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Pearl Harbor survivor, former Chief Boatswain's Mate Ray Emory, 97, passed away Aug. 20 in Boise, Idaho.

Emory dedicated his life to identifying the remains of hundreds of service members killed on Dec. 7, 1941 and buried as "unknowns"

in Hawaii. He helped identify the remains of more than 100 previously unidentified service members killed on Dec. 7 and buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).

On June 19 Emory visited the Pearl Harbor waterfront to see one last time where his ship, USS Honolulu (CL 48), was

berthed Dec. 7, 1941, the day Oahu was attacked.

Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, spoke at a ceremony on the pier, with Ray Emory as guest of honor.

"Chief Emory fought back that day, manning his machinegun, taking on enemy planes," Fort said.

"He continued to fight on throughout the war in the Pacific. He and his buddies, with help from the homefront, helped create an unprecedented era of peace, stability and prosperity. Victory at the end of World War II was Ray's finest hour."

Five hundred and twenty Sailors on the pier and aboard USS O'Kane,

berthed nearby, gave a tribute to the former Navy chief, lining the rails of the ships, forming an honor cordon, saluting and shouting "hip, hip, hooray" to an American hero.

Fort added, "When the call came in 1941, Ray Emory and hundreds of thousands of other young Americans responded. Working with Allies and

partners they fought to create a better world for our grandparents, parents, ourselves and our families. We do not take their sacrifice and commitment for granted. We remember."

Ray, a long-time resident of Hawaii, left for Boise in late June to be with family. A memorial service will be announced by the family in the coming weeks.



**Machinist's Mate  
1st Class Arthur Glenn**

At right, U.S. Navy honor guardsmen assigned to Navy Region Hawaii carry the casket of Machinist's Mate 1st Class Arthur Glenn at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu, Aug. 21.



## 100th Oklahoma Sailor identified

Story and photo by  
MC1 Tyler Thompson

DPAA Public Affairs

*Editor's note: Pearl Harbor survivor Ray Emory was instrumental in identifying the USS Oklahoma and other unknowns.*

Crisp white uniforms contrast the verdant green sea of the cemetery. Some of them bear ceremonial rifles while the rest gather under a small awning, standing at perfect attention. A wall of silver-haired veterans render a somber salute, the medals stippling their

hats gleaming under the noonday sun.

A family of three sits in the front of the crowd as the white uniforms float a flag-draped casket. On command, six Sailors set the casket in front of a woman and two men. Twenty-one gunshots echo into the distance as the flag is removed from the casket and doubled end-over-end until it becomes a perfect triangle. One of the Sailors takes the folded flag and studies its edges and corners. She kneels before the woman and with a whisper of condolence, places

the flag in her hands.

Nearly 75 years after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the 100th USS Oklahoma Sailor to be identified by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), was laid to rest Aug. 21.

Machinist's Mate 1st Class Arthur Glenn of Ft. Wayne, Indiana was buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).

The USS Oklahoma capsized after multiple torpedo hits during the attack on Pearl Harbor, resulting in the deaths of more than 429 crew

members. Three hundred eighty-eight personnel remained unidentified, including Glenn, and were purposely commingled and then buried at Punchbowl until 2015 when DPAA disinterred the 60 caskets to identify the unknown remains.

"A promise was made by our nation that we would provide the fullest possible accounting for our missing heroes and return them to their families," said Kelly McKeague, director of DPAA. "Our agency remains steadfast in completing that task and we are extremely humbled to

provide answers and some solace to the Glenn family."

The Machinist's Mate's remains were repatriated to his great niece and nephew, Danielle Myers and Matt Glenn, and a flag was presented to them during the burial.

"This funeral isn't just for my uncle, it's for all our missing (Sailors)," Myers said. "Knowing that my uncle was honored, and to see these Sailors honor him is special and precious — too precious to put into words."

Arthur Glenn's name is recorded on the Courts of the Missing at the Punch-

bowl, alongside his comrades who are still missing from the Oklahoma. A rosette will be placed next to his name at the memorial to indicate that he has been accounted for.

Since disintering all of the USS Oklahoma unknowns, DPAA and the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System-Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory have been painstakingly analyzing the remains using the latest anthropological, dental, and DNA methods and procedures. To date, 158 of these unknowns have been identified.

# Navy, regulators discuss Red Hill tank upgrade alternatives

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Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, issued the Navy's 10th "stakeholder letter" as part of an ongoing initiative to provide transparency to the public.

The letter offers pre-decisional information on the Navy's intention regarding the tank upgrade alternative (TUA), which is being discussed with the state of Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

"The EPA and DOH approved our TUA report in May of this year and, in accordance with the administrative order on consent (AOC), we are now in the TUA decision meetings with the EPA and DOH," Fort said.

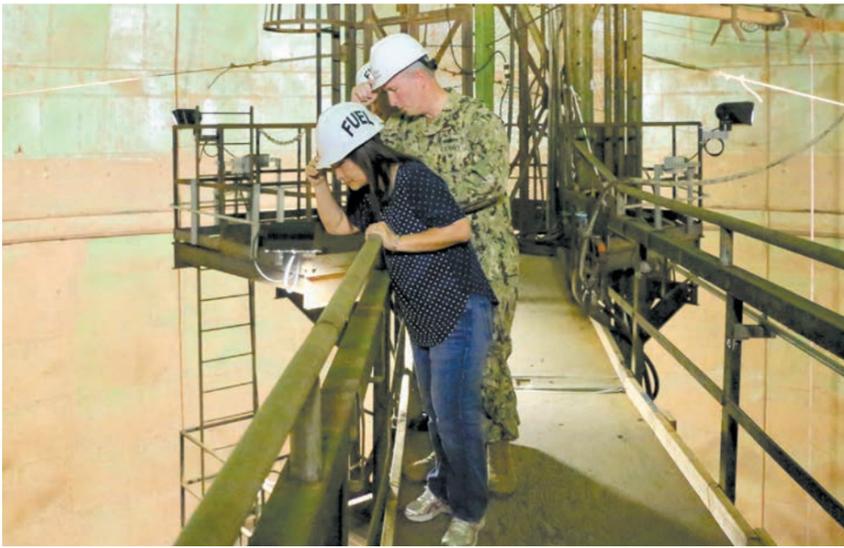


Photo by Shannon Haney

Rear Adm. Brian P. Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, hosts members of the Hawaii State Finance Committee for a visit to the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Facility near Pearl Harbor, April 13.

"I assure you Red Hill has the attention of our leaders both in Hawaii and in Washington, DC. Commander, Pacific Fleet, Adm. Chris Aquilino

toured Red Hill shortly after his change of command in May, and then he personally led our Secretary of the Navy, Richard Spencer, on a tour of the

we publically presented the possible Red Hill upgrades for the first time," Fort said.

"Both regulators, the EPA and DOH, were in attendance as were other members of the public to include many from the Sierra Club. Open and professional dialogue is an important aspect of my command of Navy Region Hawaii and this particularly applies to Red Hill."

