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Left, Vice President Mike Pence and his wife, Karen, wave aloha as they prepare for their journey home from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to Washington, D.C.



VP Pence speaks at Joint Base

Story and photo by Senior Airman Michael Reeves Jr.
15th Wing Public Affairs

Vice President Mike Pence made a brief stop at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam April 24 - 25 to speak with the troops on his way from American Samoa to Washington, D.C. The trip was intended as a chance for the vice president to lay out the administration's policies to U.S. allies in the region, and to offer an opportunity for him to develop personal relationships with government and business leaders. This marked Pence's final stop after his travels to Korea, Japan, Indonesia and Australia.



Pence stopped in Hawaii to thank service members for “answering the call to serve our country,” marking the end of his 10-day trip to Asia.



Adm. Harry B. Harris, commander, U.S. Pacific Command, introduces Vice President Mike Pence following an April 24 lunch with approximately 120 service members stationed on Oahu.

U.S. Air Force photos by Master Sgt. Raquel Griffin

Exercise Tropic Thunder concludes

Story and photo by
Tech. Sgt. Heather Redman
15th Wing Public Affairs

Exercise Tropic Thunder 2017 (XTT17) is a two part full spectrum readiness exercise hosted by the 15th Wing to test the individual, organizational, and expeditionary readiness of the Airmen stationed at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The exercise took place at Wheeler Army Airfield and concluded April 20. Col. Cavan Craddock, 15th Wing vice commander, provided closing remarks to the participants.

During the exercise, crews were transported aboard a C-17 Globemaster III from Hickam Field to Wheeler Army Airfield.

Airmen practiced litter carries during the self-aid buddy care and Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) gear for exercise scenarios.



Airmen practice litter carries during the hands-on self-aid buddy care.

DBIDS briefing will be held today

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Public Affairs

A brief presentation and question-and-answer portion on the implementation plan for the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) will take place at Bloch Arena (224 A Ave., first right hand turn as you enter from Nimitz Gate at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam) today, April 28 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

This will affect Department of Defense (DoD) sponsors of Rapid Gate/Navy Commercial Access Control System (NCACS) enrolled vendors and contractors, and prime contractors/vendors to the installation.

In a recent announcement by the U.S. Navy, installations in the continental United States, including Hawaii and Guam, will transition from NCACS to DBIDS July 15 for all vendors, contractors, sub-contractors, suppliers and service providers seeking base access.

Visit www.cnic.navy.mil for details.



Veterans Talk Story: Capt. John Woolston

USS Indianapolis survivor shares ship’s history

Story and photo by
Tech. Sgt. Heather Redman
15th Wing Public Affairs

Seventy-two years ago the USS Indianapolis sank, losing most of its crew in one of the worst naval disasters the world has ever seen. To pay tribute to one veteran, Airmen, Soldiers and Sailors from the Defense Information Systems Agency Pacific (DISA PAC) gathered to have breakfast with one of the survivors of the Indianapolis at Wright Brother’s Café at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, April 21.

Retired U.S. Navy Capt. John Woolston was an engineer assigned to the Indianapolis when it sank, but his history with it began several years before.

“The Indianapolis was the first Navy ship I ever walked on,” Woolston said.

“I was about 10 years old when my buddy’s brother-in-law was an officer on the ship. He took us over and showed us around.”

The tour made an impression on Woolston. After finishing midshipman’s school at Cornell University, he set foot onto the

Indianapolis as an ensign.

“I had the opportunity to replay my entrance from 15 years before,” Woolston said.

“I walked up the gangway, saluted the flag, and said, ‘Ensign Woolston reporting for duty.’”

A few months later they set sail, setting a record for crossing from San Francisco to Pearl Harbor and from Pearl Harbor to Tinian Island, while carrying parts and uranium for the atomic bomb “Little Boy.” After successfully delivering its cargo, the Indianapolis headed towards Japan to support the upcoming invasion. But the vessel never made it.

“That night, I was on watch in the Damage Control Center,” Woolston said. “I was relieved of duty and went up to the main deck to the galley. I ordered a sandwich and a cup of coffee and sat down when I heard a bang and the ship shook.”

On July 30, 1945 at 12:05 a.m., the Indianapolis was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine.

“Next thing I saw was two whirling caterpillars of flames jump through the door, filling the room with fire,” Woolston said.



Retired U.S. Navy Capt. John Woolston, survivor of the USS Indianapolis, shared his story with members from the Defense Information Systems. Agency Pacific (DISA PAC) at the Wright Brother’s Café, April 21.

“I jumped over the serving counter, went into the galley and me and the steward on watch opened up the port. We stuck our heads out until we got our breath back.”

The ship took on water immediately.

“After a few moments, the ship was already at a 30-degree angle. I climbed up and could see the entire bow was underwater,” he said.

Within 12 minutes, the In-

dianapolis sank into the Philippine Sea. Of the 1,196 men aboard, 900 abandoned the ship and only 317 men survived and were rescued four days later.

After his rescue, Woolston went on to serve a total of 31 years on active duty, sharing his story with hundreds of service men and women throughout Hawaii.

Though this tragic event occurred decades ago, DISA PAC leaders wanted to make sure

Woolston knows today’s service members are proud of the actions the young ensign embodied years ago.

“We just want to take a moment to thank Capt. Woolston for taking some time to meet with us,” said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Joseph Huro, DISA PAC deputy chief of plans and services division.

“It’s not often we get an honor and privilege to be able to listen to his story.”

Yom HaShoa: Holocaust Remembrance Day observed

Story and photo by
MC2 Gabrielle Joyner
Navy Public Affairs Support Detachment Hawaii

The Joint Force Diversity Committee hosted a Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony at the Aloha Jewish Chapel at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), to observe Holocaust Remembrance Day or as it is known colloquially in Israel and abroad, Yom HaShoah, April 24.

Yom HaShoah is observed as a day of commemoration for the millions of people who died in the Holocaust. Dr. Daniel Bender, volunteer lay leader at the Aloha Jewish Chapel at JBPHH, was the guest speaker for the ceremony.

“Yom HaShoah provides the entire world an opportunity to recognize the valor and bravery of both Jews and Christians who struggled against the Nazis during World War II,” Bender said.

