

Navy commands in Hawaii garner top environmental awards

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Navy commands in Hawaii were recently recognized for their commitment to the environment. Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) was honored and presented with a certificate for its environmental and cultural successes by the Hawaii House of Representatives at a ceremony held March 24 at the Hawaii State Capitol.

House Resolution Number 167 recognized the Kauai installation for its environmental and cultural resources successes and awards and applauded the installation for its “stewardship of the land and strong community involvement.”

Representing PMRF during the capitol ceremony were Capt. Bruce Hay, PMRF commanding officer; Lt. Cmdr. Robert Rutherford, PMRF public works officer; and John Burger, range sustainment coordinator.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) won top honors in the natural resources (large installation) category for fiscal year 2014 in the Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) 2014 Environmental Awards competition.

The annual Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Environmental Awards Program recognizes Navy and Marine Corps ships, installations and people for outstanding performance in promoting environ-



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(Left) Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Timothy Niitani pulls out mangroves at Pouhala Marsh during a volunteer restoration project. (Right) Rep. Cindy Evans congratulates Rear Adm. Rick Williams, Capt. Bruce Hay, Lt. Cmdr. Robert Rutherford and John Burger at the Hawaii State Capitol building March 24.

mental stewardship.

Awards are presented for accomplishments in natural resources conservation, cultural resources management, environmental quality, sustainability, environmental restoration, environmental excellence in weapon system acquisition, and environmental planning.

Environmental experts from the government and private sector evaluate Navy and Marine Corps

nominations to determine up to one Navy winner and one Marine Corps winner for each category.

“I applaud our civilians, Sailors, and Marines, both here and forward-deployed, who are a part of our robust environmental team supporting the sustainment of our operations and resiliency of our installations,” said Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus in a statement.

“Through your collaborative efforts and partnership with internal and external stakeholders, you protected endangered species, fought invasive species, obtained regulatory permits and authorizations efficiently, produced high-quality and defensible environmental planning, generated alternative and innovative solutions, reduced waste, decreased costs, engaged in ground-

breaking community relations, and accelerated our environmental program,” Mabus said.

JBPHH also won top honors in the natural resources (large installation) category in the fiscal year 2014 Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Environmental Awards competition.

“I would like to congratulate all the nominees and winners of the FY 2014 CNO Environmental Awards,” said Vice Adm. Phil Cullom, deputy chief of naval operations for fleet readiness and logistics (N4).

“Their participation in this competition exemplifies their dedication to environmental stewardship in pursuit of our Navy’s overall mission. These achievements underscore that each contribution can have a tremendous long term impact in conserving our environmental surroundings and resources,” he said.

Also receiving CNO Environmental Awards were the Hawaii-Southern California Training and Testing EIS Team in the environmental planning, team category, and Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii archeologist Jeffrey Pantaleo, who won the award for cultural resources management.

Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands (PMRF) was awarded in the cultural resources management, small installation category.

Mayor, City Council promote sexual assault prevention

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Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

HONOLULU — The Honolulu City Council and Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell held a proclamation ceremony March 24 in the Honolulu Hale City Council chambers. The event declared the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Top military officials from the Navy, Marine Corps, Army, Air Force, Coast Guard and Hawaii National Guard, and advocates from the Hawaii Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the Sex Abuse Treatment Center of Hawaii, attended the event.

It closely followed the announcement of the DoD 2015 Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention



Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell gives remarks during a proclamation ceremony held March 24 that declared April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Commander, Navy Region Hawaii Rear Adm. Rick Williams (center) and other top military officials participated.

Month (SAAPM) theme, “Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part. Do Your Part,” released earlier this month.

There were no military remarks made during the

ceremony. However, Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, previously addressed the urgency of working together

to end sexual assaults.

“Sexual assault is a major crime that can tear apart commands wherever it occurs,” Williams said.

“Ending sexual assaults will increase our readiness

and resilience as we become a fit team, improve coordination, and generate important warfighting readiness.”

City Councilwoman Carol Fukunaga, Chair-

man Ernest Martin and Caldwell talked about community, commitment and teamwork throughout the presentation.

“The City and County of Honolulu is proud to stand together with the state and our armed forces in raising awareness of sexual assault,” said Caldwell.

“Eliminating this intolerable form of abuse from our island takes a collaborative effort from us all, and it begins with spreading awareness. We are determined to see this through and foster a culture where sexual assault is not accepted anywhere,” he said.

“Today’s event is another way our community is reinforcing its collective commitment to combat sexual violence within our society,” Martin said.

Then he thanked a list of

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Sailors say farewells as USS Preble departs to western Pacific

Story and photo by MC3 Gabrielle Joyner

Navy Public Affairs
Support Element West, Det. Hawaii

Sailors stationed aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Preble (DDG 88) waved their goodbyes to families and friends as the ship departed Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 24 for an independent deployment to the western Pacific.

While deployed, Preble and its crew of more than 300 Sailors are scheduled to conduct theater security cooperation and maritime presence operations with partner nations.

“Preble is ready and excited to deploy and represent our Navy,” said Cmdr. Jeffrey L. Heames, commanding officer of Preble. “We appreciate the support

of our families here and back on the mainland, as their support helps us operate forward.”

The mission of Preble is to conduct sustained combat operations at sea, provide primary protection for the Navy’s aircraft carriers and battle groups, as well as serve as escort to Navy and Marine Corps amphibious forces and auxiliary ships, and conduct independent operations as necessary.

Gunner’s Mate 3rd Class Chelsea Adams-Dietz, stationed aboard USS Preble, shared her expectations of the deployment.

“I want to see different countries and the cultures of different people and just take that all in,” said Adams-Dietz. “We’re hoping to do some humanitarian work so I think I will be looking forward to doing that and help out where we can.”



Sailors embarked on the guided-missile destroyer USS Preble (DDG 88), wave goodbye to their families and friends as the ship departs from JBPHH for an independent deployment in the western Pacific.

Family members, friends and Sailors, assigned to various commands at Pearl

Harbor, gathered pierside to show their support as they wished their best to the de-

ploying Sailors.

“Between [my husband] and I, this is our fourth de-

ployment,” said U.S. Air Force Reserve Lt. Col. Robin Bowman, spouse of Cmdr. John Bowman, the executive officer of Preble. “I’m excited for them because I have my warrior spirit and I cannot wait for them to return I can hear all of their cool stories.”

Preble is assigned to Destroyer Squadron 9 and is homeported in Hawaii as part of U.S. 3rd Fleet. Preble was commissioned Nov. 9, 2002 and is the sixth U.S. Navy ship named after U.S. naval hero Commodore Edward Preble who fought against the Barbary pirates off the coast of North Africa in the early 1800s.

U.S. 3rd Fleet leads naval forces in the eastern Pacific from the West Coast of North America to the international date line and provides the realistic, relevant training necessary for an effective global Navy.



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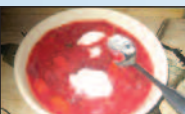
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Navy announces April SAAPM 2015 theme

Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Navy leaders announced the Department of Defense 2015 Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM) theme is “Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part. Do Your Part.” The effort will focus on raising awareness and highlighting prevention of sexual violence with an emphasis on bystander intervention.

April is an opportunity to build on existing momentum to eliminate the crime of sexual assault and ensure all service members are committed to creating command climates of professionalism, dignity and respect.

Locally, a Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam SAAPM proclamation signing will begin at 8:30 a.m. April 2 at Hickam Memorial Theater.



“As we focus on this year’s theme of ‘Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part. Do Your Part,’ it’s critical that everyone takes time to focus on the areas where they can help, through attention and intervention,” said Rear Adm. Rick Snyder, director, 21st Century Sailor Office.

“Sailors at every level of leadership are the ones that make this not just a successful month but a sustained and positive campaign to identify situations that pose a risk for sexual harassment, sexual assault and other criminal behaviors

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) Sailors form a blue ribbon on the ship’s flight deck April 29, 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Jacob Estes

and have the social courage to safely correct harmful behavior.”

In addition to making Sailors aware of SAAPM and this year’s theme, commands are encouraged to organize events to highlight the awareness and prevention of sexual assault.

Some of the suggested events include hanging ribbons on trees around base, hosting “meet your SARC and victim advocate” events, organizing skits at the local base theater, and other activities to raise awareness during the month of April. Events can be coordinated with local SAPR professionals to ensure maximum visibility and participation.

“We see Sailors stepping up and helping, and we want to encourage that to continue,” said Snyder. “Sexual Assault Awareness and Pre-

vention Month is a great opportunity for commands to show their support and focus on eliminating sexual assault.”

Sailors and commands can find additional information, references and resources at www.sapr.navy.mil. The website contains turn-key information on organizing and executing SAAPM events. The website also includes resources for victims of sexual assault who want to reach out for information and support.

Sexual assault prevention and response is an important effort in the 21st Century Sailor Office which consolidates programs and policies, new and existing, to maximize Sailor personal and family readiness and build resilience, enhancing the asymmetric advantage Sailors bring to the force.

Airmen and Soldiers conduct joint upload training

Story and photo by Tech. Sgt. Aaron Oelrich

15th Wing Public Affairs

Airmen from the 535th Airlift Squadron (AS) and Soldiers from the Headquarters 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, conducted static upload training of Army vehicles into a C-17 Globemaster III, March 18.

According to Staff Sgt. Ryan Lockhart, a loadmaster from the 535th AS, the training was conducted to familiarize Air Force loadmasters and Army infantrymen on how to upload and secure vehicles in the C-17.

Loadmasters from the 535th AS trained on backing vehicles with trailers into the C-17 and loading side-by-side cargo, as well as ensuring required shipping documentation was in order.

“This is great practice. We load Army vehicles like this all the time when we are deployed,” said Lockhart. “It is better to learn in a controlled environment like this, so that when we are deployed we can load up and get back in the air as quickly as possible.”