The Navy and Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) will continue with sustainment/maintenance of the existing tanks in accordance with current procedures as the Navy's initial best available practicable technology decision submittal.

Plans also include a proposed pilot project for regulatory approval of application of an interior epoxy coating to one tank to determine feasibility of this unproven coating method, and funding a

new upgrade to the leak detection system.

The Navy continues to address with engineers and regulators the feasibility and concerns regarding each of the alternatives, and expressed its ongoing commitment to protecting the environment.

"The bottom line is that the same drinking water my family and I drink continues to be safe and in compliance with all federal and state standards," Fort said.

"We remain committed to protecting our environment and drinking water while at the same time maintaining Red Hill as part of critical infrastructure, both in the event of conflict and in vital support to all of our islands and humanitarian missions."

A copy of the stakeholder letter with pre-decisional information is available at [www.cnic.navy.mil/redhill](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/redhill).

# Navy recycling program changes at JBPHH

## Denise Emsley

### NAVFAC HI Public Affairs

Beginning Sept. 1, the Navy's recycling program at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) will contract out all white paper and cardboard recycling services.

"What this means to our customers is that they will now have a standard, more reliable recycling pick-up service," said Steven Christiansen, director, JBPHH Public Works Department Environmental.

"However, organizations will continue to be responsible for shredding all PII (personally identifiable information) white paper for recycling and placing all recyclable white paper in the outside recycling collection bin."

Under the new contract, all

in-facility recycle bins will be replaced with an outside recycling bin for central collection. All unbound white office paper and flattened cardboard must be placed into the correct bin. Any items left outside of the bins will not be collected.

If a customer desires a higher-level of recycled white paper services, the following options are available:

- Building occupants can purchase and use a crosscut paper shredder. The processed paper could then be disposed of in a refuse dumpster. (Crosscut paper cannot be recycled.)
- Building occupants can schedule a paper shredding time at building 1715 and use the Qualified Recycling Program's shredder/baler.
- Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Ha-

waii environmental services personnel can provide white paper in-facility collection services at the cost of the NAVFAC-established rate to the building occupant.

- Building occupants can contract with a Shred-It type contractor in order to dispose of white paper.

The JBPHH Recycling Center has two convenient recycling locations to accept your recyclable goods: Airfield – building 1715H (paper and cardboard) and Waterfront – building 159 (metals). Items accepted include paper (white, strip shredded, cardboard, clean packing paper), metals (aluminum, steel, sheet metal, etc.), and miscellaneous items (unpainted and untreated pallets – metal, plastic and wood).

In addition to customers

dropping off recyclable items at these two locations, metals may be picked up from pre-arranged points, including office areas, and/or collection bins, mini-marts and piers throughout the base.

"All personnel on JBPHH, military and civilian, are invited to help reduce trash deliveries to Oahu's landfills and H-Power plant," Christiansen said.

"Please remember we can only accept specific items for recycling. For all others, customers will need to determine if they have other options for disposal, and if not, place them in their regular trash."

The following items are not accepted by the JBPHH Recycling Center: hazardous materials (i.e. batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, tires), office con-



sumables (i.e. toner cartridges, crosscut or pulverized paper, colored paper, magazines, newspapers) and a variety of other items such as food waste, milk cartons, soda boxes, painted/stained/treated wood, appliances, and plastic bottles, aluminum cans, or glass jars.

For a list of all accepted and not accepted items, visit <https://cnic.navy.mil/re-gions/cnrh/om/environmental/recycling-program.html>.

Commands interested in more information or to request a special pickup, contact the center at 474-3717.

# Diverse VIEWS



Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and ATAN Joshua Markwith

## What tips would you offer children to stay safe as they go back to school?



**Culinary Specialist 2nd Class Christopher Lowe**  
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"Be careful who you talk to."



**Ship's Serviceman 2nd Class Duylen Barnes**  
USS Port Royal

"Don't walk to school alone and have a safe word with your parents."



**Cryptologic Technician 2nd Class David Cordier**  
USS Port Royal

"If someone offers you a ride, don't get in the car unless you were told to by your parents."



**Chief Master Sgt. Stephen Larson**  
PACAF

"Pay attention to the drills (fire, tornado, etc.)."



**Staff Sgt. Matthew Inouye**  
154th Maintenance Squadron, HIANG

"Take care when walking to/from school and pay attention to traffic."



**Staff Sgt. Tiffany Miles**  
352nd Cyberspace Operations Squadron

"I would tell children to remember to not talk or go anywhere with strangers. Also, pay attention to their surroundings and report anything out of the ordinary."

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# Ray Emory: A Pearl Harbor survivor's legacy

Bill Doughty

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

*(Editor's note: This story was published Dec. 8, 2012 in the Ho'okele newspaper. In honor of his legacy, we pay tribute to Ray Emory's service, honor and heroism. Emory passed away Aug. 20 at the age of 97.)*

Ray Emory is a tough guy. Seventy-one years ago aboard USS Honolulu (CL 48) – without waiting for permission or orders – he responded to the attack of Dec. 7, 1941 by rushing to one of the ship's 50-calibre machine guns, helping break into a locked box of ammunition, and opening fire on attacking enemy planes.

Ray Emory is a tough guy who cares about former shipmates. He champions the full identification, where possible, of "unknowns" – service members killed on that "Day of Infamy" who were buried in unnamed graves. He's been described as tenacious, brusque, even intimidating. He's tough when it comes to historical accuracy, full accounting and helping military families.

But when talk turns to his childhood and life just before the Navy, his toughness cracks a bit.

Ray Emory was a child of the Great Depression. He grew up in a simpler time, a time of relative innocence, but a time in the early 1930s of general hunger and lack of work.

"No way can I describe the Depression," Emory said, speaking to his close friend Jim Taylor, Navy Region Hawaii's volunteer liaison for Pearl Harbor survivors. Ray's eyes cloud. His voice softens and deepens.

"When the Depression hit, my mother and dad didn't have a penny. There were seven of us and an eighth on the way," he remembered.

His dad lost his leg in a hunting accident.

At the age of 10, Ray got on his old bicycle and sold newspapers.

"Every penny I made went to supporting the family," he said.

The Depression slammed the United States after the stock market crashed in 1929. Unemployment rose from 3.2 percent in 1929 to 26.7 percent by 1934. The boom of the 1920s, when Peoria sparkled with new jazz, "flappers" and soda fountain parlors, turned to a bust along with the rest of the nation.

Exports shut down as markets and



Chief Ray Emory at sea, 1945

cash flow disappeared and the impact continued to spread. Worldwide depression planted seeds of fascism and ultra-nationalism in Germany and Japan, leading to social unrest, assassinations and acts of regional terrorism.

In Asia, Imperial Japan turned to Manchuria for raw materials and coal liquefaction facilities. By the end of the 30s, the emboldened Japanese military set its sights on Indochina for oil imports and colonization.

