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America Amphibious Group arrives

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The America ARG and 15th MEU arrive at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 22 and 23.

MCSN (SW) Daniel **Pastor**

USS America (LHA 6) Public Affairs

The Sailors and Marines of the America Amphibious Ready Group (ARG)/15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) arrived at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 22 and 23, for the final port call of the ARG/ MEU's deployment to the Indo-Asia-Pacific, Horn and Middle East.

During their seven-month deployment, demonstration of what the America ARG/15th can be achieved when a

MEU conducted maritime security operations and theater security cooperation in support of regional security and stability, and the free flow of maritime commerce for U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Central Command and U.S. Africa

Command. "The Sailors and Marines have had an incredible deployment," said Capt. Rome Ruiz, commander, Amphibious Squadron (PHIBRON) 3. "Their hard work and of Africa, Mediterranean, motivation were instrumental in the success of this task group. It is a

group of young professionals commit themselves daily to upholding the highest standards."

While in Hawaii, the ships will be picking up what is known as "tigers;" family and friends of Sailors and Marines on board. The tigers will remain with the ships until their return to homeport and will experience shipboard life alongside their Sailor or Marine while participating in a number of events and activities while on board.

"I'm looking forward to bringing my dad aboard," said Boatswain's Mate Seaman Jesse Reum, as-

signed to America's deck department. "He will be able to see what I do on a day-to-day basis. Although flight quarters, gun shoots, and weapons demonstrations are daily events for us on deployment, to him, they are not. I think he will really enjoy watching the things we do on board."

This is the ARG/MEU's last port visit before returning home. The 15th MEU will disembark during the ships' transit and will return to their home bases throughout San Diego.

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waii for our final port visit of this deployment," said Capt. Joe Olson, America's commanding officer. "We're looking forward to bringing on friends and family for our journey home and adding a fun and exciting tiger cruise to an already successful deployment. Every Sailor and Marine can be proud of what we've achieved in the last seven months.'

The America ARG under the operational control of PHIBRON, consists of the amphibious assault ship USS "We're thankful to America (LHA 6), the facebook.com/USSA-

dock ship USS San Diego (LPD 22), and the amphibious dock-landing ship USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52), operated with embarked 15th MEU, the "Wildcards" of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 23, detachments from Assault Craft Unit 5, Naval Beach Group 1, Beachmaster Unit 1, Fleet Surgical Team 1 and Tactical Air Control Squadron 11.

For more information $on\ America,\ visit: www.$ public.navy.mil/surfor / AMERICA / Pages / default.aspx or www. MERICA.



U.S. Navy file photo by MC1 Steven Hoskins

Sailors stand topside aboard the Virginia-class, nuclear-powered, fast-attack submarine USS Missouri (SSN 780) as the boat approaches the pier at Naval Submarine Base New London in Groton, Connecticut, Oct. 4, 2017.

COMSUBPAC Public Affairs

Virginia-class (VACL) fast-attack submarine USS Missouri (SSN 780) will arrive at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam today, Jan. 26 for a permanent change of homeport. The submarine has a crew of 140 Sailors and officers. Families of the crew have been arriving to island as early as November.

Missouri will be the sixth Virginia-class submarine homeported in Pearl Harbor. The submarine USS Missouri will pass the Missouri Battleship Memorial for a photo opportunity and render honors from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Ford Island.

Missouri is the fifth Navy ship to be named in honor of the state of Missouri. The last USS Missouri, the legendary battleship, saw action in World War II, the Korean War and the Persian Gulf War, and the battleship was also the site where Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz, Gen. Douglas MacArthur and many other U.S. and Allied officers accepted the unconditional surrender the Japanese at the end of World War

As the most modern and sophisticated attack submarine in the world, the VACL submarine can operate in both littoral and deep ocean environments and presents combatant commanders with a broad and unique range of operational capabilities. VACL sub-

marines are flexible,

multi-mission platforms

designed to carry out the

seven core competencies of the submarine force: anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface warfare, delivery of special operations forces, strike warfare, irregular warfare, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance and mine warfare.

Their inherent stealth, endurance, mobility, and firepower directly enable them to support five of the six maritime strategy core capabilities — sea control, power projection, forward presence, maritime security, and deterrence.

At 377-feet long, Missouri is slightly longer than a football field. The submarine has a 34-foot beam, will be able to dive to depths greater than 800 feet and will operate at speeds in excess of 25 knots submerged.

Hawaii service members launch large-scale cleanup

Story and photos by MC1 Corwin Colbert

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Civilians, Sailors and Airmen in the Hawaii region area came together to host a large-scale cleanup near a military housing area on Oahu,

The event is a part of a larger scale effort by Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and Navy Region Hawaii to join the community in improving the quality of life on the island.

"As we start 2018, my challenge to the Joint Base team is to seek ways that we can improve or make an impact throughout our military and local community," said JBPHH Command Master Chief Allen Keller.

Throughout the morning and into the afternoon; Sailors, Airmen, Hunt's housing employees and city workers cleared more than 75 shrubs along a fence line on Nimitz Highway and disposed of trash. Service members of all ranks including Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii, worked together

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PACAF deputy commander addresses importance of partnership

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Jack Sanders

Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

Maj. Gen. Russ Mack, Pacific Air Forces (PA-CAF) deputy commander, spoke to civic leaders during the Hawaii Military Affairs Council (MAC) annual meeting and partnership conference Jan. 12, at the Hawaii State Capitol.

The MAC is a group comprised of business leaders and retired U.S. flag and general officers who advocate and act as liaisons with the military commands on the Hawaiian Islands.

"Each of you represents important sectors of our community, and I am grateful to have such strong and capable partners," Mack said.

