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DPAA hosts National POW/MIA Recognition Day

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Service members and civilians gathered to honor former American prisoners of war (POW) and those who are still missing in action (MIA) from past-armed conflicts during the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony, Sept. 16.

Hosted by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), the ceremony took place at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.

After the national and state of Hawaii anthems were played by the Marine Forces Pacific Band at the beginning of the event, Thomas Kahalu Lee Jr., military affairs liaison for the Office of the Governor of Hawaii, delivered a proclamation signed by Gov. David Ige commemorating POW/MIA Recognition Day.

The proclamation not only named POW/MIA Recognition Day as one of the six days of observance in which the National League of Families POW/MIA flag be flown at designated federal institu-



The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Honor Guard renders the 21-gun salute during the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Sept. 16.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Erik Cardenas

tions across Hawaii, but also listed in memoriam six service members and one civilian from Hawaii who are still unaccounted for from the Vietnam War: U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Klaus J. Bingham, Cpl. Richard D. Martin, Sgt. Leonard M. Tadios, U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. David A. Lum, Senior Airman Ronald K. Miyazaki; U.S. Marine Corps John R. Peacock, and John Tavares.

Among the participants in the ceremony

was Dr. Renee Lisjak, DPAA forensic anthropologist, who served as the master of ceremonies for her fourth year in a row. When asked why she speaks at the event each year, she stressed how important it was to her.

"I want to represent those who are very passionate about working hard to make a difference, those that take time away from their families and friends to do what they can for those we have

lost," she said. "I'm happy to be the spokesperson for those that might not have the opportunity to express themselves."

U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Mark Spindler, DPAA deputy director, also spoke at the event.

"POW/MIA Recognition Day is a time for us to pause, if only momentarily, to reflect upon the noble work that is being done by so many dedicated professionals in order to reach the fullest

possible accounting to the nation and for their extraordinarily courageous families," Spindler said.

Spindler introduced the keynote speaker, Jay Blount, World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument chief of interpretation and education. Blount addressed the crowd about his experiences as the prior superintendent of the Sicily-Rome American Military Cemetery in Nettuno, Italy.

"I can't think of a better place to spend National POW/MIA Recognition Day than as part of a ceremony," he said. "I would like to tell all in attendance, thank you for being here."

"Observances like this help keep the memories of prisoners of war and those we've lost alive," he said. "Bring someone with you next year. This is an event that, to me, is important to all Americans and not just those with a direct connection."

Lisjak continued the ceremony by reading the 95 names of service members with Meghan Tomasi Cosgriff-Hernandez, also a DPAA forensic anthropologist, that have been accounted for since Sept. 18, 2015.

As the last names were read, 20 organizations, including local military veterans groups, Boy Scout troops and a motorcycle club, moved in procession to lay wreaths of honor on the dedication stone at the base of the steps of the Court of Honor. Counsel generals from Japan, South Korea and New Zealand were also in attendance to place wreaths and pay respects during the solemn occasion.



Cmdr. George Mendes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam command chaplain, delivers a special invocation during a Hispanic Heritage month celebration at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, Sept. 21.

JBPHH celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

**Story and photo by MC2
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Hispanic Heritage Month runs each year from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, and pays tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.

"Today we're here to honor the camaraderie and heritage of Hispanic Americans," Cmdr. George Mendes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) command chaplain, said. "It's important for us to share in the bonds of cultural traditions, and to recognize how the richness of many nations has helped to shape our country."

The celebration included a variety of traditional Hispanic cuisine, a trivia contest with prize giveaways, music from the United States Pacific Fleet band, and remarks from Religious Programs Specialist 2nd Class Priscilla Clark about notable Hispanic individuals who served in the U.S. military, delivered in both English and Spanish to emphasize the importance of recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month.

Ship's Serviceman 1st Class Lavida Boone, president of the JBPHH Diversity Council, encouraged audience members to learn more about the contributions Hispanic Americans have made to our nation by traveling to countries frequented by the U.S. Navy during port visits and community relation events.

"It's wonderful that we have a specific month dedicated to recognizing all of the Hispanic countries who have contributed to the growth of our nation," Boone said. "Hopefully one day we all have the privilege of visiting some of these countries and know a little bit more about them. We're very fortunate and blessed to have these kinds of experiences, to learn about Hispanic cultures and other cultures that we routinely encounter in our careers."

Hispanic Heritage Month observation began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson. In 1988, it was expanded by President Ronald Reagan to cover a 30-day period, paying tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively

influenced and enriched our nation and society.

Currently, there are more than 57,000 Hispanic Sailors currently serving in the Navy and more than 16,000 Hispanic civilian employees working for the Department of the Navy. Making up a total of 15 percent of the Navy, 2.5 percent are serving as flag officers and 11 percent represent the E8-E9 leadership. Representation is present in every rank and in a wide variety of career fields to include fighter pilots, physicians, nuclear engineers, policy makers, boatswains and corpsmen.

For more information about the history of Hispanic Americans and their numerous contributions to the Navy, visit <http://ow.ly/aQ7j304tkEz>.

USNS Mercy makes port stop at Pearl Harbor

MC3 Trevor Kohlrus

Pacific Partnership Public Affairs

The hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19), part of Pacific Partnership 2016 team, arrived in Hawaii for a port stop Sept. 19 before sailing to its homeport of San Diego Thursday.

Mercy departed Naval Base San Diego May 11 and served as the command platform for the Pacific Partnership 2016 mission. Pacific Partnership is the largest annual, multilateral disaster response preparedness mission in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

“The objective was to improve interoperability between countries to strengthen the relationships and partnerships,” Cmdr. Miguel Gutierrez, director of medical operations, Pacific Partnership 2016, said.

Pacific Partnership 2016 conducted mission stops in six countries — Timor Leste, the Philippines, Vietnam, Palau, Malaysia and Indonesia.

Throughout the mission, Pacific Partnership personnel shared and gained exper-



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jeff Troutman

USNS Mercy (T-AH-19) pulls into Pearl Harbor for a port stop on its way home from Pacific Partnership 2016. Upon departure from Hawaii, Mercy, with the embarked Pacific Partnership 2016 team, will sail to its homeport of San Diego.

tise from each partner nation through subject matter expert exchanges in medical, engineering, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, cooperative health engagements and Women, Peace and

Security seminars. Key leader and community relations events provided for direct engagement and enhanced relationships with partner nation leadership and local citizens.

“The engagements from ev-

ery line of effort built capability and interoperability, which helped strengthen and establish relationships with each partner nation,” Royal Australian navy Capt. Mike Spruce, deputy mission commander,

Pacific Partnership 2016, said. “This mission is a lot about exchanging ideas, and the knowledge and skills shared throughout Pacific Partnership 2016 will last well after the mission is over.”

F-22 Raptor refuels mid-air



U.S. forces photo by MC1 John Johnson

An F-22 Raptor, from the 199th Fighter Squadron (199 FS), a unit of the Hawaii Air National Guard 154th Wing, begins inflight refueling from a KC-135 Stratotanker assigned to the 909th Air Refueling Squadron, 300 nautical miles from Guam, during Exercise Valiant Shield 16 (VS16). VS16 is a biennial field exercise with a primary focus on interoperability and integration of joint training among U.S. forces.