Back in Peoria in the early 1930s, Emory continued working throughout his early school years, including a stint at the A&P grocery store, before he considered the Navy.

Meanwhile, the effects of the Depression continued to transform the world.

The peace and prosperity of the 1920s after World War I had given way to open hate, fear and warfare in Europe and Asia in the 30s. Germany and Japan embraced militarism and territorial expansion.

"The war in Europe was getting hot," Emory remembered. "They were about to pass the draft law. I swung by the post office and talked to the Navy recruiter."

"When I got home – I can still see it. My dad was reading the newspaper, and my mother was darning socks. I told them, 'I joined the Navy today.' My dad put down his newspaper and said, 'You did what?!'"

Ray first served aboard the light cruiser USS Savannah (CL 42). He still has an original menu from 1941 – beans and cornbread twice a week. It cost the Navy 46 cents per day to feed Sailors then.

Savannah headed through the Panama Canal and into the Pacific in 1939, arriving in Pearl Harbor. Emory knew how he wanted to serve.

"I asked young Ensign Burgan if I could become a gun striker," Ray reflected.

Burgan had a lasting effect on Ray. "I told him once 'I can't do something.' He made me sit down," Emory said. "That ensign told me, 'The word can't – it's not in the dictionary.'"

Ray began two weeks of training at Fort Weaver, but USS Savannah left for the Atlantic without him, so he ended up aboard another light cruiser in Pearl Harbor, USS Honolulu (CL 48) – which is where he was on Dec. 7, 1941.

In the months leading up to Dec. 7, the United States enforced an embargo on Japan's importation of oil, leading to a total embargo on all goods except cotton and food. America joined other countries and took a strong stand against Japan for its incursions into China and Southeast Asia.

Ray Emory was aware of the storm clouds of war growing but was still caught completely by surprise when the attacks came on Dec. 7.

"I was sitting at my bunk reading the morning newspaper at the time General Quarters sounded," Ray said. "I thought, 'This was a hell of a time to be sounding GQ.' The 4-to-8 watch was still eating breakfast."

He hurriedly folded his newspaper and stuck it under his bunk straps.

"I hit the ladder in about two steps," Ray remembered. "When topside, I heard machine gun fire. My thought was, 'This is a really good drill.'"

Ray raced to his battle station – the .50-caliber machine guns.

"I had pulled the canvas cover off of one of the machine guns and about halfway off the second machine gun when a torpedo plane passed our fantail. I stopped pulling the cover off and watched the track of the torpedo that hit one of the battleships. Again, in my mind, the torpedo was not supposed to explode like that (if it was a drill). In seconds, another torpedo plane passed our fantail and I saw the big red ball."

At that moment, Ray knew the attack

was real. The attacking planes were Imperial Japanese.

"My thoughts were, 'Who declared war on whom and where did they come from to get here so fast.'"

He continued following his training and instincts.

"Upon breaking the ammo box open, the machine guns were manned," Emory said. "Anything that was close enough to fire at we fired, but who knows who hit who."

Ray continued to fight that day and in the months and years that followed.

He participated in engagements in the Aleutians, Solomons, Battle of Tassafaronga and consolidation of the Southern Solomons. He served in seven invasions across the Pacific: Tarawa, Kwajalein, Saipan, Guam, Leyte Gulf, Lingayen Gulf, Iwo Jima. He also participated in the atmospheric nuclear tests in Bikini Atoll in 1946.

Ray Emory left the Navy that same year as a chief boatswain's mate, though he'd earlier been recommended for a commission as an ensign. At the time, he declined because he didn't want to leave his ship.

After the war Ray went back to school, attending Bradley University and the University of Washington, where he received his degree in architecture. He worked in mechanical engineering and construction in the Pacific Northwest until he retired.

Emory returned to Hawaii in the mid 1980s and married his wife Virginia. Since then he has rededicated himself to accurate documentation of what happened at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 and to the proper accounting of shipmates killed on that day.

Matching burial records with dental records and, where available, DNA, Emory has worked with the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) and others to identify or help identify former "unknowns." He has brought closure and peace to families: Hembree, Lehman, Livingston, Vanderpool and others.

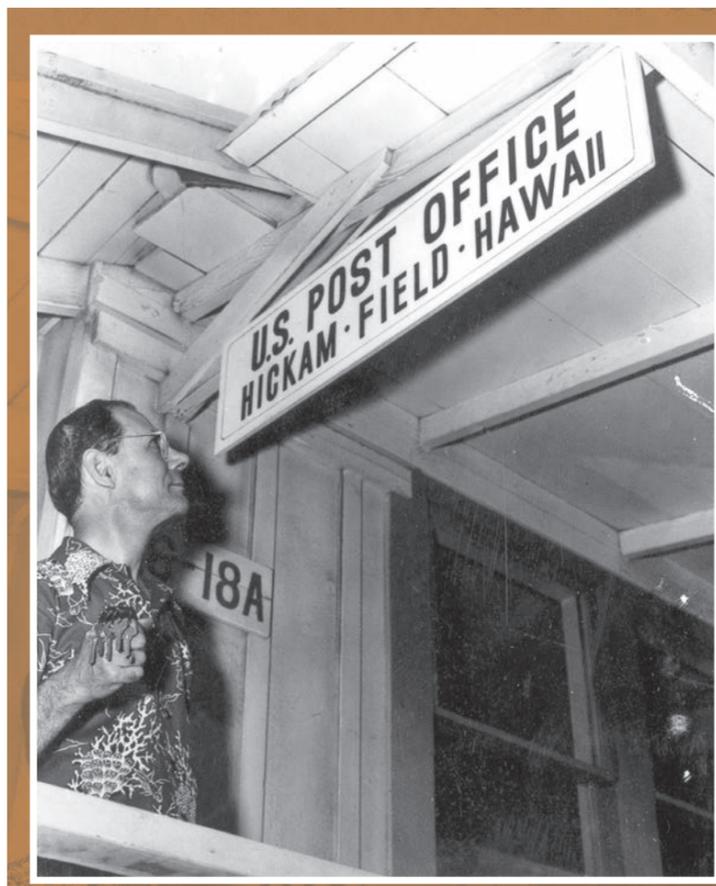
Ray Emory is a tough guy with a tender side, devoted to the memory of shipmates and innocence lost. He survived the Great Depression and the attack on Pearl Harbor, and he helped win a lasting peace in the Pacific.

"There hasn't been a day gone by in my life that I haven't thought of Dec. 7, in one way or another, including today," he said.

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## Hickam's got mail

Marion J. Borges, the first postmaster of Hickam Field (circa 1940s), stands outside the U.S. Post Office at Hickam Field.

U.S. Air Force file photo



U.S. Navy photo by ATAN Joshua Markwith

Star Service Program facilitators and Capt. Jeff Bernard, commander, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, pose for a photo.

## Joint Base recognizes Star Service Program facilitators' efforts

**Lt. j.g. Makeedra Hayes**

*Navy Region Hawaii  
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Star Service Program facilitators received certificates of appreciation from the Joint Base Commander Capt. Jeff Bernard, to conclude their training week and to celebrate 20 years of the program's introduction to the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) organization.

