

## In this week's Kukini



■ As election day draws near, Air Force officials plan for the service's participation in January's presidential inauguration **A3**

## News Notes

**Air Force Sergeants Association meeting** — The next AFSA, Chapter 1550, general membership meeting will be held next Tuesday, 3:30 p.m., at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. For more information, call Master Sgt. Kevin Albertson at 448-2928 or Tech. Sgt. Mark Schwartz at 449-2077.

**Influenza vaccine** — The influenza vaccine is MANDATORY for all active-duty members. Clinic team members will be doing a 100-percent record review to update the Air Force Complete Immunizations Tracking Record Application (AFCITA). The clinic will also be giving out other immunizations to update Air Force members on any past due immunizations. For more information on unit vaccinations or to be vaccinated, contact Tech. Sgt. Walker or Staff Sgt. Frazier at 448-6275/76.

**Office closure notice** — The 15th Airlift Wing Equal Opportunity (EO) Office will be closed for an office function next week Wednesday through Friday. For emergency support, call Capt Chandler via the Command Post at 448-6900. For more information about this notice, call Tech. Sgt. Alicia Lewis at 449-1701.

**HCH leasing office relocation** — The Hickam Community Housing Leasing Office is scheduled to relocate effective Nov. 3. The new address will be 200 Kokomalei St.. For details and a map, log on to www.HickamCommunityHousing.com or contact Ann Wharton, HCH communications director at ann.wharton@actuslendlease.com

**Cell phone drive extended** — October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. If you have a used cell phone that you no longer need or want, please drop it off at the Mental Health Flight. Cell Phones will be used to help victims of domestic violence. Members of the flight will be collecting cell phones through next week Friday. For more information, call 449-0175.

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# CFC: Two weeks and counting

By Jeff Nicolay  
Hickam Kukini editor

It's two weeks and counting until the scheduled end of the 2008 Combined Federal Campaign, and CFC POC Capt. Joseph Ringer, 15th Security Forces Squadron operations officer, wants to make sure every Team Hickam member knows how to make his or her pledge before the campaign's October 31 deadline.

"If you've never made a CFC pledge before, just see your unit POC," he said. "They've got all the paperwork you need to participate in this year's program."

Captain Ringer noted that this year's CFC slogan — "Because Somebody You Know Needs Your Help" —

is a compelling reminder of the campaign's importance — and that even a small donation can make a big difference.

"The minimum for payroll deduction is three dollars," he said. "Just three dollars a paycheck and you can have an impact on somebody's life ... some family's life. It's a bargain any way you look at it."

This year, the goal is for the 15th Airlift Wing to pledge \$113,000, said the captain, adding that the Team Hickam goal is \$287,000.

To help meet those goals, CFC volunteers will be holding a campaign car wash on Wednesday at the normal base car wash-fundraising location, and Captain Ringer

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Photo by Jeff Nicolay

Staff Sgt. Isabel Rico, executive assistant to the 15th Airlift Wing command chief, fills out her 2008 Combined Federal Campaign pledge form. This year's campaign is scheduled to end in two weeks, with a base-wide goal of raising \$287,000.

# Senior Air Force leaders discuss key issues at CORONA forum

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The nuclear enterprise, cyber organization, end strength, force shaping, and command and control of Air Force operations were just some of the topics discussed when Air Force senior leaders met at CORONA on Oct. 1-3 at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.

Secretary of the Air Force Michael B. Donley set the tone stating, "Over the past two days we addressed several issues, making decisions on key Air Force missions necessary to move our Air Force in the right direction." The Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Norton Schwartz, followed with comments on the importance of the conference saying, "CORONA is a forum for decision. The teamwork manifested in this room will allow us to accomplish what our Air Force needs done."

As a follow-up to the recent nuclear summit, the briefings and decisions at CORONA were dominated by discussions on the nuclear enterprise. Discussions



U.S. Air Force photo

As a follow-up to a recent nuclear summit, the briefings and decisions at CORONA were dominated by discussions on the nuclear enterprise, represented here by (clockwise from left) the Air Force's B-52 Stratofortress, the B-1B Lancer and the B-2 Spirit Stealth Bomber.

included options to reconfigure the command structure for nuclear forces, roles and responsibilities of the Nuclear Weapons Center, the required skills and force development for personnel conducting the nuclear mission, and stand-up of the new nuclear-focused staff element organization within Air Force headquarters.

The leadership also decided to establish a nuclear-focused major command to concentrate Air Force support for the nuclear and deterrence missions.

