

## Navy shows community partnership with Hawaii DOE

*Military children recognized for scholastic achievements*

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*Navy Public Affairs  
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Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, hosted an educators' reception April 23 to honor local high school students and emphasize the military community partnership with the Hawaii Department of Education (DOE).

The reception was held at Williams' home and included approximately 65 local public school educators, including students from military families who are graduating as valedictorians this year.

The goals of the event were to recognize military children's success in the Hawaii school system, spotlight the military community's strategic engagement, and to communicate a plan to help attract the best and brightest of personnel to seek assignments in Hawaii.

"Our public schools here in Hawaii do a fabulous job educating all children, to include our transitioning military kids,"



Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, greets Kathryn Matayoshi, Hawaii Department of Education superintendent, at an educators' reception held at Williams' home at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The reception was held to honor top students from local high schools and to emphasize the military community partnership with the Hawaii educational system.

said Williams.

"We're so proud of what our students have accomplished and will continue to accomplish. I've directed my staff to continue developing a strategic communications plan to get the good news about the schools here in Hawaii out to the rest of the

Navy, and we will be working closely with the Department of Education's communications team in this endeavor," he said.

The reception provided a chance for state educational professionals and prominent military leaders to come together to share their

thoughts and experiences working together toward the common goal of promoting Hawaii's educational program to a broader spectrum.

"This reception is a great way to see the solid relationship the Hawaii Public School system has with our military families and

friends here," said Kathryn Matayoshi, Hawaii Department of Education superintendent.

"Our educators here in attendance tonight have been so committed to improving public education in Hawaii over the last four or five years, and receptions

like this really emphasize that partnership and helps us recognize the true value of the shared involvement we have to better our state's educational system," Matayoshi said.

Daniel Pagaduan, an honor student, said his positive experiences in Hawaii's public school system and its partnership with the local military community helped foster his dream of one day becoming a Sailor in the United States Navy.

"It's an honor to be invited here tonight. I know my parents are so proud and excited for me to have this opportunity," said Pagaduan.

"I've always wanted to be a Navy Sailor and, hopefully one day, a naval aviator. Living here in Hawaii, with such an involved military community, has really helped me focus on my dreams of achieving that and committing myself to a life of naval service," he said.

Pagaduan's immediate plans are to attend a year of school at the New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, N.M. with hopes of being accepted to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. in 2016.

*(For more information on Navy Region Hawaii and its continued commitment to the betterment of the Hawaii public school system, visit:www.cnic.navy.mil/ Hawaii.)*

## Hawaii Raptors launch for joint training

(Right) A U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptor from the Hawaii Raptors, increases altitude shortly after taking off April 20 from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

(Below) A pilot from the Hawaii Raptors awaits the conclusion of an end of runway inspection of the F-22 Raptor.

(Bottom) U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptors, from the Hawaii Raptors, take-off from JBPHH.

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



## Memorial for Lt. Cmdr. Erik Sweet to be held tomorrow

**Navy Region Hawaii  
Public Affairs**

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted at 8 a.m. tomorrow at Kailua Beach Park to remember and honor Lt. Cmdr. Erik Sweet who passed away April 26.

Sweet, until recently the ship maintenance officer aboard USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74), died April 26

during the Dash & Splash Biathlon at Kailua Beach Park, in which he and his wife, Cmdr. Linda Seymour, commanding officer of USS Halsey (DDG 97), were participating.

"Erik Sweet was a positive influence on countless shipmates," said Capt. Mike Wettlaufer, USS John C. Stennis commanding officer.

"An outstanding naval

officer and great American with a wonderful sense of humor and innate ability to connect with people, Erik was full of pride for his work and for his shipmates. He was a positive influence in countless lives and with numerous friends scattered around the world. Our thoughts and prayers are with Erik's family," Wettlaufer said.

Sweet grew up in Fort Worth, Texas and most of his career was spent at sea aboard USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) and USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74), homeported in Bremerton, Wash., where he and his wife and closest friends call "home."

During his Navy career, his assignments also included ships in Norfolk, Va.; Alameda, Calif.; La Mad-

dalena, Italy; and as a recruiter in Amarillo, Texas and Bangor, Wash.