To celebrate this milestone, FFR hosted a luncheon and the JBPHH

base commander recognized and rewarded original, current and new Star Service Program facilitators for all their hard work and effort with a certificate of appreciation.

The luncheon took place at Bloch Arena on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Aug. 17.

The Fleet and Family Readiness (FFR) Center of JBPHH trained and welcomed a new group of Star Service Program facilitators during the week of Aug. 13-17.

Simultaneously, their

training week marked the 20th anniversary of the introduction of the Star Service Program to the MWR organization here in Hawaii.

The Star Service Program was introduced in September 1998. MWR's goal was to improve the services they offered service members from just good enough to exceptional.

In July 2000, Hawaii's Star Service Program became the second region to officially lead all training worldwide when it came to quality of life programs.

These programs included Information, Tickets and Travel, Outdoor Recreation, Single Sailor, and Fleet Recreation, to name a few.

"(Star Service Program classes were) my favorite (to teach), ever," said former facilitator Judy Kosaka. "(They included) games and candy — it's very fun."

The training week included a series of events to ensure Hawaii Region's Star Service facilitators maintain their worldwide high standards. The training week also ensures all

service members under the Hawaii Region umbrella continue to receive the best services when it comes to fitness and leisure activities.

"I have been doing this for 19 years, I'm still teaching and I'm loving it," said current facilitator Millie Gomes.

The luncheon highlighted personnel not in uniform that provide excellent service to armed forces members and their families. Without programs such as Star Service, military families access to lei-

sure activities would not be possible.

All those in the military community including those not in uniform provide invaluable services.

"It is my honor to be able to take time to recognize the individuals that make our lives as service members and the families that support us more enjoyable," Bernard said.

"This event is a small token of our appreciation, because we wouldn't be able to do what we do without the services provided from those who are part of Star Service Program."

## HIANG brings high level air defense expertise to Philippine engagement

**Story and photo by  
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The Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) has had a long relationship with the Philippine Air Force (PAF). For the past six years the HIANG has been sharing air defense expertise with the PAF, as they undergo enhancements to their air defense capabilities.

A team of HIANG air defense experts traveled to various air bases in the Philippines to conduct subject matter expert exchanges with the PAF, Aug. 6-14.

This year, however, the team featured a general officer with more than 30 years of experience in air defense.

Maj. Gen. James O. Eifert, who currently serves as the Air National Guard Assistant to the Commander, Pacific Air Forces headlined a team of nine Airmen as they discussed various aspects of the air defense enterprise with PAF counterparts.

"During high level discussions with Philippine Air Force Air Defense Command leadership, I was able to communicate my air defense command and control experience in both Pacific Command and

U.S. Northern Command," Eifert said.

"I walked them through a few air defense scenarios from my experience in the Operation Noble Eagle mission which painted the picture of how they need to think about command and control in defending the Philippine homeland."

The multifaceted nature of air defense required the team to have a wide range of expertise.

Various Air Force specialties were represented in the group: from tracking and identification, to communications, to air battle management.

"Air defense is a complex enterprise. It requires

a very diverse range of skill sets to succeed," Eifert said.

"This HIANG team brought literally over a hundred years of combined experience in the air defense business to this engagement to share their experiences and positively shape the PAF's future."

According to Eifert the PAF is on the right track as they proceed with their air defense upgrade efforts.

"They're motivated, have great young people ready to seize the new capabilities available to them, and have new equipment arriving with great capabilities resident in it," Eifert said.



Maj. Gen. James O. Eifert, Air National Guard assistant to the commander, Pacific Air Forces sits in the cockpit of a Philippine Air Force FA-50 fighter aircraft as a Philippine Air Force fighter pilot explains the various capabilities of the aircraft, Aug. 9, Clark Air Force Base, Philippines.

# Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Nick Bauer

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) and the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) sail through the Pacific Ocean, Aug. 12. John C. Stennis and Chung-Hoon are currently conducting routine operations as part of Carrier Strike Group 3 in the U.S. 3rd Fleet area of operations.

Service members assigned to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) conduct an honorable carry at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 19. DPAA conducts global search, recovery and laboratory operations to provide the fullest possible accounting for our missing personnel to their families and the nation.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Seth Coulter



U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Alyssandra Rousseve

USS Hopper at sunrise Aug. 16.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki

Hull Technician 2nd Class Hannah Clarkson, assigned to USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53), moves tree branches during a bike path cleanup along Pearl Harbor's historic waterfront, Aug. 16. The cleanup is one of several community relations projects held alongside the City and County of Honolulu during the month of August to help reopen the bike path.

Adm. Phil Davidson, commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM), participates in a traditional Papua New Guinea welcome ceremony at Murray Barracks, Aug. 22. This is Davidson's first visit to Papua New Guinea as USINDOPACOM commander.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Robin W. Peak



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# Life & Leisure

## HELE ON

Children experience mock deployment

Story and photos by  
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**R**oughly 150 service members' children got a first-hand look at what it's like to lace up their combat boots and "deploy" during Operation Hele On, held aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Aug. 17.

Launched in 2004, this is the Military & Family Support Center's (MFSC) 15th annual Operation Hele On. Hawaiian for "ready go," Hele On is a mock deployment designed to go beyond boosting morale. It also allows the MFSC an opportunity to check in face-to-face with families and provide them with an experience that will help facilitate family conversations about deployment, and foster a sense of pride in the children for their parent's mission.

Georgia Thompson, MFSC's Deployment Readiness Program coordinator, spent more than six months organizing the event for the families. She said this event is very near and dear to her heart because she has three children who've grown up in the military, and have experienced their father going on eight deployments.

Hele On began by making sure the young cadets are checked-in, given personalized dog tags and gear including orders, "meds," embroidered Hele On patches, and handouts with survival tips. The cadets were then divided into five teams: the Warriors, Eels, Manta Rays, Sharks and Sea Turtles. Volunteer active duty service members acting as recruit division commanders and military training instructors then led them through basic training by teaching them military drills, marching techniques, and customs and courtesies.

Thompson utilized help from more than 60 active duty Navy and Air Force personnel, civilian volunteers and 10 partnering agencies, including the Navy League, Morale, Welfare and Recreation, the Seabees and the United Services Organization (USO).

Mallory Carmichael, Operation Hele On event coordinator, said that she continues to be honored to be part of the operation.

"I think I'm having just as much fun as the children!" Carmichael said. "It's important to give military children a sense of what their parent or guardian go through when they're getting ready to deploy. These kids deserve the world. They're so resilient and they deserve to enjoy the day."

Events included combat arms and explosive ordnance disposal displays, a tour of a C-17 aircraft, a timed obstacle course and a military working dog demonstration.

At the end of the day, the five well-trained teams had a "homecoming" ceremony, complete with personalized welcome home signs being waved enthusiastically by their parents while the cadets performed their cadence spirit competitions.