"We will announce decisions soon because they are crucial steps toward attaining excellence in our nuclear enterprise and re-vitalization of

the nuclear culture across the Air Force," said Secretary Donley.

Initial planning will be integrated into the Air Force Nuclear Roadmap, which will be unveiled in a few weeks.

In addition, the senior leaders discussed the Air Force active duty end strength ceiling, now to be 330,000 personnel, and addressed which missions and functional specialties should obtain additional allocations based on emerging missions, as well as critically manned career fields.

"Force shaping across the Air Force is hard work. There are many factors that need to be considered as we determine where manpower billets will be placed ... everything from new missions that are directly contributing everyday to joint operations to shortfalls in specific functional areas," said General Schwartz.

"The leadership will work to close this issue for this budget cycle in the coming weeks."

A key component of the Air Force's contribution to the cur-

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# MAJCOM preps for domestic threats

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. (AFNS) — For the first time in its existence, U.S. Northern Command is gaining a dedicated force to respond to potential chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and high-yield explosive (CBRNE) incidents in the homeland.

"We are now building the first of three CBRNE Consequence Management Response Forces," said USNORTHCOM Commander Gen. Gene Renard. "(As of) the first of October, we have an organized, trained force, an equipped force, a force that has adequate command and control and is on quick response — 48 hours — to head off to a large-scale nuclear, chemical, biological event that might require Department of Defense support."

The CBRNE Consequence Management Response Force, or CCMRF, is a team of about 4,700 joint personnel that would deploy as the Department of Defense's initial response force for a CBRNE incident. Its capabilities include search and rescue, decontamination, medical, aviation, communications and logistical support.

Each CCMRF will be composed of three functional task forces — Task Force Operations, Task Force Medical and Task Force Aviation — that have their own individual operational focus and set of mission skills. Depending on the different mission requirements and the incident commander's priorities, Task Force Operations, Task Force Medical and Task Force Aviation units would have varying roles and responsibilities based upon the type of catastrophe and the size of the geographical area. In USNORTHCOM's first CCMRF, the Army's 3rd Infantry Division's 1st Brigade

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# Warriors take a stand against violence



Col. Giovanni K. Tuck (center), 15th Airlift Wing commander, signs a proclamation last week to recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Also on hand for the ceremony were (from left) Rory Calhoun, Capt. Malaysia Gresham and Cindy Morita, all with the 15th Medical-Dental Operations Squadron; Col. Dean Wolford, 15AW/CV; Erica Sugiyama-Hill, 15 MDOS; Myrna Jurado, 15th Services Squadron; Susan Uehara, 15 MDOS; Mary Duncan, 15 SVS; Chief Master Sgt. Tom Westermeyer, 15AW/CCC; and Lt. Col. Kathryn Mangion, 15 MDOS.

Photo by Dr. Philip Breeze

# ACTION LINE

## Single Airmen in Privatized Housing

**Comment:** I was talking to Privatized Housing the other day and they said that they are going to start letting single Airmen move into base/privatized housing. I was under the impression that base housing was for married couples, single parents and families with many children that needed a bigger and would not be able to afford living off base.

This concerns me for a couple of reasons: Now that housing is privatized, it's all about making money and that means fill every house so the company can collect the BAH. Has anyone considered if this route is taken there won't be houses for families that PCS in? The wait to get a house on base for people with special-needs children and members returning from short tours will be severely lengthened.

Meanwhile, with single Airmen living in base housing, it threatens the family environment. Single Airmen are more prone to house parties — parties that bring noise and lots of traffic to an area that is already congested with cars and has lots of children running around. I know I'm not the only one who feels this way and I also know that not all single Airmen/NCOs would abuse their privileges.

If all housing was still government owned, I don't think this would happen. If this is the route that housing is going to take, are they going to take into account what people pay for housing now? Are they going to give a single staff sergeant who pays roughly \$1,700 a month a brand-new home with three rooms and central air while the master sergeant with three kids who pays \$2,600 lives in old housing? Will families get priority for new homes or will it be first come first serve? I feel this is not right.

**Response:** You are correct. All homes on Hickam AFB (except for those at Fort Kamehameha) are owned by Hickam Community Housing (HCH), a private company; they are no longer owned by the Air Force.

It is HCH's priority to ALWAYS rent their homes to Air Force families who desire to live on Hickam. Rent paid for each of these homes helps pay for large-scale renovation of hundreds of our homes and construction of hundreds more.