Capt. Eli Gaylor, a unit

movement officer from Headquarters 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, said in addition to helping the Air Force loadmaster, this training is essential for the 25th ID Soldiers. The Soldiers are part of a contingency response force that responds to any type of operation within the Pacific’s area of responsibility.

“We could be deployed in a matter of hours to help resolve whatever issue may arise,” said Gaylor. “The Soldiers need to be able to react and get the vehicles loaded onto the aircraft as quickly as possible. It is important for our Soldiers to get this training. It gives them familiarity with how to complete the task efficiently.”

The team, consisting of six Air Force loadmasters and six Army infantrymen, was tasked with loading three tactical bases of operations vehicles with trailers into the C-17 and secured them to complete the training.

According to Army Sgt. 1st Class Benjamin Pritchard from the 5th Battlefield Coordination Detachment, 380th Ground Liaison Office attached to the 15th Wing, this type of joint training



SrAirman Glenn Martin, a loadmaster from the 535th Airlift Squadron, shows Soldiers from the 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, how to use restraints to secure a tactical base of operation vehicle that is loaded in a C-17 Globemaster III on March 18 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. (Additional photo on page A-5.)

is fairly routine.

“What I’ve noticed is this type of training is perish-

able,” said Pritchard. “It needs repetition for both sides so it will become mus-

cle memory, especially with new Air Force loadmasters, Army unit movement offi-

cers and Soldiers constantly rotating in and out of their units.”



The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyers USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62), left, USS Sampson (DDG 102), USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG 54), and USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) are moored in Apra Harbor, Guam, for a port visit. In the background is the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Antietam (CG 54).

DESRON 15, JMSDF flex combat capability

Story and photo by MC3 Raymond D. Diaz III

USS Curtis Wilbur Public Affairs

APRA HARBOR, Guam (NNS) -- Personnel and ships from Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) and U.S. Navy forward deployed naval forces (FDNF) from Japan led by Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 15 kicked off Multi-Sail 2015, March 22, in Guam.

Multi-Sail is an annual DESRON 15 led exercise that is designed to assess combat systems, improve teamwork, and increase warfighting capabilities in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility.

“Multi-Sail brings ships, submarines, and aircraft together to focus on core warfighting requirements,” said Capt. Shan Byrne, commander of DESRON 15.

“This exercise allows us to test our systems from end to end, challenge our Sailors, and validate our bilateral tactics, techniques and procedures.

Uniquely this year, our Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force allies will join us to practice intermediate and advanced warfighting skills.”

Following a pre-sail conference, ships departed March 23 from Guam to conduct the at-sea portion of Multi-Sail 2015. Several ships participated in a torpedo exercise including the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG 54).

“We did an excellent job getting the torpedo out of the tube and right on target,” said Cmdr. Hans De For, commanding officer of Curtis Wilbur. “The crew rehearsed and prepared for this with our brand new A(V)15 sonar system. Their hard work, determination and repetitious practice showed.”

Throughout Multi-Sail 2015, some other major training evolutions include firing vertical launch anti-submarine (VLA) rockets, standard missile (SM) 2 missiles as well as testing the ship’s close-in weapons system (CIWS) and Mark 45 5-inch gun during live-fire exercises. Addi-

tionally, the exercise will allow for interaction with a U.S. submarine and coordination with aircraft in order to continue to hone anti-surface and anti-submarine warfare skills.

The guided-missile destroyer USS Lassen (DDG 82) is serving as the command flagship for Multi-Sail 2015 with DESRON-15 staff embarked. Other ships from DESRON-15 participating include USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62), USS Sampson (DDG 102) and USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam.

Also supporting the exercise are the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Antietam (CG 54), the Henry J. Kaiser-class fleet replenishment oiler USNS Pecos (T-AO 197) and the Lewis and Clark-class dry cargo and ammunition ship USNS Amelia Earhart (T-AKE 6), Commander, Task Force 72, Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM) 77, HSM-51, HSM-35, HSM-37, and Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 25.

USS Paul Hamilton strengthens relationship with Indian navy

Ensign Ashleigh M. Share

USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) Public Affairs

GOA, India (NNS) — The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) visited Goa, India, March 17-21.

While in port, Paul Hamilton hosted members of the Indian press as well as Indian navy officers and sailors on board for tours of the ship and a reception.

“Defense cooperation and maritime security are major themes in the U.S.-India relationship,” said Thomas Vajda, U.S. consul general in Mumbai, India.

“I was delighted to participate in several events with the crew of USS Paul Hamilton and their counterparts in the Indian navy.

“I have enjoyed seeing the sense of camaraderie and friendship developing between our officers and Sailors, which augurs well for a future in which India and the United States increasingly work together to address shared security, terrorism and piracy chal-

lenges whether they exist in the Indian Ocean region or farther afield,” he said.

Paul Hamilton Sailors also participated in a friendly basketball game with the Don Bosco College of Engineering basketball team and distributed donated Project Handclasp materials for Child Right Goa activity centers.

The ship’s soccer team also had the opportunity to play against a team comprised of Sailors from the Indian navy.

“We feel working together with the Indian navy and working together often is the single most important factor in building long-standing relationships,” said Cmdr. John Barsano, Paul Hamilton’s commanding officer.

“Building relationships through port visits like this will enable us both to call on one another during times of greatest need,” he said.

Paul Hamilton, homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, is currently on a deployment to the U.S. 5th and 7th fleet areas of responsibility.

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SECNAV commemorates Battle of Iwo Jima on 70th anniversary

Secretary of the Navy Public Affairs

IWO TO, Japan (NNS) — Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus arrived March 21 on Iwo To, the island formerly known as Iwo Jima, to attend the 70th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Iwo Jima.

On the island where, in 1945, the United States and Japan met in conflict, Mabus spoke of the bravery displayed by those who fought for both sides during the historic World War II Battle for Iwo Jima.

“Simply walk through the black sands of Iwo Jima’s shores and spend a moment in one of its dark tunnels,” said Mabus.

“Only then can you begin to fathom the unbelievable and, at some level, past human, fortitude it took to charge these beaches under withering fire, or to fight from a sub-

terranean labyrinth for 36 days. A few heroes here know that courage. The rest of us can simply wonder with awe and admiration and respect.”

During the battle, the Japanese lost 21,750 members of their armed forces. The U.S. lost 6,821 and suffered 26,038 casualties.

The ceremony brought together representatives of the nations who fought so fiercely 70 years ago to honor the veterans of this battle, some of whom were in attendance.

“On behalf of generations of grateful Americans,” said Mabus. “I thank the veterans who sit here among us and those who are here today only in spirit. Legends of your intrepidity here at Iwo Jima will echo through the ages.”

Mabus also recognized the strength of the relationship between the U.S. and Japan, two former ad-



U.S. Navy photo by MCC Sam Shavers

Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Ray Mabus delivers remarks at the 70th anniversary commemoration ceremony of the Battle for Iwo Jima held March 21 in Iwo To, Japan.

versaries that have grown to become strong allies.

“While we gather here in commemoration of

93,000 sons of Japan and the United States, who fought on these sands as bitter enemies seven

decades ago, there is no better way to honor their legacy than to underscore the bond that now exists

between our two great nations as a result of what they did here,” Mabus said.

Joining Mabus at the commemoration, among others, were Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., Japanese Minister of Defense Gen Nakatani and Japanese Ambassador to the United States Kenichiro Sasae.

Similar commemorations have been held each year since 1995 when the surviving veterans of the Iwo Jima Association of America and the Japanese Iwo To Association agreed to meet every year on Iwo To to remember the battle with a reunion of honor.

Mabus’ stop in Iwo To is part of a multi-nation visit to the U.S. Pacific Command area of responsibility focused on reinforcing existing partnerships and visiting Sailors and Marines forward-deployed.

Commentary

In time of need NMCRS team supports our people, mission

Rear Adm. Rick Williams

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) — whose active duty fund drive is on now — can help our people in time of need, when they need it the most. Tragedy can strike anyone, anytime.

In the past year, our NMCRS team here at Pearl Harbor helped 76 people go home on emergency leave to see immediate family members at their bedside or to attend funeral services.



Rear Adm. Rick Williams

As Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus said earlier this year, “Taking care of our

people is a top priority ... NMCRS is a lifeline of support and financial assistance for those in need.”

NMCRS Pearl Harbor, led by Paul Belanger and his team of mostly volunteers, helped dozens of families who arrived here on permanent change of station orders while they awaited their temporary lodging allowance reimbursements to kick in. Help included food, shelter and utilities.

Whether through interest-free loans or outright grants, depending on individual situations, the Pearl Harbor office of the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society provided \$836,000 in financial assistance last year to Sailors, Marines and Retirees and their family members.

Their quick assist loans are a safe and secure alternative to predatory loan sharks who prey on the mil-

itary and their loved ones.

The Pearl Harbor Visiting Nurse, working through NMCRS, performed 787 newborn home visits last year for new Navy and Marine Corps families, answering parents’ questions and setting families up for success, including with budget classes, nutrition advice and even a homemade baby blanket knitted by NMCRS volunteers.

That kind of support is greatly appreciated by new moms and dads whose own parents and grandparents are likely thousands of miles away. And it directly enables and supports our mission, especially when we need to focus on the vital job at hand.

Belanger’s team helped 28 clients with interest-free loans to repair their vehicles.

The Pearl Harbor NMCRS Thrift Shop served 5,600 customers last year

and raised more than \$60,000 to support assistance programs. Thanks to the thrift shop, Sailors and their families were able to purchase household items, children’s clothing, uniforms and other necessities.

Most of all, NMCRS is there in times of crisis. Remember, tragedy can come at any time.

Paul told me about a service member’s wife who requested emergency travel because a family member died suddenly. Her husband had been deployed for some time and money was tight. NMCRS came to the rescue and assisted her with an interest-free loan so she could travel. She was able to make it back home in time to attend the funeral. Later she expressed her profound thanks to her case worker and NMCRS.

