# Currents staff seeks input via readership survey



We need your help to improve *Currents*.

The publication offers course and workshop news as well updates on alumni and their impacts across the region.

Please provide your perspective on the magazine by filling out the simple survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Currents\_Magazine\_Survey.

# DKI APCSS completes third Lao PDR dialogue

The Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies completed its third and final dialogue with the Lao People's Democratic Republic Nov. 25 in preparation for Laos' assumption of the ASEAN chairmanship for 2016.

DKI APCSS faculty members
Dr. Al Oehlers and Herman Finley,
and staff member Mary Markovinovic joined 52 Lao participants
representing 19 ministries, agencies
and offices with responsibilities tied
to the nation's ASEAN leadership

According to Oehlers, this third dialogue focused on strategic communication and messaging skills.

Oehlers stated, "Participants highlighted they gained a greater appreciation of the subtleties and nuances of developing messages to various audiences they needed to communicate with, such as the international community, ASEAN member states and the Lao general public. This capability development opportunity addressed a topic they agreed was crucial for leadership development."

The first dialogue took place in April 2015 and assisted the nation in building a mechanism to coordinate preparation efforts among relevant ministries. The second in September 2015 emphasized raising Lao officials' awareness on several key security issues likely to figure prominently during its ASEAN chairmanship.



Guo Peng (*center*), with China's Maritime Safety Administration, is DKI APCSS' 10,000th alumnus. Center Director retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf (*center left*), and Dean Carlton Cramer, recognized Peng during the March 16 Comprehensive Crisis Management course (CCM 16-1) commencement.

# Center surpasses 10,000-alumni milestone

Since 1995, the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies has provided executive security education to thousands of Fellows from more than 125 locations and organizations worldwide. The Center reached the 10,000 alumni mark upon completion of the Comprehensive Crisis Management course (CCM 16-1) March 16.

One hundred twenty Fellows from 38 locations attended the Feb. 11 to March 16 CCM, bringing the Center's total alumni count to 10,024. The Center identified Guo Peng, with China's Maritime Safety Administration, as the 10,000th.

"We're proud to have reached this point in just over 20 years...to think about it, it shows we're a pretty busy place," said DKI APCSS Director retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf. With a staff of roughly 120 faculty members and support staff, the Center conducts an average of nine in-resident courses annually at its Honolulu facility, some lasting nearly five weeks, as well as

mobile orientation courses, workshops and outreach events throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

The Center equips the region's security practitioners with problem-solving, collaboration and leadership tools needed to affect positive change in fields such as maritime security, inclusion, security sector development, and humanitarian assistance and disaster recovery. The Center also facilitates the formation of closer professional relationships among Fellows.

DKI APCSS' thousands of alumni have had a significant positive impact on the region and the world, according to Leaf.

"Our 10,000 alumni didn't go back to their countries just better educated, they went back with important skills and knowledge, the 'spirit of aloha,' and a sense of their ability to make things better; multiply that by 10,000 — it's a wonderful thing. When they complete a course here, it's not the end...it's the beginning of their journey to apply, to teach, to change the world with what they've learned here at DKI APCSS."

# DKI APCSS sustains commitment to inclusive security

The Daniel K. Inouye Center for Security Studies has woven the inclusion of women in security governance into the fiber of its executive education program.

Working through the Center's formal Women. Peace and Security initiative, the Center continues to actively advocate integrating women into security-related decision-making processes.

In May, a four-person WPS panel, composed of Center Director retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf and professors Dr. Miemie Byrd and Dr. Virginia Bacay Watson, and U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Col. Edward Carpenter (via video) engaged with senior regional leaders attending the Transnational Security Cooperation course (TSC 16-1).

