

KEY VOLUNTEER NETWORK



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Key Volunteer News From the Hill Camp H M Smith, HI.

Mark Your Calendar

- **Pre-Teen Pool Party** July 12th at MCBH Base Pool 6:30—9:30 pm. Call 257-7430 for details.
- **New Arrival Orientation** Aug 1 and Sept 5 at MCBH Base Theater 7:30-12:30 pm Call Marie Jesus at 257-7788 for more details. Children welcome!
- **Dad's Boot Camp/Mom's Basic Training** Aug 6-7 at CREDO compound on MCBH 8:30-4:30 pm. Contact Erica at 257-8803. Childcare reimbursable w/ receipt.
- **Marriage Enrichment Retreat** Sept 6-8 at the CREDO compound on MCBH. Call 257-1941 for details.

*For *many* more events for adults and youth during July-Sept call or go by MCCS at MCBH for monthly calendars

Aloha ~ From Your KV Coordinator

It is with enormous pride that I greet you as the new Key Volunteer Coordinator for the Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Forces Pacific. My name is Jessica Mace and I come to you from deep in the heart of Texas.

A Texan by birth and fourth generation resident of Austin, Texas, I worked for 14 years in the hospitality industry. Additionally, I served as a Board member on several large volunteer organizations that raised and donated thousands of dollars each year to local charities. As with the recipients of my previous volunteer organizations, I am here to **serve** the families of each Marine aboard Camp Smith. My desire is to assist the Key Volunteer Network of HQSVCBN in effectively fulfilling its mission by serving as



Brian, Jacqueline, Jessica and Harrison Mace, the family of your Key Volunteer Coordinator

a one-stop resource center for information useful to Marine Corps spouses and families; continually improving the state of "family readiness" at Camp Smith. My office hours from are 9 am - Noon each Wednesday at the Key Volunteer Center located in building # 9 above the Camp Smith

gym. I can be reached anytime at: 477-0172 or jmace@hawaii.rr.com. If there is anything the Key Volunteer Network can do to be of assistance or if you would like to become involved with the KVNetwork please give us a call.

Mahalo,
Jessica Mace

A Warm Welcome From Your FRO

Hello MARFORPAC Families,

I would like to send a note out to everyone introducing myself. My name is Chief Warrant Officer Dana L. Hudnall and I have just recently been assigned as your new Family Readiness Officer (FRO). I feel very strongly about supporting our families and as the FRO I will remain committed to your needs.



Family Readiness Officer
CWO2 Dana L. Hudnall

now here in Paradise. Having spent half of my career on ships way from home I know what family separation is all about. My wish to help ease this burden on our families as much as possible. Please feel free to contact me at:

Email:

hudnalldl@mfp.usmc.mil (Work)

danahudnall@hotmail.com (Home)

Wk - 808-477-8453 Hm - 808-455-7336

I have been in the military for nearly 20 years and currently am assigned to the G-2 section at MARFORPAC. I arrived here in September 2001. My previous duty assignments were Rota Spain, Sabana Seca PR, Homestead AFB FL, USS San Jacinto (CG-56), NTTTC Corry Station Pensacola FL, Halifax Canada and

I look forward to working with you.

Dana L. Hudnall
CWO2 USN
COMARFORPAC SIO

Key Volunteer Network

Key Volunteer Advisor
Mary Forde Febuary

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CWO2 Hudnall 477-8453

Key Volunteer Coordinator
Jessica Mace 477-0172

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Cheryl Roy 261-1867
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Paula Bryant 455-5334
Alison Ghiselli 685-5531

A Warm Welcome From Our Commanding Officer

Aloha,

We're privileged to have this chance to introduce ourselves in this first of what we envision many opportunities to correspond with the Marines, Sailors, and families of Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Forces Pacific. In the way of a brief personal history, we have transferred from the Washington, D.C. area following a tour with



**Col William S. Febuary,
HQSVCBN CO**

the Joint Staff. We are both military brats and service members. Mary was first a Marine junior and then retired from the Marine Corps after 22 years in 1999. I was an Air Force and Navy dependent. Most important, we are extremely excited to be part of the Headquarters and Service Battalion team!