“Most important are the six Yartzeit candles that remind us of the six million Jews who perished in the many extermination camps. We remember both the loss of six million Jews and the five million others who perished at the hands of the Nazis.”

The theme of this year’s remembrance was “The Strength of the Human Spirit,” which focused on the courageous acts carried out by Jewish and non-Jewish people alike during this tumultuous time in history. Master-at-Arms 1st Class Jeremy Harborth, president of the Joint Force Diversity Committee at



Dr. Daniel A Bender, volunteer lay leader at the Aloha Jewish Chapel, shows military and civilian observers a handmade Torah scroll during a Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony held at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The scroll was hand-written in Hebrew, and was made and donated specially to the Aloha Jewish Chapel.

JBPHH, described his interpretation of how this year’s theme relates to Navy’s values of strength and courage through adversity.

“However many times we might fall, the human spirit gives us the strength to get back up and try again. Inevitably, persistence begets progress,” Harborth said. “I think it will inspire those to show why we are still committed to excellence and to the fair treatment of all.”

During the ceremony, tales of heroism in the face of dangerous opposition were recounted. One story focused on a man named Witold Pilecki, who willingly spent two and a half years in Auschwitz as a secret agent of a resistance group. Another was of Dr. Eugene Lazowski, who was a little known guardian of more than 8,000 people and frequently risked death to help his Jewish members while working for the Polish Red Cross.

“This year we spoke about the more heroic piece, as opposed to just focusing on the victims and the sorrow,” said Cryptologic Technician 1st Class J.C. Allen, the designated Jewish lay leader and congregational leader of Aloha Jewish Chapel.

Bender explained the significance of observing the Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony to the U.S. military.

“This ceremony is important to our military community because it reminds us that such an event as the Holocaust will never occur in the U.S. as long as we remember those who perished, and those non-Jews who risked their lives to save their Jewish neighbors,” Bender said.

“By retelling these stories, we encourage our citizens to create a tolerant environment for all of our society.”

Harborth stressed the value of upholding military principles, and how this event and others like it, relates to Navy core values.

“It’s important for us to remember why as Sailors we say, ‘Those who have gone before me to defend freedom and democracy around the world’ and its true meaning, especially to recognize the patterns of maltreatment in the world and to stand up and fight again for those in turmoil just like our predecessors,” Harborth said.

The service concluded with a question-and-answer session with the guests, during which Bender and Allen exhibited a hand-written Torah scroll made for the Aloha Jewish Chapel.

Diverse VIEWS



Master Sgt. Suzette Green
Defense Logistics Agency

“Travel the world to give hugs to people, because I want everyone to know that someone cares about them and there is no need to hate.”



MMA2 Everett Bussell
Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

“I would like to play games professionally, because it is something I like to do in my free time. So, it would be even better if I was getting paid for it.



Capt. Justin Huang
15th Medical Operations Squadron

“If I could make my own job, it would be Medical Movie Consultant as a subject-matter expert.”



CPO Margaret Royal
MIDPAC

“I think being a professional shopper would be amazing. But it's for you and not other people. Because retail therapy is a real thing, so why not feel better about yourself while getting paid for it?”



Staff Sgt. Mayra Keaton
392nd Intelligence Squadron

“If I could create a job out of thin air that would actually pay me, I would pick a job that would allow me to rescue all the homeless cats and dogs on the island of Oahu. It would allow me to take them to shelters or find them a forever home.”



PO2 Matthew Chamberlain
NIOC Hawaii

“I would be a professional free diver. I love the thrill of it and do it already, so getting paid would be incredible.”

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COMMENTARY

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Military Children’s Health Month emphasizes taking good care of our youngest beneficiaries

The Military Health System (MHS) is dedicated to making sure we provide good care to our service members, retirees, and families. As a pediatric emergency physician for more than 20 years, I have witnessed heartbreaking scenes of children brought in for treatment after some terrible accident or illness, so I know firsthand how important it is to do our best for our most vulnerable.

During April’s focus on Military Children’s Health, I’d like to spend a few minutes drawing attention to our youngest beneficiaries.

Parents go off to war leaving their children behind. We know that if a child of a deployed service member experiences health care issues, that service member

thousands of miles away also has trouble. Our duty in the Military Health System is to provide peace of mind by guaranteeing health care for children.

One of the advantages we have in the MHS is a patient-centered medical home model, which came from the pediatrics field. These models include physicians, nurses, medics, medical technicians, social workers, and case managers, just to name a few. Providers and patients are able to take a more proactive approach to health care and focus on prevention. Having a single “home” as the center for primary care gives us a template for better coordination.

Despite the challenge of frequent moves for families, the military offers

several avenues to ensure no one falls through the cracks. One such path is the Exceptional Family Member Program, which helps families gain assignments where appropriate care is available and navigate the medical and educational systems to try to match the needs of the military and its family members.

TRICARE’s extended care health option provides supplemental services to active duty family members with unique needs to ensure an integrated set of services and supplies, such as special education, assistive technology devices, and home health care. In recent years enhancements expanded or added new benefits based on feedback from families.

The Department of Defense Office of Military Family Readiness provides resources through Military One Source, a one-stop shop for answers to military life questions, including parenting tips and children’s health. All of these programs recognize that children’s health is more than making sure a case of the sniffles is cared for; it goes into the social realm of children’s well-being.

We don’t rest on our laurels and work in a vacuum when it comes to military children’s health. We continuously review our policies to see what changes are needed so children receive evidence-based services. The MHS leadership is committed to the health of all family members.

MWR celebrates Earth Day events

Story and photo by Justin Hirai
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation



Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation’s Outdoor Recreation department commemorated Earth Day with a variety of activities for families.

support of the Navy Community Recreation’s “Great Navy Campout 2017.”

Camping will begin at 4 p.m. and end at 8 a.m. Registration will open on June 1 at the Hickam

Harbor Marina Office. Campsites are limited and they will cost between \$30 and \$35. For more information on camping, call 449-5215.