Sweet, 44, enlisted in the Navy at the age of 17 and served 26 ½ years. He was due to retire today, May 1.

An obituary was released by his family, which reads in part: "Erik is remembered by all who had ever met him as fun-loving, the life of any gathering, and someone who

lived life to the fullest and ensured everyone around him was taken care of and happy."

A Celebration of Life will also be held at 4 p.m. May 10 at the Bremerton Elks Club, Bremerton, Wash.

All who love and celebrate life are welcome to attend the life celebrations and remembrance ceremonies, the family said.



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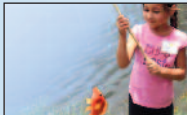
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# Commander of Pacific Air Forces visits Wolf Pack

**Senior Airman  
Divine Cox**

*8th Fighter Wing Public  
Affairs*

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea — The commander of Pacific Air Forces met with Airmen from the 8th Fighter Wing (FW) during her first visit to Kunsan, April 22 and 23.

Gen. Lori J. Robinson started her visit with a dinner with Wolf Pack Airmen, during which she expressed her excitement for the upcoming immersion with the Wolf Pack.

"I felt it was a great way to introduce COMPACAF to the Wolf Pack," said Senior Airman Denasha Mondy, 8th Force Support Squadron (FSS) food services journeyman. "I really enjoyed being able to socialize with the general in a casual setting."

Service members from the 8th Security Force Squadron (SFS), 8th FSS and 80th Fighter Squadron provided Robinson with an 8th FW mission brief. She also received a defense strategy demonstration from the 8th SFS that showcased how Wolf Pack Airmen are prepared to defend the base against attacks.

"From what I just saw in that demonstration, I can honestly say Kunsan is ready to fight tonight to deter aggression from the North Korean regime and prevail during a crisis on



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Taylor Curry  
Gen. Lori J. Robinson, Pacific Air Forces commander, shakes hands with 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Airmen during her visit April 23 to Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea. (Additional photo on page A-5.)

the peninsula," Robinson said.

Following the mission brief, Robinson stopped at many units, including the 8th Communications Squadron, 8th Medical Group, Republic of Korea Air Force's 38th Fighter Group and aircraft maintenance units to meet with Airmen and learn how

they contribute to the PACAF mission.

After recognizing multiple Airmen for their accomplishments, the final stop on her tour was to the base theater where 500 members of the Wolf Pack gathered for an all-call.

During the discussion, she briefly spoke about her expectations for Airmen be-

fore opening the floor for questions.

"I am excited to hear what you all have to say," Robinson said. "I want to hear in your words what's on your mind."

One of the questions for Robinson was where she saw the Air Force going in the next five to 10 years.

"We need to modernize

the force," she said. "Right now, we're smaller than we've ever been. So, we need to make sure we've got the right force structure in the right places. The demand for all the Air Force does is high. Everyone wants what you bring to the fight."

In closing, she thanked the Wolf Pack for taking

care of the mission and taking care of each other.

"Thank you for what you do and how you do it," she continued. "My experience here with the [Wolf] Pack has shown me you each have the mentality, precision, passion and focus you need in order to be constantly poised for what you do each and every day."

# Partida replaces Hill as VP-9 commanding officer

**Lt. j.g. Rebecca Nesmith**

*Patrol Squadron Nine  
Public Affairs*

During a ceremony held April 29, the command of Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9) passed from Cmdr. Katrina Hill to Cmdr. Gonzalo Partida at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe.

Partida became the 65th commanding officer of VP-9 since its establishment in 1951.

Presiding over the ceremony, Capt. Steve Newlund, commander of Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing Two (CPRW-2), recognized the accomplishments of VP-9 during Hill's tenure and welcomed Partida.

Hill led the Golden Eagles to earn both the 2014 Commander Naval Air Forces, Pacific Battle "E" award and the AVCM Donald M. Neal Aircraft Maintenance Award. These awards recognize both the performance readiness and efficiency of the squadron as well as its maintenance record for the year 2014.

