Prevention, at 257-2103, ext. 315.

# EVERY CLIME AND PLACE

## Beach assault ends Egypt's Exercise Bright Star 01-02

**Sgt Thomas Michael Corcoran**  
*Combat Correspondent*

**ABOARD USS WHIDBEY ISLAND** — The 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable), along with amphibious forces from Spain and Egypt, performed a coordinated beach assault north of Mubarak Military City, Egypt, Oct. 23. The

demonstration was the culmination of more than two weeks of coalition training during Exercise Bright Star 01-02.

"It [the amphibious demonstration] served to illustrate that a coalition of nations were able to set aside religious beliefs, politics, and doctrinal differences and conduct professional military training," said Kilo Co. Commander, Capt. Todd S. Tomko, of the multinational exercise.

Attended by dozens of international media representatives and high-ranking dignitaries, the demonstration further illustrated the synergy and interoperability that exists between the professional militaries of the United States and her allies in times of crisis.

"The whole world



Sgt Thomas Michael Corcoran

**Marines participate in the final amphibious landing.**

is covered in water; we can assault an objective from anywhere," said Sgt. John Dominic Barto IV, Bn. Landing Team 3/6 Amphibious Assault

Vehicle Platoon assistant section leader.

Although the event was merely a demonstration and not an exercise, it was no less significant. Egyptian forces conducted heliborne assaults from U.S. and Spanish shipping and came over the beach in Egyptian Topaz Amphibious Assault Vehicles.

The ability to orches-

trate a simultaneous assault from the air and the sea with three different countries each with their own unique tactics, techniques and procedures required seamless coordination and planning to yield success.

Bright Star gave the Marines a chance to get back to the field and train after a couple of months at home and at sea.



Lance Cpl. Joel M. Nau

**Marines and Sailors peer through the window of a CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter, taking one last look at the USS Bataan en route to the beach to participate in a coalition amphibious assault.**