Those who would like to camp, but don’t have their own equipment, they can rent gear from the Outdoor Adventure Center (OAC) on the Pearl Harbor side of the base. They have tents, cots, folding tables, chairs, lanterns, coolers and more. Patrons can find a pricelist at www.greatlifeohawaii.com or call the OAC office at 473-1198 for more information.

Road closures to affect JBPHH

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Affairs

Beginning Monday, May 1 until Friday, May 5, up to two lanes will be closed on Kamehameha Highway from Kohomua Street to Center Drive eastbound direction from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m and one lane westbound direction from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

In addition, one lane on Nimitz Highway will be closed from H-1 off ramp to Main Street eastbound direction from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jiro Sumada at 342-4464.



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President Reagan speaks at Hickam



Photo courtesy of Hawaii State Department of Transportation

President Ronald Reagan speaks to a crowd of more than 4,000 people who gathered at Hickam Air Force Base to greet him upon his arrival in Hawaii, April 26, 1986. Reagan visited the base 31 years ago this week.

Kauai students participate in Earth Day activities



Students from KANAKA public charter school are briefed on the various endangered birds and plants that call the Kawaiie Water Bird Sanctuary home.

Story and photos by Robert Purdy
Pacific Missile Range Public Affairs

Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) celebrated Earth Day on April 21, with a variety of environmental awareness activities at Majors Bay recreational area. The Navy's theme for this year was, "Building Strength Through Stewardship."

Sailors and civilian employees from PMRF welcomed more than 65 students from St. Theresa Catholic School in Kekaha and Kula Aupuni Niihau A Kāhelelani Aloha (KANAKA) public charter school.

The students started the day with an early morning beach cleanup project along the coastline of PMRF. They also participated in a wetlands study and seed-planting project at the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kawaiie Water Bird Sanctuary.

Capt. Vincent Johnson, commanding officer for PMRF, wel-



Students from KANAKA pick seeds from a plant during a seed planting project held at the Kawaiie Water Bird Sanctuary, Kauai.

comed the kamali'i (children) to Majors Bay.

"In the military we are stewards of our nation's security. We protect our country, but in order to do so we must also be good stewards of the environment. It's very important for me personally, for the Navy and for PMRF that we do our best to be careful of what we

have, to be good stewards of what has been provided to us by nature, by the state of Hawaii and by the country," Johnson said.

Ian Costa, deputy director, Kauai Department of Parks and Recreation, read and presented an Earth Day proclamation to Johnson on behalf of the mayor's office.

Students gathered to take part in a variety of education stations provided by the state, county and community organizations which included the PMRF Crash Fire Rescue team, PMRF Seaborne Powered Targets (SEPTAR), and a station where the kamali'i could experience Hawaiian culture through "Konane," an ancient Hawaiian strategy game similar to checkers.

In addition, Sailors from the PMRF Military Support Organization (MSO) also joined the event by providing hot dogs, chips and refreshments.

Students shared their experience about the day's events.

"I felt really happy because I finally got to see all the endangered birds, and I could see how people are trying to help them," said Xandria Reyes, a seventh grader from KANAKA Charter School.

"It felt great, it's like a big part for me trying to help the other birds and planting the endangered plants."

"Earth Day to me means to help with the environment, and make sure it's all clean. I want to make sure that nobody litters all over the place, make sure that everyone keeps this place safe and clean," said Karnani Morris, a KANAKA Charter School sixth grader.

The students from St. Theresa Catholic School sorted and weighed the debris they collected from the beach cleanup with the help of Barbara Wiedner from Surfrider, Kauai.

The final weigh-in was at approximately 97 pounds of marine debris that washed up on the PMRF coastline.

"This was an awesome event and I'm glad that we were able to invite the kamali'i to participate. It was truly a community event bringing PMRF and the children together for a common cause," said Roland Sagum, PMRF community planning and liaison officer.

For more information on Pacific Missile Range Facility, visit www.enic.navy.mil/PMRF.

NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor celebrates Earth Day events

Story and photo by Shannon Haney
NAVSUP FLC PH Public Affairs

Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Pearl Harbor personnel gathered to recognize Earth Day with a week of events to promote environmental awareness, April 17-21.

Earth Day, April 22, is a day dedicated to increasing awareness about the Earth, its issues and problems.

Today, more than a billion people participate in Earth Day activities each year to make it one of the largest movements on earth. Over the years, Earth Day activities have grown outside of just the "one day" of the year, with events happening throughout the month of April.

NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor led Earth Day events with a storm drain stenciling project to raise awareness about the link between the storm drain system and water quality. Beside each storm drain, personnel used spray paint to produce a prominent bright blue rectangle with white let-

tering that states, "Dump no waste, drains to ocean."

"If we educate people on environmental conservation, it can make an impact on the choices they make every day," said Lt.j.g. Frances Hunter, code 701, facility management.

Volunteers kicked off the next event by cleaning up Aiea Bay State Recreational Area. They collected 400 pounds of rubbish that had once scattered the shoreline and recreational area that runs along Pearl Harbor's historic waterfront.

"The Navy is very involved with helping the public and doing volunteer work, and this is an opportunity for us to clean a recreational area that has public access," said Culinary Specialist 1st Class Osman Fernandez, command volunteer coordinator.

"Picking up trash today sends a message that the Navy is doing its part in helping the environment."

Continuing to commemorate Earth Day, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor personnel hiked the Kuli'ou'ou Ridge Trail to discuss the dominant native forest area, indigenous plants and trees, and



NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor personnel load rubbish into a truck for removal following a cleanup event at Aiea Bay State Recreational Area.

importance of using the boot brushes to reduce the spread of weed seeds.

"Earth Day is a time to celebrate gains we have made and make new pledges to protect the environment for us and for generations to come," said Executive Officer Cmdr. Shani LeBlanc.

"Earth Day and every day is a time to act to protect our planet."

To conclude the events, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor personnel set up a booth at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange to share information with patrons on sustainability and initiatives.

"We sponsor a booth to explain to the community what we are doing to pro-

tect our natural resources," said Lt. Jeff Morgan, fuel intern.

"We hope that we can educate people and let them know that the Navy is part of the community, too, and that we care about the environment. Environmental protection is incorporated into everything we do every day."