Navy fuel stations to temporarily shut down, Sept. 30 to Oct. 1

Naval Facilities (NAVFAC) Hawaii will be shutting down all Navy (government vehicle) fuel stations for end-of-year closeout at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, West Loch, and Lualualei from noon, Friday, Sept. 30 to noon, Saturday, Oct. 1. Please plan accordingly and fuel up your government vehicles as needed. Note: This action does not include Navy Exchange gas stations for privately owned vehicles.



If you see something, say something

Don Robbins

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This past week a suspect was arrested in connection with the detonation of a bomb in New York City, which injured 29 people, and planting two other devices. One of the bombs exploded on the New Jersey shore. In addition, a male assailant stabbed 10 people at a mall in Minnesota last weekend.

In the wake of these attacks, Commander, Navy Installation Command emphasized that it is important to stay vigilant and remember the “If You See Something, Say Something” campaign.

“If You See Something, Say Something” is a national campaign that raises public awareness of the indicators of terrorism and terrorism-related crime, as well as the importance of reporting suspicious activity to state and local law enforcement.

Informed, alert communities play a critical role in keeping our nation safe, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security said.

According to the Department of Homeland Security, you should contact your local law enforcement agency to report any suspicious activity. Describe specifically what you observed, including:

- Who or what you saw.
- When you saw it.
- Where it occurred.
- Why it's suspicious.
- If there is an emergency call 9-1-1.

Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Unusual items or situations: A vehicle is parked in an odd location,

a package/luggage is unattended, a window/door is open that is usually closed, or other out-of-the-ordinary situations occur.

- Eliciting information: A person questions individuals at a level beyond curiosity about a building's purpose, operations, security procedures and/or personnel, shift changes, etc.
- Observation/surveillance: Someone pays unusual attention to facilities or buildings beyond a casual or professional interest.

This includes extended loitering without explanation (particularly in concealed locations), unusual, repeated, and/or prolonged observation of a building.

- Some of these activities could be innocent. It's up to law enforcement to determine whether the behavior warrants investigation. The activities above are not all-inclusive, but have been compiled based on studies of pre-operational aspects of both successful and thwarted terrorist events over several years.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security emphasizes:

“If you see something you know shouldn't be there—or someone's behavior that doesn't seem quite right—say something. Because only you know what's supposed to be in your everyday,” according to the department's website. “We can all help keep our communities safe by paying attention to our surroundings and reporting suspicious activity to local law enforcement.”

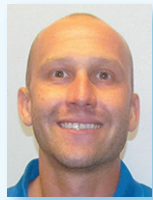
Locally leaders promote VEST Vigilance (being aware), Engagement (getting involved), Speed (acting quickly), and Together (supporting each other). The VEST 2.0 campaign includes tips for personal readiness, including self-defense.

For more information, visit www.dhs.gov/see-something-say-something.

Diverse VIEWS



What is your favorite memory of the fall season?



Jon Ciecko
Liberty Program Manager, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

“My favorite memory of fall is crab cakes and football. And, when I was little, growing up in upstate New York, our job was to rake the leaves up and put them in big piles before we would pick them up. I would jump in them and ride my bike through the big piles of leaves, which were over my head. My mom would get so mad at me, though.”

Master Sgt. Sung Kim
Defense Information Systems Agency Pacific



“My family and I were stationed at Hill AFB, Utah. My daughter was about 2 years old and it had been snowing hard for a few days. When it finally stopped, we went to our favorite park in front of Ogden Canyon. There was so much snow, I decided to build a snowman. My 2-year-old helped and she had a great ‘first snowman’ experience.”



Starlyn Manglona
Electronics Technician 2nd Class USS Chafee (DDG 90)

“When I lived in Oregon I remembered the different colors of trees. I just thought it was the most beautiful thing I've ever seen. I lived in Rota, an island north of Guam, until I graduated from high school. Then I went to Oregon for college. Rota's weather is like Hawaii, with no real change in seasons. It's hot throughout the year.”

Joseph Martin
PACOM



“We spent many years on the East Coast, and watching the kids jump into giant leaf piles always made me smile...until I had to rake them all up again, and again, and again.”



Morris Maraya
Machinist's Mate—Nuclear 2nd Class USS Jefferson City (SSN 759)

“I lived in San Diego all my life before I joined the Navy, so I never had a typical fall season until I moved to New York for nuclear training. There, I actively got to experience fall for the first time. I liked seeing leaves turn red or brown.”

Tech. Sgt. Charles Wei
15th Maintenance Group



“In 2013, we were stationed at Patrick AFB, Florida. We would all come over to our house. I would put something on the smoker and we would sit around the fire pit and watch movies and sports on our projector outside.”



Arthur Sigal
Operations Specialist 3rd Class USS Halsey (DDG 97)

“My favorite memory of the fall season is visiting the North Shore. I just love the waves, the sunsets, the surfing and the turtles. All the good stuff.”

Provided by Don Robbins and David D. Underwood Jr.

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Commentary

Celebrating the contributions of Hispanic Americans

Barack Obama

President of the United States of America



Barack Obama

ways of life and making sweeping new discoveries; the advocates leading the way for social and political change.

They are the brave men and women in uniform who commit themselves to defending our most cherished ideals at home and abroad. And their lasting achievements and devotion to our nation exemplify the tenacity and perseverance embedded in our national character.

My administration stands firmly committed to opening doors of opportunity for all Americans and addressing issues of vital importance to the Hispanic community. The unemployment rate for the Hispanic community has dropped steadily since I took office, and we have worked to support the growth and development of Hispanic-owned

businesses.

Last year, Hispanic Americans saw the largest gains of any racial or ethnic group in median income and experienced among the greatest reductions in poverty. We have fought to make home ownership more affordable and to raise the federal minimum wage -- which would benefit more than eight million Hispanic workers.

Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, four million Hispanic non-elderly adults have gained access to quality, affordable health care, reducing the uninsured rate among Hispanics by more than a quarter.

The high school graduation rate among Hispanic students is rising, and we have taken action to help more Hispanic students enroll in college. And by charting a new course in our relationship with Cuba, we are strengthening communication and bolstering relations between friends and family in both countries — reinforcing many ties to Latin America.

Our nation's remarkable story began with immigration. Today, we must continue seeking to make the promise of our nation real in the lives of all people, including for those who are Americans by every measure except for a piece of paper.

Through the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals policy, hardworking young dreamers — including many Hispanics — have been given more opportunities to reach for their highest aspirations. I remain deeply committed to passing comprehensive immigration reform, and my administration will continue doing all that we can to carry forward our nation's legacy as a melting pot of the world.

Through the work of the White House Task Force on New Americans, we are striving to support the integration of immigrants and refugees into our communities. We will continue to welcome those fleeing persecution, including those from the Western Hemisphere, and we will keep working to make our immigration system fairer and smarter.

This month, let us reflect on the countless ways in which Hispanics have contributed to our nation's success, and let us reaffirm our commitment to expanding opportunity and building an ever brighter future for all.

Let us embrace the diversity that strengthens us and continue striving to ensure the American dream is within reach for generations of Hispanics to come.

JBPHH to conduct increased flight operations Sept. 28 and 30

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) will be conducting increased flight operations with activities that can be seen and heard over the base on Sept. 28 from 9 to 11 a.m. and on Sept. 30 from 3 to 5 p.m.