In order to ensure this occurs, the Air Force authorizes privatization projects to rent to others if there are not enough primary Air Force families to rent homes to, especially for tough-to-fill, two-bedroom homes that may not be as attractive for young Air Force families. Some of these tough-to-fill homes may be made available to single service members or other service-branch families, as long as there is no Air Force family willing and available to live in that particular home.

This flexibility allows the project to remain healthy and continue to bring housing units up to modern standards. With regard to the possible disadvantages of having single residents, I offer the following: all tenants are accountable to the Resident Guide and Community Standards Handbook. If residents are not abiding by the rules, please let your HCH community manager know.

If the issue persists after working with HCH, please let me know. If you would like, you can review the handbook at [www.HickamCH.com](http://www.HickamCH.com). Please feel free to contact HCH at anytime at 423-2300, they welcome your comments and suggestions.

*The Action Line is your direct link to me so we can work as a team to make Hickam a better community. I urge you to use the normal chain of command first. If you have done this and are still not satisfied, give my commander's Action Line a call. If you would like me to get back to you, leave your name and number, state your issue, tell me who you have talked to and why you were not satisfied with their response. I'll work your issue and respond verbally or in writing. The Action Line number is 449-2996. Messages may also be sent by e-mail to [15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil](mailto:15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil).*

Deadline for article submission is end of day Monday for Friday's issue. Copy must be typed, double-spaced 12-point type, 300-500 words in length, and e-mailed to [hickam.kukini@hickam.af.mil](mailto:hickam.kukini@hickam.af.mil).

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

# Sprinklers and water conservation

By Kimberly Hubbard  
 15th Civil Engineer Squadron  
 chief of maintenance engineers



Kimberly Hubbard

The 15th Civil Engineer Squadron maintains more than 13 million square feet of industrial landscaping areas. The squadron accomplishes this through a grounds maintenance contract that covers things like cutting grass, trimming shrubs, and maintaining the many base sprinkler systems. HCH maintains the common areas in privatized housing.

With more than 20,000 sprinkler devices to maintain, the 15 CES has a very big job. Even with constant function checks and drive around inspections, they do not catch all sprinkler malfunctions. Efforts have been made to increase surveillance and maintenance of these systems.

In the industrial areas of Hickam, many of the sprinkler systems are automated and scheduled to operate on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The systems are set up in zones with each zone running for 30-45 minutes during

the hours of 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. Large areas such as O'Malley Boulevard have multiple zones and run for a longer period of time, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. There are also areas without sprinkler systems that are watered manually with garden hoses Monday through Friday. Battery-operated timers are used to control water usage for manually watered areas.

With such a large area to maintain, watering during 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. is necessary in some industrial areas. The 15 CES schedules water usage to manage demand. If too much demand is placed on the water system, certain areas cannot sustain water pressure necessary for sprinklers. In fact, all manual watering is done between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. In addition, the grounds-maintenance contractor checks systems monthly and performs function checks during business hours.

In Hickam Community Housing, the

automated sprinklers run from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Similar to the industrial areas, they have different zones and operate anywhere from 10 to 40 minutes.

As a reminder to housing residents, back yards (with no irrigation systems) should be watered only from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Residents living at odd-numbered addresses will water only on odd-numbered dates; residents living at even-numbered addresses will water only on even-numbered dates. Lawns should be watered no more than 20 minutes in each location.

Fifteen CES constantly works with its contractor and HCH to identify problem areas and avoid wasting water resources. Water conservation is important to Hickam and the Island of Oahu. We encourage anyone to call CE Customer Service 24-hour Service Desk at 449-3100/3101 to report any industrial area irrigation malfunction from broken sprinkler heads to excessive watering. If the irrigation malfunction is in Hickam Community Housing, please call 423-1650.

# AFSO 21: Why should you care?

By Tech. Sgt. Paul Titus  
 916th Air Refueling Wing

Misconceptions about Air Force Smart Operations 21 abound. Do you have them?

AFSO 21 isn't the same as "Lean." Lean is just one of many process improvement tools we can apply.

AFSO 21 is not the blind search for metrics without logical application, or the ceaseless quest for "great" performance-report bullets.

It's not a chance for leaders to get promoted or show their face on Air Force News.

And, for those older folks among us, like me, it's not Total Quality Management, and shouldn't bear the "scars" of the Air Force's metrics-driven, top-down, non-customer-focused implementation strategy.

But why should you care?

If you're working overtime and weekends, you should care. If you're a customer who sits in a queue frustrated, you should care.

