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OHANA INSIGHTS MARINE COMMUNITY UPDATES AND STORIES



Congratulations



Hunt Heroes Foundation (HHF), the non-profit organization founded by Hunt Military Communities ("HMC"), recently awarded \$20,000 of scholarship grants to nine military family members. **Winners include seven military children and two military spouses** who will receive grant awards that will be directly given to their college of choice, ranging from

\$1,000 to \$5,000 to help alleviate the cost of their undergraduate education. The winners of this year's scholarships are:

- **Miranda Abunimeh:** Oak Harbor High School – Oak Harbor, WA; Military member is stationed at the NAS, Whidbey Island, WA
- **Rachel H. Ball:** Cheyenne Mountain High School – Springfield, VA; Military member is stationed at the Office of the Chief of Chaplain's, Pentagon, D.C.
- **Max R. Bernstein:** Westford Academy – Westford, MA; Military member is stationed at Joint Base Little Creek, Virginia Beach, VA
- **Charles D. Hedrickson:** Coronado High School – Coronado, CA; Military member is stationed at US Southern Command, Miami, FL
- **Joseph Killion:** Wilbert Tucker Woodson High School – U.S. Air Force Academy, CO; Military member is stationed at Peterson AFB, CO
- **Bridget L. Miller:** Cooper High School – Natchitoches, LA; Military member is stationed at Barksdale AFB, LA
- **Stephanie Salopek:** Davis County High School – Satellite Beach, FL; Military member is stationed at Patrick AFB, FL
- **Katelyn T. Shibilski:** Arundel High School – Universal City, TX; Military member is stationed at Randolph AFB, TX
- **Shea Lynne Straw:** Loveless Academic Magnet Program – Montgomery, AL; Military member is stationed at Maxwell AFB, AL

Scholarship recipients were selected based on their commitment to community involvement, demonstrated leadership, participation in school and community activities, and work experience. In order to be nominated, students had to submit an application by February 20th, 2019. Candidates did not have to be a resident of HMC in order to apply for a scholarship. Congratulations to all of our scholarship winners!

John Ehle

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President
Hunt Military Communities

"You're off to a great place, today is your day,
your mountain is waiting, so get on your way."

- Dr. Seuss

Ohana Military Communities wants to wish all students, teachers, and parents an exciting and successful 2019 - 2020 school year!

Contact Information

Manana Community Center

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Mololani Community Center

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(808) 839-8700

Waikulu Community Center

5081 Bingham Way, Kailua, HI 96734
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OMC Marine Corps Family Housing

1571 Lawrence Road, Kailua, HI 96734
(808) 839-8720

OMC Maintenance Department

2029 McLennan Drive, Kailua, HI 96734
(808) 833-4357

OMC Self Help Center

2029 McLennan Drive, Kailua, HI 96734
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Fire and Police Department: 9-1-1

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August is Back to School Safety Month

Sharing the road with school buses

- Never pass a bus from behind
- Traffic must stop if the bus lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit
- Be alert; children are unpredictable and tend to ignore hazards and take risks

Sharing the road with bicyclists

- When passing a bicyclist, proceed in the same direction slowly, and leave three feet between your car and the cyclist
- Bicyclists are reminded that when utilizing a crosswalk they are required to dismount and walk the bike across
- Be extra vigilant in school zones and residential neighborhoods
- Remember to safely share the roads with school buses, pedestrians and bicyclists, and provide children with the necessary knowledge to stay safe at school

For more information check out www.hookelenews.com.



Protecting Our Environment: Keep Cats Indoors

In the United States alone, outdoor cats kill approximately 2.4 billion birds annually. Cats are considered one of the most disruptive ecological threats to Hawaii. "Cats at large" are known to be a threat to terrestrial and marine animals and tend to prey on native species.

As a reminder, **Base Regulation (B.O. P5233.2)** prohibits the feeding of any feral/stray animal aboard MCB Hawaii.

Trap and release programs, feral animal feeding areas, stations, habitats, and refuges are prohibited as well. There are a lot of reasons why people allow their domesticated cats to roam around freely. Some of these Common Cat Myths are listed below:

"If I feed my cat well, then my cat won't have a desire to hunt birds."

Extensive studies over the last 50 years, show that the number and types of animals killed by cats vary greatly depending on the individual cats, age of the cat, the time of year, and availability of prey.

"I put a bell on my cat's collar so the birds will know where it is and fly away."