During this period, small boat activities in the harbor

including the Navy tour boats that ferry guests to and from the USS Arizona Memorial and the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center will be temporarily suspended.

The increased flight operations are not in response to any specific threat. There

is no cause for concern and we regret any inconvenience.

For questions regarding increased flight operations, please contact the 15th Wing Public Affairs Office at 449-1531.

For more information please contact JBPHH Public Affairs Office at 473-3152 or 473-2924.

Hispanic staff sergeant served with Army Air Forces



Army Staff Sgt. Eva Romero Jacques is shown in this photo in 1943. At 4 feet, 11 inches tall, Jacques convinced the Army Air Forces to waive its height requirement because she had two great advantages: three years of college and the ability to speak both Spanish and English. Hispanic Heritage Month is from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

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Navy announces new suicide prevention program

**Chief of Naval Personnel
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WASHINGTON—On Sept. 16, The Navy’s 21st Century Sailor Office announced the new suicide prevention program known as Sailor Assistance and Intercept for Life (SAIL), aimed at supplementing existing mental health treatment by providing continual support through the first 90 days after suicide-related behavior.

“This program is designed to boost our existing efforts to prevent suicide across the fleet by showing there is some-

one that will stay in touch with them and make sure they are doing well,” Capt. Michael Fisher, director, Operational Stress Control and Suicide Prevention branch, said. “This is part of a wide range of actions we are taking to help our Sailors. Doing this will boost our suicide prevention work that’s ongoing Navy-wide.”

The SAIL program started in the Pacific Northwest Region on Aug. 29, with a phased regional rollout plan scheduled for completion by the third quarter of fiscal year 2017 throughout the Navy.

The program is designed

to provide rapid assistance, on-going risk assessment and support for Sailors who have exhibited suicide-related behavior and was inspired by the Marine Intercept Program (MIP), a suicide prevention project with similar goals.

Navy Suicide Prevention Branch (OPNAV N171) is partnering with Navy Bureau of Medicine (BUMED), Commander Navy Installation Command (CNIC), and SAIL Case managers who are serving as Fleet and Family Service Center (FFSC) counselors to run this new program.

Upon receiving informa-

tion from commands about a Sailor who has demonstrated suicide-related behavior, Suicide Prevention Coordinators (SPC) will work with CNIC, and in turn an FFSC case manager, whose responsibility will be to reach out to the individual Sailor to see if they would volunteer to participate in the SAIL program. Case managers will contact Sailors in the 90 days following suicide-related behavior.

Suicide Prevention is a cooperative Navy-wide effort that takes leadership engagement and awareness at all commands and ranks. OP-

NAV, BUMED, CNIC work together to provide a range of resources to include: mental health treatment, spiritual counseling, personal wellness counseling, crisis intervention as well as financial education.

The Military Crisis Line offers confidential support for active duty and reserve service members and their families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Call 1-800-273-8255 and press 1, chat online at www.militarycrisisline.net or send a text message to 838255.

For more information visit www.suicide.navy.mil

Deadline approaching for alternate cover

Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

The Oct. 31 deadline for wear of the Alternative Combination Cover (ACC) is approaching, and Navy leaders want to remind all officers and chiefs to acquire that cover or the current combination cover by that date.

The deadline for wear was announced last October in NAVADMIN 236/15, which detailed the plan to redesign several uniform elements for Sailors that improve uniformity across the force, as well as improve fit and function of the uniforms. This policy phased out the female “bucket” cover and mandated the ACC and the current combination cover for wear by both men and women. Wear-tests and Sailors’ feedback were incorporated into the final designs that were announced.

Since the release of that message, the ACC has been available for purchase in Navy Exchange (NEX) Uniform Stores and through the call center.

The ACC and combination cover for officers and chiefs can be worn by both men and women in service and dress uniforms.

Based on availability in the NEX, Sailors are advised to make their purchase now to avoid any issues that would prevent them from having the cover in time for the wear date.

To view the full NAVADMIN, visit <http://ow.ly/r48v304tBRT>.

For more information on upcoming uniform updates, visit <http://ow.ly/RD4u304tBNu>.



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Kelsey L. Adams

Chief Personnel Specialist Savannah L. Dukes receives her chief’s cover from her mentor during the Chief Petty Officer Pinning Ceremony at the Training Support Center on Naval Base San Diego.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights



Members from Troop 135 and 316, Boy Scouts of America, salute during the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony hosted by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Sept. 16.

U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Eric Laclair

Sailors aboard hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19) render honors to the USS Arizona Memorial as Mercy arrives at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Lindsey E. Skelton



U.S. Air Force Col. John York, the commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Operations Group, presents the squadron flag for the 154th Operations Support Squadron to Lt. Col. Michael Blake during his assumption of command at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Sept. 11.

U.S. Air Force National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Stan Pak

Members of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency run during the POW/MIA event, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Sept. 15. The run was held for 24 hours and honors those who were prisoners of war (POW) and were missing in action (MIA) as well as their families.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Erik Cardenas



Airmen from the 154th Security Forces Squadron conduct hand-to-hand combat training at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Sept. 11. The training focuses on techniques that the Airmen may have to employ during possible hostile scenarios while on duty.

U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Stan Pak

Military spouses show ‘CPO’ pride together

MC2 Jeff Troutman

Navy Public Affairs Support Element Detachment Hawaii

For chief petty officer (CPO) selectees, completing their extensive six-week Navy and chief heritage training is reason enough for celebration, but to complete the process alongside a husband or wife is a special event not often seen during CPO 365 Phase II.

However, that's exactly what happened in Pearl Harbor Sept. 16, when Chief (select) Legalman Belinda Hall received her gold fouled anchors alongside her husband, Gunnery Sgt. Corey Hall.

The Halls serve in two different branches of the military and are stationed in different states, but were granted the opportunity of being able to participate in Hawaii's CPO Pride Week together.

"The success of my career could not have happened without my family's continuous support and understanding, especially from my husband and my three beautiful daughters," LNC(Sel) Hall said. "If not for my husband's support, I would not have been able to continue my career. He has truly been my foundation, friend and mentor."

Though participating in the Phase II process in Hawaii, Hall is stationed aboard aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) in San Diego and needed to gain special approval from her chain of command to participate in Pearl Harbor.



Above left, Chief (Select) Legalman Belinda Hall and her husband Gunnery Sgt. Corey Hall pose for a photo during CPO Pride Week 2016 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

She completed the majority of her Phase II training at her command, which she admitted to being a challenging process. However, she credited her husband with always being there to support, even from afar.

"My Phase II process began while the USS [Carl] Vinson was underway and it was tough," Hall said. "During the underway, there were long days with little to no communication, other than a daily email. Logging on to my computer and seeing an email from my husband kept me motivated, because no matter how long or tough his day was, he took the time to write me and give me words of encouragement that everything we were going through would be worth it in the end."

Meanwhile, thousands of miles away in Hawaii, Gunnery Sgt. Hall was feeling many of the same challenges his wife was enduring during her



Above right, Gunnery Sgt. Hall serves in the Marine Corps, but opted to participate in Hawaii's CPO 365 Phase I and II evolution alongside his wife Chief (Select) Legalman Belinda Hall.

training. Due to the CPO 365 training program being exclusive to the Navy, Gunnery Sgt. Hall had to submit a request through his chain of command to participate in the Phase I and II cycles. His senior enlisted leader ultimately provided him the opportunity that which, in the end, reunited him with his wife.