If you finish the day and wonder, "What did I achieve? There had to be a better way," you do care and are empowered to talk to your leaders. If you're a supervisor or commander and want to make life better for your people, you can.

If you're stressed, you can make work easier and more productive for yourself and your team. If you care about the future of our Air Force and its members, you care about AFSO 21.

So what is AFSO 21?

It's the long-term journey to implement

a culture of change and empowerment. It's a delivery driver, asking why the airfield entry point can't be moved 20 feet so he doesn't have to get out of his van six extra times a day.

It's a vehicle mechanic questioning why he has to walk 200 feet to dispose of oil filters, and then taking the initiative with his supervisor to move the hazardous-

**“ It is a culture in which you're empowered to ask why and where. ”**

material container closer. And, it's the operations group captain asking how we can reorder checklists to speed up the pre- and post-flight processes and get the poor crew chief out of the cold.

It's a senior master sergeant and his team changing their work layout at no cost, eliminating the expeditor process, reducing their delivery times from 19 to two hours and transparently exceeding all customer needs.

All those changes and many more can happen at your base right now. You can make a difference.

Everyone reading this article has the

power to make positive changes and to have his or her voice heard. In fact, the key to AFSO 21 success is a culture in which every Airman is thinking about improvement, and is empowered to communicate with his or her supervisor, commander or change manager.

Notice that I didn't say this is a culture where you're expected to have all the answers, but it is a culture in which you're empowered to ask why and where. The strength of teamwork can seek the answer.

You'd be surprised how many problems are within your organization's control to change — what we call the "Just do it" projects — but it first takes an operator or customer, like yourself, to ask "why?"

I've found that even skeptics, after they participate in an AFSO 21 event, alter their mindsets, leaving convinced and enthused that change can be implemented, improvements achieved and their impact felt.

I truly believe that if you get the people — suppliers, performers and customers — who are impacted by a process, have them define the changes necessary, give them control to make change and make them responsible for its implementation, improvements will happen.

Success will then breed more enthusiasm and the desire to grow the culture of change and improvement, one person, one shop, one team at a time. Each of you is the "Smart" in Air Force Smart Ops 21, and every day you need to ask, "What have I improved today?"

I guarantee you'll find asking WHY worthwhile.

# 'Ohana Road' films on Hickam flightline



Photo by Jeff Nicolay

Col. Dean Wolford (right), 15th Airlift Wing vice commander, poses with Yasmine Dar, co-host of 'Ohana Road,' a locally produced, automotive-themed television show that taped five episodes Wednesday on Hickam's DV flightline. According to 'Ohana Road' producer Bill Maloney, the episodes were being produced as a 61st-anniversary tribute to the U.S. Air Force, as well as to major U.S. automakers, with the first scheduled to air Nov. 9. The weekly half-hour program — now in its sixth year on local ABC affiliate KITV — airs Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Sundays at 11 p.m.

# Nation's Airmen poised to support next year's presidential inauguration

By Lt. Col. Jay Delancy  
Armed Forces  
Inaugural Committee

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — More than 85 Airmen from 30 different Air Force bases formed the 320th Air Expeditionary Wing in September to support the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee in Washington.

The 320th AEW members will combine with members from the other military services to provide ceremonial support to the presidential inauguration Jan. 20

Led by Maj. Gen. Ralph J. Jodice II, the Air Force District of Washington commander, the 320th AEW will have almost 200 Airmen on the ground in support of inaugural events. Other Airmen supporting the inauguration

will be Air Force Honor Guard members, Air Force Band Airmen, military assistants, drivers and contingency support members.

On Inauguration Day, the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee will include more than 740 Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Coast Guard members.

In addition, thousands of other servicemembers will join the celebration by either marching in the parade or participating in an honor cordon along the two-mile parade route from the Capitol to the White House.

"This is an air and space expeditionary force deployment for Airmen assigned to AFIC," General Jodice said. "They will receive credit for this deployment just as they would for a deployment

overseas."

AFIC was established in the 1950s to serve as the Department of Defense liaison to the Presidential Inaugural Committee and the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

It's a joint service committee charged with coordinating all military ceremonial participation in the inauguration, including musical units, marching bands, color guards, salute batteries and honor cordons.

"The armed forces participation in the presidential inauguration is a centuries-old tradition," he said. "We use it to celebrate our democracy, honor our new commander in chief and recognize civilian control of the military."