Young families can be hit with unexpected bills. Re-

tirees can face costly medical or moving expenses. Returning warfighters can fall victim to predatory loan schemes.

Let’s encourage all of our shipmates to learn about the programs and services available at NMCRS. Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is helping us meet our mission by taking care of our people in time of need.

If you are an active duty Sailor or Marine working at Pacific Missile Range Facility, Marine Corps Base Hawaii or here at the joint base, help may be available in the form of counseling, loans or grants.

Please join me in thanking everyone at Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. I appreciate also the good work of Fleet Logistics Command Pearl Harbor, keyworkers, supporters and volunteers in coordinating this year’s campaign.

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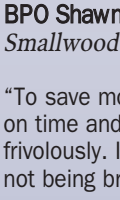


What do you do to save money or protect yourself financially?



SrAirman Steven Yanagi
1st Air Support Operations Group

“To save money and protect myself financially, I keep my money in the bank and keep track of my spending.”



BPO Shawn Behari
Smallwood Hall building manager

“To save money, I always pay my bills on time and try to not spend too frivolously. I do this because it’s nice not being broke.”



Capt. Geoffrey Hanson
203d Air Refueling Squadron

“I try not to eat out more than once or twice a week and instead bring a lunch to work and make dinners at home. I also keep an Excel spreadsheet to help keep track of my budget. I do this so I can achieve financial peace and be free of debt one day.”



CS1 Oscar Jackson
Seawolf tower building manager

“I invest money I earn into a ROTH IRA and tend to avoid overspending on things I don’t particularly need. However, I do splurge from time to time. It’s healthy to buy something nice for yourself every now and then, but it needs to be controlled and in moderation.”



Jill Koester
Air Force spouse



HM3 Irvin Jones
Naval Health Clinic Hawaii

“With a child on the way, my wife and I have been living below our means and have been putting everything we can into savings. But even before we were expecting our child, we lived frugally.”



Provided by SrAirman Christopher Stoltz and David D. Underwood Jr.

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WAVES travel to Pearl Harbor



Official U.S. Navy photograph

Storekeeper 2nd Class Francella Leigh, Yeoman 2nd Class Patricia McRae and Pharmacist’s Mate 3rd Class Suzanne Hosmer remove knapsacks in their stateroom after arriving aboard a transport. They and other WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service) were en route to their new duty stations at Pearl Harbor in early January 1945.

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JBPHH ‘Kicks Butts’ in anti-smoking campaign

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Anti-smoking advocates across Oahu joined their counterparts nationwide for the 20th annual Kick Butts Day held March 18 at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX).

“Kick Butts Day is designed to raise awareness of tobacco use in the state or community,” said Brittany Bigham, a director for the campaign.

“It’s events like this that encourage youth to reject the tobacco industry’s deceptive marketing and stay tobacco-free. This is also an awareness campaign to urge elected officials to take action to protect kids from tobacco,” she said.

NEX collaborated with Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR), Naval Health Clinic Hawaii, AMR Youth Sports, United Services Organization (USO) Hawaii and Defense Com-



Boatswain’s Mate 2nd Class Paige Schmit encourages walkers during a two-mile fun run.

missary Agency (DeCA) to host a two-mile fun run in the NEX parking lot.

Participants walked or jogged the course as volunteers cheered them on with signs and words of encouragement. Following the

event, prizes and giveaways were awarded, including the grand prize, an adult bike donated by the Honolulu USO.

More than 1,000 events were held around the country for this day of youth ac-

tivism, sponsored by the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids.

“Each day, thousands of kids across the nation will smoke their first cigarette,” said Eleanor Bru, a registered nurse with Naval

Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) Health Promotion. “Our goal is to support military members and their families in quitting tobacco use or preventing the habit from starting.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if smoking persists at the current rate among youth, 5.6 million persons under the age of 18 are projected to die prematurely from a smoking-related illness. This represents about one in every 13 Americans aged 17 years or younger who are alive today.

“Secondhand smoke can cause a number of health inflictions for those around you, and that damage can last a lifetime,” said Quartermaster 2nd Class Megan Steffy, one of the supporters at the event. “March 31 is my one-year anniversary quitting smoking. It was incredibly difficult to quit, and I encourage everyone to simply not start in the first place.”

There are many options

available for service members and their families who are trying to quit smoking,” said Bru. “As one option, they can make an appointment with Naval Health Clinic Hawaii to sign up for smoking cessation classes.”

Bru explained that the program is a four-week course which provides personalized alternatives and proactive steps for quitting tobacco products.

Classes cover multiple topics, from understanding addiction to coping skills and how to overcome personal triggers. Through discussion, students discover ways they can manage to relieve stress and boredom without cigarettes.

To schedule an appointment for a tobacco cessation workshop at Naval Health Clinic Hawaii or one of its branch health clinics, call the NHCH health promotion office at 254-7636.

For more information about Kick Butts day and the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, visit <http://www.kickbuttsday.org>.

Third annual ‘Walk to Safety’ slated for April 1 to raise awareness

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Senior Airman
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Public Affairs

On April 1, in conjunction with the monthly tsunami siren test, the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Department of Emergency Management will host the third annual one-mile long “Walk to Safety.”

Slated for 11:30 a.m. on the waterfront at Aloha Aina Park, adjacent to the Wright Brothers Café at Joint Base, the walk is meant to be fun but is certainly not an April Fools’ Day prank.

The event is being held by the JBPHH Department of Emergency Management to raise tsunami awareness and demonstrate that in the event of an actual tsunami, ser-

vice members and their families can “walk to safety” in less than 30 minutes.

Participants will begin the walk at Aloha Aina Park and make their way down Signer Street to the softball fields near the Hickam Fitness Center.

“Many people don’t think it (a tsunami warning) matters or applies to them because the mistake people make is thinking, ‘I don’t live in an evacuation zone.’ You have to remember Hawaii is surrounded by water and things can go wrong quickly,” said Larry Sabatine, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam deputy emergency manager.

Sabatine said the JBPHH Department of Emergency Management chose a walk because, at any time, you could be downtown or on a beach, and hopping in a car might not be the best way to get to



“Walk to Safety” participants make their way down Signer Boulevard.

safety. “We are trying to educate the populace and inform them that if they hear the siren, they should immediately get to a location one mile inland or 50 feet above sea level.”

“You don’t need to panic; you just need to walk inland. This is especially important if you are some-

where like downtown Waikiki. Just imagine trying to evacuate and navigate through that type of traffic,” he said.

A piece of advice Sabatine offered is that there is not a specific sound or pattern to indicate a tsunami warning, but if the siren sounds, people should be vigilant

and seek information.

“There is no specific siren for a tsunami,” he said.

“The sirens are meant to alert people of an existing or impending emergency situation. If they hear the sirens, they should immediately tune to their local and TV and radio stations.”

When the sirens begin sounding on April 1, remember that it is a call for tsunami awareness, something Sabatine said everyone should take seriously.

The Walk to Safety is planned in conjunction with NOAA, state civil defense, City and County of Honolulu departments of emergency management, and the American Red Cross.

Families, service members and even pets are allowed to participate in the event. For more information about the JBPHH Walk to Safety, call Sabatine at 448-2742.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights



U.S. Pacific Fleet Sea and Shore Sailor of the Year (SOY) finalists and their families attend a guided tour of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), March 23. The SOY finalists are participating in a variety of personal and professional evaluations as well as leadership, naval heritage and team-building events throughout the week.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Johans Chavarro

Marines assigned to Marine Corps Base Hawaii offload a UH-1Y Huey from the back of a C-17 Globemaster III, March 16, in preparation for the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition,

U.S. Air Force photo by 1st Lt. Elias Zani



(Left) One of three Army tactical base of operations vehicles from the 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, sits just outside a C-17 Globemaster III from the 535th Airlift Squadron at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The vehicle was loaded into the C-17 as part of joint training between the Army and Air Force.

U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Aaron Oelrich

(Below) U.S. Pacific Fleet executive director and chief of staff Todd Schafer talks about the importance of a high-performing fleet, sexual assault prevention and response (SAPR) and teamwork during the Senior Enlisted Leadership Training Symposium held March 24 at Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet headquarters. The symposium is an annual event where senior enlisted leaders from across the Pacific Fleet gather to review the effectiveness of current policies and ways to improve mission readiness in open-forum discussions.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Brian M. Wilbur



Navy Rear Adm. Nancy Norton, U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM) director for command, control, communications and cyber, provides opening remarks during the Multinational Communications Interoperability Program (MCIP) Planning Staff Workshop 2, in preparation for the upcoming humanitarian and disaster relief capstone event Pacific Endeavor (PE). The event was held March 23 at the Ala Moana Hotel in Honolulu. Pacific Endeavor is a series of events that occur each year designed to manage the momentum of the Indo-Asia Pacific rebalance and strengthen relationships with allies and partners by testing the communications response to a natural disaster.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Christopher Hubenthal

USS Paul Hamilton enters US 5th Fleet AOO

Ensign
Ashleigh M. Share

USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60)
Public Affairs

U.S. 5TH FLEET AREA OF OPERATIONS (NNS) — The guided-missile destroyer USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) arrived March 22 in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations (AOO).

Paul Hamilton is an independent ballistic missile defense (BMD) ship that will be involved in a variety of operations in U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) area of responsibility (AOR).

“Paul Hamilton is a premiere BMD asset of approximately 310 highly trained Sailors looking for-



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan

The guided-missile destroyer USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) departs Feb. 14 from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled independent deployment to the Arabian Gulf and western Pacific Ocean.

ward to executing with precision all operational mission tasks independently and in conjunction with carrier strike groups and coalition forces,” said Cmdr. John Barsano, the ship’s commanding officer.