"When I got to the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 24 here in Hawaii, my senior enlisted leader asked if I would be interested. I told him I would and he explained the process and what I needed to do," Gunnery Sgt. Hall said.

Gunnery Sgt. Hall said despite being a part of a process exclusive to the Navy, the chief selectees from his command helped acclimate him to the Phase I and II training evolutions. The long days of team-building events, community relations projects and guid-

ance on deckplate leadership weren't as challenging as the time he had to spend away from his daughters and his wife.

"Going through the process together with her was tough for the first week or so," Gunnery Sgt. Hall said. "We never talked, but I understood how busy she was because I was super busy myself. With us both going through it, I would think of her during the tough times and remind myself that it wasn't about me. You will be challenged throughout your career and your life, so who better to weather the hard times than the one you chose to spend the difficult moments of your life with."

That perseverance finally paid off for both when they finally pinned each other's gold-fouled anchors to each other's collar at the end of their latest journey. Whether they were an ocean apart or training right

next to each other, the Halls knew they had each other's support every step of the way.

LNC Hall hopes other service members, regardless of which branch they work for, understand the importance of having a supportive spouse during their Phase II process.

"If there is any way for you to be involved in the branch your spouse serves with, do it!," Hall said. "For those who are not dual military, help your spouse or significant other understand what you do and the importance of their support through this process."

CPO 365 is a year-round training initiative Chiefs Messes throughout the Navy take on to prepare petty officers first class to become chiefs. Phase II of CPO 365 begins when the chief petty officer selection board results are released, usually in the month of August.

U.S. Navy photos by MC2 Johans Chavarro

Pearl Harbor Sailor wins corrections honor

Gene H. Hughes

Navy Personnel Command Public Affairs

Damage Controlman 1st Class Melissa A. Mayer, who serves at Naval Consolidated Brig Miramar Detachment Pearl Harbor, was recently selected by the American Correctional Association as the 2016 Military Corrections Professional of the Year for the Navy.

Her work in the justice system started at an early age. She said her journey began with a desire to work in law enforcement.

"Growing up in Michigan I knew I wanted to be a police officer," she said. "It always appealed to me. I looked up to them and saw a hero in uniform every time I went to a function or saw an officer patrolling the streets."

After obtaining an associate degree in criminal justice of law enforcement, she decided to enlist in the military to pay off student loans and satisfy her hunger to see the world. There wasn't an opening for her in military police or master-at-arms in any branch of service at the time, so she signed up as a damage controlman instead.

When given the opportunity to pick shore duty, she saw an opening at the Pearl Harbor brig and felt she had to take it. She said it's one of the best decisions she's ever made, but the transition was a challenge.

"Since I am a damage controlman, accustomed to shipboard firefighting and engineering, the most challenging aspect of my (brig) job was to become familiar with all aspects of corrections," she said. "It was basically a new job and I had to do a lot of training and read a lot of instructions, and I am still referring to them every day."

Her professional mission is to ensure the safety and security of prisoners and staff at all times, and to ensure that prisoners, once released, are prepared for their return to civilian life, the community or to their military duties.

She's also looking to advance herself in the field through education. She's close to obtaining a bachelor's degree and she's

preparing for the chief's exam before she goes back on sea duty. In addition, she's studying to take the law school admission test in 2017 with a desire to join the Judge Advocate General Corps.

Aside from her professional and educational commitments, Mayer has shown a strong sense of community involvement. She has volunteered her time at the Hawaiian Humane Society and a Honolulu homeless shelter. As a trained Sexual Assault Prevention and Response victim advocate, she staffed a local crisis phone line.

"It makes me feel really good inside and

out," she said. "I have always wanted to make the world a better place. If providing my off time to be at the other end of a 24-hour help line, walking dogs and finding them a forever home, or making our homeless a little more comfortable by serving food and giving them some sort of hope to survive our harsh world, then that is what I feel good doing and that is what I will do."

According to Tinaz, Mayer accepted her award on behalf of all her shipmates at Naval Brig Pearl Harbor.

"Petty Officer Mayer epitomizes those rare

qualities most sought in today's military professional," Lt. Cmdr. Marc Tinaz, detachment commander for Naval Brig Pearl Harbor, said. "She maintains a balance between her personal and professional goals. Her pursuit in her educational goals, continually

making the dean's list and completing all her qualifications and working outside her rating just speaks volumes on the amount of dedication and commitment she has."

Mayer thanked her shipmates by saying, "I would not be here with-

out the help of the best crew in the Navy. We are a great team, dealing with some significant challenges and issues with our 'residents.' Every day we rally to support each other, train and encourage. I would not be here without them."

Grandson of Sharkey Theater namesake visits Joint Base

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Sharkey Theater, located by the submarine piers on the Navy side of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), is thought to be named after Lt. j.g. William J. Sharkey. Sharkey was stationed aboard the submarine USS O-5 during World War I. On Oct. 5, 1918, Sharkey noticed that there were fumes emanating from the vessel’s battery room and went to investigate. He was killed trying to prevent the explosion that followed. Sharkey was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service.



Above, left Lt. j.g. William J. Sharkey. Above right, Woodrow “Woodie” Chartier, front, grandson of WWI Navy hero William Sharkey, tours USS Mississippi (SSN-782), JBPHH, Sept. 21.

This week, Sharkey’s grandson, Woodrow “Woodie” Chartier, and his wife, Betsy, traveled from their home in Bradenton, Florida to pay a visit to JBPHH and to the theater bearing the Sharkey name.

A Navy veteran himself, Chartier didn’t hear much about his grandfather



Photo by MC2 Shaun Griffin

growing up. It wasn’t until his first deployment on the destroyer USS Brush ((DD-745) in 1957 that he really started to learn about Sharkey’s service and heroic action. However, Chartier still did not know about Sharkey Theater.

“Ironically, on my first

deployment I did shore patrol duty at Bloch Arena, just around the corner from the theater and didn’t know about it,” he said.

His family did have information about the USS Sharkey (DD-281), a destroyer that was also named for William Sharkey.

“The family has some paraphernalia,” he said. “Someone actually has the christening bottle used to christen the ship.”

More recently, Chartier and his family have become aware and interested in the Sharkey Theater. His son Mike visited the theater a few years ago and spoke with the manager.

“There is still a lot of confusion about the theater’s name,” Chartier said. “Some people think it was named for a boxer. It was not.”

Chartier has been working with Jessie Higa, a volunteer historian at JBPHH, to find more information regarding the name of Sharkey Theater. There is a possibility that

Adm. Chester Nimitz may have had something to do with the naming.

“My family believes Nimitz and my grandfather were friends,” Chartier said. “He may have played a role in the dedication of the theater. We are trying to get official documentation.”

During his visit to JBPHH Chartier toured USS Chung-Hoon (DDG-93) and USS Mississippi (SSN-782). He also finally visited the theater bearing his grandfather’s name.

“It was awesome,” he said. “The picture of my grandfather hanging at the theater is the same one I have in my office. It was a special experience I’ll cherish.”

Zika spreads primarily through mosquito bites

Military Health System and Defense Health Agency

Zika is a disease caused by the Zika virus. It’s mostly spread to people through the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito. The most common symptoms are fever, rash, joint pain, and conjunctivitis (red eyes). Other common symptoms include muscle pain and headache.