For more information on future MFSC events, visit [www.facebook.com/JBPHH.MFSC](http://www.facebook.com/JBPHH.MFSC).



# Teen gets her wish to train military working dogs



Selena, a Mililani resident, visits Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and gets an opportunity to learn how to train military working dogs.

Story and photo by Erin Huggins

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam  
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The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) K-9 unit and Make-A-Wish@Hawaii (MAWH) worked together Aug. 17 to help reveal that a local Mililani girl's wish of working with dogs would be coming true.

Selena, a 13-year-old from Mililani, has always loved dogs. But it wasn't until she read "War Dogs: Tales of Canine Heroism, History and Love" by Rebecca Frankel that she started dreaming of working with and training dogs.

MAWH set into motion the opportunity for Selena to train actual working dogs. With the help of JBPHH, Selena was able to visit Hickam's Military Working Dog Section, where she received a tour of the kennels, watched a bite demonstration and a simulated police chase, gave some commands to the dogs, and participated in a drug detection demonstration.

It was during this drug detection demonstration where Selena's wish became a reality. After she opened the suitcase she was helping a trainer screen, it was revealed to her that her wish to be a service dog trainer was coming true. She learned that she would be going to Canine Companions for Independence in California.

"We are blown away by the incredible

support of the K-9 unit at JBPHH," said Make-A-Wish Hawaii Wish coordinator Jennifer Canaya-Michel.

"When they heard about Selena, they completely embraced the opportunity to play a role in her wish journey, and we are so grateful for all of the hard work and creativity that went into making this such a memorable experience for her."

JBPHH military working dog trainers, Staff Sgt. Justin Leon Guerrero and Staff Sgt. Terry Pasko, released a joint statement, saying that "When the Make-A-Wish foundation reached out to us to help bring Selena's dream a reality, we as a team were beyond excited to be a part of this event."

We participate in numerous activities within the community and throughout the military, but nothing quite as personal and heartwarming as this wish-reveal for Selena. K-9 trainers and handlers have a small community and we lean on each other for support. We want to encourage Selena to never give up on her dreams and JBPHH K9 is there to help support her any way we can."

MAWH creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. Headquartered in Honolulu, MAWH continues to be among the busiest chapters in the nation. Since 1982, MAWH has granted more than 1,300 wishes for local children and has hosted over 14,000 children from around the world.

# JBPHH, law enforcement volunteer for Special Olympics Hawaii

Story and photo by  
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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Security Forces joined more than 700 volunteers on Oahu to support Special Olympics Hawaii's Cop on Top event, Aug. 16-18.

More than 50 JBPHH service members volunteered at the Salt Lake Shopping Center location.

Master-At-Arms 2nd Class Angela Alfaro, with JBPHH Security Forces, said the campaign was already successful by the first day.

"People have been very generous in the shopping center," Alfaro said.

Law enforcement personnel volunteering for Cop on Top stayed on a 10-foot scaffold at 17 locations on Oahu and the neighboring islands. They collected

donations and raised awareness for the nonprofit organization. Participants raised more than \$226,700 for the organization statewide.

"Every dollar stays right here and helps us continue providing all services free of charge to our local athletes and families," said Nancy Bottelo, Special Olympics Hawaii president and CEO.

"Special Olympics Hawaii is extremely grateful to our law enforcement Cop On Top teams, and the very generous public, for the incredible support they give to make this event such a great success."

"(Cop on Top is a) great event for raising awareness for Special Olympics athletes in the community," said Senior Airman John Powell, with the 647th Security Forces, JBPHH. "(The event is) great for military and law enforcement working together to build camaraderie out in the community."



Staff Sgt. Fedrico Dominguez, an Airman with 647th Security Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, supports Special Olympics Hawaii from a scaffold at Salt Lake Shopping Center, Aug. 17.

# Team MXG keeps winning streak going

Story and photo by  
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Playing in its eighth game of the season, Team MXG entered its matchup against the 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) as the only undefeated squad in the entire Blue Division. After defeating the 324 IS in straight sets, 25-11 and 25-21, on Aug. 15 at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, the streak continued on.

"We're just going with the flow," Tech. Sgt. Ryan Hunt said. "It's nice to be undefeated, but really what it comes down to are the playoffs, right? We can be undefeated going into the playoffs, you lose the first game and you're out. Our goal is play our best and then get into the playoffs. That's where we really shine."

From the start of the match, Team MXG seemed to have the upper hand, as the 324 IS got on the court with only five starters, which is one short of the regulation six players.

Team MXG immediately took advantage of the short-handed 324 IS by storming out 5-0 to start the first set, with hitter Tech. Sgt. Christopher Yarbrough slamming down two kills.

A short time after that, Hunt knocked down back-to-back kills to give Team MXG a 9-2 advantage.

Still in cruise control, Team MXG ballooned the lead up to double digits at 16-6 off of an ace by Keith Myers, a Department of Defense civilian, whose jump serves have been a huge weapon for the squad.

Finally, with Team MXG ahead at 22-11, Staff Sgt. Tyra Tandal went to the back for service and led a string of three straight points to close out the first set.

After the previous week, where Team MXG was forced to three sets by a tough 37th Intelligence Squadron, who also played with only five players, Hunt said that the thought against the 324 IS was to stop them as early as possible.

"It's always our mindset to

try and close it out," he said.

"I don't think we were playing as well as we could have, our energy wasn't there and we weren't as focused. It was better energy than last week, but it still wasn't quite there."

In the second set, Team MXG came out on fire with a 6-0 start, but just as Hunt said, the squad just wasn't as focused as it was in the first set.

After a side-out put the 324 IS on the scoreboard, Yarbrough helped put Team MXG on a 3-0 run to extend the lead to 9-1, but from there the 324 IS started to make a comeback.

It started off in small increments and when Tech. Sgt. Edmond Gray posted back-to-back kills, the 324 IS pulled a bit closer at 16-9.

At the end, the 324 IS cut the lead down to three at 24-21 after getting four points in a row.

However, a kill by Master Sgt. Salvador Baltazar finally put the game away for good at 25-21.

For the second game in a row, Yarbrough brought the heat in delivering five kills, one block and an ace.