The four discussed evidence-based advantages of incorporating women into security processes. Bacay Watson, for example, related how six women aided the Philippines government in







(Top) The Advanced Security Cooperation course (ASC 16-1) comprised 28 percent women, the course's highest level to date. Among ASC Fellows were Lt. Col. Nyamjargal Nergui, of Mongolia (foreground), and Metho Dema, of Bhutan. (Bottom left to right) Ammara Khattak, deputy commissioner of Abbottabad, Pakistan, and Dr. Alaa Murabit, member of a U.N. advisory board, served as guest speakers for ASC 16-1 in May.

forming a comprehensive peace agreement with Muslim separatists on Mindanao.

The Center also sustained efforts to feature senior women leaders as guest speakers for its in-residence courses.

Dr. Alaa Murabit, who serves on the U.N. Women Global Advisory Board, spoke to 120 Fellows April 25 as part of the Advanced Security Cooperation course (ASC 16-1). She addressed issues such as the impact of war and violence on women and the role of women in conflict resolution.

Six days prior, Ammara Khattak briefed the same group of Fellows. Khattak, Pakistan's first deputy commissioner of the city of Abbottabad, discussed her Comprehensive Crisis Management course (CCM 15-1) Fellows Project. She successfully facilitated programs designed to integrate persons with disabilities into disaster management planning in Pakistan.

"DKI APCSS is proud to play a leading role in WPS efforts," Leaf said. "This effort is a priority because it simply makes so much sense."

# Center supports new security studies institutes in Vietnam

A pair of Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies professors traveled to Vietnam in November to assist the Ho Chi Minh Academy of Politics in evolving two newly established education institutions.

Dr. Alexander Vuving and Dr. Lori Forman took part in a bilateral dialogue with HCMA leadership and staff members Nov. 11 to 13. They worked with the group to develop a mission, vision and road map for the academy's Vietnam Institute for Leadership and Public Policy and that institute's Center for

Strategic Security Studies.

The institutions will enhance HCMA's ability to train senior- and middle-level government and party leaders in governance expertise, leadership skills and strategic thinking.

According to Vuving, the group incorporated elements of DKI APCSS' operation models. "They appreciated our business and academic models where the emphasis is on peer-learning and self-learning...it's essentially a participant-centered model."

Vuving said the two organizations



DKI APCSS professors are assisting the Ho Chi Minh Academy of Politics in growing two new institutions designed to develop the nation's government leaders.

will focus on research, education, consulting, networking and building a productive corporate culture.

## **VISITORS**



### Amb. Carl Worker

Acting New Zealand Ambassador to the United States Took part in discussions Oct. 19 on issues related to New Zealand, including recruitment of DKI APCSS Fellows from that nation (at right in photo).

#### Mara Karlin

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Strategy and Force Development Received a Center orientation Feb. 24 and addressed future DoD strategy and military balance.





### Gov. David Ige

Governor of Hawaii Served as civilian keynote speaker for the Comprehensive Crisis Management course (CCM 16-1) March 7.

### Amb. Ashok Kumar Mirpuri

Singapore Ambassador to the United States Met with staff and faculty March 15 for an orientation on DKI APCSS' executive security education program.





#### Amb. Robert Blake

U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia Toured the DKI APCSS facility and received information on the Center's course and workshop operations Oct 29.

## Lt. Gen. Thongchai Sarasuk

Director of Joint Operations, Royal Thai Armed Forces Received a briefing Nov. 19 on the Center's mission and discussed issues such as disaster response.





## Lt. Gen. Sang-Hoon Lee

Commandant, Marine Corps, Republic of Korea On Dec. 7, received an orientation on DKI APCSS' executive education efforts in the Asia-Pacific region.

### **Clifford Hart**

U.S. Consul General, Hong Kong, Macau Visited Dec. 15 for an orientation on the Center and a roundtable discussion on Asia-Pacific issues.





### Meghan Kleinsteiber

Country Director for Thailand and Burma, Asian and Security Affairs, U.S. Office of the Secretary of Defense

Joined staff and faculty for discussions Nov. 19.



Prime Minister, Tuvalu Served as a keynote speaker for the Comprehensive Crisis Management course (CCM 16-1) March 14.