U.S. Air Force photo

**Maj. Gen. Ralph J. Jodice II (left) meets with some of the men and women supporting the 2009 presidential inauguration as part of the 56th Armed Forces Inaugural Committee Sept. 19 in Washington, D.C.**

## Federal Web site promotes absentee voting

It's still not too late to register to cast an absentee ballot in the Nov. 4 general election in many states, a Defense Department official said last week. To assist in that effort, officials with the Federal Voting Assistance Program have launched a Web site that has all the information voters need to find out how to cast an absentee ballot in their voting jurisdiction.

Also on the site, voters can register and request ballots. The voter's respective state will then deliver the ballot electronically, and the voter can download it and send it in by whatever method the state allows. The Web address is [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

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rent war on terrorism is the execution of command and control of air assets supporting theater operations.

Leaders initiated discussions on how the service can better fulfill the responsibilities to organize, train, and equip command and control capabilities for the joint force commander, as well as how the Air Force can best identify and overcome potential shortfalls in our capabilities.

“How we prioritize and utilize our command and control capabilities in support of joint force operations are key to the overall success of every mission,” said General Schwartz.

Also discussed was how the Air Force can improve support to joint force commanders. One decision made is to assign a senior Air Force officer to appropriate JFCs with command authority to direct air support. The leader-

ship also decided to strengthen our air-to-ground integration by increasing the number and training of the Airmen supporting tactical air control systems and accepting offers from other services to integrate their personnel into our command and control units.

Leadership also decided to establish a Numbered Air Force for cyber operations within Air Force Space Command and discussed how the Air Force will continue to develop capabilities in this new domain and train personnel to execute this new mission.

“The conduct of cyber operations is a complex issue, as DoD and other interagency partners have substantial equity in the cyber arena,” said Secretary Donley. “We will continue to do our part to increase Air Force cyber capabilities and institutionalize our cyber mission.”

**NORTHCOM**, From A1

Combat Team, assigned at Fort Stewart, Ga., will form the core unit of Task Force Operations.

Although CCMRFs are a joint force composed of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines, the first CCMRF will fall under the operational control of USNORTHCOM's Joint Force Land Component Command, U.S. Army North, located in San Antonio. Joint Task Force Civil Support, USNORTHCOM's subordinate command in Fort Monroe, Va., would serve as the operational headquarters and work closely with state and local officials and first responders.

“U.S. Army North has done an outstanding job anticipating the needs of our federal, state and local partners, and training

the CCMRF to be prepared to respond when called upon,”

said Army Col. Michael Boatner, USNORTHCOM future operations division chief.

“This response force will not be called upon to help with law enforcement, civil disturbance or crowd control,” said Colonel Boatner, “but will be used to support lead agencies involved in saving lives, relieving suffering and meeting the needs of communities affected by weapons of mass destruction attacks, accidents or even natural disasters.”

USNORTHCOM is the joint combatant command formed in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to provide homeland defense and defense support of civil authorities.

## KC-135 featured on Public Radio's 'Morning Edition'

**SAN ANTONIO (AFNS)** — JJ Sutherland, a Pentagon correspondent for National Public Radio, climbed aboard a KC-135 Stratotanker at McConnell Air Force Base, Kan., recently to produce a report on the aging aircraft for NPR's Morning Edition. Titled "The Stratotanker: A flying piece of history endures," the nearly seven-minute report includes interviews with the crew and with maintainers who keep the plane flying.

The in-depth report covers the history of the Stratotanker and the process of refueling another aircraft. The author joins the boom operator at the back of the plane as he refuels another KC-135 and an F-15 Eagle. Mr. Sutherland finishes his report at Tinker AFB, Okla., the depot where the planes are refurbished every five years.

The entire segment, along with a two-minute audio slide-show of photos taken by Mr. Sutherland, is online at <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=95484569>.

## Officials extend deadline for health system questionnaire

**FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AFNS)** — The deadline for participating in the Military Health System questionnaires has been extended due to overwhelming response. Wounded, ill or injured servicemembers and their families now have until Nov. 28 to help MHS leaders better understand the needs and expectations of warriors in their care.

The questionnaires, one for wounded, ill or injured service

members and one for family members, are available on the Military Health System Web site and will remain open through November. November has been designated as Warrior Care Month.

The questionnaires ask for feedback concerning a servicemember's experience and satisfaction with the care he or she has received since becoming wounded, ill or injured.

All questionnaire responses are anonymous to encourage honest and specific answers that will lead to positive changes in how MHS officials handle care for wounded, ill or injured servicemembers.