"I am confident that our discussions will provide insights into the way we think about our roles as civic leaders and how we can work together to en-



Members of the Hawaii Military Affairs Council, civic leaders and military members sit at Washington Place, the residence of the governor for the annual meeting and partnership conference, Jan. 12.

in the years to come."

Mack's speech offered an understanding of the PA-CAF perspective on the Indo-Pacific region to the civic leaders. He emphasized how the military's presence and actions are greatly ben-

"By combining our strengths, we can continue advancing our objectives in meaningful ways and for the benefit of our shared communities," Mack said.

"We are grateful for ev-

families here in Hawaii, and we remain ready to defend our island, the region and our nation when called. Our relationship serves as an example for other nations on the criticality of strong civil-milispeech included the importance of the Indo-Pacific, current and long-term threats, the importance of maintaining U.S. commitments to allies and partners, securing the military ad-

partnerships.
The MAC and local military leaders discussed challenges and concerns with breakout sessions focusing on cyber security, protecting Hawaii, private and public partnership, and military contracts for jobs in the

"The military community touches all islands and is an integral part of our social fabric," said Hawaii Gov. David Ige. "We stand together in caring for the homeless, repairing infrastructure and serving the community."

Adm. Harry Harris, commander of U.S. Pacific Command, thanked those in attendance for their continued support and highlighted the continued importance of the Hawaiian Islands.

"You've set a great foundation for your military to operate, and I know that leaders like you will continue to support our national interests as you work to protect and preserve the military's pres-



Photo by Senior Airman Joshua Weaver

A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft, assigned to the 18th Aggressor Squadron (AGRS) out of Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, taxis toward the runway during exercise Sentry Aloha 18-1 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 12.

Mississippi visits Yokosuka, Japan

Lt. j.g. Jordan Hamilton

USS Mississippi Public Affairs

The Virginia-class attack submarine USS Mississippi (SSN 782) arrived at Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan Jan. 22 for a routine visit as part of its deployment to the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

'It is great to be back in Yokosuka," said Cmdr. Eric J. Rozek, commanding officer.

After two months at sea, this port visit marks Mis-



Photo by MC2 Brian G. Reynolds

The Virginia-class attack submarine USS Mississippi (SSN 782) prepares to moor at Fleet Activities Yokosuka in this file photo from Nov. 6, 2017.

deployment.

Yokosuka is a great port to visit," said Master Chief sissippi's second time in Machinist's Mate (Auxil-

Japan during its current iary Equipment) Amanuel S. McMillan, Mississippi's chief of the boat. "It provides an opportunity for the crew to get some great

food and take in the sights. I am always pleased to see a port visit on the schedule so that my Sailors can get the time to call family members, shop at local stores, and relax after a long underway because they have earned it."

Mississippi is one of the most technologically advanced and stealthiest submarines in the world and is capable of fulfilling a multitude of missions. Mississippi is homeported in Pearl Harbor.

For more news from Commander Submarine Group 7, visit www.navy. mil/local/csg7/.

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Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and Air Force Capt. Ryan Critchfield

Do you do your own taxes or have a professional prepare them?



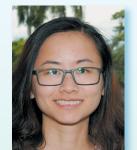
Tech. Sgt. Kara Mitchell 647th Force Support Squadron

"I have a professional prepare my taxes for me. I happen to have a few accountants in my family who do them for me.



Staff Sgt. Futi Naea 735th Air Mobility Squadron

"I do them myself with TurboTax, but feel like I should visit a professional, I feel like there are a lot more tax deductions that I might qualify for but am unaware of.'



Airman 1st Class Phu San 647th Force Support Squadron

"My mother is the accountant in my family."



Lt. Cmdr. Vince Deguzman Makalapa Naval Health Clinic

"I'll have a professional do mine. I have too many deductions and it's too complicated."



Ensign Prya Sridhar NPASE West

"I always do my taxes through a professional because I get worried I'll mess something up. Taxes are especially hard being a reservist with a civilian job."



ITSN Jaredd Straseske NCTAMS PAC N3/N33

"I plan on doing it on my own through TurboTax to save a little money. This year they're doing a special that offers free state taxes.

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COMMENTARY

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Human trafficking has no place in DoD

responsibility the Defense Department takes very seriously. Human trafficking is modern-day slavery.

It not only destroys the lives of those victimized, but also destroys countless families and poses a direct threat to the security and well-being of the en-

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

Those who engage in human trafficking exploit the weak and the vulnerable and capitalize on those who patronize the sex-trade industry and those involved in forced labor.

For those reasons, Department of Defense (DoD) is committed to continue its aggressive stance against hu- ment and acquisition professionals, in

Combating human trafficking is a man trafficking and will further train its personnel to expand awareness.

Going forward, the department will continue to partner with the Joint Staff and our combatant commands .. to conduct joint training exercises that include trafficking in persons scenarios that help ensure our total force understands their role in preventing, recognizing and reporting trafficking in persons incidents.

In addition to joint training exercises, DoD will continue to invest in and develop a variety of robust training resources to help educate its total force to combat trafficking in persons.

Such training also will include specialized training for DoD law enforceaddition to toolkits to assist leaders in developing their specialized training.

And while training and awareness are critical to educate the total force, so is research and development.

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency recently received a presidential award for its development of a program that searches the deep web and connects open-source information to identify tracking patterns.

Known as Memex, the program is being leveraged today by U.S. law enforcement and military and intelligence entities to dismantle human trafficking enterprises and bring traffickers to justice.

Additionally, our Special Operations Command, partnered with the Na-

tional Association to Protect Children and the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations to establish the Human **Exploitation Rescue Operative Child** Rescue Corps.