Zika is usually mild with symptoms lasting for several days to a week. People usually don’t get sick enough to go to the hospital, and they rarely die of Zika. Many people might not realize they have been infected.

These Aedes species are the same mosquitoes that spread other viruses like dengue and chikungunya. Only about one in five people infected with the Zika virus will feel sick.



Centers for Disease Control photo

This photograph depicts a female Aedes aegypti mosquito, the species of mosquito primarily responsible for the spread of the Zika virus disease to people.

Zika can also be transmitted from a pregnant mother to her baby during pregnancy, though we do not know how often that transmission occurs.

Zika virus can also be spread by a man to his sex partners.

In known cases of sexual transmission, the men developed Zika virus symptoms. From these cases, we know the virus can be spread when the man has symptoms, before symp-

toms start and after symptoms resolve.

In one case, the virus was spread a few days before symptoms developed.

The virus is present in semen longer than in blood.

The incubation period (the time from exposure to symptoms) for Zika virus disease is not known, but is likely to be a few days to a week. See your doctor or other healthcare provider if you are pregnant and

develop a fever, rash, joint pain, or red eyes within two weeks after traveling to an area with Zika. Be sure to tell your doctor or other healthcare provider where you traveled.

People are contracting Zika in areas where Aedes mosquitoes are present, which include South America, Central America and the Caribbean. As the CDC notes, specific areas where the Zika virus is being transmitted are changing over time, so please check the CDC website at www.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-information for updates.

Anyone who is living in or traveling to an area where the virus is found is at risk for infection.

There is no vaccine or specific medicine to treat Zika virus infections.

Treat the symptoms. Get plenty of rest. Drink fluids to prevent dehydration. Take medicine such as ac-

etaminophen to reduce fever and pain. Do not take aspirin or other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

If you are taking medicine for another medical condition, talk to your healthcare provider before taking additional medication.

The best way to prevent diseases by mosquitoes is to protect yourself from getting bitten.

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Stay in places with air conditioning or that use window, door screens, and netting to keep mosquitoes outside.

Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents. All EPA-registered insect repellents are evaluated for safety and effectiveness.

Treat clothing and gear with permethrin or purchase permethrin-treated items.

Sleep under a mosquito bed net if you are overseas or outside and are not able to protect yourself from mosquito bites.

The Department of Defense-wide Zika hotline number for those who have questions about the disease or are concerned they’ve been exposed to the virus is 1-(800) 984-8523.

Visit the Navy and Marine Corps Public Health Center’s (NMPHC) Zika virus web page www.med.navy.mil/sites/nmcphc/program-and-policy-support/Pages/Zika-virus.aspx for up-to-date information on the Zika virus infection, including its symptoms and prevention. NMPHC has also produced a Zika information sheet and a Zika brochure as general Zika references for all Navy and Marine Corps beneficiaries.

Information about Zika can also be found at www.health.mil/zika.

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Life & Leisure

KIDS (AND PIRATES!) CELEBRATED AT HICKAM HARBOR

Gaea Armour

*Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Morale, Welfare and Recreation*

Boys and girls of all ages dressed as pirates and celebrated the annual Day for Kids on Sept. 17 at Hickam Harbor, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam.

"I think the event was phenomenal," Brittany Bigham, youth sports coordinator said. "We had our fingers crossed that the weather would hold out. I'm glad that we had the MWR and food vendor support for everybody to come out and have a variety of fun."

This was Bigham's first year hosting the event in collaboration with School Age Center, Child Development Centers, Teen Center, Outdoor Recreation Center, Special Events, Navy Region Marketing and Camp Adventure Youth Services.

Parents participated in many activities with their children. The paddleboard race was one of the favorites.

"I really liked the paddleboard race, it was something different," Yukino Kojima, a retired Navy spouse said. She raced against other participants along with her 6-year-old son, Kaden.

Other activities included a kayak battleship race, arts and crafts, volleyball, a costume contest, a Talk Like a Pirate contest, a pool noodle boat race and hook toss.

A Day for Kids is celebrated annually and open to all military and Department of Defense civilian families. For future events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.





Members of the 2016 JBPHH Intramural volleyball champions HIANG get together with runners-up 154 MXG to take a group photo.

Dynasty rolls on as HIANG crowned volleyball champs

Story and photos
by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Not even legendary collegiate volleyball coach Dave Shoji of the University of Hawaii Rainbow Wahine volleyball team has seen the kind of dominating success witnessed here at Joint Base by the phenomenal exploits of the Hawaii Air National Guard squad. Coming into this season, the squad had claimed 13 out of 14 intramural championships at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

After capturing the 2016 Gold Division championship with a perfect 11-0 record, HIANG continued their successful season through the playoffs and on Sept. 15 found themselves in familiar territory by reaching the championship game.

Squaring off against fellow guards the 154th Maintenance Group (154 MXG), the HIANG met one of their toughest challenges in years. However, they pulled away in the end to take a hard-fought, straight-set victory, 25-17 and 25-24, and come away with championship number 14.

“We just kept fighting,” HIANG hitter Staff Sgt. AlanhMichael Warner, who was among the primary big guns for the HIANG, said. “We just kept our focus and we told each other let’s get through this. Somebody



Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo attempts to slam the ball through the defense of Tech. Sgt. Mike Steinbercher.

makes a mistake, we pick them up and we fight together.”

In set one, the HIANG tried their best to pull away from the 154 MXG, but each time they made a move the 154 MXG seemed to find a way to keep within striking distance.

Behind the hot hand of hitter and longtime team captain Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo, the HIANG quickly took a 7-2 lead in the first set, with Lorenzo pounding down three of the team’s first points.

Later, with Warner at service, the HIANG inched even closer to win the first set as the squad upped their lead from five to seven at 15-8.

Warner picked up an ace on his first serve of the set and Lorenzo added two more points on back-to-back kills.

The 15 MXG would eventually reduce the deficit back to five at 22-17, but that would be as close as they would get. HIANG would go on to score the next three points in a row to

take set one.

Top killers in the first set for HIANG were Lorenzo with seven kills and Warner with six kills and a block.

In the second set, HIANG started right where they left off and scored the first three points for a 3-0 early lead.

However, from that point on, the 154 MXG battled the defending champs hit for hit and block for block.

The 154 MXG took their first lead of the match at 7-6 on an ace by Staff Sgt. Fermin Rodriguez-Santiago.

HIANG caught the 154 MXG at 14-14 on a kill by Warner and went ahead by one on a hitting error, but after a side-out tied the score at 15-15, another ace by Rodriguez-Santiago gave the lead back to the 154 MXG.

The set went to another tie at 18-18. However, as in previous years, when it comes down to crunch time the HIANG showed why they are unbeatable.

No team on base has come through so many times in the clutch than the HIANG and this year was no different.

First Warner broke the tie with a kill to make it 19-18 in favor of HIANG. Then with the score tied again at 21-21, Lorenzo kept the HIANG in control with another kill of his own.

The 154 MXG caught the HIANG again at 22-22, but this time HIANG newcomer Staff

Sgt. David Stivers delivered a kill to put his team back on top.

Another point extended the HIANG’s lead to 24-22, but kills by Rodrigues-Santiago and Master Sgt. Marcus Della Sala tied the score at 24-24.