The questionnaires are part of Defense Secretary Robert Gates' commitment to supporting wounded, ill and injured servicemembers, ensuring that their care is the department's top priority.

Care is continually improving but MHS leaders recognize that there is still more to be done. By listening to the opinions of wounded, ill or injured servicemembers and their families, MHS officials will be in a better position to meet their needs and expectations. The online questionnaires are available directly at <http://www.health.mil/Pages/Page.aspx?ID=18>.

The Military Health System is a unique partnership of medical educators, medical researchers and healthcare providers and their support personnel worldwide. This DOD enterprise consists of representatives from the office of the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs; the medical departments of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Joint Chiefs of Staff; the combatant command surgeons; and Tricare providers, including private-sector healthcare providers, hospitals and pharmacies.

## Critical Air Force asset 'endures'



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. James L. Harper Jr.

**The KC-135 Stratotanker, like the one shown here refueling F-15 Eagles, was featured recently on National Public Radio's Morning Edition.**

## President meets with Airmen, families during S.C. visit

### CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C.

— President George Bush and First Lady Laura Bush visited Airmen and their families here during a trip to South Carolina on Oct. 10.

"Team Charleston is humbled and thankful for the opportunity to once again host our commander in chief," said Col. John "Red" Millander, 437th Airlift Wing commander. "We are the busiest flying wing in Air Mobility Command. During the past year, 48 percent of our personnel, almost 1,900 Airmen, have deployed ... some for as long as a year. We are honored that he took time to commend the efforts of our Airmen and their families."

During his visit here, President Bush spent time shaking the hands of more than 250 Airmen and their family members. He also presented the President's Volunteer Service Award to Eileen Hadbavny

from the American Red Cross and a former member of the 315th Airlift Wing here.

"I was honored because this was the first time I ever met the president — it was kind of like seeing a star for the first time because I've only ever seen him on TV or in magazines," said Airman 1st Class Amanda Wildhaber, 437th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief. "He told me the words of wisdom for the day were that the years seem short but the days seem long, and then he thanked me for my service."

However, the President didn't just spend time with Team Charleston members. He also took time to meet and take pictures with the Simpsonville Stars, an 11- and 12-year-old girls' softball team. President Bush congratulated the team for their recent win in the Little League Softball World Series.

The president then left to attend a reception in Kiawah Island, S.C., before heading back to Washington. (By Airman 1st Class Melissa White, 437th Airlift Wing Public Affairs)

## A son's honor ... a father's glory



**Master Sgt. Sergio 'Don' Misa (right), Chief of Executive Services and Resources Advisor to the Commander, Pacific Air Forces, stands next to his son, Capt. Rico C. Dy, 48th Flying Training Squadron D-Flight commander, during his retirement ceremony held last Wednesday in PACAF's Courtyard of Heroes. The event was unique — both for the Misa family and those Airmen in attendance — as Captain Dy delivered a moving-but-lighthearted tribute to his father, one that served as a memorable capstone to Sergeant Misa's distinguished active-duty career.**

Photo by Jeff Nicolay

## Crime Scene



### Theft of personal property

A civilian assigned to the 15th Medical Group reported the theft of personal property from Bldg. 2073/Firestone. The case is currently under investigation.

### DUI

A civilian was detained at Bldg. 188/Main Gate for operating a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant. The case was forwarded to HPD.

### Citation total for the week

14 Civilian traffic citations  
32 Moving traffic citations  
5 Non-moving traffic citations  
2 Abandoned vehicle notices.



## CFC, From A1

said he hoped Team Hickam members would come out and support the effort.

Meanwhile, with the clock ticking Captain Ringer explained that 2008 CFC POCs are arrayed at the group and wing staff agency level to help Airmen participate.

This year's CFC POCs are as follows:

**15th Operations Group**  
— Master Sgt. Anthony Viventi (449-1262)

**15th Maintenance Group**  
Master Sgt. Sheryl DeJean (448-6471)

**15th Mission Support Group**  
2nd Lt. James Thompson (448-2968)

**15th Medical Group**  
Master Sgt. Rochelle Wills (449-0175)

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Maj. Lisa Rauk (449-7762)  
Capt. Maritza Sayle (449-7272).

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**Blood drive** — The next Team Hickam blood drive will be next Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Maki Recreation Center. Walk-ins are welcome; however, appointments are highly

encouraged. To schedule an appointment, please go to [www.militarylifeforce.com](http://www.militarylifeforce.com) and create an account. For more information or to make an appointment, call Staff Sgt. Reynolds at 449-2048.