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### Newsorthy:

❖ *PHNSY & IMF*  
*said aloha to CO,*  
*CAPT Jeffrey*  
*Connors and*  
*welcomed CAPT*  
*John Edwards at*  
*the Change of*  
*Command*  
*ceremony held on*  
*14 May*

### Reminders:

❖ *Chapter 19 2001*  
*Scholarship*  
*applications must*  
*be postmarked by*  
*31 August 2001*

❖ *May 19 is Adopt-a-*  
*Highway. Meet at*  
*0800 hours, Nimitz*  
*Gate Pass & ID.*

❖ *Special Olympics*  
*will be held May*  
*26-27 and you are*  
*invited to partici-*  
*pate in this*  
*worthwhile event*

❖ *Annual Fishing*  
*Tournament will be*  
*held on 30 June*

## National Convention



*Rep Patsy Mink (D-Hawaii) with FMA President Mike Styles  
and Zone 7 President John Priolo*

Chapter 19 President Eric Kimura was the speaker at April's FMA General Meeting. Eric detailed the events of this year's 63<sup>rd</sup> annual National Convention held in March at Arlington, VA. More than 160 delegates and members attended the FMA National Convention. This year's theme was "*Federal Managers: Turning Challenges Into Successes.*"

### FMA LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANY POTENTIAL DOWNSIZING:

1. Act on H.R. 721 introduced by Rep. Albert Wynn (D-MD) to ensure that the business of the Federal government is conducted in the public interest and in a manner that provides for public accountability, efficient delivery of services, reasonable cost savings, and prevention of unwarranted government expenses.
2. Reject authorization of further base closure rounds.
3. Enjoin the Federal Aviation Administration from reducing Air Traffic Control supervisory staffing levels.
4. Ensure that DOD maintains an in-house military equipment upgrade and repair capability that meets our national defense needs by rejecting efforts to diminish statutory protections against DOD's attempts to turn the majority of military upgrade and repair work over to the private sector.



What: Pearl Harbor Fishing Tournament  
 When: Saturday, 30 June 2001  
 Where: Waianae Boat harbor  
 Time: 0500-1500 hours  
 How: Trolling – No Bait

Other: Charter Boats okay, Limited Entry (75),  
 15 Places, Door Prizes, T-shirts, Food





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## Internet Links

Would you like to know what's happening on the COLA settlement ([www.colasettlement.com](http://www.colasettlement.com)) or your TSP ([www.tsp.gov](http://www.tsp.gov))?

If you receive this newsletter electronically, take advantage of the Internet links. Place your cursor on any hyperlink (underscored words in blue). When the cursor indicator turns into a pointing hand, click the underscored words and the website will come up.

If you want to return to the site often, once you're in the website go to the top of the page and press "Favorites" on the toolbar. The next time you want to visit the site, press Favorites and select the site from your list. Here are some sites you might want to add to your Favorites list:

 <a href="http://www.fedmanagers.org">www.fedmanagers.org</a>	FMA Website
 <a href="http://www.feea.org">www.feea.org</a>	Federal Employee Education and Assistance
 <a href="http://www.opm.gov/forms">www.opm.gov/forms</a>	Office of Personnel Management forms
 <a href="http://www.fedweek.com">www.fedweek.com</a>	FedWeek Publication

# Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to all those born in June!



- 6/2 Mariano Morris IV
- 6/2 Stanley Jensen
- 6/4 Joe Mendonsa
- 6/5 Raymond Cranage
- 6/6 Kenneth Kunichika
- 6/6 Henry Murashige
- 6/8 Michael Usui
- 6/9 Ray Kawaguchi
- 6/10 William Iao
- 6/11 Wendall Beppu
- 6/11 Leighton Tsubota
- 6/12 Antone Candido
- 6/15 Wayne Duarte
- 6/19 Vincent Kanaeholo
- 6/19 Glenn Morihara
- 6/20 Reuben Liboy
- 6/22 Jan Singletary
- 6/22 Stephen Wong-Leong
- 6/24 George Corenevsky
- 6/25 Alfred Ganigan
- 6/28 Henry Ching
- 6/28 Lawrence Kuranaka
- 6/28 Craig Nishida
- 6/29 Tyson Livingston

# FMA-PAC

FMA-PAC is the political arm of our organization. The following are contributions to date for calendar year 2001:

NAME	AMOUNT
Bridgit Bales	\$257
Mike Chun	\$26
Freeman Correa	\$50
Frank Dietz	\$50
Keith Galang	\$5
Eric Kimura	\$100
Peter Kwok	\$20
Owen Okumura	\$650
Diane Pierce	\$25
John Priolo	\$75
Mike Pia	\$50
Wayne Wilcox	\$125
Anonymous	\$5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,438</b>

## NEW CHAPTER 19 MEMBERS

Glenn Tao, Nancy Alejo, and Peter Kwok were sworn in at the April FMA General Meeting.