The U.S. 5th Fleet AOO encompasses about 2.5 million square miles of water area, which includes the Arabian Gulf, Arabian Sea, Red Sea, Gulf of Oman and parts of the Indian Ocean.

Paul Hamilton departed Feb. 14 from its homeport at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a training exercise and its deployment to the U.S. 5th Fleet AOO. Paul Hamilton’s last deployment to the U.S. 5th Fleet AOO was in 2013.

PACAF air domain monitoring capability expands, evolves

Tech. Sgt. James Stewart

Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

In January 2014, a small team of intelligence Airmen began building Pacific Air Forces first air watch capability. A five-man team, comprised of enlisted and commissioned Airmen, shared a small computer nestled inside a cramped workspace. Despite their small numbers and lacking equipment, they stood up and operated a 24-hour Pacific air watch.

“Before the watch began, I’d compare our regional awareness to a game of whack-a-mole,” said Capt. Justin Ross, the air watch officer in charge.

“An event would pop up, draw our attention, and then we would react. We had limited visibility on what was going within the Pacific, and that put us in a reactionary position.”

PACAF’s mission covers 100 million square miles and over half of the world’s surface. The Asia-Pacific region contains 60 percent of the world’s population across 36 nations and encompasses one-third of the global economic output.

“The size and scope of what PACAF does every day is absolutely incredible,” said Col. Eva Jenkins, PACAF’s intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance director.

“Having awareness, from an air-perspective, is vital. We created the Pacific air watch capability to provide

real-time, or near real-time, monitoring of military air or missile activity in the air domain,” Jenkins said.

The information the watch began collecting and analyzing soon made its way to PACAF’s commander at the time, Gen. Hawk Carlisle. As it happens, Carlisle also fulfilled U.S. Pacific Command’s joint force air component commander (JFACC) role. Suddenly the small air watch team found their data was directly impacting mission decisions.

“The Pacific air watch team became the eyes and ears of the JFACC,” Jenkins said.

The monitoring and reporting of the air watch delivered round-the-clock situational awareness.

“Generally, we were the first heard, the first ones to tell the JFACC what was happening. This put him in a position to then give the PACOM commander the decision advantage,” Ross said.

The air watch began monitoring all manner of military air or missile activity, collaborating with the Joint Intelligence Operations Center in addition to other centers and units throughout the Pacific and feeding that information to the JFACC.

“The decision advantage gives the commander options,” said 2nd. Lt. Jacob Beeman, the air watch deputy. “For instance, if we detect certain air or missile activity, that information can then help the air component commander position assets or change pro-

cedures in response to a given activity.”

According to Ross, in the Pacific air watch’s short existence, there have already been several instances where activity the watch team reported has driven operations in the Pacific and State Department actions.

Over the next year, attention and support for the air watch began to increase. Backing from both Carlisle and his successor, Gen. Lori J. Robinson, instigated the need for the air domain monitoring capability to grow.

What were once four watchstanders in 2014 is expanding to 16. This year, the entire Pacific air watch is evolving and realigning with the 613th Air Operations Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam as the senior intelligence duty officer (SIDO) team. This move exponentially increases PACOM’s air component monitoring and reporting capability.

“We are all looking forward to the SIDO evolution. It means great things for an already proven capability,” Beeman said.

“We’ll have space and systems to conduct our monitoring. If you look at what the original team accomplished with the resources they had a year ago, I get filled with excitement thinking about the future of air domain monitoring. We’ll be capable of doing so much more for our commander, combatant commander, and the Pacific region.”

SAAPM

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distinguished guests that included Williams, who accepted the city council certificate and proclamation on behalf of the CNRH Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) program.

“It was a real honor to be a part of this important and collaborative effort with the City and County of Honolulu at the signing of this SAPR proclamation event. Annually, April has been established to recognize and provide additional awareness to Navy personnel concerning this issue,” said J. Curtis Gilland, regional program director and SAPR team supervisor.

“However, with the continual support of the mayor and his councilmen, not only will Navy personnel be made aware, but the entire city of Honolulu will be able to see our combined efforts concerning SAPR,” he said.

Regarding the strategy ahead, Williams said, “When it comes to sexual assaults, we must honor our shipmates by looking out for one another. We must have the courage to act, intervene and report.

“And we must have the commitment to support those who have been assaulted,” he said.

For more information about organizing SAAPM events and resources for victims of sexual assault, visit www.sapr.navy.mil.

New 3D-simulator generates training, expertise on subs

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Public Affairs

ARLINGTON, Va. (NNS) — A new diesel generator simulator has been delivered to Pearl Harbor naval facilities by the TechSolutions program at the Office of Naval Research (ONR), officials at ONR announced March 18.

High-fidelity 3D software will allow Sailors to use 50-inch touch screens to see and access all parts of the massive generators aboard Virginia-class subs.

The Navy’s Virginia-class submarines are among the most technically advanced vessels ever built. But even these cutting-edge, fast-attack, nuclear-powered boats need emergency generators on hand and Sailors trained to operate and repair them.

“This will be a big help for the fleet, getting Sailors more training time and providing potentially significant cost savings,” said ONR Command Master Chief Jessie Thomas.

“It has been challenging for all the Sailors who need training on these generators

to get enough work time on the actual boats, particularly given that the subs can be out to sea for extended periods.

“A state-of-the-art simulator allows far more time to learn how these complex machines work,” Thomas said.

As Sailors are being trained on the simulator, they are able to touch different parts of the screen to view and access all parts of the complex generators, even moving virtual controls and twisting virtual knobs to make adjustments based on digital data or sight inspection.

The advanced 3D program, called the multipurpose reconfigurable training system (MRTS), will provide estimated cost avoidances of \$27 million over building more generators for training, freeing up funds for significant expansion of training capabilities.

The improvements include expansion of the machinery room where the simulators will be placed, allowing greater immersion and multiple-mission scenarios that until now had been largely confined to the classroom.

“The beauty of the system



U.S. Navy photo by Darrell Conley

Sailors train on a new diesel generator simulator during a project review at Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division, Aug. 12 in Orlando, Fla.

is that it should reduce the amount of lab time while increasing the scenarios the instructor can put the students through,” said Darrell Conley, project manager for Virginia diesel program at Naval Air Warfare Training Systems Division.

“The software can be loaded on any MRTS 3D trainer in the fleet, allowing any boat to schedule required training,” he said.

The simulator is part of ONR’s answer to Chief of Naval Operation Adm. Jonathan Greenert’s Naviga-

tion Plan 2015-2019. The plan calls for greater focus on critical afloat and ashore readiness, including “development and fielding of live, virtual and constructive training environments to provide more realistic training at a reduced cost.”

The TechSolutions program takes technology requests directly from Sailors and Marines. When the organization receives a request for a technology solution to a problem, anything from Sailors on watch needing improvements in steel toe boots to Marines in theater requesting better mortar sights, the program attempts to find and deliver a rapid technology prototype solution, usually within 12-18 months from the request being received.

“The work being done by TechSolutions makes an enormous difference to our Sailors and Marines,” said Dr. Walter Jones, ONR executive director. “Innovative technologies, directly requested by our men and women in uniform, are able to reach the user in accelerated timeframes, making contributions from daily life to tactical functionality of platforms in the field.”

The Sailors will work with the generator simulator at Pearl Harbor over the next several months, and it will ultimately be considered for transition to Naval Sea Systems Command’s undersea warfare directorate.

Air Force’s first female chief joined after Dec. 7 attacks

Air Force Enlisted Heritage
Research Institute

In 1960, Chief Master Sgt. Grace Peterson became the first female chief master sergeant. She was not only the first female chief master sergeant; she was part of the original group of senior NCOs to be selected for the rank of E-9.

At the time of promotion, Peterson was the first sergeant of a 400-person Women in the Air Force (WAF) squadron at McGuire Air Force Base, N.J.

Peterson entered military service in New York City soon after the attacks on Dec. 7, 1941 that thrust America into World War II, and she joined what was then



Chief Master Sgt. Grace Peterson

called the Women’s Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) in 1942.

During an interview at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst in

2010, Peterson said, “I joined because of the horrors of Pearl Harbor and I felt I had to do something about it.”

Peterson recalled the first momentous day she entered WAAC as a boot trainee. She was sent to the first WAAC training center, which she hastily established, at Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

The “genius” who prepared these facilities to receive the first females into the military will forever command her admiration, she said.

“Male OD coats were issued and trailed in the snow for the shorter girls. None of us needed mittens for the sleeves completely enveloped our arms,” she said.

Four weeks later, she was as-

signed as company clerk to the second WAAC training center at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and in less than one year the “boot trainee” had risen to the rank of first sergeant.

To this date, Peterson maintains the “boot” expression derived from the heavy brogan shoes she had her charges wore in those days. After experiencing the rigors of basic training and a tight academic schedule — first as a pupil and later as an instructor — the precedent establishing experience of the veteran of six months was considered too valuable to relinquish.

She had, so to speak, found her niche in the Army — to greet and train the women volunteers who had followed her in steadily in-

creasing numbers.

At this point in her career, Peterson said, “I was not only proud of my personal good fortune, but I felt an immense pride of my sex. Many of the volunteers we received — some a great deal older than myself—were college graduates and had established civilian careers but chose, instead, to serve with the armed forces. And I think the record points out the caliber of service women performed during the war.”

Throughout the war years, Peterson remained in the U.S. except for a period of duty at Ladd Field, Alaska.

(Staff Sgt. Zachary Wilson contributed to this article.)

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Chief Damage Controlman Hasani Rhymes instructs Sailors.
U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Johans Chavarro



SAILORS TRAIN
TO FIGHT FIRE

Navy Public Affairs Support Element West, Det. Hawaii

Sailors participated in a general shipboard firefighting training evolution last week at the Surface Warfare Officer's School (SWOS) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The training allowed students to practice proper fire hose handling procedures, firefighting maneuvers, teamwork and nozzle-man relieving procedures.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Johans Chavarro
A Sailor receives guidance from an instructor during firefighting training.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan
Sailors based in Hawaii give thumbs up to an instructor prior to participating in general shipboard firefighting training.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan
Damage Controlman 2nd Class Jessica Grover advises Sailors.