#### Amb. Prasad Kariyawasam

Sri Lankan Ambassador to the United States The ambassador gained insights on the DKI APCSS mission and education opportunities Feb. 11.

#### Rep. Jason Chaffetz

U.S. Representative from Utah & Chairman, House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Received an orientation Nov. 9 on how the Center contributes to U.S. efforts to build regional collaboration.





#### Robin Diallo

Director, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Office of Public Policy, U.S. Department of State

Took part in discussions Nov. 12 on Korea and Japan, maritime issues and China.

#### Gen. Darren McDew

Commander, U.S. Transportation Command Received an orientation Dec. 17 on how DKI APCSS supports the U.S. Department of Defense and U.S. Pacific Command.





#### Amb. Su Ge

President of Chinese Institute of International **Studies** 

Took part Feb. 1 in discussions on Asia-Pacific security issues, such as North Korean nuclear ambitions and South China Sea issues.

#### Amb. Alaina Teplitz

U.S. Ambassador to Nepal Visited Dec. 7 to gain knowledge on the Center's mission, goals, programs and activities in the Asia-Pacific region.



# DKI APCSS members recognized for excellence

Eight employees with the Daniel K. Inouve Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies kwere recognized at the Honolulu-Pacific Federal Executive Board's 60th Annual Excellence in Federal Government Awards ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, May 6.

The event honors employees from government agencies in Hawaii for their outstanding effort, dedication and contributions to the workforce and community. Employees' organizations nominated them for these honors.

DKI APCSS' award winners for 2016 are:

Team Excellence: travel division –

Clifton Johnson, Raelyn Brett, Lily Ordonez and U.S. Air Force SSgt. Gilberto Sadierna, Jr.

Federal Supervisor of the Year – Mary Markovinovic, public affairs.

Federal Employee of the Year (Professional, Administrative and Technical) - Christopher Conde, information systems division.

Federal Employee of the Year (Clerical and Assistant) – Elizabeth **Leong**, regional engagements office.

Mentor of the Year: Frank Ong, chief of ISD.

DKI APCSS Director retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf said these eight are outstanding representatives of the roughly 120 Center faculty and staff members

who excel at educating, connecting and empowering thousands of security practitioners in the Asia-Pacific region.

"Our people have accomplished so much, particularly given the level of work required to plan and execute the Center's executive education courses, workshops and myriad outreaches.

"Through their ability to pull off frequent logistical miracles, we've been able to equip 10,000 alumni with the tools and relationships they need to literally change the world. I couldn't be more proud of our award winners and their fellow team members at DKI APCSS." (See associated photo on back cover)

# REO staff is center point for DKI APCSS engagements across Asia-Pacific region

The regional engagement operations department is a major force behind the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center's ability to accomplish its regional outreach programs.

"REO oversees the logistics aspects of workshops - both here and abroad and oversees the Center's protocol program, event management and our very robust visitor's program," explained Lenore Patton, REO chief.

A big part of the department's mission is to plan and coordinate scheduling and logistics support for dozens of events annually.

In terms of the Center's regional workshops, Patton said, "We begin at the nineto 12-month mark to craft a task timeline, team composition, and a target budget



Members of DKI APCSS' regional engagement operations department, led by its chief, Lenore Patton (at far left), conduct a staff meeting in the Center's Maluhia Hall. REO conducts logistical support for the Center's myriad workshops, engagements and visits.

designed for each specific workshop concept."

With those elements locked in place, REO then negotiates with co-hosting agencies, conducts advance liaison trips to host nation locations, lines up venues and local logistical support, and establishes administrative requirements.

"However, most impor-

tantly, our team's role is to communicate," said Patton. "We're pivotal in ensuring all of our Asia-Pacific partners, our embassy teams, vendors, speakers, leaders and invited participants have all the information they need to ensure a successful engagement."

REO also plans and coordinates support for more than 2,000 official visitors to DKI APCSS yearly. This includes evaluating each request's "when," "who" and "why" and designing a visit experience that meets the intended outcomes of visitors and the Center.