Additional scientific studies have shown that bells on collars are not effective in preventing cats from killing birds or other wildlife. Birds do not necessarily associate the sound of a bell with danger.

"My cat was born to be outdoors and it's unhappy if I keep it inside."

Outdoors, cats are a non-native and invasive species that threaten birds and other wildlife, disrupt ecosystems, and spread diseases. The best way to keep cats healthy, and to protect wildlife and human health, is to keep cats indoors. Regularly playing with your cat, walking it on-leash, or installing a "cat-tower" in your home will help acclimate them to a life indoors.

For the health and safety of our endangered species on MCBH, please keep all cats indoors and report all free-roaming cats to Base Environmental Natural Resources staff at:

- (808) 257-7000
- (808) 257-7129

Mark Your Calendar and Don't Forget!

WAIKULU COMMUNITY CHAT

(Hawaii Loa, Heleloa, Kapoho, Pa Honua, and Waikulu Neighborhoods)

August 28, 2019 starting at 6:00 p.m.

Waikulu Community Center



Energy Conservation: A/C Thermostat Controls

- We recommend setting your thermostat at 75 degrees of higher if the home is occupied. Each degree below 75 degrees will increase your kilowatt-hour usage by 3%, which will increase your electric bill.
- During unoccupied hours, set your thermostat at 78 degrees. **DO NOT TURN IT OFF.** When adjusting the thermostat, remember that the house will not warm up or cool down any faster if you crank up the thermostat past the desired temperature.
- Use ceiling fans when you are in the room to help circulate cool air. **Remember to turn off those fans when not using your room.**
- Leave window shades, drapes and/or blinds closed during the day to keep out direct sunlight during hot periods. Run kitchen and bath exhaust fans long enough to rid the house of unwanted vapor, smoke, and odors during the summer. Running them too long allows cool air to escape.
- Avoid opening windows, sliders, and doors while using your air conditioner. Hawaii has super moist rich hot air and it can cause condensation to occur within your home, which is a breeding ground for mold.
- Use the oven, dishwasher and other appliances that produce heat during the late evening and early morning. Check and clean or replace air filters every month.
- Wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothes.

Electrical Safety Tips for the Home

Exhibiting good safety practices while using electrical appliances, extension cords, light bulbs, and other equipment is easy. It only takes one mistake to spark an electrical fire, but following simple preventive measures can prove to be very effective solutions.

APPLIANCES: Appliances are an integral part of every household, from a simple electric clock to the microwave oven to decorative lights. These safety tips can help keep all appliances operating safely:

- Unplug unused appliances and stow cords safely out of reach of pets, young children or hazardous situations.
- Appliances that generate heat, such as clocks, TVs and computer monitors, should be given several inches of clearance all around for good air circulation and cooling. Do not drape clothes or other items over appliances.
- Keep all electrical appliances away from water

CORDS: Every electrical appliance has a cord, and many homes use extension cords to increase the range of electrical outlets. These safety tips can help keep cords in good condition for safe operation.

- Check cords regularly for frays, cracks or kinks, including power tool cords, holiday lights and extension cords.
- Cords should be firmly plugged into outlets. If the cord is loose and pulls out easily, choose a more snug outlet.
- Do not staple or nail cords in position; if the cord doesn't remain where desired, use tape or ties to secure it.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY TIPS: When an electrical short or spark does happen, it is vital to understand what to do to prevent or put out an electrical fire to keep the damage and devastation from spreading.

- Never touch anyone who is being shocked; the shock can spread through body contact.
- Know where fuse boxes and circuit breakers are located and know how to properly operate them.

RECP Utility Billing Transition to Minol

Hunt Military Communities takes pride in providing exceptional management and 5-Star Service that makes living in our community easy and convenient. As part of our commitment to deliver quality service, we are pleased to announce that we have upgraded our utility billing system and transitioned services from Yes Energy to Minol USA, a leading energy and metering company, for the administration of utility billing for the Resident Energy Conservation Program (RECP) as of August 1, 2019. If you have questions regarding your billing statement, you can reach out to the Minol Resident Relations Center at (888) 36-0493, hours 7:00 am to 10:00 pm CST.



Got an Awesome Idea?

Do you or somebody in your family have a fantastic idea that you would like to share with Ohana Military Communities? Is it a fun filled event? Is it something you would like added to our Self Help Store? Is it a better way of doing things to make life easier for our military families? If so, please submit your idea to Molly at molly.koerperich@huntcompanies.com. We look forward to your innovative ideas!