Photo Illustration



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U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan
Instructors assigned to the Surface Warfare Officer's School demonstrate firefighting techniques.



A GENT IN THE KITCHEN

BY: BRANDON BOSWORTH

Can't 'beet' Borscht

The first time I ever had borscht was about 20 years ago at a Russian restaurant in Las Vegas whose name escapes me. Even though it was located in a dinky strip mall, the interior was all wood and decorated like a dacha. The customers wore lots of black leather, smoked cigarettes, and resembled extras from the movie "Eastern Promises." To call the staff surly and brusque would be an understatement.

Ah, but the food! I ordered borscht primarily because I had never had it and it is such an iconic dish. I wasn't disappointed.

In the following years, I rarely ate borscht. It isn't an easy item to find in Hawaii restaurants, so I decided to try to make it myself.

I looked at several different recipes, especially those by chef Mark Reinfeld, picking and choosing between them to come up with something delicious.

Borscht

Serves 6

- 1 onion, chopped
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2-3 celery stalks, chopped
- 2-3 carrots, chopped
- 6 cups of water or vegetable broth
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 potato, peeled and chopped
- 3 beets, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 head of cabbage, chopped
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar or balsamic vinegar (or two teaspoons of each!)
- 1 tablespoon tamari or other soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons nutritional yeast
- 1/2 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon celery seeds
- 2 tablespoons (at least!) of minced fresh dill

Sour cream or mayonnaise

Heat a tablespoon or two of olive oil in a large pot with a lid on medium-high heat. Add the onion, stirring for three to five minutes. Add the garlic, and stir for another minute. Add the celery and carrots, and continue to stir for a couple of minutes.

Add the water or broth, bay leaves, potato, cabbage and beets. A word of caution: If you aren't used to working with them, peeling and slicing beets can be a bit of a chore and a tad messy. Bring the water to a boil, reduce the heat to low, and cover. Cook for 20 to 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

The beets usually take the longest to cook. Check them periodically and, once they are soft, uncover and add the lemon juice, vinegar, tamari, nutritional yeast, caraway and celery seeds, and dill. Stir well, and cook for about another five minutes.

The time has now come for you to make a big decision: Do you prefer your borscht chunky or creamy? If you prefer chunky, you're basically done. If you prefer creamy, get out your immersion blender and start blending. I prefer a sort of Goldilocks borscht, neither too chunky nor too creamy, so I only blend about half of it. The result is a borscht that is basically creamy but with a few chunks of tasty veggie goodies.

Serve with a dollop of sour cream or mayonnaise, and cue up some Tchaikovsky for the total Russian experience.

(Brandon Bosworth blogs about food, fitness, philosophy, martial arts, and other topics at www.agentintraining.com.)



The borscht cooking, prior to blending.



Borscht, after being blended.



The final dish.



Staff Sgt. Antwan Cotton hammers down one of his four dunks for the 647th Civil Engineer Squadron (647 CES).

647th Civil Engineers stay perfect with huge victory

Story and photo by
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After sending the 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron (690 COS) to their first defeat two weeks ago, the 647th Civil Engineer Squadron (647 CES) kept pace with Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii as the only other unbeaten team in the Blue Division with a commanding 75-41 victory over the 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) on March 19 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

Although the 324 was able to stick around for portions of the game, the team which arrived at the gym with only six players was eventually worn down by the constant pressure applied by the 647 CES.

Up by 13 at halftime, the 647 CES used their superior numbers to their advantage in the second half and ran the 324 off the court for the lopsided win.

An unheard total of 11 players got in the scoring column for the 647 CES, with three players breaking double digits.

"We were going to just try to sub in five at a time and try to just run them," said 647 CES head coach Tech. Sgt. Antonio Robinson. "But they (324) were

playing pretty good D, so I had to get my team settled down."

After taking a 17-4 lead with 14:05 remaining before halftime, behind the shooting of Senior Airman Jonathan Bates, the 324 shrunk the advantage down to nine at 26-19.

However, with the starting rotation back on the court, the 647 CES pulled away again on baskets by Staff Sgt. Roy Jackson and Tech. Sgt. Brian Matthews to make it 30-19.

Then, with a minute to go before halftime, Staff Sgt. Brian Sanders knocked down two free throws to keep the lead at 11 with a 34-23 advantage. "We just wanted to get our fresh legs in there and just tire them out," said Robinson about how the CES was able to pull away every time the 324 would make a run. "It's just fundamental basketball."

In the second half, the CES just stepped on the gas and easily pulled away from the 324 IS.

The CES got their first 20-point lead at the eight-minute mark and then put on a show that was highlighted by the thunderous dunks of Staff Sgt. Antwan Cotton.

In a series of dunks noteworthy of any highlight reel, Cotton threw down his fourth and final throw down at the buzzer

to end the game.

Cotton, flying in from the right side of the basket, caught a perfect alley-oop pass from Sanders before shoving down a rim-rattling tomahawk that brought the crowd to their feet.

Cotton led the CES with 12 points and was followed by Sanders with 11 and Staff Sgt. Josh Smith with 10.

Meanwhile, the game's leading scorer came from the 324, with Bates scoring 18 points.

"It's just practicing and being unselfish," said Robinson about the fact that so many CES players scored points for his team. "Everybody on this team is unselfish. They're looking to get the better shots and get the easy buckets."

With the regular season coming to a close in a couple of weeks, Robinson said that the focus is now on making sure that everyone on the team gets some playing time and is ready to go in the postseason.

Still, before the team can even begin to think ahead to the playoffs, Robinson said that the CES has some unfinished business — a showdown with NIOC for the Blue Division title.

"We're coming," Robinson said to NIOC. "We're looking forward to a good challenge."

MFSC to hold upcoming events

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Military and Family Support Center (MFSC) will hold upcoming events.

- A pinwheel planting event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon April 2 at MFSC Wahiawa (NCTAMS).

The pinwheel serves as the national symbol for child abuse prevention. It is a reflection of hope, health and safety — what should be desired for children everywhere. Pinwheels will be planted for children in honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month.

- An Infant and Toddler Clothing Swap and Information Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to noon April 9 at MFSC Hickam.

The clothing swap is a way to get baby clothes for free. Families are encouraged

to bring a bag of gently used children clothing for swapping and go home with the bag filled with new gently used clothes for their babies and toddlers. This event is designed to bring families together to strengthen their social connections and support.

- Recruitment for the Central Intelligence Agency will be held from 11 a.m. to noon April 20 at MFSC Pearl Harbor.

An agency representative will be on hand to discuss qualification procedures and the hiring process and answer questions. Because the class fills quickly, participants are asked to register online at www.greatlifeohawaii.com.

For more information on MFSC events, call 474-1999.

Easter Sunrise Service to be held at Battleship Missouri

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The Battleship Missouri Memorial will host its annual Easter Sunrise Service beginning at 6:30 a.m. April 5. This is a multi-service event with chaplains from the Navy, Air Force and Army participating.

The service is a free event and is open to anyone with base access. The inter-denominational service runs about an hour long. Guests are advised to arrive by 6 a.m., and carpooling is encouraged. Dress will be crisp aloha attire.

The Battleship Missouri Memorial Easter Sunrise Service is a popular

event, often attracting more than 1,000 people each year.

Chaplain Cdr. George Mendes, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, is the lead coordinator for the event and will help lead the services.

"My father was in the Navy in World War II so I feel a personal connection to the Missouri through my father's experiences," he said.

Mendes said he looks forward to this year's Easter Sunrise Service.

"As a Sailor, I just love doing services on ships," he said. "I've done sunrise services on ships out to sea but nothing like this. It's humbling and an honor."

For more information, call the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel at 473-3971.



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Chung-Hoon takes one step closer to the top

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Sitting one game behind Pearl City Peninsula (PCP) Warriors in the standings, USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) Koa Kai defeated the Warriors, 52-41, on March 21 to grab sole possession of second place in the Afloat Division during an intramural basketball game at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

In winning the head-to-head match, the victory raised Chung-Hoon's record to 5-2, which is good enough to exchange places with PCP, even though the Warriors have the same identical mark.

In facing one of the team's biggest challenges this season, Chung-Hoon's head coach Chief Hospital Corpsman Banny Chavez said that there was only one way to attack the Warriors.

"We know that they (Warriors) like to pressure, so the only way to beat pressure is to give pressure right back," Chavez said. "If we get a rebound, we're off and running."

The strategy to press the issue turned out to be a good one, as the Koa Kai got out to a quick lead and stayed in control for most of the first half.

Boatswain's Mate Seaman Emmanuel Morgan's jumper inside the lane gave Chung-Hoon their first double-digit lead at 23-13 with 8:52 remaining on the clock before halftime.

A lay-up by Chung-Hoon star guard Yeoman 3rd Class Courtney Sims kept the lead at 10 four minutes later at 29-19, but PCP wasn't going to give up with a full half of basketball remaining in the game.

A long bomb from beyond the arc by Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Ricardo Hodges

cut the lead down to five with 20 seconds to go in the half, but the margin went back up to eight at 32-24 when Sims completed a basket-at-one at the buzzer.

The lead at halftime could have been a lot bigger had it not been for the outside shooting of Hodges and his fellow teammates.

Hodges netted nine points on three treys in the first half to complement three more deep balls for a total of six for the Warriors.

In the second half, the Warriors kept chipping away at the lead until back-to-back baskets by Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Jordan Martin pulled PCP to within two points at 36-34.

However, with time winding down, reserve Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 3rd Class Daniel Kelley stepped up and swished a clutch three-pointer to put Koa Kai back up by five at 39-34.