However, as he has done so many times during his long career with the HIANG, Lorenzo picked off the final clutch shot of the game to earn the tough win.

“Some of the other (team’s) players, we’ve been training with,” Lorenzo said. “They know how we play and that’s what made it so much tougher. Some of those players played with our HIANG team for seven or eight years.”

Since the HIANG entered the championship game with only seven players, Lorenzo said that it was crucial for everyone to play as one team in order to beat a tough opponent.

“It took a toll on everybody,” he said. “They all had to step up and do their job more than what we expected.”

Warner said that he was very surprised at how tough the 154 MXG played, but in the end, he was glad that the team could pull out another title.

“It’s another great year in the books,” Warner said. “It’s a nice journey again this year. We’ve had a fluctuation of new teammates come and go, but overall, we stuck together as a team and it’s nice to get the victory.”



747 CS beats 735 AMS by a point in defensive battle

Story and photo
by Randy Dela Cruz

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Even if your offense is struggling, the great thing about having a lockdown defense is that you know you'll always be in the game.

The scenario was strongly reflected in the 747th Communication Squadron (747 CS) heart-thumping one-point victory over the 735th Air Mobility Squadron (735 AMS) on Sept. 20 in a season-opening Gold Division intramural flag football game that was played at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Ward Field.

Holding on to a 7-6 lead at halftime, the 747 CS protected the one-point lead throughout the entire second half to start the season off on the right foot with a win and a record of 1-0.

Next week on Sept. 27, the 747 CS will try to make it two in a row, when they square off against the Goblins at Ward Field starting at 6 p.m.

"Honestly, I give it to the defense," 747 CS quarterback Senior Airman Zachary Murphy said. "Our offense came out a little slow, but we got into our groove a little bit."

At first, it looked like the 735 AMS, behind the arm of veteran quarterback Tech. Sgt. Marco Knight and a bevy of talented and fast receivers, would be a nightmare for the 747 CS defense to handle.

In their first series from the line of scrimmage, Knight made it look easy as he used his quickness on foot and strong



Senior Airman Zachary Murphy, quarterback for 747 CS, stays away from the rush while looking downfield to complete a pass.

throwing arm to quickly move the 735 AMS into good field position.

On first down, with the ball just inside the midfield line at the 747 CS 38, Knight dropped back to pass and fired a bomb down the right sideline on a fly pattern intended for Senior Airman Larue Naea.

As the ball came down, Naea

jumped up but couldn't make a clean grab of the pass.

Instead, Naea tipped the ball back into the air and hauled in an acrobatic catch that placed him on a clear path into the end zone for a 6-0 lead.

The extra-point attempt failed and, though they didn't know it at the time, it would come back to bite the 735 AMS.

After the 735 AMS held the 747 CS to a quick four-and-out, Knight, starting at his own 30, needed only three plays to reach the red zone at the 10-yard line.

However, instead of picking up another touchdown, 747 CS defensive back Staff Sgt. Josh DaiVeronese came up with a huge pick to stop the threat and

give the ball back to his team at their own eight-yard line.

"It's all about the d-line," DaiVeronese said. "The defense played their zones and that's what we did. He (Knight) was throwing a lot of outs, so sooner or later, you're going to pick it."

Murphy picked up six yards on a short toss on first down, but on second down, he took a shot for all the marbles and hoisted a rainbow downfield.

On the other side of the field, wide receiver Senior Airman Jamie Brown came down with the pass and took the ball all the way to house to tie the score at 6-6.

The converted extra-point put the 747 CS out in front at 7-6 and that's how the game ended.

Murphy said that the pick from DaiVeronese was the turning point of the game and given an opportunity like that, there was no way they were going to let it slip away.

Murphy said that he threw the first pass short to keep the defense honest and when the 735 AMS defensive backs inched up, he knew he had them.

"The defender was playing up on him and the safeties were more toward the left side, so I was like I might as well go deep," Murphy said. "I did and he (Brown) made a big play."

Murphy said that with the defense playing so well, there is no reason for the 747 CS to not be in contention this season.

A few more improvements to their offense and opponents better beware.

"We're looking to win it all," he said. "That's what we're out here to do."

Enforcers hold off comeback by 15th Medical Group

Story and photo
by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Quarterback Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Kevin Jones led three scoring drives and passed for two touchdowns, while teammate and defensive back Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Myles Schumacher came up with two interceptions to help Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Security Enforcers hold on to a 20-13 win over the 15th Medical Group. The matchup took place Sept. 20 in a Gold Division intramural flag football game at JBP HH Ward Field.

The game ushered in the 2016 intramural flag football season after a one-week delay due to hurricane season.

Next week, the 1-0 Enforcers will square off against Joint Intelligence Operation Center United at 7 p.m., while the Medical Group tries to bounce back in a matchup with Hawaii Air National Guard starting at 6 p.m. at Ward Field.

"We just reverted to our play-

book and did things we practice every week," Jones said about the win. "We just had a good time with it — pass and catch all day."

Although the Enforcers won by seven points, it became clear that the game would be a struggle all the way until the end after a pick by Staff Sgt. Brandon Leonard abruptly ended the Enforcers' first possession of the game.

However, with the ball in good field position at the 15 MDG 36, just shy of midfield, Schumacher quickly put an end to any drive to pay dirt by the 15 MDG. On the first play from scrimmage, the athletic defensive back stepped in front of a pass from quarterback Senior Airman Henry Johnathan and picked it off to give back possession to the Enforcers.

From the 15 MDG 34, Jones needed only three plays to place the ball at the eight-yard line, before hitting Master-at-Arms 1st Class Jordan Wells down the middle of the field and into the end zone for the first lead of the game at 6-0.

The team's try for an extra

point was good and put the Enforcers ahead at 7-0.

Needing to keep the game close, the 15 MDG picked up the pace on offense and moved the chains 33 yards on only three plays.

On first down from the Enforcers 32, Johnathan dropped back into the pocket and went deep over the top to find receiver Airman 1st Class Damion King, who made an over-the-head grab and ran all the way to the house.

The point-after touchdown was good and the game was deadlocked at 7-7.

Back the other way, Jones put the team's balanced attack on display in leading an eight-play, 65-yard drive for the team's second touchdown of the game.

During the drive, Jones called four running plays and four passing plays, before handing the ball off to Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Austin Riley for a short plunge into the end zone.

Forced to play catch-up once again, the Medical Group

turned to new quarterback Airman 1st Class Joseph Franzzone.

After an inauspicious start that saw a bad snap place the football all the way back on their own eight-yard line, Franzzone found his groove and within seven plays, had the 15 MDG knocking on the door at the Enforcers 30.

On the next play, Franzzone hitched up with Johnathan for a catch-and-run all the way to the end zone for a 13-13 tie going into halftime.

Things got even tighter in the second half, but Jones hung in there to produce one more run to pay dirt.

Starting at his own 32, Jones found Riley for a quick toss at the 23, and then picked up Schumacher on a pass play good to the 15 MDG eight.

Two plays later, Jones went back to Schumacher in the corner of the end zone for a touchdown that led to a seven-point advantage after the Enforcers converted their extra point.

Then with time running out in the game, Franzzone heaved

a bomb into the hands of Johnathan to pierce the Enforcers' red zone.

However, in a clutch play on defense, Schumacher intercepted a pass in the end zone to stop the 15 MDG threat and lock up the win.