Known as HERO, the group trains wounded, ill and injured service members in high-tech forensic and law enforcement skills to assist federal agents in the fight against online child sexual exploitation. HERO exemplifies the power of public-private partnerships to help combat trafficking in

There is no place in our world to allow modern slavery to persist. We will do our part to strive for its total abo-

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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

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efficiently to make the event a success.

Airman 1st Class Mason S. Buckley, 392nd Intelligence Squadron, said he was encouraged and surprised about the scale of the cleanup.

"This was a really big project and I am glad I was a part of it," he said. "We cut down a lot definitely do more community cleanups in the future."

Chief Machinist's Mate (Non-Nuclear, Submarine Auxiliary) Derrien Walters of Naval Submarine Support Center, Pearl Harbor shared Buckley's sentiment about the

of some overgrown vegetation and trash by Caitlin Drive," he said. "I have done this type of cleanup before. This is excellent condition."

definitely larger scale than I expected. It was very encouraging to see the city here to support with their mulcher and other equipment to clear away the vegetation we cut down."

Keller said this event affects the lives of not only the service members, but the community and families as well.

"Cleaning up the Nimitz corridor was the first of this of shrubs along the fence line. endeavor. The efforts of the I enjoyed working with the Sailors and Airmen that par-Navy. They are pretty friendly ticipated in this event greatly to the other services and I will improved the landscape for our families that live in that community and all those who travel the Nimitz corridor," Keller said.

Walters believes community involvement is crucial in the relationship between the military and Hawaii.

'It is very important for the "We came out to take care military to show we care about the community and Hawaii itself. It is important that we help keep Hawaii clean and in

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USS Missouri ready to be christened



Margaret Truman, USS Missouri (BB 63) sponsor, stands ready to christen the ship during launching ceremonies at the New York Navy Yard, Jan. 29, 1944. Looking on are from left, Rear Adm. Monroe R. Kelly, New York Navy Yard commandant, Rear Adm. Sherman S. Kennedy, and Sen. Harry S. Truman of Missouri, the sponsor's father.

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Understanding tsunami alert messages

NOAA Pacific Tsunami Warning Center

(Editor's note: A tsunami watch for Hawaii was canceled on Jan. 22 following a magnitude 7.9 earthquake off Alaska.)

Hawaii is at risk from tsunamis caused by both distant ("teleseismic") and local sources. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center (PTWC) issues different message types for tsunamis generated by these two types of sources. Tsunami messages are issued to notify emergency managers and other local officials, the public and other partners about the potential for a tsunami following a possible tsunami-generating event.

Tsunami message types:

• Tsunami warning: It is issued when a potential tsunami with significant widespread inundation is imminent or expected. Warnings alert the public that widespread, dangerous coastal flooding accompanied by powerful currents is possible and may continue for



several hours after arrival of the initial wave.

- Tsunami watch: It is issued to alert emergency management officials and the public of an event which may later impact the watch area. The watch area may be upgraded to a warning or advisory — or canceled — based on updated information and analysis.
- Tsunami advisory: It is issued due

to the threat of a potential tsunami which may produce strong currents or waves dangerous to those in or near the water. Coastal regions historically prone to damage due to strong currents induced by tsunamis are at the greatest risk. The threat may continue for several hours after the arrival of the initial wave, but significant widespread inundation is not

- expected for areas under an advisory. Tsunami information statement: It is issued to inform emergency management officials and the public that an earthquake has occurred. In most cases, information statements are issued to indicate there is no threat of a destructive tsunami and to prevent unnecessary evacuations as the earthquake may have been felt in coastal
- Tsunami seismic information statement: It is issued to inform emergency management officials and the public that an earthquake has occurred, and determines the likelihood of tsunami impact and preliminary details of the earthquake magnitude. These messages are issued to prevent unnecessary evacuations.
- Tsunami warning cancellation: A final product indicating the end of the damaging tsunami threat. A cancellation is usually issued after an evaluation of sea level data confirms that a destructive tsunami will not impact the warned area.

Texas arrives in Sasebo

MC2 Elesia K. Patten

Submarine Group 7 Deputy Public Affairs

The Virginia-class attack submarine USS Texas (SSN 775), arrived at Fleet Activities Sasebo, Japan, Jan. 17 for a visit as part of its deployment to the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

The visit strengthens positive alliance between the U.S. and Japan through the crew's interaction with Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Forces. It also demonstrates the U.S. Navy's commitment to regional stability and maritime security in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of operations.

With a crew of approximately 150, Texas will conduct a multitude of missions and maintain proficiencies of the latest capabilities in the submarine fleet.

Measuring 377 feet long and weighing more than 7,900 tons, Texas is capable of executing a multitude of missions including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface ship warfare, and shallow water operations.

USS Texas is homeported in Pearl Harbor.

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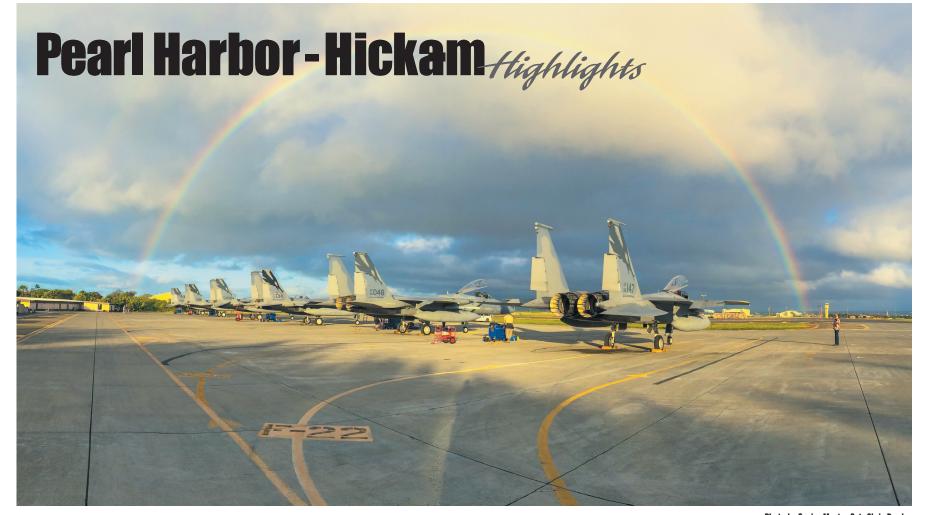