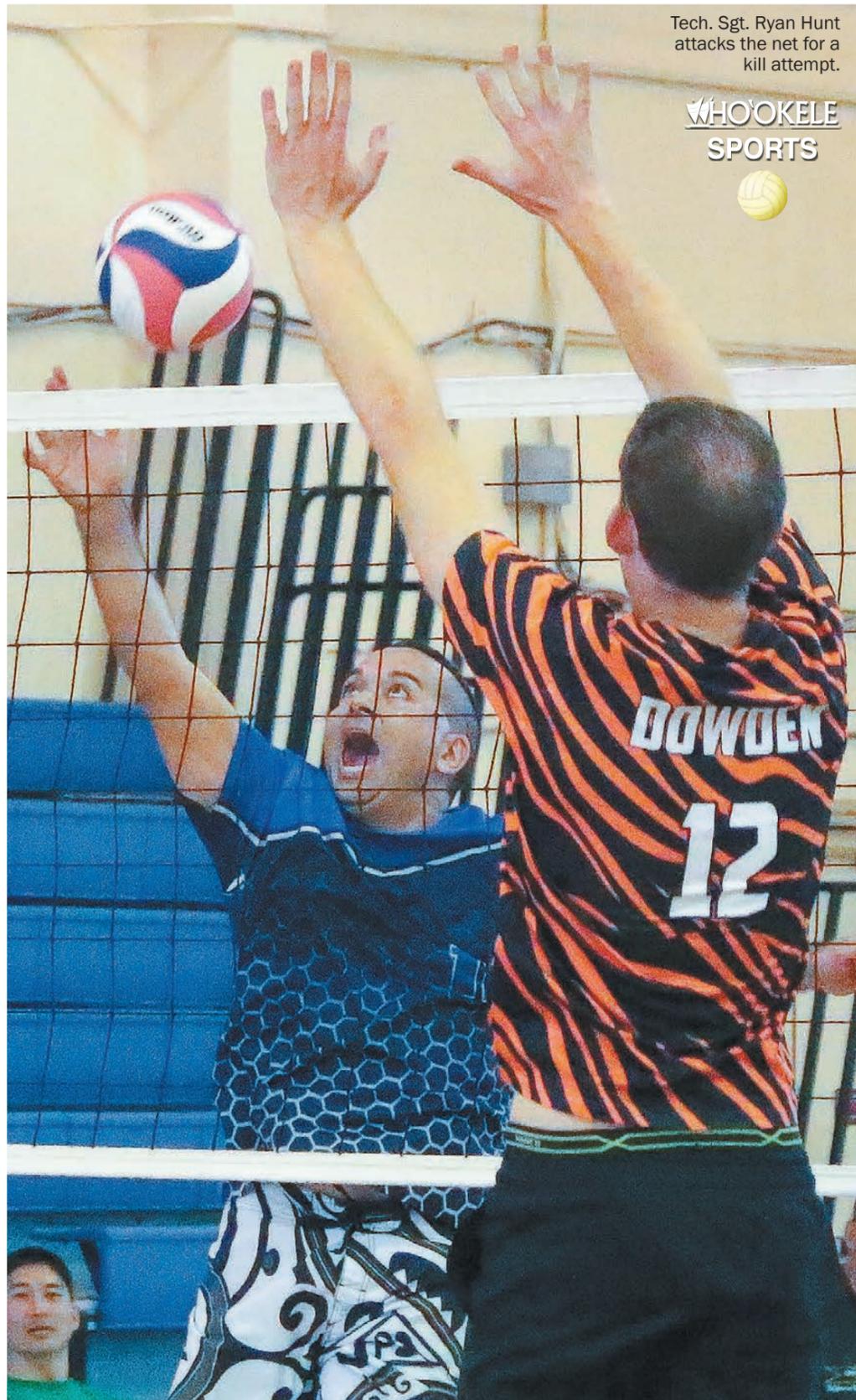
"He's (Yarbrough) really athletic and just sheer height," Hunt noted. "He started off as a basketball player, but his volleyball IQ is getting there. He's on it; he's watching."

Hunt said that, come playoff time, he expects Team MXG will be ready and in full post-season mode.

Two seasons ago Team MXG made it to the finals against perennial powerhouse Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) and almost walked away with the trophy.

This time, Hunt said that if Team MXG gets to play the HIANG again in the finals, the final result just might be different.

"Two years ago we made it against the HIANG and we almost took them," Hunt pointed out. "Most of our guys had played with them, so we know how the team moves, who the key players are and how they can get into your head. I think we'll make it again and, hopefully, we'll make a game of it against the HIANG."



Tech. Sgt. Ryan Hunt attacks the net for a kill attempt.

HO'OKOLE  
SPORTS



## MWR celebrates start of football season with 'Pigskin Party'

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Joint Base Pearl  
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Welfare and Recreation



Football season is ramping up now and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) is celebrating it with a tailgate-style "Pigskin Party" Sept. 1 at Richardson Field.

The timing of the event coincides with the first home game of the University of Hawaii (UH) Rainbow Warriors.

"We recognized the unique opportunity to not only kick off the football season, it

also starts with two teams near and dear to the base, our local UH Warriors and the U.S. Naval Academy," said Lara Katine of MWR Special Events.

She added that customers don't need to be football fans to enjoy this party as there will be lots of things to do for kids and adults alike.

There will be athletic activities and games like a 40-yard dash, an agility course and football challenges. Non-competitive activities like bounce houses, crafts and photo booths are also scheduled to be on the field. Tailgate-

style food and beverages will be available for purchase. Live music on stage by the Navy's U.S. Pacific Fleet Band will be featured.

Some commands are also participating, including U.S. Pacific Command Joint Intelligence Operations Center, 647th Force Support Squadron, Navy Information Operations Command Hawaii and USS John Paul Jones will be fielding flag football teams and competing right on the field.

Katine invites attendees to dress in team colors and show their spirit for their favorites.

The MWR Pigskin Party is free to attend and everything is free aside from food and beverages. It is open to all Department of Defense (DoD) ID cardholders and their sponsored guests.

Limited parking for DoD ID cardholders is available at Rainbow Bay Marina for free, and parking is also available across the street at Aloha Stadium for a minimal fee (convenient for those attending the UH/Naval Academy game afterwards).

Outside food and beverages are not allowed. A list of unauthorized items and more information is available at [www.greatlifeohawaii.com](http://www.greatlifeohawaii.com).



## Speeding through Saturday with the Half-Marathon

Jen Engeberg crosses the finish line at the 12th annual Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Half-Marathon at Earhart Track, Aug. 18. Below, Col. Doug Pierce, deputy commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, presents Engeberg with her first place award. Engeberg won first place in the female overall category, with a time of 1:34:55.

U.S. Navy photos by ATAN Joshua Markwith





## UPCOMING EVENTS

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Entries for the Arts & Crafts Center's Gallery Showcase** will be accepted from now through Sept. 30. Get your creative juices flowing and prepare to submit your artwork, crafts, photography and digital creations. It is free to submit a piece, and works will be displayed in the gallery beginning with the opening reception on Oct. 3. For more information, call 448-2393.
- Registration is open now until Aug 28 to be a part of the **Largest Human Awareness Ribbon** at the Joint Services Suicide Prevention & Human Awareness Ribbon event on Sept. 5 from 8 to 11 a.m. September is Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month, and the Military & Family Support Center (MFSC) is teaming up with program managers from all bases. This large-scale event will capture attention with the attempt to make a record-breaking human awareness ribbon while highlighting the importance of reaching out to help individuals who have thoughts of suicide. The event also includes a resource fair, live music and a proclamation signing. For more information, call 474-1999.
- Registration is open now for the **43rd annual Fall Craft Fair**, happening Nov. 3 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Cost is \$75 for a 15-by-15 foot space or \$105 for a shared space. For more information, call 448-9907.
- **Chinatown Food & Historic Walking Tour** departs at approximately 8:30 a.m. Aug. 28 from the Hickam ITT office. Discover the intriguing history of Honolulu's Chinatown on this walking tour, sampling Chinese treats along the way. Cost is \$35 for adults and \$30 for ages 3 to 11 and includes round-trip transportation, guided tour and a Chinese-style lunch. Reservations are recommended. For more information, call 448-2295.
- **Cookies & Canvas** gets colorful from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 29 at the Arts & Crafts Center. Kids create a painted masterpiece while nibbling on a sweet treat. This bi-

monthly activity has a different painting subject each time. Cost is \$30 per person, includes all art supplies and is open to ages 7 to 14. Advance sign-up is encouraged. For more information, call 448-9907.