During Earth Day events, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor personnel were able to recognize and show their respect to the Earth's systems of balance between the environment and man. It also was a chance to give each of them an awareness of the actions by people that can disturb that balance.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights



Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Brittany Chiles, from Dallas, signals an MH-60R Seahawk helicopter from Maritime Helicopter Strike Squadron (HSM) 37 aboard Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), April 9.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Danny Kelley



Vice President Mike Pence eats lunch with approximately 120 service members stationed on Oahu, April 24. Pence stopped in Hawaii to thank service members for "answering the call to serve our country," marking the end of his 10-day trip to Asia.
U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Raquel Griffin



Cmdr. David L. Reyes addresses the crew of the guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97), currently homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. He took command during a change-of-command ceremony while in port at Naval Base San Diego prior to pre-deployment certification exercises.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Chelsea D. Daily



Firefighters remove firefighting gear and simulate CPR on U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Joshua Hayworth of Waianae, as he acts out a cardiac arrest incident during a training scenario for the first Air Force Reserve Command Firefighter Rescue and Survival Course at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Georgia, April 18.

U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Theanne K. Herrmann



Capt. Ken Epps, commanding officer of NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor, speaks to Hawaii 1st District Congresswoman Colleen Hanabusa during a visit at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, April 21. The congresswoman and other guests visited the modernized Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, where subject matter experts showed how the Navy maintains the facility as a national strategic asset.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jeff Troutman



Vietnam War veteran George Sternischa, nephew of U.S. Navy Fireman 1st Class Michael Galajdik, (USS Oklahoma) uses an interactive presentation board during his tour of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, April 20. Sternischa toured DPAA's Hawaii facility and will escort the remains of his fallen uncle to his final resting place, where he will be buried with full military honors.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Leah Ferrante

Chung-Hoon Sailors host ceremony, honor Sigsbee

**Story and photos by
Ensign Amber Lowman**
*USS Chung-Hoon
Public Affairs*

Sailors assigned aboard Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) held a formal ceremony aboard the Battleship USS Missouri (BB 63) Memorial, April 14, in honor of the men who fought and died in 1945 aboard destroyer, USS Sigsbee (DD 502).

In February of 1945, USS Sigsbee was assigned to Carrier Task Force 58, along with USS Missouri, and was tasked with providing air cover in support of what would be the largest amphibious operation in the Pacific theater during WWII.

On April 14, 1945, a kamikaze plane struck the destroyer during the battle of Okinawa, killing 23 Sailors and causing extensive damage to its port engine, a complete loss of steering control, and major flooding in the aft end of the ship. Even with extensive damage control efforts ongoing Sigsbee was engaged in continuous air defense operations. Sigsbee was ultimately towed to Guam for repair.

Chung-Hoon Sailors, 83 Marines from India company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Regiment, along with their families, and friends all gathered to honor the fallen in a ceremony.

The ceremony included a marching of the color guard, national anthem, remarks from the commanding officer, 23 honorary bells for those killed, and a benedic-



Above and below, Chung-Hoon Sailors and Marines from India Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Regiment attend the USS Sigsbee ceremony at the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

tion from Navy Chaplain Capt. Haley.

“What we do today in peace time... drills, training, education, dry dock... all of these things make us ready to meet the enemy. And being ready and having confidence in your training, your ship, and most importantly in your shipmates gives us the courage to do so,” said Cmdr. Vic Sheldon, commanding officer of USS Chung-Hoon who compared the heroic actions of USS Sigsbee to the battles the crew might face one day.

USS Sigsbee was commanded by Cmdr. Gordon Paiea Chung-Hoon, the man with whom Chung-Hoon gained its namesake. Under Chung-Hoon’s command, USS Sigsbee operated in the WWII Pacific theatre and participated in numerous naval battles, including the Marianas campaign near Guam, combat operations in Leyte Gulf and

the Battle for Okinawa, earning 11 Battle Stars and shooting down four enemy aircraft.

The ceremony with Marines from India company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Regiment was a display of the Navy-Marine Corps team.

It served as a reflection of when USS Sigsbee sup-

ported the Marines on the ground during the battle of Okinawa.

“It’s an honor to be a part of the Navy-Marine Corps team, and it’s important for the junior marines to understand their naval heritage, we were honored to have been able to attend the ceremony



A painting of USS Sigsbee is displayed.

today in honor of Adm. Chung-Hoon and all sailors aboard USS Sigsbee,” said Capt. Stephen Kent, USMC, India Company Commander.

Those in attendance emphasized the importance that Sailors and

Marines learn from their past in order to better prepare them for the challenges that lie ahead. It is the reason why this year and every year they take the time to honor USS Sigsbee and its valiant crew.





U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Sean M. Castellano

USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), foreground, guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57), right-middle, the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), right-background, the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force destroyer JS Ashigara (DDG 178), left middle, and the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Murasame-class destroyer JS Samidare (DD 106), left-back, transit the Philippine Sea, April 26.

**Carrier Strike Group 1
Public Affairs**

Carl Vinson Carrier Strike Group and the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF)

commenced an at-sea bilateral exercise in the Philippine Sea, April 23. Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), Ticonderoga-class guided-missile

cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) and Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) were joined by JMSDF destroyers JS Samidare (DD-106) and JS Ashigara (DDG-178), both out of Sasebo, Japan, as the San Diego-based strike group continued its northern transit in the western Pacific.

The routine exercise is designed to improve combined maritime response and defense capabilities, increase combined maneuvering proficiency, and ensure maritime forces remain ready to defend the region when called upon.

“We always look forward to operating with our Japanese partners,” said Rear Adm. Jim Kilby, commander, Carrier Strike Group 1.

“The relationship between the JMSDF and

the United States is better than ever and it’s in part thanks to these bilateral exercises.”

The Carl Vinson Strike Group has conducted three previous bilateral exercises with the JMSDF since deploying earlier this year, most recently in March.

The U.S. Navy conducts bilateral and multilateral exercises like this routinely as well as operations in the western Pacific Ocean with the JMSDF throughout the year.

CSG-1 departed San Diego for a regularly scheduled deployment to the western Pacific, Jan. 5 and is comprised of Carl Vinson, CVW 2, Lake Champlain and embarked Destroyer Squadron (CDS) 1, consisting of Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyers USS Michael Murphy and USS Wayne E. Meyer (108).