Photo by Senior Master Sgt. Chris Drudge

U.S. Air Force F-15C Eagle fighter jets from California Air National Guard's 144th Fighter Wing stand ready for the morning mission at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam during Sentry Aloha 18-1, Jan. 19. Sentry Aloha is an ongoing series of exercises hosted by the Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Wing involving multiple types of aircraft and services.



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Photo by Senior Master Sgt. Chris Drudge
A U.S. Air Force F-15 Eagle from California Air National Guard's 144th Fighter Wing
approaches the boom of a KC-135 Stratotanker from Iowa ANG's 185th Air Refueling
Wing during Sentry Aloha 18-1 above Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 17.
Sentry Aloha provides tailored, cost effective and realistic combat training for U.S.
Air Force, Air National Guard and other Department of Defense services to provide
U.S. warfighters with the skill sets necessary to perform their homeland defense and
overseas combat missions.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Eric M. Fisher

A pilot assigned to the 18th Aggressor Squadron listens to a mission brief Jan. 10, during exercise Sentry Aloha 18-1 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.



Photo by Shannon R. Haney

Logistics Specialist 2nd Class William Spooney, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor Regional Mail Center, delivers a brief on mail orderly training. NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor introduced a paperless mail orderly web tool to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam afloat and shore commands, November 2017 to January 2018.

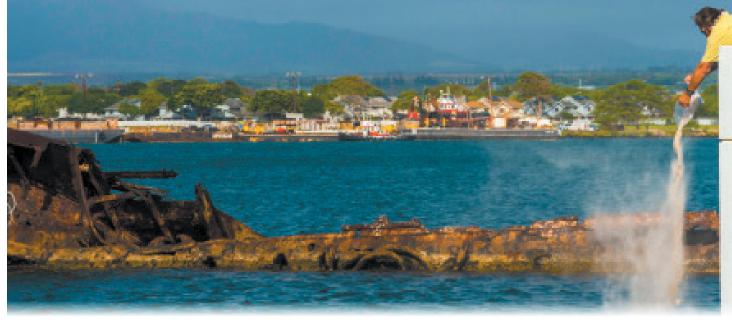


Photo by MC1 Corwin Colbert

USS San Diego (LPD 22) moors alongside USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52) on the piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 23. Sailors and Marines of the America Amphibious Ready Group (ARG)/15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) arrived at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 23, for the final port call of the ARG/MEU's deployment to the Indo-Asia- Pacific, Horn of Africa, Mediterranean and Middle East.

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USS Utah Memorial welcomes home another Pearl Harbor survivor



Dennis Schwarz, a nephew of Pearl Harbor survivor Mine Countermeasure Machinist's Mate 1st Class Frank Zylowski, scatters ashes during an ashscattering ceremony at the USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island, Jan. 19.

Photo by MC2 Katarzyna Kobiljak

MC3 Jessica Blackwell

Navy Public Affairs Support Element Detachment Hawaii

Military members, family and friends gathered to honor Mine Countermeasure Machinist's Mate 1st Class Frank Zylowski, a Pearl Harbor survivor, in an ash-scattering ceremony at USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Jan. 19.

An ash-scattering service is a traditional ceremony used to honor survivors of the attacks at Pearl Harbor.

Jim Neuman, Navy Region Hawaii his uncle's ashes in the waters near the

historian, opened up the ceremony with his thoughts on how Zylowski and veterans of his era represented and upheld the Navy Core Values of honor, courage, and commitment.

"Those who fought and died at Pearl Harbor, and those like Frank who lived to fight another day throughout the Second World War, exemplified the best in character, discipline and honesty," Neuman said. "His was a generation that believed in taking care of family and community."

Dennis Schwarz, Zylowski's nephew, attended the ceremony and scattered his uncle's ashes in the waters near the

USS Utah Memorial.

"I was impressed with the service. I've never seen anything like that. It was very nice," Schwarz said.

Bob and Judi Allen, family friends of Zylowski from Kapolei, were also in attendance and assisted in making the ceremony possible.

"It was a perfect ceremony," Bob Allen said. "There was a rainbow that remained for the entire ceremony. I've never seen a rainbow stay in one place for so long. Whoever arranged the rainbow did a great job."

Retired Master Chief Jim Taylor, Pearl Harbor survivor liaison, spoke of

how he viewed Zylowski's character.

"Frank was a hero. It is my guess Frank, like other veterans, wouldn't want to be called a hero. [But] they won a war and Frank was a part of that, so he is a hero to me," Taylor said.

During his Naval career, Zylowski served honorably aboard such ships as the USS Fanning, USS Whitney, USS Jarvis, USS John D. Ford, LST 361 and LST 611. Zylowski passed away February 10, 2010. It was his wish to have his ashes scattered at the USS Utah Memorial with his fellow shipmates who went down with the vessel during the Pearl Harbor attacks.





Photos by MC3 Jessica Blackwell and MC2 Katarzyna Kobiljak

At left and right, A Sailor assigned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Navy Honors and Ceremonies Detachment present the American flag to Dennis Schwarz, a nephew of Pearl Harbor survivor Mine Countermeasure Machinist's Mate 1st Class Frank Zylowski, during an ash-scattering ceremony at the USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island, Jan. 19. Below, Musician 3rd Class Tyler Reed, assigned to U.S. Pacific Fleet Band, performs Taps on a bugle.