First and foremost, we would like to thank Col and Mrs. Jordan for their continuing support of Key Volunteers during this most trying time in our nation's history. Most especially, we would like to thank Cheryl Roy for her steadfast devotion as the Key Volunteer Coordinator, and the many helping hands that have kept the home front steady and solid during this deployment. As Cheryl relinquishes her title to engage in a more hands-on role as a Key Volunteer, we also extend the warmest of welcomes to the

battalion's new KV Coordinator, Jessica Mace. We know first-hand the importance of this network to our deployed Marines and Sailors—their effectiveness in war directly relates to their families' sense of well-being. In that regard, we believe the Key Volunteer network acts not only as a conduit of information and continu-

ous support, but *directly impacts* the readiness of this battalion.

With the unique and diverse configuration of Headquarters and Service Battalion, we embrace the support of the various G-staff and battalion staff family members in ensuring support and representation to the KV network. Also, with the attachment of over 200 reservists to the battalion, we welcome their contribution to the "Total Force." We extend an invitation to all spouses with an interest in the Key Volunteer network to check us out and give us your suggestions and ideas on how we can better serve *you*. We are here for you, and your support will help to make the network stronger and more viable!

Warmest regards,

Col William S Febuary



A word from Chaplain Nixon

Aloha and Bless your Bones!!!

I am Chaplain Henry Nixon, Jr., Force Chaplain MARFORPAC, and Ellen's husband. Our last assignment was III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa for approximately 3 yrs. So, we are brand new to Hawaii, as well as, MARFORPAC. We are also empty nesters delighted to have this unusual opportunity of an extended "second honeymoon" on Hawaii.

I relieved Chaplain Eugene Gomulka's. One of the neat things about this job is my staff. Professional and courteous, they exist to assist you, and support the provision of ministry throughout the MARFORPAC area of operation. Although I am a supervisor of Chaplains and Religious Program Specialists, my Deputy and I are pastors ordained by our churches. Simply put, feel free to call us should you have a need. And when do you need for a chaplain? When you need them! Family concerns, grief (death, divorce or a loss of any kind), depression, speed bumps in your marriage, or you just need to


talk, give us a call.

The Key Volunteer Program is a wonderful support program and I encourage you to get to know your Key Volunteers. I do not possess ESP abilities, but I have a feeling the future is filled with challenges. You can face future challenges alone or allow the Key Volunteers along with the chaplains to lock arms and stand shoulder to shoulder with you. I look forward to meeting you in the near future. Until then, may the rich blessings of a merciful God cover you like the morning dew.

Stories from Afar

Free videos of **your** Marine reading or telling stories for the children while they are away!

This is a wonderful way to keep your Marine a part of the family and a great keepsake! Call Kim Gates at 257-7786 for more details.

Want to get to know other military spouses while increasing family readiness? Become a Key Volunteer

A Special Message from the Company Commander

The tragic events of September 11 and the ongoing Global War on Terrorism have had a profound impact on the Marines, Sailors, civilian Marines, and family members of MARFORPAC. Not a day passes without a newspaper article or news broadcast running a story that either directly or indirectly involves a member of this command. Around the clock and



Maj P.A. Beckett,
HQ Company CO

around the globe we have people planning, coordinating, and executing all manner of duties. As I have observed our Marines over the past nine months, I have noticed an unmistakable sense of purpose as they tackle each challenge. You can all be justly proud of their service to the nation during these momentous times.