"They had trips on one side, so it was 80 percent likely they were going to go that way," Schumacher said. "So I moved over there, they threw the ball up and I just jumped higher than three guys."

With one win in their back pocket, Schumacher said that he believes that the Enforcers have what it takes to have a very successful season.

Unlike last year, when the Enforcers got booted out of the playoffs in the first round, Schumacher said he thinks this year's squad may go further than it has ever gone in the playoffs.

"There is always room for improvement," Schumacher said. "Obviously I haven't seen any other teams, but I kind of feel with what we got, we'll be a top-three team."



Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Austin Riley noses the ball over the goal line for the Enforcers' second touchdown of the game.

MY FAVORITE PHOTO



Don Robbins, Ho‘okele editor, took this photo of the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band performing at the Wahiawa Town Center Sept. 10. *How to submit: Email your photos to editor@hookelenews.com.*

Open house to showcase base housing

Hickam Communities

Active duty, military retirees and Department of Defense employees have an opportunity to live at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Hickam Communities will host an open house Sept. 24 to showcase its homes, services and amenities, and rent rates that include utilities. The open house will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 200 Kokomalei St. on the Hickam side of Joint Base.

“Service members from all branches, retirees and DoD employees are always calling to ask if base housing is available to them, and we’re always happy to let them know we can offer them a wonderful home,” Kiki Villanueva, project director of Hickam Communities, said. “They recognize the value and convenience our communities



Photo courtesy of Hickam Communities, LLC

Active duty from all branches of service, military retirees and Department of Defense employees are eligible to live on base with Hickam Communities.

offer — from the convenience of living close to work to being part of a friendly community with great amenities — and they know that an affordable home in the Honolulu area is hard to come by outside the gate.”

Rent includes all util-

ities, front and side yard lawn service, maintenance support and access to Hickam Communities community centers and facilities. Two-, three- and four-bedroom homes are available, and units are partly furnished with major appliances, includ-

ing washing machine and dryer, and have central air-conditioning.

For more information about the open house or Hickam Communities, call Hickam Communities leasing office at (877) 251-4849 or log on to www.hickamcommunities.com.

Volunteer events will celebrate National Public Lands Day

Don Robbins

Editor, Ho‘okele

Two upcoming National Public Lands Day volunteer opportunities are planned at Bellows Air Force Station and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

A National Public Lands Day event will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 24 at Malama Bellows Air Force Station Burial Vault.

Volunteers will plant native Hawaii plants and clean the beach together. Volunteers will receive a gift of a native plant. Volunteers should bring sunblock, a re-usable water bottle, gloves and lunch. All other tools will be provided.

The work consists of spreading mulch, planting, and picking up trash along the beach. An orientation will teach the cultural history of the area.

Volunteers should RSVP to Craig Gorsuch at 927-1867 or email craig.gorsuch.ctr@us.af.mil.

In addition, a National Public Lands Day volunteer opportunity will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 8 at Loko Pa‘aiau Fishpond at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Access will be through McGrew Point Military Housing. For access to McGrew Point, the volunteers’ names must be on the list at the guard shack.

Volunteers will maintain the fishpond and learn about ancient Hawaiian fishponds, native Hawaiian plant species and endangered water birds.

The event is open to military active duty, their families and community members. For safety reasons, no children under 8 years old will be allowed to participate, and adult supervision is required.

The event will consist of check in and turn in of required forms, an educational briefing, the cleanup and acknowledgements.

Volunteers need to bring closed-toe shoes, sunglasses, sunscreen, bug spray, water and a snack. Items that will be provided are water refills, gloves, a first-aid kit, hand and power tools, a rest station and a restroom shuttle to Aiea State Park.

The deadline to sign up for the fishpond maintenance is Sept. 30. Required forms will be emailed upon sign up.

For more information and to sign up, email jeff.pantaleo@navy.mil.



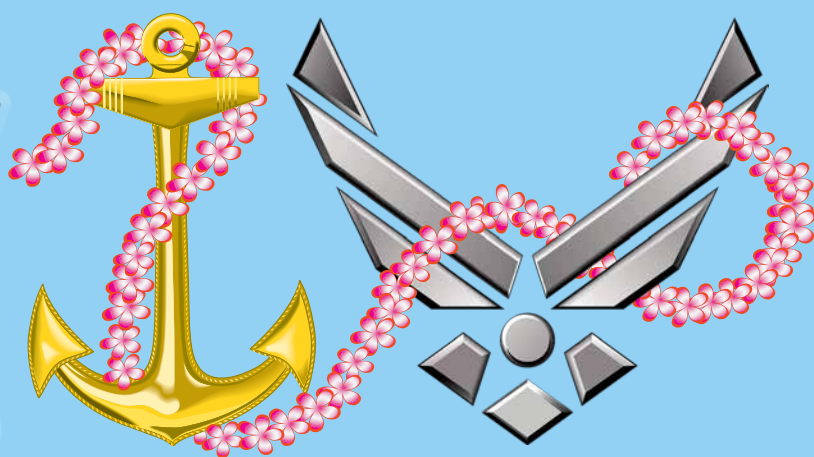
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Airfield - Bldg. 1715
and **Waterfront - Bldg. 159.**

For more information call the JBPHH Recycling Program POC at (808) 474-9207.

SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY CALENDAR



COIN SHOW SEPT. 23, 24, 25 — The Hawaii State Numismatic Association will hold its 53rd coin show at the Hawaii Convention Center, room 316, in Honolulu. Admission to the show is free. The theme of this year's coin show is "Pearl Harbor 75th Anniversary Commemoration." A commemorative elongated copper cent featuring the USS Arizona Memorial will be given away free at the door while supplies last. Several exhibits will feature Pearl Harbor medals and memorabilia. Show hours are noon to 6 p.m. Sept. 23, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 24, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 25. For more information, call Joe Au-Franz at (808) 377-9377 or email aufranzj001@hawaii.rr.com or Marion Kendrick at (808) 486-4766 or email kendricks001@hawaii.rr.com.

GOLD STAR MOTHERS AND FAMILIES DAY SEPT. 24 — In recognition of Gold Star Mothers and Families Day, the Hickam and Schofield Exchange main stores will give out nearly 500 coupons to Gold Star Families of all branches of the armed forces from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to take advantage of food facilities. Gold Star Mothers and Families just need to present their Gold Star ID card to participate. The event will also feature giveaways and prizes. Karaoke will be featured at the Schofield food court. Gold Star Families are families in which a military member has died while on active duty.

FREE ADVANCE SCREENING SEPT. 24 — A studio appreciation free advance screening of a PG-13 movie will be held at 6 p.m. at Hickam Memorial Theater. Doors will open at 4 p.m. Tickets will be available at Hickam Food Court. Seating is open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to show time. FMI: 423-7694 or email newmanbe@aafes.com.

LIVING HISTORY DAY SEPT. 24 — A Living History Day event will be held at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The event will feature student-created exhibits, special presentations and World War II-themed activities. FMI: www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/ or visit www.pacificaviationmuseum.org.