- **Crab Boil** returns from 5 to 7 p.m. Aug. 31 at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. Open to all base-eligible patrons, enjoy a delicious combination of snow crab, Andouille sausage, corn and potatoes. Price is \$30 for adults (\$24 for club members), \$15 for children 7-12 and \$7.50 for children 3-6. Reservations are required and the deadline is Aug. 28. For more information, call 448-4608, ext. 15.

- **Ohana Paint Night** gets creative from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 31 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. An instructor leads parents and children step-by-step through a featured painting they can take home. Price is \$35 per person, includes all art supplies and is open to ages 8 and up. Register at [greatlifehawaii.com](http://greatlifehawaii.com). For more information, call 448-9907.

- **The Eat the Street shuttle** departs at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 31 from the Hickam ITT office. Avoid the traffic and parking woes and catch the shuttle to the island's largest food truck rally. Price is \$7 and the shuttle returns to the base at approximately 8:30 p.m. For more information, call 448-2295.

- **Hail & Farewell Open Mic Night** is a night of fun from 8 to 10 p.m. Aug. 31 at the Teen Center. The Teen Center welcomes new family members and bids farewell to those moving on to new adventures. This event is free and is open to all teens (registered with the program) and their families. For more information, call 448-1068.

- **English Channel Swim Challenge** is Sept. 1-30 at all JBP HH Pools. You have a month to swim the equivalent length of the English Channel, 21 miles. The first 25 to complete this challenge receive prizes. For more information, call 473-0394.

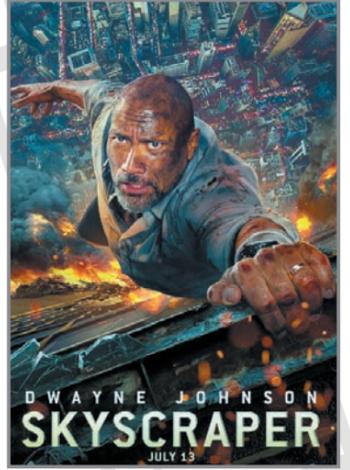
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# MOVIE SHOWTIMES

## Skyscraper

FBI Hostage Rescue Team leader and U.S. war veteran Will Sawyer now assesses security for skyscrapers. On assignment in Hong Kong he finds the tallest, safest building in the world suddenly ablaze and he's been framed for it.



## SHARKEY THEATER

### FRIDAY – AUG. 24

(In light of Hurricane Lane, please check Great Life Hawaii's Facebook for possible closure).

7 p.m. • Skyscraper (3-D) (PG-13)

### SATURDAY – AUG. 25

2:30 p.m. • Christopher Robin (PG)

4:40 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (3-D) (PG-13)

7:20 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)

### SUNDAY – AUG. 26

1:30 p.m. • Christopher Robin (PG)

3:50 p.m. • Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (3-D) (PG)

6 p.m. • Skyscraper (3-D) (PG-13)

### THURSDAY – AUG. 30

7 p.m. • Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again (PG-13)

## HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

### FRIDAY – AUG. 24

(In light of Hurricane Lane, please check Great Life Hawaii's Facebook for possible closure).

7 p.m. • Teen Titans Go! To the Movies (PG)

### SATURDAY – AUG. 25

3 p.m. • Studio appreciation free advance screening PG movie. Tickets are available at your local exchange food court. Seating open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to showtime.

5:30 p.m. • Incredibles 2 (PG)

### SUNDAY – AUG. 26

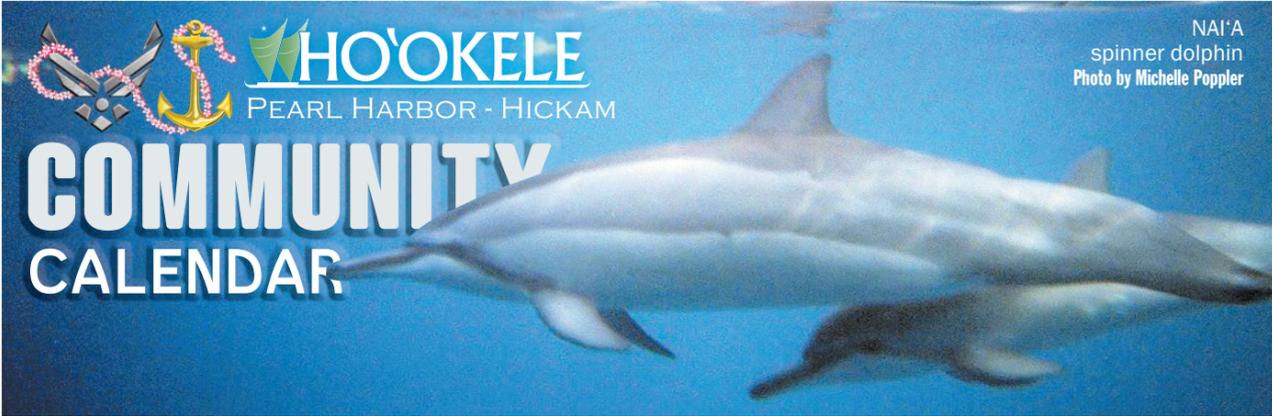
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### THURSDAY – AUG. 30

6:30 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)

\*Movie schedules are subject to change without notice.



### AIR FORCE BALL TICKETS ON SALE

**NOW** — Airmen with Pacific Air Forces will be celebrating the Air Force's 71st birthday at the 2018 Air Force Ball and Stand-up Gala at the Royal Hawaiian Resort in Waikiki, Sept. 14 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Special guests of honor include retired Air Force Col. Jack DeTour, retired Air Force Col. Charles Rushforth and Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Case. Ticket prices range from \$25 to \$95. For more information, email [pacaf.afball@gmail.com](mailto:pacaf.afball@gmail.com) or visit [www.pacafball.org](http://www.pacafball.org).

### NAVY BALL TICKETS ON SALE NOW

**NOW** — Tickets for the 2018 Navy Ball are on sale. The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. This year's theme is "Forged by the Sea." Costs for individual ticket prices are \$90 through Sept. 14 and \$100 from Sept. 15 to Oct. 12. The Navy Ball tickets are available online at <http://buytickets.at/hawaiinavyball2018/165458>.