Visitors include highlevel foreign delegations, U.S. security sector organizations, and a host of other groups and individuals interested in DKI APCSS' security education mission.



# Center bids farewell to longtime HR professional

Retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf, director of the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, presents Johnette Chun with a certificate of retirement March 11. As director of the Center's human resources department since February 2010, Chun led a staff of six in managing all personnel-related functions for approximately 120 faculty members and support staff. She also served as a human relations specialist at the Center from Feb. 1997 to July 2006.

The Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies welcomed a number of new members to its staff while saying goodbye to others during the period Nov. 1 to May 31.

The executive operations group welcomed **Army Sgt. Yvonne Rios**, who replaced **Army Sgt. Daniel Fogarty.** EOG bid farewell to **Army Maj. Mindy Ecenrode**, **Army Capt. Michael Carvelli** and **Navy Lt. Nicholas Matcheck.** 

Admissions and business operations bid farewell to Navy LS2 Kandi Latcham. Its resource management division welcomed Romanito Rodrigo. Regional engagement operations welcomed Nelly Williams, who replaced Markyeta Collins.

DABO's information services team welcomed Merwin Gaines, who replaced Brent Smith. Sherly Valdivia replaced Marvin Craft in the travel division, and Mary Gokey replaced Johnette Chun as chief of human resources. The admissions department bid goodbye to Cathy Moszkowicz.

The college of security studies bid farewell to **Dr. Rouben Azizian** and **Dr. David Fouse**. College operations welcomed **Air Force Maj. Joseph** 

Michaels and Michelle Donaldson, and said goodbye to Navy Capt. Benjamin Clancy, Marine Corps Maj. Edward Carpenter, Air Force Maj. Eric Gorney, and Mary Copeland.

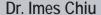
People who served as interns during this period included **Khoa** 

Huynh, Emma Reeder, Angelina Mendes, Petra Langfitt, Suhyun An, Chowon Lee, Heather MacDonald, Michael Calistro, Kaciaryna Biaspalava and Paulina Kostrzewski. Visiting academics included Alice Li Hagan, Mizuho Kajiwara and Iris Leinhart.

# **New professors**

# Dr. Deon Canyon

Canyon brings to the Center knowledge in crisis management, humanitarian action and disaster risk reduction, with a particular emphasis on public health issues, to include vector-borne diseases and bioterrorism. His education background includes a doctor of business administration from the University of Western Australia, a Ph.D. in health security and master of public health from James Cook University.



Chiu brings 20 years of professional and academic experience related to stability and support operations in the United States and Asia. While at DKI APCSS, she'll teach and conduct research on regional security topics with emphasis on crisis and disaster management at the operational and strategic policy levels. Her education background includes a Ph.D. in science and technologies from Cornell University.





#### OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Director - Retired Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf, U.S. Air Force Deputy Director – Retired Brig. Gen. James T. Hirai, U.S. Army Foreign Policy Advisor – Brent Christensen Development Advisor - Dr. Lori Forman

#### COLLEGE OF SECURITY STUDIES

Dean – Retired Capt. Carleton Cramer, U.S. Navy

Associate Dean, Academics – Dr. Justin Nankivell Associate Dean, Operations - Col. Gregory Winston, USA

Dr. Miemie Winn Byrd - Economics, Adult Ed., Myanmar

Dr. James Campbell – Indonesia, BioSecurity

Dr. Deon Canyon, Crisis Management, Humanitarian Action, Disaster Risk Reduction, Public Health

Cmdr. Alan Chace, USN - Northeast Asia, Pacific Maritime Secu-

Dr. Imes Chiu – Stability and Support Operations, Crisis and Disaster Management

Maj. Young Cho, USA – Counterinsurgency, Counterterrorism, Human Domain

Ms. Jessica Ear – Human Security, Crisis Management, Civil Societies, Cambodia

Maj. Chris Erlewine, USAF – Japan, Korea, International Relations

Mr. Herman Finley, Jr. – Information Technology, Strategic Communication, China

\*Lt. Col. Gregory Ford, USA - Northeast Asia, Information Sharing & Analysis

Dr. Lori Forman – Development Financing, Development Assistance, Public-Private Partnerships, NGOs