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647th CES ready for another streak to championship



Master Sgt. Brent Jordan takes it to the rack for two of his 11 points.

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Hoʻokele

Last season, the 647th Civil Engineer Squadron (647 CES) Over 30 League basketball squad outran, outshot and just flat outplayed their opponents en route to an undefeated season and division championship.

While the team doesn't seem to be as deep as it was last year, the roster is still filled with enough familiar faces to repeat as Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam champions in 2018.

In their season debut, the 647 CES showed no signs of letting up as the team easily rolled to a 67-44 runaway win over the combined forces of Headquarters Pacific Air Forces (HQ PACAF)/ 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) on Jan. 23 at JB-PHH Fitness Center.

Despite losing star players Staff Sgt. Labronze Paden and Staff Sgt. Corey Doss from last season, this year's edition of the 647 CES isn't short on star power. It welcomes back starters Staff Sgt. Elvis Shaw, Staff Sgt. Brian Sanders, sharpshooter Master Sgt. Brent Jordan and big-body Staff Sgt. Roy Jackson.

Complemented with a lineup of quick and athletic players coming off the bench, the 647 CES enter this season as the overwhelming favorite to win it all for the second year in a row.

Shaw, who is certainly among the top five players on Joint Base, will be the go-to guy for the 647 CES, and despite the absence of Doss and Paden, he has already proven that he is capable to shoulder the team all by himself if needed.

Playing without Doss and Paden in last season's semifinal and championship game, Shaw scored a total of 64 points and said he is ready to do it again.

"I'm ready for it," he said.
"It's just basketball. Everybody
puts on their pants the same
way: one leg at a time."

In the team's season opener, Shaw didn't play the entire 40 minutes, but with the team already clicking on all cylinders, he didn't need to.

Still, even in limited minutes, Shaw led all scorers with 23 points, 10 in the first half and 13 in the second half, while knocking down five shots from long range.

Shaw appeared a bit reserved at the start of the game, but once he got going, there was no stopping him.

With the 647 CES up by a score of 12-3, Shaw swished his first trey, followed up with a pulverizing tomahawk slam and then hit his second trey of the game all within a span of about a minute and 15 seconds.

HQ PACAF/613 AOC, which scored the first basket of the game on a three-pointer from Tech. Sgt Jake Monroe, was held without another point for the next 15 minutes, as the 647 CES took a 30-18 lead into halftime.

HQ PACAF/613 AOC narrowed the lead down to seven after scoring the first five points in the second half, but that's when the 647 CES decided to step on the gas once again and this time, went on an 18-0 run that put the game away for good.

For the 647 CES, Jackson also had a big night by scoring 14 points, with most of his baskets coming off power moves in the post.

Jordan scored in double figures as well with 11 points on two treys, two baskets and a free throw.

Shaw said that most of the

team's 67 points came off of transitions and jumpers, and he feels that this will be the squad's blueprint for success this season.

"As you can see, I'm about the tallest person on the team and the next person is about two inches smaller than me," Shaw said. "We're going to have to rely on our speed this year and get the ball upcourt. On defense, we're just going to have to put bodies on bodies."

Buzzer beater in regulation leads to OT win for 8th IS



Master Sgt. Todd Deralis goes up for a putback inside the paint.

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Hoʻokele

Trailing for the entire first half and for most of the second, the 8th Intelligence Squadron (8 IS) tied the score at the buzzer to end regulation before defeating Pit of Misery, 56-53, in overtime. They did it in a White Division Over 30 League intramural basketball game on Jan. 23 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

In the first game of the season, it appeared that time had run out on the 8 IS comeback attempt. The team had only a couple seconds to tie the score after Pit of Misery clung to a 44-41 lead.

Master Sgt. Joe Morris caught the ball just before the half-court line and without any hesitation threw a high arcing shot toward the Pit of Misery

As the horn sounded, the ball clanged off the backboard and ricocheted through the net to tie the score at 44-44.

"I figured we were down, so I might as well go ahead toss it up and see what happens," Morris said. "I felt like it was going in."

In overtime, Morris added three more points on a basket and free throw. Teammate contributed six to lead the way the break. to the overtime victory.

Pit of Misery pulled to within a single point two times in overtime on a couple of treys by Master-at-Arms 1st Class Matt Walker, but each time the team got close, the 8 IS answered back with just enough points to secure the win.

We played with a lot of heart today," Morris said. "We had one guy foul out and I had to run the rest of the second half, and I'm 39 about to be 40 years old. I just looked to my team to lead the way and they made it happen."

While the 8 IS were able to steal the game in the end, it wasn't an easy win by any

Pit of Misery opened up on fire from the perimeter. Cryptologic Technician (Maintenance) 1st Class Jason Brownlee hit a step-back jumper from 12 feet away to score the first basket of the game and season.

Walker also popped in his first trey of the game in the first half, but no one was hotter from the outside than Senior Chief Cryptologic Technician (Technical) Jason Townsend, who launched and connected from beyond the arc three times before halftime.

Townsend's second trey of the game gave Pit of Misery a 19-10 lead, before the team Tech. Sgt. William Veaman took a 23-17 advantage into

After intermission, the 8 IS started a rally after switching to a tough man-to-man defense that seemed to cool off Pit of Misery shooters.

The strategy was aided by strong effort from center Master Sgt. Todd Deralis, who controlled the paint with his aggressive and relentless work ethic.

Down by four points, the 8 IS pulled to within a single point, when Staff Sgt. Patrick Carroll pulled up from a fast break at the top of the circle and calmly swished a three-point shot.