### CONSTRUCTION GOING ON

**NOW** — Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii has started demolition of the tennis courts at the triangle of Mills Blvd., 12th Street and Fox Blvd., next to the Hickam Family Pool. There will be noise and possibly dust during this construction project. Due to this construction, Morale, Welfare and Recreation has cancelled the Aug. 31 Movie Night.

### HOSC SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

**NOW** — The Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club needs volunteers for its thrift shop every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For safety and liability reasons, no children under the age of 10 will be allowed to attend volunteer work functions held in the store even if the function takes place on a day the shop is closed. The thrift shop is located in building 1723, between the car wash and Kuntz Gate. The warehouse style building is located behind GSA.. For more information, visit <https://hickamosc.wildapricot.org/thriftshop/>.

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

**NOW** — There are volunteer opportunities at Special Olympics Hawaii, whether you're an individual or a member of a school, church or other group; whether you can volunteer for just a few hours on a single day as a scorekeeper, several hours a week or year-round. More than 6,500 volunteers are needed every year. Visit <http://www.specialolympicshawaii.org/get-involved/volunteers.html> for more information.

### HELPING HANDS HAWAII NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

**NOW** — Helping Hands Hawaii (HHH), a nonprofit organization that serves families in need, seeks volunteers. Volunteer opportunities include human services volunteer, behavioral health volunteer and receptionist. Send a signed and completed volunteer application form to James Li at [jamesli@helpinghandshawaii.org](mailto:jamesli@helpinghandshawaii.org). For more information, email Li or call 440-3812. For more information, visit <http://helpinghandshawaii.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/>.

### ANGER MANAGEMENT

**AUG. 27** — This class is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This class is designed to help you better understand, channel and control your anger. For more

### RESILIENCY RUN 5K

**SEPT. 22** — The Resiliency Run 5K is open to all eligible patrons. Join us for a 5K run in support of getting healthy physically, mentally and emotionally. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. at Hickam Memorial Fitness Center, the day of the event. Awards will be given to top finishers. Categories include adult male, adult female, youth boy, youth girl, stroller male and stroller female. For more information, call 448-2214.



information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

### MILLION DOLLAR SERVICE MEMBER

**AUG. 27-28** — This class is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This two-day class is designed for junior Navy and Air Force personnel to learn about proper budgeting techniques, insurance, military pay and allowances, consumer rip-offs, how to obtain a loan, credit scores, report, and new and used car purchasing techniques. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

### UNPLUG YOUR RELATIONSHIP

**AUG. 28** — This class is from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Learn about yourself and your partner by spending a few hours together, technology-free. "Unplug Your Relationship" by having fun and creating art without interruptions. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

### TRANSITION GPS: BOOTS TO BUSINESS

**AUG. 28** — This class is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This two-day seminar, provided by the U.S. Small Business Administration, will assist participants in understanding the steps, stages, and activities related to launching and growing a business as a post-military career and provide training and orientation to the fundamental tools and strategies associated with executing plans to launch a new business. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

### CAR BUYING STRATEGIES

**AUG. 30** — This class is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Hickam. Thinking of buying a car? Learn all the important do's and don'ts before you step onto the car lot. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

### AHUA REEF RESTORATION EVENTS

**AUG. 31 AND SEPT. 1** — Ahua Reef restoration events are scheduled for Aug. 31, from 8 to 11 a.m. and Sept. 1 from 8 to 11 a.m. Help restore a coastal wetland by creating habitat for native plants and birds. Activities include pulling invasive weeds and trash pickup. Ahua Reef Wetland is located on the Hickam side of JBPHH, near Hickam Harbor and Hawaii Air National Guard. Parking is available. Closed-toe shoes are required. Expect to get wet and muddy —

wellington boots, long sleeves and pants are recommended. Additional items to bring include sunblock, water, hat and snacks. Navy Natural Resources will provide tools, gloves and water refills. RSVP to Noel Dunn by emailing [Ashley.n.dunn.ctr@navy.mil](mailto:Ashley.n.dunn.ctr@navy.mil).

### WINDWARD CHORAL SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

**SEPT. 4** — Artistic Director Susan McCreary Duprey and the Windward Choral Society welcomes singers to their open house rehearsal, Tuesday, Sept. 4, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Holman Hall at Kailua United Methodist Church. No audition is required. Rehearsals take place at Kailua United Methodist Church, Holman Hall, located at 1110 Kailua Road. Rehearsals are on Tuesday nights, from 6:45 to 9 p.m. For more information, email [windwardchoralsociety@gmail.com](mailto:windwardchoralsociety@gmail.com).

### FISHER HOUSE 8K RUN, WALK OR ROLL

**SEPT. 8** — This free, 8-kilometer run/walk is scheduled from 6:30 a.m. to noon at the Pacific Aviation Museum and open to the public. Non-military ID cardholders must obtain a base pass. Bring your driver's license, registration and proof of insurance to the Nimitz Visitor Control Center (Pass & ID) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Plan to arrive by 5 a.m. to ensure access to base before the bridge closes. For more information, email [anita.f.clingerman@gmail.com](mailto:anita.f.clingerman@gmail.com) or [theresa.m.johnson2@aol.com](mailto:theresa.m.johnson2@aol.com). Information is also available at <https://www.facebook.com/FisherHouseRun/>.

### SPECIAL DELIVERY SHOWERS

**SEPT. 10** — Mothers-to-be and brand new mothers are welcome to a baby shower Sept. 10, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Historic Hickam Officer's Club. A separate shower for fathers-to-be is scheduled from 5:30 to 7 p.m., also at the club. Join USO Hawaii and Heidi Murkoff, author of the "What to Expect" series. Get your pregnancy questions answered and connect with other moms in your community. Lunch will be provided, as well as games, giveaways and more. The Special Delivery Shower at 11 a.m. is open to active duty service members/spouses who are expecting (pregnant) and new (six months postpartum or less) moms only (no guests except for your new baby) because space is limited. Register at [www.uso.org/specialdelivery](http://www.uso.org/specialdelivery).

### PEARL HARBOR HISTORIC SITES ANNOUNCE FREE PASS DAYS

**SEPT. 15 AND 16** — Pearl Harbor Historic Sites will commemorate the official birthdays of each branch of the U.S. military by offering "free pass days" to active duty service members, retirees and their dependents. A valid military I.D. must be presented at the Ticket and Information Booth at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center or onsite at each site. Free admission is available Sept. 15 and 16 for the U.S. Air Force's birthday, Oct. 13 and 14 for the U.S. Navy's birthday, Nov. 10 and 11 for the U.S. Marine Corps' birthday, and Dec. 15 and 16 for the U.S. National Guard's birthday. For more information, visit [www.PearlHarborHistoricSites.org](http://www.PearlHarborHistoricSites.org).