Military assists in Ocean Count to raise awareness

Don Robbins
Editor, Ho‘okele

More than 1,500 volunteers participated during the three 2017 Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Ocean Count days this year. The volunteers were also able to educate more than 1,700 members of the public who stopped by for more information during the counts.

“We do have two sites on the Kaneohe Marine Corps Base Hawaii (Pyramid Rock and Monument Point Overlook, also known as Mokapu Point) that for the most part only military volunteers attend due to military access of the base,” Cindy Among-Serrao of NOAA said.

“There were about 40 military volunteers throughout our 2017 Ocean Counts. Overall our Ocean Counts are highly dependent on and hugely successful due to our enthusiastic and dedicated volunteers. With their help we are able to increase public awareness of humpback whales in the Hawaiian Islands.”

Ocean Count serves to promote public awareness about humpback whales, the sanctuary, and shore-based whale watching opportunities. The count is conducted three times per year during the peak whale season and provides a snapshot of humpback whales sightings from the shoreline. Participants tally humpback whale sightings and document the animals’ surface behaviors during the survey.

Preliminary data detailing whale sightings by site location are available at www.sanctuaryocean-count.org/resources/. Additional information is available on the sanctuary’s website at www.hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov.



Photo by Barbara LaCorte, Channel Islands Naturalist Corps

A humpback whale breaches in the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary.

Life & Leisure

Navy attends Merrie Monarch Festival

Story and photos by
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The U.S. Pacific Fleet Band gathered with Capt. James Jenks, chief of staff of Navy Region Hawaii, and his wife, Catherine, to march in the 54th annual Merrie Monarch Festival Parade, April 22.

Throughout the course of the parade, which wound through downtown Hilo, the band performed Anchors Aweigh and Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean. The band concluded with a performance for the Merrie Monarch Royal Court.

"I was impressed by the warm hospitality of the local crowds. The band was impressed by the reaction from Hilo when we played Anchors Aweigh," said Lt. Kelly Cartwright, band director for the Pacific Fleet Band.

Parade attendees sang along as the band played, and many people waved flags and shouted "Go Navy!" as the group in crisp white uniforms passed by.

Members of the Pacific Fleet Band arrived in Hilo earlier in the week to perform with local school bands, reinforce STEM education and provide community outreach.



About half of the band performing during the parade had never been to the Merrie Monarch Festival before. Musician 2nd Class Christopher Bettler, a Richmond, Kentucky native reported to Hawaii only a

month prior to the festival.

"I really appreciate all the people who came out for the parade. The diversity of the culture here is really amazing, and it's an honor to perform in front of that, and at such a big event," Bettler said.

Following the



parade, the Pacific Fleet Band and Capt. Jenks and his wife attended a luncheon sponsored by the Hilo Council Navy League at Arnett's Lodge in Hilo.

The Navy League presented a plaque and certificate of appreciation to both Navy Region Hawaii and the Pacific Fleet Band for their involvement in the Merrie Monarch Festival.

"We're here because of our commitment to community relations and the culture in Hawaii," Capt. Jenks said at the luncheon.

Jenks and his wife also attended the Merrie Monarch

Festival ancient Hula Kahiko and modern Hula 'Auana competitions April 21 and 22.

Hosting the luncheon was Australia native Doug Arnett, owner of Arnett's Lodge and member of the Hilo Council Navy League.

Also present at the luncheon were members of the Hilo Council, including President Neal Herbert and Vice President David DeLuz.

For more information on the Pacific Fleet Band, visit www.cpf.navy.mil/band. For more information on the Merrie Monarch Festival, visit www.merriemonarch.com



Last-second shot raises 647th SFS to victory



Senior Airman Shawn Daley finishes off a lay-up to score two of his 22 points.

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz
Sports Editor, Ho'okele

A coast-to-coast drive that started with only four seconds on the clock ended with a game-winning lay-up by Senior Airman Shawn Daley to lift the 647th Security Forces Squadron (647 SFS) to a 50-48 win against Naval Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific West (NCTAMS PAC West) on April 24. It was a battle of the top two teams in the Red Division at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The dramatic win raised 647 SFS to the Red Division championship with a record of 11-1, while NCTAMS PAC West ended their regular season in third place at 10-2.

Both teams have punched their tickets to the playoffs for this weekend, April 29-30 and May 1.

NCTAMS draws USS Jefferson City (SSN 759), the fourth seed from the Afloat Division, in the first round on April 29, starting at 1 p.m. at Hickam Fitness Center.

Meanwhile, the 647 SFS begins their playoff run with a 10 a.m. showdown against Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility (FACSFAC), the final seed from the Blue Division, also at HFC.

The 647 SFS climbed to the top of the Red Division after surviving a rough-and-tumble dog-fight against NCTAMS that went back and forth throughout the entire game.

Tied at 48-48 with four ticks remaining on the clock, Daley got the ball near the NCTAMS basket and motored up the court at breakneck speed. Daley kissed the lethal basket off the glass and into the hole as the horn sounded.

“I felt like I had enough time where I could get the ball up the court in four seconds and still get a good shot,” Daley said. “They were pressing me the whole game, so I knew it (the defense) would open up off the dribble. I dribbled in and took it to the rack and it went in.”

The bang-bang play happened so quickly that NCTAMS head coach Master Chief Patrick Walker said it was just one of those plays made by a good player.

“It was one of those plays where the weak side help didn’t come over,” Walker said. “We thought that our man-to-man was good enough, but apparently with four seconds in the game, it wasn’t good enough.”

Daley was a thorn in the side against NCTAMS the entire game, as the speedy point guard led all scorers in the game with 22 points, and 14 of them came in the second half.

Daley started the second half the same way he opened the first half, by knocking down treys.

He went on to splash down four treys for the game with each bomb coming at key moments.

NCTAMS Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Miltuan Williams started the scoring in the first half with a trey, only to be tied by Daley on a trey of his own.

Then, after trailing NCTAMS by a point going into halftime, Daley opened up the second half with his third trey of the game to give the 647 SFS their first lead since early in the first half.