There are, however, undeniable consequences of the increased responsibilities associated with our heightened operational tempo. Unfortunately, the effects of deployments are most often borne by spouses and family members. Missed births, postponed anniversaries, and a spouse's absences from other "life" events all have ramifications. Although a good support network is always necessary, the current state of affairs particularly highlights the importance of an organization such as the Key Volunteers

(KV). The KV Network at MARFORPAC is an integral part of our family readiness initiative and stands ready to assist. Over the past year the KVs have done a superb job, providing emotional, informational, and referral support to family members. Their efforts have made a significant positive impact on our goal of building a cohesive "Marine Corps Family" here at Camp

Smith.

As with any successful team, the KV Network gets its strength from its members; like any team, they are constantly looking for new members to build upon that success. Of course, the KV Network is a strictly voluntary organization; no rewards or punishments for Marines will be based on their spouse's participation. I sincerely encourage all spouses to consider the benefits of participating in this program. The KV Network opens the doors to new opportunities, experiences and friendships. In conclusion, I would like to express my gratitude to the current KVs for their outstanding contributions to our readiness, and encourage new members to participate in this worthwhile and satisfying program.

MAJ P. A. BECKETT



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For parents in need of relief Respite care now available

- **Is your Marine deployed?**
- **Do you need a break from your children?**



Marine Corps Base Hawaii is developing a respite care program for children of Marines and Sailors deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The expenditures received from the Supplemental Funding Program will reimburse Family Child Care providers for weekend and/or evening respite care for eligible spouses of deployed military personnel. **This childcare is for children age 6 weeks to 12 years** and there will be approximately 15 providers available. This respite child care will be **provided from July-September 2002**. Please contact your Key Volunteer Coordinator at #477-0172 if you would like to take advantage of this wonderful program for parents. You must call your KV Coordinator at least one week in advance to make your respite care arrangements.

Important Phone Numbers

+ + + + +	American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Svc Ctr	1-877-272-7337
+ + + + +	Force Chaplain	477-8529
+ + + + +	Crisis & Suicide Hotline	521-4555
+ + + + +	Domestic Violence Hotline	531-3771
+ + + + +	Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society	Pearl Harbor 423-1314 MCBH 254-1497
+ + + + +	Poison Center	941-4411
+ + + + +	Tripler Emergency Room	433-6629

Happenings

Joint Women's Conference - Oct 18-19

The joint women's conference is a two day workshop for military spouses from all branches of service aboard Oahu, HI. This two day conference is set up to inform and pamper the military spouse. This year the workshop is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Oct 18-19. There will be 50-70 exciting workshops for those attending. On Friday Sam Choy will hold an hour long cooking demonstration for all participants. Ladies are encouraged to bring their cookbooks for Mr. Choy to sign at an autograph session after his presentation. All recipes used during the cooking demonstration will be served for lunch.



World famous Hawaiian chef Sam Choy will be our the guest speaker on Oct 17th.

On Saturday from 11-12 Heloise, from "Hints from Heloise" will be doing an hour long presentation. Heloise will trace her Hawaiian

roots beginning with her Mother who wrote for the Honolulu Advertiser in 1959 and her father who was serving in the military on Oahu at that time. Some of the featured workshops will address: women's health, family issues, personal pampering, and Hawaiian culture to name a few.

Registration will begin in late August or early September. Be sure to make your childcare arrangements now as this is an event not to be missed.

A registration fee will be collected to cover the cost of meals provided. Please contact Toni Spofford at (808)257- 2410 with any further questions. If you would like to participate in the JWC many volunteers will be needed to hostess at the two day event.



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Family Care Plan/ Social



Is your family care plan up to date? Do you know what a

Family Care Plan is?

Coming in September, the KV Network will host a Fall social to familiarize you with the Family Care Plan and to spend time getting to know other HQSVCBN Marines and/or spouses.



Around the Rock - Friday, July 12

It's free! It's fun! Bring the family on a free guided bus tour around Oahu. The tour lasts from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Get to know your new home in paradise. Reservation for this or future tours can be made by calling 808- 257-7790.