UNCLE KRACKER CONCERT SEPT. 25 — Navy Entertainment will hold a free concert by Uncle Kracker at 5 p.m. at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Gates open at 3 p.m. with a pre-party. Uncle Kracker is a Michigan-born singer/songwriter/DJ with rock, rap and country hits. The event is open to Department of Defense cardholders and their sponsored guests. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

RAISING FINANCIALLY FIT KIDS

SEPT. 26 — A class on raising financially fit kids will be held from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The class will focus on topics such as the pros and cons of giving an allowance, when and how to begin regular savings, providing debit cards to kids and more. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

SAVINGS, INVESTING, TSP SEPT. 26 — A class on savings and investing basics along with the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) will be held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

TILL DEBT DO US PART SEPT. 26 — A financial class for couples called Till Debt Do Us Part will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Attendees can work with their spouse to come up with goals, plan a budget together and decide about savings and investments. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

ANGER MANAGEMENT CLASS SEPT. 27 — An anger management class will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The class is designed to help participants better understand, channel and control their anger. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

PERSONALITY TYPES AND CAREERS

SEPT. 27 — A class on following your personality type to the career you love will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. The class will focus on personality assessment and career matching. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

INTERVIEW SKILLS SEPT. 27 — A class on sharpening your interview skills and exploring the local job market will be held from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. Mock interview experience will be provided. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

MILLION DOLLAR SAILOR/AIRMAN

SEPT. 27-28 — A Million Dollar Sailor/Airman class will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. both days at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This two-day class is designed for junior Navy and Air Force personnel who can learn about proper budgeting techniques, credit management, savings and investments and more. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

ASIST TRAINING SEPT. 29-30 — Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) is a two-day, 15-hour workshop that teaches suicide first aid intervention skills. The training will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMS PAC) in Wahiawa. Participants can register online. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

MOVIE SHOWTIMES



DON'T BREATHE

Rocky (Jane Levy), Alex and Money are three Detroit thieves who get their kicks by breaking into the houses of wealthy people. Money gets word about a blind veteran who won a major cash settlement following the death of his only child. Figuring he's an easy target, the trio invades the man's secluded home in an abandoned neighborhood. Finding themselves trapped inside, the young intruders must fight for their lives after making a shocking discovery about their supposedly helpless victim.

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY — SEPT. 23
7:00 PM Don't Breathe (R)

SATURDAY — SEPT. 24
2:30 PM Kubo and The Two Strings (PG)
4:50 PM Pete's Dragon (3-D) (PG)
7:00 PM Mechanic: Resurrection (R)

SUNDAY — SEPT. 25
2:30 PM Pete's Dragon (PG)
4:40 PM Kubo and The Two Strings (3-D) (PG)
7:00 PM Suicide Squad (PG-13)

THURSDAY — SEPT. 29
7:00 PM War Dogs (R)


HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY — SEPT. 23
6:00 PM Don't Breathe (R)

SATURDAY — SEPT. 24
6:00 PM Studio appreciation advance screening (*free admission*) (PG-13)

SUNDAY — SEPT. 25
6:00 PM Ice Age: Collision Course (PG)

THURSDAY — SEPT. 29
6:00 PM War Dogs (R)



UPCOMING EVENTS
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

● Uncle Kracker live in concert will begin at 5 p.m. Sept. 25 at Ward Field. Navy Entertainment presents Uncle Kracker, the Michigan-born singer/songwriter/DJ with rock, rap and country hits. The free event is open to Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Authorized items include small clutches, blankets and folding chairs—all items are subject to search. Gates will open at 3 p.m. Outside food and beverages, pets, backpacks, bags/totes, purses, video/audio recorders and tents are not authorized. For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

● Free Banned Books Week Observance Month event will be held from Sept. 25 through Oct. 21 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Banned Books Week is about how libraries protect our freedom to read. There are often requests to remove library materials from the shelves, but library collections support diverse reading preferences. If they responded to challenges by removing every title someone objected to, their shelves would be empty. For more information call 449-8299.

● Free movie night will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sept. 30 at Pool 2. Patrons can bring own floats. The movie “Cars” (rated G) will be shown at sunset. Free popcorn will be offered. For more information, call 260-9736.

● Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT) shuttle to Eat the Street will be available from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at the ITT office. Patrons can take the ITT shuttle to avoid the parking and walking stress. The cost is \$7 per person round-trip. Children under 5 years old will be admitted free, but they must be on an adult’s lap. Folding chairs are recommended, but no large strollers or coolers are allowed. For more information, call 448-2295.

● Snorkel at Hickam Harbor will begin at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 1 at the MWR Outdoor Recreation (ODR) Hickam Harbor office. Participants can join the ODR staff to explore the outside reef at Hickam Harbor. Participants need to know how to swim. Participants must sign up by Sept. 28, and the cost is \$15. For more information, call 449-5215.

● Women’s surfing will begin at 9 a.m. Oct. 2 at Outdoor Recreation Hickam Harbor. ODR staff will teach the history, wave science, etiquette, and technique of surfing. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. Participants can sign up by Sept. 29. The cost is \$30. For more information, call 449-5215.

● A free intramural racquetball tournament will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 4 at the Pearl Harbor racquetball courts. Tournament limited to players from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam active-duty, Department of Defense civilians and family members over 18. Participants can sign up until Sept. 27. For more information, call 473-2494 or 473-2437.

● The 2016 Arts and Crafts Gallery Showcase will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct 5 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. Entries are accepted through Oct 1. This free event is open to active-duty military and their family members, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, reservists and retirees. All submissions must be framed or “wall ready” to be displayed in the Arts and Crafts Center Gallery. There are three categories: artist-craftsman, photography and digital creations. A maximum of three entries will be allowed per category per entrant. For information and entry forms, go to www.greatlifehawaii.com.

NEX removes bug-infested dog food

Navy Exchange (NEX) Pearl Harbor has identified several brands of bagged dog food that were infested with red beetles. In response, it has removed all affected bagged dog food from its store shelves and back room warehouse.

The NEX Distribution Center has isolated all its affected bagged dog food. As new bagged dog food is being received in the NEX Distribution Center, it is being stored in a separate area of the warehouse.

In addition, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii is treating NEX store location areas for insects. NAVFAC and NEX are taking action to identify the cause of the issue.

Any customer that has a specific concern about a bag of dog food purchased from the NEX should contact NEX Pearl Harbor customer service at 423-3287.



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Suicide prevention month events planned

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam suicide prevention coordinator has announced upcoming events to emphasize that September is suicide prevention and awareness month. The 2016 theme for suicide prevention is “1 Small ACT. Be there — your action could save a life.”

Upcoming events include:

- General military training will be held at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel Sept. 27 and 29. The briefs for both days will be at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- An awareness event will be held Sept. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be volunteers holding up signs at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange Fleet Store that will have messages such as: “1 Small ACT! Ask Care Treat,” “ACT — Ask Care Treat,” and “Your life is important!” There will be chaplains, suicide prevention coordinators and other senior leaders present.

Speak up against domestic violence Oct. 5

A free Speak Up Against Domestic Violence event will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 5 at Ka Makani Community Center, 1215 Owen St., Honolulu.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The event will include a proclamation signing with Capt. Stan Keeve Jr., commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, followed by a Walk in Their Shoes parade. The concept behind the parade is that you can’t really understand another person’s experience until you’ve walked in their shoes.

The event will also feature the Band of the Pacific Hawaii, the Joint Base Honor Guard, resources and information, activities and other entertainment to promote domestic violence prevention and awareness.