After losing the lead later in the second half, Daley again answered the call with a drop from downtown that put the 647 SFS back in the lead at 38-37.

Daley was even clutch from the free-throw line. He sank three of four to give the 647 SFS a four-point lead at 48-44 with only 1:58 remaining in the game.

Back came NCTAMS, and when Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Marcus Jenkins scored off a putback, the game was tied at 48-48. It set up the sensational game winner by Daley.

“It’s just been a journey,” said Daley about winning the Red title. “I can’t ask for better teammates. They’re all part of the team and they all help me get good shots. I can’t say enough about my squadron and my teammates.”

Following the stunning loss, Walker said that he doesn’t believe that the game will have any effect on how NCTAMS performs in the playoffs.

Daley said that he and his teammates must fight each playoff game as if it is the last one of the season.

“Playoffs are a week away, but we’ve still got to think ahead,” Daley said. “We’ve got to make sure we take it one by one.”

Intramural Basketball Playoffs

April 29, 30 and May 1, 2017 • Games played at JBPHH and Hickam Fitness Centers

<div> 1 690 COS <i>Sat 4/29 10 a.m.</i> NHCH JBPHH </div>	<div> 8 NSSC <i>Sun 4/30 10 a.m.</i> HICKAM </div>	<div> 12 HICKAM <i>Sun 4/30 2 p.m.</i> </div>
<div> 2 CHUNG-HOON <i>Sat 4/29 11 a.m.</i> SENTINEL WARRIORS JBPHH </div>	<div> 9 HICKAM <i>Sun 4/30 11 a.m.</i> </div>	
<div> 3 NIOC HAWAII <i>Sat 4/29 noon</i> 735 AMS JBPHH </div>	<div> 10 HICKAM <i>Sun 4/30 noon</i> </div>	<div> 14 HICKAM <i>Mon 5/1 6 p.m.</i> </div>
<div> 4 647 SFS <i>Sat 4/29 10 a.m.</i> FACSFAC PH HICKAM </div>	<div> 11 HICKAM <i>Sun 4/30 1 p.m.</i> </div>	
<div> 5 PACOM JIOC <i>Sat 4/29 11 a.m.</i> TENNESSEE PATRIOTS HICKAM </div>	<div> 13 HICKAM <i>Sun 4/30 3 p.m.</i> </div>	<div> 14 HICKAM <i>Mon 5/1 6 p.m.</i> </div>
<div> 6 BULLS <i>Sat 4/29 noon</i> 647 FSS HICKAM </div>	<div> 7 NCTAMS PAC WEST <i>Sat 4/29 1 p.m.</i> JEFFERSON CITY HICKAM </div>	

Backcourt leads NHCH to runaway win over MDSU-1

Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz
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The Navy Health Clinic Honolulu (NHCH) backcourt tandem of Hospitalman Bradley Williams and Hospitalman Dennis Brown took care of the team's scoring in a 63-29 rout of Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit (MDSU) 1 on the final day of the regular season, April 24. It was a Red Division game at Hickam Fitness Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The pair each reached the double-digit mark in the first half and then went for more in the second half. Williams shaken-and-baked for 21 points, while Brown tallied 33 to combine for 54 of the team's total of 63 points.

NHCH finished the regular season with a solid 9-3 record, while MDSU-1 lost for the ninth time against two wins.

The next stop for NHCH is the playoffs, which will be held April 29-30 with the championship on May 1.

NHCH will square off against the 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron (690 COS) in the first round on April 29, starting at 10 a.m. at JBPHH Fitness Center. The 690 COS also recorded a 9-3 mark in the White Division.

"We're going to surprise a lot of people come championship weekend," Brown said.

If Brown plays in the postseason like he did against MDSU-1, he could possibly be right about the team's fortunes in the playoffs.

The game started off with Brown and Williams playing the role of a two-headed dragon that attacked MDSU from all angles.

Williams scored the first six points of the game, while Brown was a sure-handed accomplice in finishing off steals from his backcourt teammate.

"On the fast break, he (Williams) made sure that he was looking for me," Brown said. "On the offensive set, he come down and do his thing."

While the combo seemed to be having a field day on the court, the first big bomb came from Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Wayne Day, who stepped back into the corner and hoisted a long shot for a trey.

The shot was the beginning of NHCH breaking open the contest.



Hospitalman Dennis Brown finishes off a fast break with a lay-up for two of his 33 points.

The three-pointer gave the team a nine-point lead at 20-11.

A minute later, Williams sank two free throws in a row to give NHCH their first double-digit lead at 22-11.

With the pressure by Brown and Williams clicking on all cylinders in the first half, the players decided to stick with it after the break.

Brown said that as soon as the game started, he and Williams planned to attack MDSU-1.

"The game plan was run and gun, hit shots, and get back on defense," Brown said. "We put pressure on the ball handler. We knew they couldn't handle the ball as well as

us. These guys were a lot bigger than us, so we knew that we had speed over them."

Brown, who did most of the damage inside the lane in the first half, got warmed up from the perimeter and began hailing down shots from beyond the arc.

After nailing his first trey right out of the break, Brown locked down two more shots from long distance.

"I saw one go in and I just kept on firing," he said. "It feels amazing."

Brown's second trey of the night topped off a 9-0 run that came with 16:00 on the clock that sealed the win.

Teens get summer job opportunities with MWR through employment program fair

Story and photo by
Gaea Armour
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

The Navy Child and Youth Program hosted the second annual Teen Employment Program Job Fair at the Peltier Conference Center, April 14 and 21. The event was held to help young people get a head start in the workforce this summer.

Teens between the ages of 14 and 18 applied for various positions in community and recreation activities throughout Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) facilities including Information, Tickets and Travel, arts and crafts, bowling centers, outdoor recreation and adventure, Hickam Fitness Center, child development centers, school age centers, Military and Family Support Center and Bellows Air Force Station.

"Our outreach planning for this year included marketing, Teen Center, MWR and Bellows AFS and this proved to be highly successful as we increased our program respondents by 38 percent at the first of two recruitment opportunities," said Shelley Freudner, Teen Employment Program coordinator.