Dr. Scott Hauger - Environment/Science

Dr. Christopher Harmon – Terrorism, Insurgency, U.S. Foreign Policy

\*Maj. Daniel Kent, USA – Leadership, Project Management, Operations Management, Counterinsurgency

Lt. Col. Danny Makalena, USAF - HA/DR, Physical Security Operations, Logistics, Korea, Japan

Dr. J. Mohan Malik - China, Geopolitics, Weapons Proliferation

\*Lt. Col. Thomas Matelski, USA – Middle East, Conflict Mitigation,

Counterterrorism, Interagency Coordination, HA/DR

Ms. Kerry Nankivell – Maritime Security, Strategy & **Decision-making** 

Cmdr. Jonathan Odom, USN – International Law, National Security Law, Oceans Policy, Maritime Security

Dr. Al Oehlers – Economics, Burma, Southeast Asia, Pacific Islands

Mr. Tom Peterman – Disaster Management, U.N. HA/ DR, U.N. Peace Operations

Dr. Jeffrey Reeves - China, Mongolia, East Asia Security

Dr. Lora Saalman – India, China, Nuclear Policy, Crossdomain Deterrence, Military Modernization

Retired Col. Dave Shanahan, USA - Security Sector Development

Dr. Christopher Snedden – South Asia, Security Sector Development, International Relations

Mr. Shyam Tekwani – South Asia, Media & Conflict, **Terrorism** 

Dr. Alexander Vuving – Geopolitics, Southeast Asia, China, Vietnam, South China Sea

Lt. Cmdr. Sean Washington, USN – Maritime Security, Republic of Korea, China, South China Sea

Dr. Virginia Bacay Watson – Science and Technology Policy, Southeast Asia/Philippines, Water Security

Dr. William A. Wieninger - WMD Issues, Security Sector Development

Col. Gregory Winston, USA – South Asia

Dr. Saira Yamin – South Asia, Conflict Analysis & Resolution

\*Denotes a Service Fellow on one-year assignment

#### **ADMISSIONS & BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

Dean - Richard Sears

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Chief – Tom Patykula Registrar – Pearl Peiler Alumni – John Gasner Email: AdmissionsDept@apcss.org alumnidivision@apcss.org

Stay connected with DKI APCSS...















#### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Chief – Mary Markovinovic Public Affairs Specialist – Jesse Hall Webmaster/Photographer - Bob Goodwin Photographer – Agusto Murillo Cover Art/Group photos – Visual Information Branch

#### **CURRENTS EDITORIAL BOARD**

Mary Markovinovic; Jesse Hall, Editor; Bob Goodwin; Agusto Murillo; Dr. Virginia Bacay Watson; Lt. Cmdr. Daniel Bradshaw; Dr. Imes Chiu; Jo Gardiner; John Gasner; Capt. Ed Miller, USMC; Dr. Al Oehlers; Thomas Peterman; Dr. Jeffrey Reeves; Dave Shanahan; Col. Greg Winston, USA; and Luisa Telnov.



## Honored for excellence

Several DKI APCSS team members garnered excellence in federal government awards for 2016. They were joined by their coworkers at the May 6 Federal Executive Board awards luncheon. Those honored included: in first row - Raelyn Brett (second from left), Lily Ordonez (middle), Mary Markovinovic (right of middle), and Frank Ong (third from right); in second row - Elizabeth Leong (second from left), U.S. Air Force SSgt. Gilberto Sadierna, Jr. (third from right), and Clifton Johnson (second from right). See related article on page 36.

> Please don't forget to contact the Outreach and Alumni Coordination Branch at AlumniDivision@apcss.org if you have been promoted, changed job positions, or moved.

Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies 2058 Maluhia Road Honolulu, HI 96815