OMC Employee Spotlight: Leah Fiorentino

What is your job title?
Leasing Manager

What are you most excited about?

I'm excited about life in general. I feel very blessed to be living on Oahu and working with such an incredible team of like-minded individuals who share similar passions.

What is your favorite part about OMC?

Our mission, our residents, our teams, and the growth opportunities

Where are you from and what brings you to the island?

I was born and raised in Glendale, Arizona. I lived in Washington State for the last 11 years where I met my husband who is in the Coast Guard. Jokingly on vacation in Waikiki, I said "What would we have to do to live here?!" About a month later we received orders to relocate to Oahu.

What are your hobbies?

Refinishing projects such as old furniture, hiking, going to the beach, gardening, crafting, shopping, and travel.



Manana Paint Update:

Manana's exterior paint project is continuing throughout the neighborhood for the month of August. Homes will now match those in Hana Like located at Marine Corps Base Hawaii on Kaneohe Bay.

For more information, please reach out to the Resident Services Office at mananarso@huntcompanies.com or (808) 223-7646.

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August 6th | NATIONAL NIGHT OUT | Mokapu Mall Courtyard at MCBH

America's Night Out Against Crime is back at MCBH on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Join the community for music, K9 demonstrations, bike safety courses and more! Questions: (808) 257-8558

August 8th | YARD OF THE MONTH | MCBH Family Housing

The 3 winners will be selected and announced by July 8th. There will be one winner for Camp Smith/Manana, Mololani, and Waikulu.

August 16th | OMC COMMUNITY DAY | Hawaii State Department of Education

OMC will be donating their time and efforts to help beautify and repair items at a local elementary school in Hawaii. Our offices will be closed on this day, but will resume normal operations on Monday, August 19, 2019. If there is a maintenance related emergency, please contact the OMC Maintenance Department at (808) 833-HELP (4357).

August 19th | LEMONADE AND SNACK ATTACK | MCBH Family Housing

Get free lemonade and afternoon snacks at the Mololani and Waikulu bus stops and the OMC Leasing Office.

August 21st | YARD OF THE MONTH NOMINATIONS | MCBH Military Family Housing

MCCS and OMC have partnered together to bring you our Yard of the Month contest! You can nominate yourself, a neighbor, or a friend by emailing maukarso@huntcompanies.com with a photo and address of your nomination by the 21st of each month.

August 24th | FUN RUN AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST | Manana Community Center

Join us in Manana for a Saturday morning Fun Run for all ages at 7:00 a.m., and then wind down over a pancake breakfast from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Please RSVP your name, address, and email address to Jasmyn at jasmyn.louis@huntcompanies.com; (808) 839-8727 or Ashley at ashley.hinerman@huntcompanies.com (808) 223-7646. RSVP deadline August 20th.

August 28th | COMMUNITY CHAT | Waikulu Community Center

Please join OMC at the Waikulu Community Center at 6:00 p.m. to hear the latest news for residents of Waikulu, Hawaii Loa, Heleoa, Pa Honua, and Kapoho. If you have any questions and/or concerns you want addressed, email Shelah at Shelah.Strempke@huntcompanies.com before August 26th.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 				1  Rent Due Change Filters	2	3
4	5	6 First Day of School National Night Out from 5:30-8:00	7	8 Yard of the Month Announcements	9 National Book Lovers Day	10
11	12	13	14	15 Check CO Detector and Smoke Alarms	16 OMC Staff Community Day 	17
18	19 Lemonade & Snack Attack at Mololani and Waikulu Bus Stops 	20	21 Yard of the Month Nominations Due	22	23	24  Manana Fun Run & Pancake Breakfast (7AM)
25	26 National Dog Day	27	28 Waikulu Community Chat (6PM)	29	30	31 National Trail-Mix Day

Calendar of Events

- August 1st: Rent Due and Change Air Filters
- August 6th: First day of School
- August 6th: National Night Out at MCBH Mokapu Mall Courtyard from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- August 8th: Yard of the Month announced
- August 15th: Check CO Detectors & Smoke Alarms
- August 16th: OMC Staff will be giving back to a local Hawaii school by beautifying and repairing items
- August 19th: Lemonade and Snack attack at bus stops and Leasing Office from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- August 21st: Yard of the Month nominations due
- August 24th: Manana Fun Run and Pancake Breakfast at Manana at 7:00 a.m.
- August 28th: Waikulu Community Chat at 6:00 p.m.



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