"My experience as the teen employment coordinator has been one of the highlights of my current position. It has been truly a heartwarming experience to work with the teens and watch them grow as young adults, and I am proud that our organization created this program," Freudner said.

"I have helped the program and the teens both grow and it has been an amazing experience for me. My program focus was to actively and passionately promote the Teen Employment Program year-round."

Focused marketing was used in



Teens gather at the employment fair in the Peltier Conference Center, April 14.

teen-centric locations such as military-impacted schools, the Teen Center, base food courts and gyms. Coordination was also done with the Military and Family Support Center to promote the program to both teens and parents.

In addition, Freudner coordinated with the Navy school liaison on outreach efforts to off-installation programs and other military-impacted schools with other branch military school liaisons. She also coordinated with the Boys and Girls Club of America and 4-H Extension Office. These efforts helped to share the opportunities across the island.

Freudner said that incorporating education and career development into the process in partnership with other agencies

brought the program to a new level that provided more than just a job for participants.

"Leadership was so impressed by the quality of the teens and the level of their profession performance. MWR increased teen employment opportunities, and this allowed the program to grow by 75 percent. I know this program benefits our youth by giving them real life experience of being part of an active work force and helps them plan and prepare for their futures," Freudner said.

Prior to the job fair, potential applicants attended the Teen Job Fair Prep on March 20 and March 24 where teens acquired skills in job searches, resume writing, money management and networking with people.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation
 Abandoned vehicle sale to be held tomorrow

- Abandoned vehicle sale** by JBPHH Morale, Welfare and Recreation will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. tomorrow at the vehicle sale lot on South Avenue on Pearl Harbor side. Vehicles are sold “as is” with all faults of any nature, known or unknown, without warranty or guarantee either expressed or implied. The sale is open to military Department of Defense cardholders only (active duty, retirees, DoD civilians and Reservists). For bidding procedures and more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.
- Leisure and Travel Showcase 2017** will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. tomorrow at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange mall courtyard. Patrons can get travel advice and learn about activities and attractions on the island, neighbor islands and the mainland. Local vendors will be present to offer information. There will be free prize giveaways and live entertainment. For more information, call 473-0792.
- Youth sports summer camp registration** for BMX/skateboard camp, youth sports baseball and softball and parkour camp will begin on May 1. Registration will be available online through Child and Youth Programs (CYP) online services and will remain open through the deadline or until spaces are filled, whichever comes first. For a full schedule including costs, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com. For information, call Youth Sports at 473-0789.
- Free ladies golf clinics** will begin at 9:30 a.m. May 3 at Barbers Point Golf Course. For more information, call 682-1911.
- Learn to stand-up paddleboard** will be held from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. May 6 at Hickam Harbor. The cost is \$25 and the deadline to sign up online is May 4. For more information, call 449-5215.
- An advance screening of “King Arthur Legend of the Sword”** will begin at 7 p.m. May 6 at Sharkey Theater. The screening is free to the first 400 authorized patrons. The ticket booth and doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Active duty may receive up to four tickets. Retired military, military family members and DoD cardholders may receive up to two tickets. For more information, call 473-2651.
- A class on learning to spearfish** will begin at 9 a.m. May 6 and 7 at the Hickam Harbor. The MWR Outdoor Recreation staff will show the basics of spearfishing. The first day's class will be held at Hickam Pool and lasts about three hours. On the second day, depending on the skill level, participants will do the first dive in shallow water, and then meet back at the boat to discuss the dive. The second dive is in water about 10 to 20 feet deep depending on the group's ability. Participants will need masks, fins, snorkels and other equipment. Transportation will be provided. The cost is \$60 and the deadline to sign up online is May 4. For more information, call 449-5215.
- The 42nd annual Spring Craft Fair** will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 6 at the Joint Base Arts and Crafts Center. This event features more than 120 booths of original handmade arts and crafts (in time for Mother's Day gift shopping), live entertainment, pony rides, food, make-n-takes, and a dog show. The dog show schedule is 10 a.m. for best costume, 10:20 a.m. for most obedient, 10:40 a.m. for owner/dog look-alike and 11 a.m. for best trick. Admission for shoppers is free. For more information, call 488-9907.
- Free Fiesta 5K Run** will begin at 7 a.m. May 6 at the Hickam Fitness Center. Registration will be taken the day of the event. For more information, call 448-2214.

CSP starts season off swinging to earn big win

**Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz**
Sports Editor, Ho’okele

The bats were blazing hot for Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) CSP. The team got on the board early and often to smack down Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit (MDSU) 1 Poseidon Avengers, 12-2, in a mercy-rule-shortened game on April 25 that was played at Millican Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Although the game was the season opener for both Red Division teams, CSP looked like they had their midseason batting swing going.

They picked up three runs in the second inning and never looked back.

“Most of the year last year, we starting off hitting the ball pretty good,” said CSP pitcher Chief Logistics Specialist Jeff Bloch, who earned the complete game win.

“It’s a good group of guys. A lot of us have been playing two years on the same team and some of us play out in town, so we keep it going.”

After both teams failed to score in the first inning, CSP got two men on with one out in the top of the second.

Force Master Chief Paul Davenport slashed a single to drive in Capt. Gene Doyle for the first run of the game.

The runs batted in (RBI) started a small rally, as CSP went on to score two more times in the top of the second.

The Poseidon Avengers came back to score a



Force Master Chief Paul Davenport drives a pitch as his teammates look on.

run on a sacrifice fly that drove in Information System Technician 2nd Class Pedro Reyes, but in the top of the third, CSP made up for the run and then some.

CSP got four straight singles to start the inning, which saw RBI hits by Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Barrett Peterson and Bloch to take a 5-1 lead.

The Avengers would add another run in the bottom of the third, but that was all they would get, as Bloch posted goose eggs for the next two innings.

“I was just throwing strikes,” Bloch said. “They had a lot of pull hitters, so I tried to focus on the outside side of the plate and get more of the balls up the middle.”

Bloch said that as a pitcher it also helps when you don’t have to worry about your defense.

“I don’t think we made

any errors,” he said. “When you don’t make errors in slow-pitch softball, you should win ev-

ery game.”