PCS Move Workshop

The next PCS Move Workshop will be held on **Wednesday, 26 July from 0800-1100** at MCBH. AT/FP Level 1 Training will follow at 1100-1200. All active duty personnel and their family members are required to attend prior to detaching. For details, please contact MSgt Rivera, G-3, MCBH at 257-8819/20

Spouse Employment Assistance Program



Make an appointment with an employment counselor by calling **Fleet and Family Support Center at Pearl Harbor**. To be eligible you must: Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, eligible family member, active duty seeking part-time employment, active duty transitioning out of the Navy and staying in Hawaii, retiree or eligible family member.

Don't wait, call now!

477-4222 x 1

HQSVCBN Summer Picnic

On Friday 21 June, we held our annual summer picnic. Preparations started in typical Marine fashion at “zero, dark-thirty” when SgtMaj Suaiaunoa and his band of motivated Marines held watch over the imu (underground oven) and cooked the pig. At 1100, the picnic started with remarks from our new CO Col Febuary.



SgtMaj Suaiaunoa lends a hand to his Marines in bringing the main dish to the picnic table.

adults alike. However, the adult jump session was short lived, as the kid crowd quickly took over. Families enjoyed various static displays such as: small arms, heavy weapons, 5 ton trucks, a Humvee and a CH-53D Sea Stallion helicopter. The Marines of PMO put on an informative and entertaining military dog demonstration. The main course of the picnic was removed from the imu and paraded to the serving table where the SgtMaj reported it fit for family consumption ... and consume we did, the pig was delicious. After everyone ate their fill the fun continued. The spirit of competition struck and the crowd

There was plenty of fun filled activities for Marines and their families. Background music was provided by “the world famous” MARFORPAC band and DJ Pack. A favorite with the kid’s was dunking the Marines in the dunk tank. At the KV tent



The children had a wonderful time in the bouncy house.

shave ice was served to all as a special treat. The balloons offered by our new KV Coordinator Jessica Mace were a great hit with the children. The jumpy house was a big hit with the kids and

gathered to join the CO and SgtMaj in a round of Tug-O-War. A special thanks to the KVs and all the Marines and families that helped put together this successful family event. See you next year!



The Marines of S-4 give it their all in the Tug-O-War contest.

Resources for the Family

What to do with those kids this summer?

In order to choose activities closest to your home, **please** contact the Information and Referral person at the locations listed below. They will refer you to numerous opportunities available for your family around the island.

- **Children Youth and Teens Activities** — MCBH Bldg #244 Ph 257-7430 Manana Bldg #832 Ph 456-1662
- **Personal Services (MCBH)**— contact Kim Gates at 257-7786 7:30-4:30 M-F or email her at gateska@mcbh.usmc.mil
- **Fleet and Family Support Center (Pearl Harbor)**—contact Le’Etta Garbett at 473-2200 x284 7:00—4:00 M-F or email her at garbetlm@pearlharbor.navy.mil
- **Family Support Center (Hickam)**—contact Amy Ke at 449-2494 7:30-4:30 M-F or email her at amy.ke@hickam.af.mil
- **Army Community Services (Schofield Barracks)**—contact Janet Baricar at 655-2400 7:30-4:30 M-F or email her at baricarj@schofield.army.mil
- **Work Life Center (Sand Island Coast Guard)**—contact Jeri Couthen at 541-1585 7:00-4:00 M-F or email her at jcouthen@d14.uscg.mil

***Military families with ID’s are welcome to use resources at all other bases, take advantage!**

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I would like to extend the warmest “Welcome” to our newest Key Volunteer, Mrs. Alison Ghiselli wife of MGySgt Dennis Ghiselli. Alison is a RN and brings a wealth of knowledge about the medical community here on Oahu and is a seasoned Marine wife. Finally, I would like to thank Col Jordan, LtCol Holt, BGen McAbee, Col Klapp and Maj Mace for their show of support to the Key Volunteer Network at Alison’s KV graduation.

Jessica Mace, KV Coordinator HQSVCBN MFP