Then, on the next time downcourt, the 8 IS took their first lead of the game at 28-27 on a breakaway lay-up by Veaman.

From then, the game swayed back and forth until late in the second half, when Pit of Misery sank five of six free throws to take a five-point lead.

However, a basket and the bomb from Morris erased the five-point gap and set the stage for the comeback win in overtime by the 8 IS.

"We saw them actually get exhausted," Carroll said.
"That's when we made the push to man and put the pressure on them. It was just perseverance, keep grinding, make every possession count and just one possession at a time, while protecting the

Kraken devours 792 ISS in Red Division season opener

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Naval Sea Systems Command (NSSC) Kraken got the bulk of their scoring from only two players, but it was more than enough. The team rolled to a 51-34 victory over the 792nd Intelligence Support Squadron on Jan. 24 in a Red Division intramural basketball season opener at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The Kraken got 14 points from team captain Logistics Specialist 2nd Class Jerry Acosta and a game-leading 23 points from Yeoman 2nd Class Terrance Day to cruise to the

Acosta at age 30 said that he is trying to ease his body into the new season. However, due to having a young team he just might have to spend a little more time on the court as the

squad builds chemistry. "I know I'll have to shoot I feel like I can hit it from anywhere," said Acosta, who was money on his first two tries from beyond the arc. "My point guard (Day) is hard to guard. As long

get some good shots all night."

Up first, it was Acosta who carried the team as he proved that he still has the touch by connecting on two treys to put the Kraken up by six points.

The team slowly built up its lead and got a double-digit advantage when Day got fouled on a lay-up and completed the and-one to put the Kraken up at 21-10 with two minutes and 36 seconds on the clock before halftime.

The 792 ISS brought the lead back under 10 on a trey by point guard 2nd Lt. Michael Morales, but Day came right back to score a basket to put the Kraken up at 23-13 just before the break.

Up by 11 points to start the second half, the Kraken broke the backs of the 792 ISS by outscoring their opponent by a margin of 16-1 to take a 42-16 lead at the 15:02 mark in the game.

Again, it was Acosta who got the ball rolling with back-toback treys in the first two minutes of the second half.

Then, up by a score of 36-16, more, but once I start feeling it, Day dialed in two long-distance shots of his own to break the

said. "He's young, like 21, so he's as he can get in rhythm, he can got fresh legs and we can use that to our advantage."

With the game well in their back pocket, Acosta used the time to allow more players to get into the game.

Since it was the team's first game together, Acosta said that building unity and cohesiveness would be key elements in how far the Kraken would go this

"We've got good people, but we've got to get it together,' Acosta said. "I'll keep rested until we play better teams, then I'll have to play more, but we've got to give the guys the time to play when we can.

Acosta said that if the team gets its chemistry down, it should be all right, but only time will tell.

In addition, Acosta said that a lot of the Kraken's success would depend on how well the team battles under the basket and rebounds — especially if Acosta and Day are shooting the lights out.

If the team doesn't crash the boards as well as Acosta expects, the team captain said that help is on the way.

"Rebounding is all we need, "He (Day) takes a big weight he said. "We've got a couple of off of your shoulders," Acosta big guys that were missing tonight. Rebounding is our biggest issue."



Logistics Specialist 2nd Class Jerry Acosta floats a shot over the defense of Airman 1st Class Cory Fletcher.



Frieda Chandler, fitness program director at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center, demonstrates a proper execution of deadlift, an exercise that will be taught in the Fit to Fight

Holistic program to launch at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center

Veronika McKenney

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

The registration for a newly created nutrition and fitness program free six-week course constarted Jan. 19 at the Hickam Memorial Fitness

Fittingly named "Fit to up to one of the four "war-Fight," it is a comprehen- rior" groups. Active Duty

which focuses on wellness rather than a specific fitness element. It can be summarized in four simple words — "healthy in and out." The pilot program is a

sive, personalized course

sisting of weekly one-hour

classes. Based on their ob-

jectives, patrons can sign

improving their PT scores and meeting their weight standards.

will concentrate on reaching their ideal body composition while Strength crease their lean muscle

Warriors will aim to in-For people over 60, Silver Warriors group will

teach skills like stretch-

Warriors will focus on ing to improve range of pletes the six-week course motion and reduce muscle and joint pain.

Each group will receive Weight Loss Warriors a lecture every week, with information about the of each one.

All participants will be asked to keep a journal as a motivational tool and to

keep track of their prog-

ress. Everybody who com-

will receive a T-shirt adorned with a specially designed "Fit to Fight"

"Most people have right balance of nutrition their own fight in their fit-and exercise at the heart ness goals. We are here to help our patrons achieve those goals through a

combination of good nu-

trition, the right exercise,

and positive mindset,

said Frieda Chandler, the

ness program director at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center.

program creator and fit-

The program will be evaluated before any future dates are announced. The classes, free to eligible patrons aged 18 and over, start Feb. 12. Space is limited to 10 warriors per group.

For more information, call 448-2214.

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Military Child of the Year semifinalists announced

Operation Homefront

Operation Homefront has announced the 95 semifinalists for the 2018 Military Child of the Year (MCOY) Award. The year 2018 marks the 10th anniversary of this event which is a celebration of the achievements of military children. Semifinalists include Navy family member Haleigh Dilks, 14 of Honolulu.

Military Child of the Year Award for Innovation semifinalists include Air Force family member Shelby Barber, 17, of Ewa Beach.

The Military Child of the Year Award reflects the



Haleigh Dilks

positive impact that these special young people have made on their military families, their schools, and their communities. The final seven award recipients will travel to Washington,

HOSC scholarships available



Shelby Barber

D.C., to be recognized at the April 19 gala, during which senior leaders of each branch of service will present the awards. They also will each receive \$10,000, a laptop com-

puter and other donated the Operation Homefront the armed forces — the gifts.