FMA welcomes Glenn, Nancy, and Peter and also our newest members:

- Burton Lucas III
- Joseph Mendonsa
- Mariano Morris IV
- Gerald Nettles
- Brian Jim On

## ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

Saturday, 19 May, we will conduct our quarterly Adopt-A-Highway clean up of the stretch of Nimitz Highway leading to the Nimitz Gate. Meet at 0800 at the Nimitz Gate Pass & ID parking lot. Wear covered shoes and bring a hat. Gloves, trash bags and safety vests will be provided. Clean up will last about an hour and a half at most. FMA Chapter 19 will provide refreshments. For more information, contact Eric Kimura at 473-5701 or e-mail kimuraey@phnsy.navy.mil.

# President's Message

# ZoNews

By John Priolo



By Eric Kimura

Last month I finally broke down and bought a personal computer and tried loading the software. It asked for a "10 digit product ID number." I found two such numbers—neither worked. After myriad combinations, I tried calling the company through their website. After winding my way through a number of intimidating screens, I finally made it to the help window. The first thing that popped up was -- you guessed it -- "Enter the product ID number." Now I was stuck, but I noticed a little note that said "How to find the product ID number." I clicked the note and it said, "Open the program." At this point my frustration boiled over and I sent an e-mail to the company that in effect said "CAN I GET A REAL PERSON TO TALK TO ME?"

I was so frustrated because there was probably a simple answer to my question, but I just hadn't acquired the skill or knowledge to figure it out. Also, I wasn't able to get someone to give me a hand. Supervision and leading are complicated skills. We have a whole group of new supervisors coming up. Sometimes we forget how hard it was for us initially and how much help we had to have. We deal with these new supervisors via email, paper directives, or schedules and forget that the best way to teach and lead people is through personal time and contact. Try to talk to one or two of these new supervisors and give them a hand. Be the REAL PERSON they can talk to. And personally invite them to the next FMA meeting.

After reviewing the feedback received during the National Convention the General Executive Board made some significant decisions.

- A resolution was approved at the Convention to tighten up the proxy process by requiring that Zone Presidents validate proxies prior to the Convention/Conference for which they will be used.
- A resolution may be submitted at the September 2001 Mid-Year Conference to hold future National Executive Board (NEB) elections at Mid-Year instead of at the National Convention. Zone 7 Chapter Presidents expressed concern that the much smaller attendance at Mid-Year would decrease the number of live votes and increase the number of proxy votes, especially among smaller Chapters. This is contrary to the goal of getting the greatest participation possible. Zone 7 will recommend keeping NEB elections at the National Convention.
- Various ideas are being discussed on how to reduce the length and cost of the National Convention.
- Action is underway to shift the Congressional Breakfast to a larger room that can accommodate the Convention attendees plus allow for invited Senators, Representatives, and their staff. The event might also be scheduled for the evening instead of the morning.

Having read the feedback forms turned in after the Convention, I was extremely pleased at the written comments provided – both positive and negative. This shows your interest and dedication and makes me especially proud to serve with and for you.

*The art of progress is to preserve order amid change and to preserve change amid order.*

-- Alfred North Whitehead

## Next General Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, 28 June 2001

**Time:** Doors open at 1530 hours

**Place:** Ho'aloa Room, Shipyard Cafeteria

**Cost:** Food and refreshments are available for \$3

## BOARD MEMBERS

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In celebration. . .

*Mother's Day*

and remembrance. . .

*Memorial Day*



## NEWSLETTER CONTACT

The FMA Newsletter is published monthly. Articles are due by close of business at the General Meeting. Please send them to Eric Kimura ([kimuraey@phnsy.navy.mil](mailto:kimuraey@phnsy.navy.mil)). Your comments are always welcome.

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