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Our President's Message



Dear HMC Residents,

As we head into February, I want to share with you an important opportunity for those looking to attend secondary schooling at a 2-year, 4-year, or technical school. Hunt Military Communities, in partnership with the Hunt Heroes Foundation, is once again excited to sponsor our fourth annual scholarship program. This year we will be awarding 18 scholarships totaling \$50,000. Those eligible include any active service member or their dependents. This is open to any branch of our armed forces and you do not need to be a Hunt Military Communities resident. All scholarship applications must be filled out online at: <https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/huntheroesscholarship>. The deadline to submit a nomination is February 22, 2022, at 3 pm CST, or until 50 applications are received, whichever comes first. Even if you do not have a need this year, we invite you to share this opportunity with someone who qualifies. This is one of many charitable endeavors Hunt Military Communities is actively pursuing. We have supported several of the top rated charities that serve our active duty & military veteran populations to include career transition, homes, education, and mental health. Our support for these organizations, Tunnels to Towers, Hire Heroes USA, Travis Manion Foundation, and our Hunt Heroes Foundation Scholarships are all part of our desire to go above and beyond providing housing and property management services to our nation's heroes and their families. Thank you very much for choosing to live with HMC, and we hope you have a wonderful month!

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT FOR JANUARY



Please welcome our newest Resident Service Specialists Colene!

*Colene is from Indiana, but she calls North Carolina “home.”

*She is not the biggest fan of big bodies of water, but she is loving these Hawaiian Beaches!

Colene says “I find gratification in helping others and understand that moving to a new area can be difficult. The ability to help service members and their families move into their “new” home is gratifying as I am able to help them find that stability.”

COMs Team Appreciation

In January, we welcomed many new families to our Ohana. Our COMs (Change of Occupancy Maintenance) team made it possible to move these families into their beautiful new home. They worked long hours and made sure that each home passed inspection. Thank you so much for what you do for our team! We are very grateful for your dedication and hard work!



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU! - OFFICE CONTACTS

We are still practicing social distancing and we also ask that you wear a mask when coming to the office!

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Hawaiian Love Stories

The Mermaid of Poliolehua

On the eastern bank of Waimea River, near the bridge, a stonewall built a long time ago protected the edge of a swimming pool used by the ali'i. The river was about 18-feet-deep there, and the area was called Lele, which means to jump. The ali'i loved to jump there and float as far as they could across the river. Downstream, a small cove with a large flat rock was called Poliolehua. The legend says a beautiful mermaid called Lehua used to relax on this rock while combing her hair. If she saw someone approaching, she would dive into the water and swim away. Once a young, handsome ali'i saw Lehua and fell in love with her. He hid behind some rocks and waited until the mermaid was completely relaxed. He then cautiously approached her, making sure to not make any sound. But the mermaid sensed the ali'i, and quickly dove into the river. The young chief dove after her, and found a deep cave with a clean sandy floor. He searched everywhere in the cave but couldn't find Lehua. The mermaid of Poliolehua was never seen again after this day.



Nihoa, The Honeymoon Island



Nihoa is a small, rocky island rising nearly 900 feet above sea level and located about 120 miles northwest of Ni'ihau. Today, the uninhabited island is a bird sanctuary, but several agricultural terraces and house sites, some dating been more than 1,000 years, have been found there. In 1885, during Queen Lili'uokalani's reign, the manager of Ni'ihau, George Gay, took the queen and her party to Nihoa. They saw old structures, artifacts left behind by early inhabitants, and crops of sweet potatoes, yams and other vegetables. Gay told the queen that Nihoa was once a honeymoon island. Each spring, young newlyweds

from Ni'ihau sailed their canoes to Nihoa. They would spend the entire summer there, enjoying their new life as a couple; playing games, planting and fishing. Once the first Kona winds of the fall would blow, the newlyweds would return to Ni'ihau. Years after Queen Lili'uokalani's visit to Nihoa, a couple named Ka'auomoana were the last ones to keep the tradition going. They returned to Nihoa every spring to harvest the crops they had planted the previous year, and then planted some more. They also fished and caught squabs of uau birds. The tradition died when this couple died.

Responsible Pet Ownership: Caring for their Environment



At Ohana Military Communities, we welcome and love your furry friends as much as you do! They are a huge part of the family and we want you to be able to enjoy having them in the neighborhood as much as everybody else. To ensure that we maintain a clean and safe environment for everyone including our pets, please take a moment to look at our policies regarding responsible pet ownership.

In a joint effort to help keep our communities safe and clean, please remember to pick up after your furry friends. Whether they are indoors or outdoors, cat and dog feces must always be cleaned up and disposed of to maintain the safety and sanitary standards of our community. To assist you with this, we have placed several pet clean up stations around your community and in dog parks as well so that you can enjoy the outdoors without worry. All dogs must be leashed as well, when outdoors.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to approach any of our friendly Resident Services Office specialists. We're open during regular business hours from Monday through Friday, and we're here to help you enjoy your community better.

Maintenance Corner

The Garbage Disposal is one handy kitchen appliance as long as it is working properly. Here are some tips to keep it in tip-top shape.

1. Run your disposal every few days to prevent rust.
2. Don't use hot water or chemicals to unclog. This will heat the fats and make it even more difficult to unclog.
3. Clean your disposal every two weeks with Ice cubes and rock salt to clean the gunk then use a mixture of baking soda and vinegar to kill bacteria.
4. Ward off odors with warm water and lemon wedges.





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2022 **FEBRUARY**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01 Mardi Gras	02 Groundhog Day	03	04 USO Birthday Winter Olympics Starts Find the Cupid	05
06	07 Super Bowl	08	09	10	11 Find the Cupid	12
13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Hunt Heroes Foundation Scholarship Program Applications Open	16	17	18 Movie Night Under the Stars	19
20 Winter Olympics End	21 Presidents' Day OFFICE CLOSED	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					