Beyond the ceremony and gifts, the Military Child of the Year Award provides recipients the opportunity to meet senior military leaders, elected officials, celebrities and other military children.

Mark Newberry, the 2013 Air Force Military Child of the Year, recently wrote, "One of the greatest honors of my life so far was representing the Air Force in 2013 as an Operation Homefront Military Child of the Year... If you would have told me as a high school senior that I would be chosen to represent military children at

gala, meet the Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Mark Welsh, and receive an Air Force ROTC scholarship that would afford me opportunities to study what I love, jump out of planes, and become a pilot, I wouldn't have believed you. Being a military child has afforded me so many opportunities that not many children get to experience.'

Thirty-five finalists will be selected in February by a panel of judges chosen by Operation Homefront's senior leadership Six Military Child of the

represent each branch of

challenge. For more informa-Year Award recipients will tion, visit www.militarychildoftheyear.org.

Army, Marine Corps,

Navy, Air Force, Coast

Guard, and National

Guard — for their scholarship, volunteerism, leadership, extracurric-

ular involvement, and

other criteria while fac-

ing the challenges of

military family life. The

seventh award is the

Military Child of the

Year Award for Innova-

tion. This award goes to

a military child who has

designed a bold and cre-

ative solution to address

a local, regional or global



Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club

Each year the Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club (HOSC) awards multiple scholarships to military family members to help further their educations.

Funding for these scholarships is generated completely through sales from the Hickam Thrift Shop.

The HOSC scholarship is available to active duty family members of all ranks and branches and may be used at trade schools, two-to-four-year colleges, and universities to include masters and PhD level programs. Applicants may apply in one of the following categories: high school senior, continuing education and spouse. An applicant's sponsor must meet one of the following criteria to be eligible:

- Active duty U.S. military member currently assigned in Hawaii
- Active duty U.S. military member on a remote assignment from Ha-
- Retired U.S. military member residing in Hawaii
- Full-time Hawaii National Guard member

- Full-time U.S. military reserve member residing in Hawaii
- Deceased U.S. military member with applicant residing in Hawaii Recipients are selected based on educational information, employment, volunteerism, school and community related clubs, self-improvement activities, leadership positions, awards/ honors, personal essay and letters of recommendation.

Recipients will be chosen in April and will be honored at the HOSC annual scholarship awards banquet in May where amount values of the individual scholarships will be announced. Scholarship money can be used for payment of tuition, fees, and/ or room and board charged by the finance or business office of the school during the fall 2018 semester and/or the spring 2019 semester (s).

Applications are available now at www.hickamosc.com/scholarships and need to be received by March 1, 2018. Please refer to the application for full eligibility requirements. Any questions can be directed to the scholarship coordinator at hoscscholarship@gmail.com.



- Shuttle to "Eat the Street" takes off from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Jan. 26, departing from Hickam Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT) office. Patrons can avoid the traffic and parking and head down to the food truck and street rally. The cost is \$7 per person and customers should bring money to purchase food at the event. For more information, call 448-2295.
- Free New Year, New You is a fitness kick-starter from 8 to 11 a.m. Jan. 27 at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center. It's two hours of sampling

fitness classes like Zumba and Turbo Kick with the last hour devoted to massage therapy, fitness and wellness information and refreshments. For more information, call 448-2214.

- Free golf clinic will be on the green at 2 p.m. Jan. 27 at Mamala Bay Golf Course. Pre-registration is encouraged. For more information, call 449-2304.
- Enter the Valentine's Day is for Lovers drawing from Feb. 1 to 10 at Hickam and Pearl Harbor side bowling centers. Patrons can sign up for the chance to win a large pizza from Harbor Grill and two movie passes to Sharkey Theater. It is free to enter and the winner will be notified on Feb. 12. For more information, call 448-9959.
- Edwin McCain Trio Concert will hit the stage at 6 p.m. Feb. 3 at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. They are known for top 40 hits "I'll Be" and "I Could Not Ask for More."



Photo courtesy of Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship recipients pose at last year's Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship Awards Dinner at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.



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AHUA REEF RESTORATION EVENT

JAN. **27** – Volunteers are needed for an Ahua Reef wetland restoration event from 8 to 11 a.m. Activities will include removing invasive weeds, picking up trash and planting costal plants. This will take place at the wetland on the Hickam side of Joint Base, near Hickam Harbor and Hawaii Air National Guard. Volunteers need to wear-closed toed shoes. They should also bring sunblock, water, a hat and snacks. Expect to get wet and muddy, so boots, long sleeves and pants are recommended. Navy Natural Resources will provide tools, gloves and water to fill up bottles. RSVP to Aurelia Gonzalez or Corrina Carnes at 474-0125 or email Aureliag@hawaii.edu or corrina.carnes.ctr@Navy.mil.

TRUE WEST

JAN. 27 — A reading of "True West" by American actor, playwright, author, screenwriter and director Sam Shepard will be held at 7 p.m. at Bellows Air Force Station Turtle Cove lawn. The reading will be performed by TV and movie actors and is sponsored by Arts in the Armed Forces. The event is for those ages 18 and older only. Guests can bring their beach blanket and lawn chairs. Food will be available for purchase. FMI: 864-0144 or visit Bellows AFS on Facebook.

CFS TRAINING

JAN. 29 TO FEB. 2— Command financial specialist (CFS) training will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The five-day workshop offered to Navy command-sponsored service members who will be assigned this collateral duty. Members attending the class need to be E-6 and above with a minimum of one year left on their projected rotation date. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

JAN. 29 — Sailors and Airmen are invited to assist with conducting traditional Makahiki (Hawaiian Thanksgiving) games from 9 a.m. to noon at St. John the Baptist Catholic School. Volunteers do not need any experience. Uniform for the event is the Navy working uniform. FMI: call Jeff Pantaleo, Joint Base cultural resource

manager/archeologist at 471-1171, ext. 368 or 781-6603.