While Bloch was shutting down the opposition, the CSP bats were doing

“When you don’t make errors in slow-pitch softball, you should win every game.”

**- CSP pitcher Chief
Logistics Specialist
Jeff Bloch**

just the opposite to the Poseidon Avengers.

In the top of the fourth with men on first and second, Electronics Technician (Communication) 2nd Class Josh Pearson got a pitch that he liked and slammed it deep for a double to drive in a run.

The next batter, Electronics Technician 1st Class Kyle Longnecker, followed up with single to

drive in another run, before the team scored three more times to take a commanding 10-2 lead.

Then, in the top of the fifth inning, CSP put two men on with back-to-back singles.

That set the table for Yeoman 1st Class Shane Walsh, who lashed out the team’s third hit in a row.

The team’s final run was drove in by Pearson, who lofted a towering fly ball that managed to drop in between the converging fielders for an RBI single.

Bloch said that while it always feels good walk away with a win, he and his teammates are just out to have fun.

“First and foremost, it’s having fun,” he said.

“We all have a hard job we sacrifice time with our families. Submarine fleet has a strong camaraderie and this just helps to bring us all together.”

Sea Cadets sharpen diving skills



Photo by Lt. Erik Booher

U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps of the Battleship Missouri — Hawaii Division dived off Waikiki this month, led by the Navy Region Hawaii Command Master Chief David Carter. Navy Lt. Erik Booher, executive officer for the division, led a group of the cadets’ newest divers, learning the scuba ropes at Towers Pool at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. For information, visit www.hawaiiseacadets.com



HO'OKELE PEARL HARBOR - HICKAM COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL - MAY

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

TODAY — A Honolulu Community Action Program volunteer opportunity will be held at noon at 2243 Kalaunu St. in Honolulu. It consists of helping distribute food for a low-income housing area. Participants should wear closed toed shoes and comfortable clothing. FMI: UT1 Franklyn Vasquez at franklyn.vasquez@navy.mil or alyssa.crowder@navy.mil

LUAPELE PEDESTRIAN GATE CLOSURE

APRIL 29 — The Luapele pedestrian gate at Makalapa Compound will be closed from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. due to scheduled construction. No pedestrian access will be allowed at this time.

PARENTS: YOUR TEENS AND DATING

MAY 1 — A class called Parents: Your Teens and Dating will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The class is designed to provide parents with information to help guide their teen in building positive dating relationships and keeping the teen safe. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

SPONSOR TRAINING

MAY 2 — Sponsor training will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Wahiawa. The class is designed to give the new sponsor information, resources and tools needed to assist incoming personnel and families. Spouses are encouraged to attend. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

TIME MANAGEMENT

MAY 2 — A time management class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Participants can acquire skills to make better choices about time management and achieve their goals. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

WORK, PERSONAL LIFE BALANCE

MAY 2 — A class on work and personal life balance will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This class will focus on strategies to create realistic expectations and challenge negative thinking



BIKE PATH CLEANUP

APRIL 29 — In celebration of Earth Month, a Pearl Harbor Bike Path cleanup will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Volunteers should meet at Neal Blaisdell Park to help pick up debris. The event is hosted by the City and County of Honolulu in partnership with the Navy, Afloat Training Group Middle Pacific and the Environmental Outreach Office. Volunteers need to meet at the park at 7:30 a.m. to sign in and turn in their waiver form. Volunteers should dress to get dirty, and wear closed-toed shoes and sunscreen. Volunteers need to be 12 years of age or older to participate in the event. Minors need to bring a parent- or guardian-signed waiver. FMI: email MAC Dan Mayer at Daniel.mayer@navy.mil.

patterns. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

MAY 3 — A class on conflict management will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. This class is designed to help people manage conflict by examining their attitudes and behaviors. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

CFS FORUM

MAY 4 — A command financial specialist (CFS) forum will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Guest speakers will provide up-to-date information on financial issues and trends. Command master chiefs and career counselors are encouraged to attend. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

PARENT, CHILD COMMUNICATION

MAY 4 — A class on parent and child communication will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Techniques suitable for each age group of children will be discussed. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

STRESS MANAGEMENT

MAY 5 — A class on stress management will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or 474-1999.

WEST LOCH REMEMBRANCE

MAY 21 — A West Loch Internees Celebration of Life and Memory will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl). The ceremony commemorates the West Loch Disaster that occurred in 1944 and claimed 163 lives. The event will be hosted by the African American Diversity Cultural Center Hawaii.

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

MAY 27 — A free special outdoor presentation of the animated movie "Sing!" for the family will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) lower parking lot. The event will include light refreshments and food for purchase. The event is for authorized patrons, who can bring their blankets and beach chairs to this event. Free tickets to the event can be picked up at the NEX mall aloha center. FMI: 423-3287 or email Stephanie.Lau@nexweb.org.



Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2

Set to the backdrop of Awesome Mixtape #2, "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" continues the team's adventures as they unravel the mystery of Peter Quill's true parentage.

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY — APRIL 28

7:00 PM • Ghost in the Shell (3-D) (PG-13)

SATURDAY — APRIL 29

2:30 PM • The Boss Baby (PG)

7:00 PM • Sneak preview of Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 (PG-13)

Free to the first 400 authorized patrons. Tickets will be distributed at the ticket booth at 5:30 p.m. Active duty military card holders will receive up to four tickets. Military retirees, military family members and DoD card holders can receive two tickets per ID card. Patrons need to be seated by 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY — APRIL 30

2:30 PM • The Boss Baby (3-D) (PG)

4:40 PM • Beauty and the Beast (PG)

7:10 PM • ChiPs (R)

THURSDAY — MAY 4

7 PM • Beauty and the Beast (3-D) (PG)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY — APRIL 28

7 PM • Beauty and the Beast (PG)

SATURDAY — APRIL 29

Studio appreciation advance screening. Free admission. Rated PG-13. Tickets available at your local Exchange Food Court. Seating is open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to show time. Show time and movie to be announced.

6:30 PM • Beauty and the Beast (PG)

SUNDAY — APRIL 30

3 PM • The Boss Baby (PG)

THURSDAY — MAY 4

7 PM • Ghost in the Shell (PG-13)