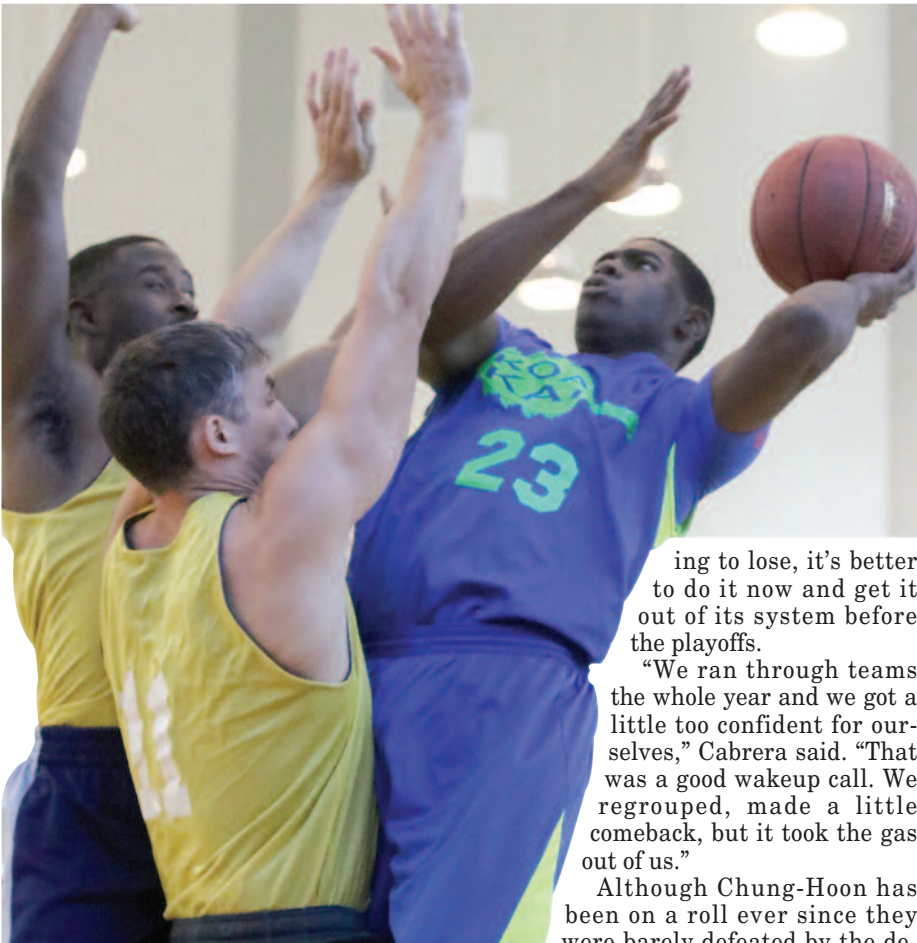
The shot by Kelley not only stopped the Warriors' comeback dead in its tracks but also was a huge boost for the Koa Kai bench, which stepped up to secure the victory.

Sims went down hard after being fouled on a drive to the basket and was forced to sit out for five crucial minutes in which the Koa Kai reserves established and then took control.

"We have a good bench," Chavez said. "That's what really won us the game this time. When we broke away from the team (Warriors), four out of our five guys were subs. That's a sign of a good team, when we can rely on our bench to go out there and pick up the pace."

Sims, though, was the high scorer of the game with 18 points, while teammates Ship's Serviceman 2nd Class Ahmed Lyons got 11 and Logistics Specialist 3rd Class Nikita Mayo followed up with seven.

Even in defeat, Warriors head coach



Yeoman 3rd Class Courtney Sims tries to beat a wall of Pearl City Peninsula (PCP) Warriors defenders while taking the ball to the hoop.

Machinist's Mate 1st Class Nelson Cabrera said that there were a lot of things that his team did well.

Cabrera said that he thought that the Warriors did a good job of containing Sims and that the team never gave up.

In fact, Cabrera said if the team is go-

ing to lose, it's better to do it now and get it out of its system before the playoffs.

"We ran through teams the whole year and we got a little too confident for ourselves," Cabrera said. "That was a good wakeup call. We regrouped, made a little comeback, but it took the gas out of us."

Although Chung-Hoon has been on a roll ever since they were barely defeated by the defending champs USS Port Royal (CG 73) on Feb. 21, Chavez said that the team has much more work to do before the postseason.

With the playoffs just around the corner, Chavez said that he likes the direction that the team is headed.

"We're still making mistakes," he admitted. "We have a lot of room to grow. Once everybody knows their roles, we're going to be better."

Airmen join Hickam Communities in community cleanup



Volunteers from several Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam units joined Hickam Communities' staff for a community cleanup effort in the Onizuka Village neighborhood last month.

Story and photo by
Hickam Communities

Donning gloves and carrying bundles of trash bags, nearly two dozen volunteers from the 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron, 37th Intelligence Squadron and 647th Security Forces Squadron /S3D K-9 joined Hickam Communities' staff to help clean up Onizuka Village last month.

The community project at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam was the first to be undertaken by the "Airmen Care" initiative, a new program established earlier this year between Hickam Communities and JBPHH units

that encourages volunteerism among service members.

Plastic bottles, aluminum cans, old newspapers and candy wrappers are some of the items that can be found at Hickam Communities' parks, playgrounds and tot lots.

"It's important for all of us to take care of the communities we live in," said Senior Airman Mallory King, who helped create Airmen Care and is an active volunteer with several other non-profits on Oahu. "It's (volunteering) something I enjoy and plan to continue on a regular basis," she added.

"Many of our residents would like to give back and

make a difference in their community, so we're very thankful to have someone like SrAirman King to help create opportunities for them," aid Stephen Quinn, director of property management at Hickam Communities.

"Through the Airmen Care initiative, we plan to focus on other common areas in our community footprint each quarter, and we look forward to more residents joining service members and our staff."

For more information about Airmen Care and to get involved, contact Lauressa Richardson at lauressa.richardson@hickamcommunities.com.

HIANG bounces back to capture first win

Story and photo by
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Last year, Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) strung eight wins in a row to finish off the regular season with a Red Division title and a perfect 8-0 record.

A year later and another year older, the HIANG were stunned with a loss in their first game of the new season, which raised more than a few eyebrows around the intramural soccer community.

While the team will not match its unbeaten regular-season record of last year, the HIANG sent a message to the rest of the league that their season is far from over.

Facing a tough squad from the Coast Guard, the HIANG immediately got back on the winning track on March 21 by earning a hard-fought 1-0 victory in a Blue Division game at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win evened HIANG's record at 1-1 while the Coast Guard suffered its second loss against one victory.

Despite starting off the season on the losing end, longtime HIANG striker Capt. Glen Hayase said that this year's squad is as strong as previous teams from the past.

"I think it's comparable," he said. "We have some veterans and some young blood, so I think we're good. We lost some key players last year, but we'll do OK."

Although the final score did not indicate it, this game was dominated by HIANG, which played almost the entire first and second half in Coast Guard territory.

The shots-on-goal attempts were decidedly in favor of the HIANG, but Hayase said that the off-season rust was just enough to prevent the ball from scoring.

"I think it was just one of those days," Hayase stated. "Part of it was most of the guys don't play outside of this league. I played last week, but the last time before that, at the end of last season, I shoved my shoes in



Capt. Glen Hayase (yellow shorts) watches from the background as his shot moves toward the goal.

my bag and last week I pulled them out."

One ball did manage to touch the back of the net and it took place at the midway point of the first half.

Capt. Skip Saito set up for a corner kick to the right of the Coast Guard's goal and, on the whistle, delivered a ball that floated toward the top of the box.

Holding his ground, Hayase got enough of the ball and then watched as it cleared the inside of the left upright for the score and 1-0 lead.

Saito said that he knew that if he would somehow place the ball near Hayase, the HIANG striker would find a way to get it to the goal.

"It was a lucky kick," Saito said about his kick from the corner. "It landed right to Glen Hayase's foot and he knocked it in. Glen's a type of guy that's a go-to player. You know if you get him the ball, he'll put it in the net. It's not about practice. It's knowing about each other's abilities and having confidence in them."

Hayase agreed with Saito and added that familiarity with each other's game was the key to getting the game-winning goal.

"One of the things I was joking about was that us guard guys are usually older," Hayase said. "That means that we've been playing together a lot longer. So we do get to know each other's skills and preferences."

Once he had the ball in his vicinity, Hayase said that his only hope was that he would get enough of the ball to finish the shot.

"In my mind, I was going to hit it solid," he said. "Thank goodness I got a little piece of it and the angle was good."

Hayase acknowledged that if HIANG was able to convert more of their attempts, the game could have been decided much earlier.

After seeing what could have been against the Coast Guard, Hayase said it's just a matter of time before everything starts to click.

"I think that by the next game, it will be good," he expressed. "Last week was tough, but this week we got a little more comfortable with each other. So I think by next week, we should be gelling. I mean, as much as 40-year-olds can gel once a week."

Joint Base Holy week services announced

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Assistant Editor, Ho'okele

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Holy Week events have been announced. They include:

• **Jewish services**

Joint Military Passover Seder, 6 p.m., April 3, Hale Koa Hotel Waikiki Ballroom. The registration deadline is March 27. For more information or to register, contact Dr. Daniel Bender at dab96744@gmail.com

• **Protestant services**

Palm Sunday, March 29 8:30 a.m., contemporary worship service, Hickam Chapel Center

9 a.m., traditional Protestant service, Nelles Chapel 10:45 a.m., gospel service, Nelles Chapel

11 a.m. Protestant worship service, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

Good Friday, April 3 5 p.m., Good Friday service, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

Easter Sunday 6:30 a.m., joint sunrise service, Battleship Missouri Memorial

8:30 a.m., contemporary worship service, Hickam Chapel Center

9 a.m., traditional Protestant service, Nelles Chapel 10:45 a.m., gospel service,

Nelles Chapel.