POSITIVE PARENTING

JAN. 30 — A positive parenting class will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Topics will include establishing positive relationships, disciplining assertively, creating realistic expectations and more. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS 101

JAN. 30 — A class on healthy relationships will be held from 1 to 43 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This class outlines characteristics of a healthy relationship, how self-esteem affects our choices, effective communication and conflict resolution. The class is designed for any personal relationship, whether working, family or romantic. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

JOB FAIR: HIRING BASE SECURITY

JAN. 31 — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor — Hickam (JBPHH) Security Department is recruiting for 60 entry level security guards. Management in collaboration with Commander Navy Region Hawaii Human Resources Office will be promoting this hiring initiative on Wed, Jan. 31 in the 2018 Workforce Career Fair at the Neal Blaisdell Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you or someone you know is interested, please bring a resume with you to the job fair. FMI: base security: www.cnic.navy.mil/PEARLHARBOR-HICKAM/.

PARENTS: YOUR TEENS AND DATING

JAN. 31 — A class called "Parents: Your Teens and Dating" will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This class is designed to provide participants 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 call 474-1999.

SAPR POC TRAINING

JAN. 31 — training to provide Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) points of contact (POC) with the knowledge and responsibilities to perform their duties will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Military and

TAX ASSISTANCE CENTER

JAN. **30** – The Tax Assistance Center opens Jan. 30 at the Navy College Building, 1260 Pierce St., building 679, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The center is in classroom 11 on the first floor. The Tax Assistance Center will be open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Unlike in past years, the tax assistance center will only provide service to service members E1-E6 and their dependents with the ability to electronically file individual tax returns through internet-based software applications. Internal Revenue Service (IRS)certified tax personnel assist with questions but do not prepare individual tax returns. Volunteers are critical to the success of the Tax Assistance Center. To participate, volunteers will complete a self-study program to obtain advanced and military IRS certifications. Service members or their family members interested in volunteering at the Tax Assistance center full-time or part-time should contact Lt. Rosemarie Lombardi by phone at 473-1394 or email Rosemarie.Lombardi@ navy.mil or Lt. Kevin Griffin by phone at 473-1387 or email Kevin.R.Griffin@ navy.mil. The Tax Assistance Center relies on local commands for supplies, including papers, pens and toner cartridges (NT-PE250 C toner for Lexmark E250D printer and E206 A11A toner for Lexmark E260D printer).

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Family Support Center Pearl Harbor.
Contact the Sexual Assault Response
Coordinator (SARC) for more information
and to register for this course which
will require a letter of designation. FMI:
www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/
mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

THE DAY THE CRAYONS QUIT

JAN. 31 — Patrons can bring their kids to the Military and Family Support Center from 1 to 3 p.m. for story time featuring "The Day the Crayons Quit." This book focuses on the value of diversity and how differences make us each valuable and unique. Following the end of the reading, kids can participate in an empowering activity. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfscclass-schedule or call 474-1999.

FAP LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

FEB. 1 — A Family Advocacy Program (FAP) leadership seminar will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

KEY SPOUSE CONNECT MEETING

FEB. 1 — A key spouse connect meeting will be held from 9 to 11 a.m.

at Military and Family Support Center Hickam. Participants can network with other key spouses/mentors and discover community resources for disaster preparedness, relocation, and more. The meeting is open to all appointed U.S. Air Force key spouses, commanders and first sergeants. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

RECRUITING EVENT

FEB. 1 — A recruiting event for spouses and transitioning service members will be held from noon to 2 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Employers will be in attendance to recruit employees. FMI: www. greatlifehawaii.com/family-support/mfsc-class-schedule or call 474-1999.

'HIDDEN FIGURES' SCREENING

FEB. 3 — In honor of African American History Month, a screening of the movie "Hidden Figures" will be held from 1 to 3:45 p.m. at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. Co-sponsored by the Hawaii Council for the Humanities, the screening will include a scholarly presentation, question-and-answer session, and discussion of the movie's theme. Seating is limited. FMI: www.pacificaviationmuseum.org.



MOVIE SHOWTIMES

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY - JAN. 26

7:00 PM • Star Wars: The Last Jedi (PG-13)

SATURDAY - JAN. 27

2:30 PM • Ferdinand (PG)

4:50 PM • Pitch Perfect 3 (PG-13)

7:00 PM • All The Money In The World (R)

SUNDAY - JAN. 28

2:30 PM • Jumanji: Welcome To The Jungle (3-D)

(PG-13)

5:00 PM • Star Wars: The Last Jedi (PG-13)

THURSDAY - FEB. 1

7:00 PM $\, \bullet \,$ Jumanji: Welcome To The Jungle (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY - JAN. 26

7:00 PM • Pitch Perfect 3 (PG-13)

SATURDAY — JAN. 27

4:00 PM • Pitch Perfect 3 (PG-13)

6:00 PM • Downsizing (R)

SUNDAY - JAN. 28

1:30 PM • Jumanji: Welcome To The Jungle (PG-

4:00 PM • The Greatest Showman (PG)

THURSDAY - FEB. 1

6:30 PM • Wonder (PG)

Star Wars: The Last Jedi

Luke Skywalker's peaceful and solitary existence gets upended when he encounters Rey, a young woman who shows strong signs of the Force. Her desire to learn the ways of the Jedi forces Luke to make a decision that changes their lives forever. Meanwhile, Kylo Ren and General Hux lead the First Order in an all-out assault against Leia and the Resistance for supremacy of the galaxy.