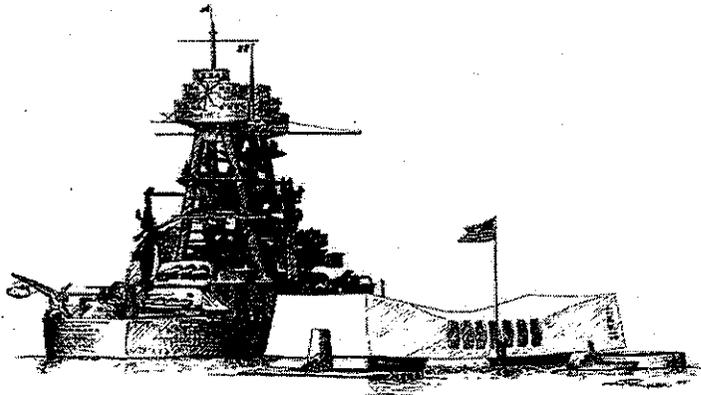


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Combined Federal Campaign Kicks Off on September 7

PEARL HARBOR - The 2004 Hawaii-Pacific Area Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) kick-off ceremony and luncheon will be held at the Hickam Air Force Base Officers' Club Tuesday September 7, 11am to 1pm. Michael W. Perry will be present to help kick-off the 2004 CFC.

Over 600 guests will be present at the luncheon, including all federal agency heads. The group includes diverse agencies like the Postal Service, Social Security Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, National Park Service and the entire U.S. military. They represent the 72,000 federal employees in the Hawaii-Pacific area, which includes not only Hawaii but also Wake, Midway, Johnston, Eniwetok, Kwjalein, Kure, Guam, America Samoa, Rota and Saipan.

The Combined Federal Campaign is an annual charity fund drive for all federal employees. The Navy has been designated as the lead federal agency for the 2004 campaign, which solicits on behalf of over 1,700 national, international and local charitable organizations. During the 2003-campaign, over \$5.5 million dollars was contributed by Hawaii's Federal civilian and military workforce.

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