11 a.m. Protestant worship service, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

• **Roman Catholic services**

Palm Sunday, March 28 5 p.m., Catholic Mass, Hickam Chapel Center

Palm Sunday, March 29 8:45 a.m., Palm Sunday Mass, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

11 a.m., Palm Sunday Mass, Hickam Chapel Center

Holy Thursday, April 2 7 p.m., Holy Thursday Mass/feet washing, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

7 p.m., Holy Thursday Mass, Hickam Chapel Center

Good Friday, April 3 7 p.m. Good Friday Holy Communion service, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

7 p.m. Good Friday Holy Communion service, Hickam Chapel Center

Holy Saturday/ Easter Vigil, April 4 7 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass, Hickam Chapel Center

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

Easter Sunday, April 5 9 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

11 a.m., Easter Sunday Mass, Hickam Chapel Center.

Story Ideas?

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Live the Great Life



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Kids and adults can experience activities at Saturday's open house at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center.

MWR to hold spring open house Saturday

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

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation will celebrate National Craft Month by hosting a spring open house from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center.

This will be the first of two open house events this year. The second is scheduled to take place in December.

Patrons will have an opportunity to see

all that the center has to offer. All facility departments, including the ceramics, engraving, wood and frame shops, will be open with demonstrations happening throughout the afternoon. The retail store will have special deals on selected craft supplies.

There will be free activities for the whole family, including make-and-takes, which are small crafts kids can make and take home. There will also be door prizes, free hot dogs and soda.

For more information, call 448-9907, ext. 101 or 102, or visit www.greatlife.hawaii.com.



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Sailing classes start at the beginning of every month at Rainbow Bay Marina and Hickam Harbor.

Sailing classes begin next week on base

Reid Tokeshi

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

The marinas at Hickam Harbor and Rainbow Bay at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam offer monthly sailing classes tailored for both kids and adults.

Beginner sailing classes for children ages 10 years and older will be held every Monday and Wednesday at Rainbow Bay Marina.

The \$50 fee covers a month's worth of classroom theory and on-the water instruction from certified instructors.

For those who have already taken this class, a month-long level-two course is also available on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each session is two hours long, so students get 16 hours of instruction during the month.

Hickam Harbor also will hold a class for youth ages 10-15 years old on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Another course offered by Hickam Harbor is a month-long class for

children ages 8 and 9 years old. This class, called the Keiki After-School Intro to Sailing, is designed for young, new sailors-to-be who may be a little apprehensive.

In addition, for those ages 16 years and older, both marinas conduct Start Sailing Right classes. These four-hour long classes are geared toward older teens and adults. The cost is \$75 and the classes are held every Saturday for a month.

For those who want a sample of what sailing is like before committing a full month's time, Rainbow Bay Marina offers family/group sailing instruction on Saturdays. This session runs from 9:30 a.m. to noon and costs \$10 per person.

Once the skill of sailing is learned, both harbors have boats available for rent. Weekly sailing sessions are also available.

All classes require advance registration. For more information, go to www.greatlife-hawaii.com or call the Rainbow Bay Marina office at 784-0167 or the Hickam Harbor office at 449-5215.

Your Weekly Fun with MWR

Double Feature Friday will begin at 5:30 p.m. today at Sharkey Theater. Patrons can watch two movies for the price of one admission ticket. The featured films are "McFarland, USA" (rated PG) and "Focus" (rated R). FMI: 473 0726.

5K Moustache March will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Hickam Fitness Center. Registration for this free 5K run begins at 7 a.m. Awards will be given in the following categories: men; women; men's stroller; women's stroller; youth (male and female); most extravagant moustache. FMI: 448-2214.

Monday Night Kid's Night will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. March 30 at Sam Choy's Island Style Seafood Grille. Children ages 12 years and younger can obtain a free kid's meal with the purchase of an adult entrée. A bounce house will be available for children from 5 to 7 p.m. FMI: 422-3002.

Half-Price Aeration Special will run from March 31 through April 5 at Mamala Bay Golf Course. Green fees will be half-price during aeration of the greens and turf. The course will be closed all day March 30 before the half-price aeration special begins. FMI: 449-2304.

18th Annual Hawaii All-Military Bowling Tournament will begin at 10 a.m. March 31 at Naval Station Bowling Center, April 1 at K-Bay Lanes, April 2 at Schofield Bowling Center, and April 3 at Hickam Bowling Center. The best of the Hawaii military bowlers will compete to win the "HAM" title. Bowlers include active-duty Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Guard, Reservists and retirees. Admission is free for spectators. FMI: 473-2651.

Miniature Library Contest entries will be accepted from April 1 to 22 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. This contest celebrates

National Library Week and is open to all children and teens. Entrants can create a library diorama (a 3-D miniature model) in a shoebox. Any materials are acceptable (paper, cardboard, scrapbook paper, LEGOs, Playmobil figures). All entries will be displayed in the library and voted on by library staff. The winning diorama will be photographed and made into a library poster celebrating National Library Week of 2016. There is no fee to enter the contest. FMI: 449-8299.

Mongolian BBQ will be offered from 5:30 to 8 p.m. April 2 on the lanai of the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. A

variety of meats, vegetables and sauces will be available. Rice, noodles, soup, beverages and fortune cookies are included. FMI: 448-4608.

Ford Island Bridge Run will begin at 7 a.m. April 4 at the Adm. Clarey Bridge next to Kamehameha Highway. Late entries will be accepted until April 3 with a registration fee of \$30. Race day entries will be accepted until 6:45 a.m. with a registration fee of \$45. Pets are not allowed. The application is available for download at www.greatlife-hawaii.com. FMI: 473-2494 or 473-2437.

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Community Calendar

MARCH

A-OK PROGRAM

NOW — The Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) gives back to students with good grades. Parents can bring their child's most recent report card to the NEX to register for the Project A-OK program. The child could win \$3,000, \$2,000 or \$1,000 from NEX. FMI: see the NEX Aloha Center in the mall rotunda or call 423-3287.

YOU MADE THE GRADE

NOW — The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is rewarding military students who excel in the classroom with its You Made the Grade program. Students in first through 12th grades who maintain a B average or better are eligible to receive a coupon book with free offers and discounts. Scholars can also enter the You Made the Grade semiannual sweepstakes to receive gift cards worth \$2,000, \$1,500 or \$500. Students and guardians can check with their local exchange store manager for more information about the exchange's You Made the Grade program. FMI: <http://www.shopmyexchange.com> or follow on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/ExchangePAO>.

THREE-POINT SHOOT-OUT

SATURDAY — Hickam Communities will host a three point shoot-out out from noon to 1 p.m. at Earhart Recreational Complex, intersection of Aupaka Street and Malick Avenue. The event is a fitness activity for youth ages 5 to 18 who can compete in a three-point and free throw competition to win prizes. FMI: www.hickamcommunities.com or 853-3776.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

SATURDAY — Breakfast with the Easter bunny will begin at 8 a.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange food court lanai. The event for authorized patrons only will include a pancake and ham breakfast, glitter tattoos, balloon art, prizes and crafts. The cost is \$12 for children and \$10 for adults. FMI: 423-3287 or email Stephanie.Lau@nexweb.org.

BLOOD DRIVE

31 — A blood drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Makalapa Clinic, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. FMI: 433-6699, 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

APRIL

WALK TO SAFETY

1 — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Department of Emergency Management will host a one-mile “Walk to Safety” beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Aloha Aina Park. The walk will be in conjunction with the monthly tsunami siren test. The event helps promote tsunami awareness and demonstrates that people can walk to safety in less than 30 minutes. FMI: 448-2742 or larry.w.sabatine@navy.mil or larry.sabatine.ctr@hickam.af.mil. All hands are invited to walk.

PEARL HARBOR COLORS

1, 23 — The Pearl Harbor Colors honors and heritage ceremony will include a special event beginning at 7:30 a.m. April 1 at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center commemorating the Chief Petty Officers’ Birthday. Fleet Master Chief Ramirez will preside and offer keynote remarks. In addition, a Pearl Harbor Colors ceremony on April 23 will have the theme of “Energy and Environment.”

SAAPM CEREMONY

2 — A Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM) proclamation signing ceremony will begin at 8:30 a.m. at Hickam Memorial Theater.

FORD ISLAND BRIDGE CLOSURE

4 — The Ford Island Bridge will be closed from 6:55 to 7:35 a.m. in support of the 18th annual Ford Island Bridge Run, sponsored by Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation. The 10K race will start at 7 a.m. at the entrance to the bridge, proceed clockwise around the island and end at Richardson Field, across from Aloha Stadium. All motorists and pedestrians should plan accordingly. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

PEARL HARBOR BIKE PATH CLEANUP

4 — Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and other military volunteers can participate in the next Pearl Harbor Bike Path cleanup led by the City and County of Honolulu. Volunteers ages 12 and above should meet at the far end of the Best Buy parking lot in Aiea by 7:30 a.m. Volunteers should dress to get dirty. The city will also host Earth Month festivities at Neal Blaisdell Park starting at 11 a.m. FMI: Chief Master-at-Arms William Matteson at William.n.matteson@navy.mil or (209) 216-7190 or Tom Clements at 473-0662 or email tom.clements@navy.mil.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

5 — An Easter Sunday Sunrise service will begin at 6:30 a.m. at the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

EARTH EVENTS

13-19 — The Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and other Earth Day partners will welcome all authorized patrons to “think green” from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 13 to 17 and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 18 and 19 at the NEX outdoor living center. The activities will include eco-friendly demonstrations, information booths, games, products, giveaways and drawings for prizes. FMI: 423-3274.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCES

14, 16 — Navy Region Hawaii and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam will host observances with the theme “Learning from the Holocaust: Choosing to Act.” The events include a presentation on “Schindler's List” beginning at 3 p.m. April 14 at Hickam Memorial Theater. In addition, an observance featuring Dr. Peter Hoffenberg of UH-Manoa will begin at 11 a.m. April 16 at the Aloha Jewish Chapel.



MCFARLAND, USA (PG)

A track coach in a small California town transforms a team of athletes into championship contenders.

Movie Showtimes

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 3/27

DOUBLE FEATURE FRIDAY

See two movies for the price of one ticket.

5:30 p.m. McFarland, USA (PG)

8:00 p.m. Focus (R)

SATURDAY 3/28

2:30 p.m. The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water (PG)

4:40 p.m. The DUFF (PG-13)

6:50 p.m. Kingsman: The Secret Service (R)

SUNDAY 3/29

2:30 p.m. The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water 3D (PG)

4:40 p.m. Jupiter Ascending (PG-13)

7:20 p.m. The Lazarus Effect (PG-13)

THURSDAY 4/2

7:00 p.m. Seventh Son (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 3/27

6:00 p.m. McFarland USA (PG)

SATURDAY 3/28

4:00 p.m. Spongebob Squarepants Movie: Sponge Out Of Water (PG)

7:00 p.m. Kingsman: The Secret Service (R)

SUNDAY 3/29

2:00 p.m. Spongebob Squarepants Movie: Sponge Out Of Water 3D (PG)

THURSDAY 4/2

7:00 p.m. Hot Tub Time Machine 2 (R)



Social media best practices: Minimizing your online risk

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As social networking enables service members and their families to communicate and share information online, it has become an integral part of our lives to be reminded of the importance of operational security (OPSEC).

“Our adversaries make extensive use of social media to advertise, recruit and launch attacks. The recent publication of service member names, pictures, units and home addresses highlights the dangers posed for U.S. military members who are not careful with what type of personal information is available on social media,” said Andrew Iuvalle, Navy Region Hawaii program manager for combatting terrorism.

According to the U.S. Navy Chief of Information’s (CHINFO) OPSEC guidance, we all know “loose lips sink ships”. Social media amplifies OPSEC risks because it enables greater volume and increased speed of information shared publicly.

While social media is encouraged among service members and their families as a great way to stay connected, it is always best to practice OPSEC and use common sense while engaging online. Here are some best practices to consider.

Best practices provided by the U.S. Navy Digital Media Engagement:

- Protect yourself and your family by avoiding details, especially related to a current deployment.
- Don’t provide specific details about ship movements. Talk only about events that have happened and been released to the media.
- Share information about yourself smartly and be careful about what you disclose about your family and occupation. Use privacy settings to protect your personal information.
- Be careful who you friend or those who follow you on social media.

“The importance of OPSEC goes deeper than most military members and their families realize. Social networking is the single largest source for our adversaries to profile and gain information on military members and their families in order to maliciously target them,” said Lt. Adam Barry, Navy Region Hawaii OPSEC representative.

“It is my personal opinion that we live in the most technologically advanced nation in the world, and therefore each and every one

of us could potentially be our own worst enemy if we choose to be oblivious and uneducated on the dangers of social media,” Barry said.

Social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Google+ all have account settings to ensure that your information is shared in a limited fashion. Here are some do’s and don’ts of social networking to remember:

- Only establish and maintain connections with people you know and trust. Review your connections often.
- Assume that anyone can see any information about your activities, personal life or professional life that you post and share.
- Ensure that your family takes similar precautions with their accounts. Their privacy and sharing settings can expose your personal data.
- Avoid posting or tagging images of you or your family that clearly show your face. Select pictures taken at a distance, at an angle, or otherwise concealed.
- Use secure browser settings when possible and monitor your browsing history to ensure that you recognize all access points.

“Be suspicious when personal information is requested. Legitimate organizations that do online transactions do not solicit passwords, dates of birth, social security numbers, credit card details and other personally identifiable information via phone, email or other message,” said Steve Farmer, Navy Region Hawaii information assurance manager.

Protect yourself and your family by minimizing your security risk online. For more information on U.S. Navy social media best practices and OPSEC, visit <http://www.slideshare.net/USNavySocialMedia>.



Navy launches eDIVO mobile app

*Sea Warrior Program
Public Affairs*

WASHINGTON — The Navy launched a new app March 11 named eDIVO, designed to provide junior officers and chief petty officers with quick access to information and resources all conveniently located within one mobile application.

The eDIVO app is the creation of two junior officers, Lt. Charlie Hymen and Lt. John Harry, who were frustrated with the arduous task of sifting through numerous websites and documents in search of military guidance. Today, their idea and determination has led to the eDIVO app, developed by the Navy and now available for free in the App Store and Google Play Store.

The eDIVO app aggregates publicly available information providing quick access to more than 44 documents and 8,300 pages of information in one convenient place, significantly decreasing the amount of time it takes to search for frequently needed information. In addition, the eDIVO app works when disconnected thus enabling use anywhere, whether ashore or afloat.

“The basic concept was to design a mobile app to help division officers and chief petty officers with their day-to-day management of personnel and divisional affairs, as well as give them the tools to succeed as effective leaders,” said Hymen. “Actually seeing our app turn into a reality is very fulfilling.”

“We are thrilled to see this app launched today in both the Apple and Android platforms because we understand first-hand how this product will make life easier for the division officer,” said Harry.

[The] eDIVO is a bring-your-own-device (BYOD) tool available for smartphones and tablets and allows the division officers to find applicable information such as basic military requirements, evaluation writing, sexual assault and harassment, legal issues, enlisted advancement, equal opportunity and navigation basics. It is designed to help divisional officers (DIVO’s) take the appropriate steps when faced with typical situations they encounter day-to-day.

Beta testers of eDIVO have given the app positive reviews.

“Instead of spending countless hours searching for instructions, forms and other



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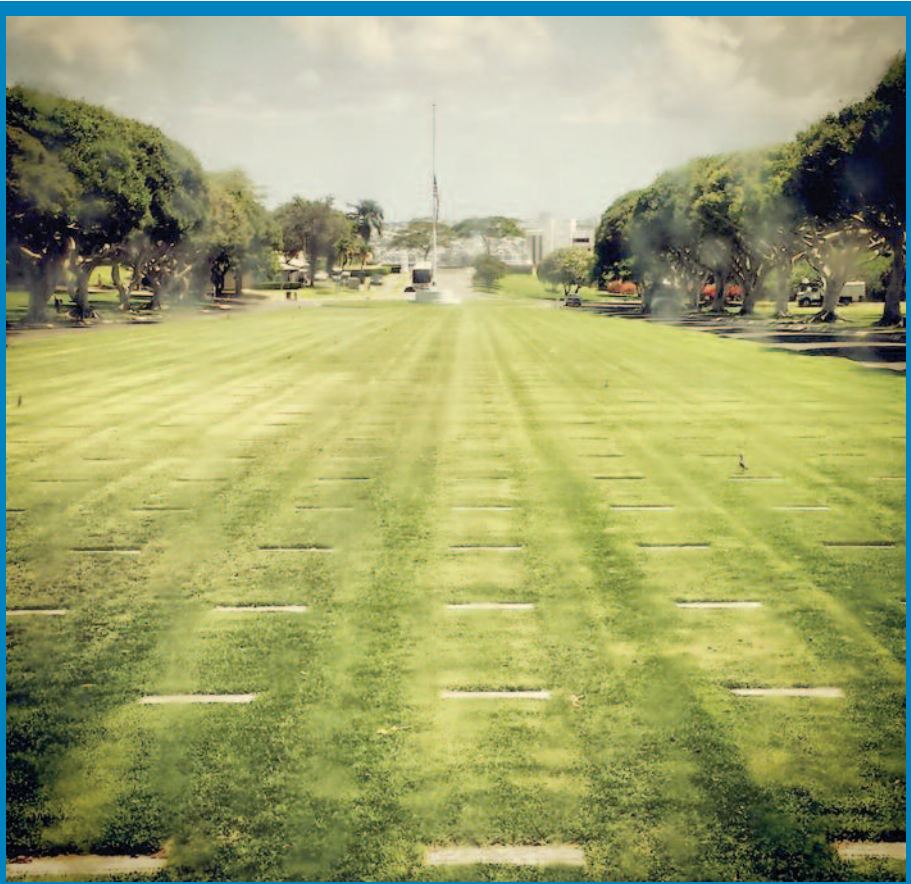
A visitor to the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association-U.S. Naval Institute West 2015 convention on Feb. 2 tries the eDIVO application on a smart phone.

essential administration, division officers have all of the necessary tools at their fingertips and can spend more time leading and developing their Sailors. I can’t stress enough how much of a positive impact eDIVO will have on the surface Navy,” said Lt. j.g. David Galiyas, assistant plans and policies officer, Amphibious Squadron (COMPHIBRON) 6.

Also included with the app is a rules of the road quiz that includes a question bank of more than 1,200 questions (and answers) ensuring that those standing watch are equipped with the resources and training they need to keep their ships safe.

[“The] eDIVO revolutionizes the way a DIVO can work and brings being a naval officer into the 21st century. Being able to access key publications, helpful tips, and rules of the road quizzes from my phone, I am able to immediately make an impact within my division. It even works on airplane mode so I can use it on the high seas,” said Lt. j.g. Hans Lauzen, eDIVO tester and combat information center officer, USS Essex (LHD 2).

The division officer app was developed by the U.S. Navy Sea Warrior Program (PMW 240) and produced under an agile development process that allowed an operational utility prototype to be released within six months. This process was specifically designed to develop the eDIVO app, and future apps, on a short timeline and small budget.



My Favorite Photo...

Air Force Staff Sgt. Carl D. Sanders, unit deployment manager for 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron (COS/CYT), took this photo of the National Memorial Ceremony of the Pacific, also known as Punchbowl Cemetery.

How to submit: send your non-posed photos to editor@hookelenews.com.