In a letter to the command, Hill told the



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Amber Porter  
Capt. Stephen L. Newlund, center, commodore of Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing (CPRW) 2, passes command of Patrol Squadron (VP) 9 to Cmdr. Katrina Hill, outgoing commanding officer of VP-9, looks on during VP-9's change of command ceremony. (Additional photo on page A-5.)

squadron, "The last two years as a 'Golden Eagle' were the best of my career so far. I am overwhelmed by your success." Hill's next assignment will be to CTF 57 in Bahrain.

This is Partida's second tour at VP-9. He originally served as a junior officer with the squadron from 1999-2003. Following a department head tour at NAS Whidbey Island from 2008-2011 with the VP-1 "Screaming Eagles" and a tour with Joint Staff, nuclear command and control directorate (J-36), he rejoined VP-9 in 2014 as executive officer.

Assuming the duties as executive officer of the squadron will be Cmdr. Elizabeth A. Regoli. This is her first tour in Hawaii, and she joins VP-9 following a tour serving as naval military aide to the vice president.

"I am excited to be joining a 'Golden Eagle' team that has established itself as a model of professionalism within our community through their sustained outstanding performance," said Regoli.

# USS Michael Murphy arrives in Hong Kong

**Ensign Kelly Lorentson**

*USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112)  
Public Affairs*

HONG KONG (NNS) — The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) arrived April 24 in Hong Kong for a port visit during the ship's maiden deployment.

Michael Murphy will spend several days in the city promoting international relations and cultural experiences within the local community.

The crew will also enjoy some downtime and absorb the local culture through several tours and activities sponsored by Morale, Welfare, and Recreation.

"The crew has been looking forward to this Hong Kong port visit for some time," said Cmdr. Robert Heely, Michael Murphy's executive officer. "The city has so much to offer, and I know they will enjoy the culture, sights and warm hospitality that make Hong Kong a prized international destination."



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Daniel M. Young  
USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) is on patrol in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility supporting security and stability in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

During their free time in port, Michael Murphy Sailors said they look forward to visiting the sights and attractions that Hong Kong has to offer.

"While in Hong Kong, I plan to hike Victoria Peak and enjoy the wonderful views from the top," said Electrician's Mate 1st Class Andrew Synan.

"Port visits like this allow us to recharge and enjoy some once-in-a-lifetime opportunities that we will remember for the rest of our lives," Synan said.

Michael Murphy is named in honor of Lt. Michael Murphy, a Navy SEAL who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for valorous service during Operation Red Wings in Afghanistan in 2005.

Michael Murphy is on deployment to the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility supporting security and stability in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

(For more news from USS Michael Murphy, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/ddg112/>.)





Commentary

# ‘Communicating the value’ of Hawaii’s schools

**Rear Adm. Rick Williams**

*Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific*

Hawaii’s schools provide excellent opportunities here for our military families — from preschool to elementary to high school and on to university.

Eleven of the 12 valedictorians at Radford High

School and two valedictorians at Moanalua are from military ohana.

As graduation arrives, we’re seeing five service academy appointments and eight JROTC scholarships this year.

Recently I hosted senior military leaders, educators, university faculty and students from our families for an informal meet and greet.

One reason for our get-together was to discuss how

we can continue to “communicate the value,” to show the outstanding quality and opportunity in our schools. Another reason was to rededicate ourselves to working together and seeing how we can learn from each other in shared aloha.

Several decades ago, there were legitimate concerns related to some schools, just as there were for the quality of military housing, once considered substandard, prior

to public-private venture modernization.

But just like housing, fitness centers, child development centers and other quality-of-life initiatives, schools near our bases have become better and stronger. They are now learning centers with outstanding academics and extracurricular programs.

Every time I visit Radford High School, even late in the afternoon, I see all kinds of

clubs, teams, events and student activities.

And, we are part of the positive trend.

Our Sailors join with Airmen, Marines, Soldiers and Coast Guardsmen in school outreach throughout Hawaii: music/band school visits, shipyard robotics, interactions with Navy divers, rocket science at Pacific Missile Range Facility, judges at science fairs, coaches with local teams, and opportuni-

ties during RIMPAC.

In the arena of science, technology, engineering and math, our military is helping schools in Hawaii. And in well-rounded, diverse and innovative studies, our schools are helping military families.

The Navy is a family business. Our Sailors and families already have an amazing sense of duty, having served through deployments, separations and dozens of moves. They have grown up adaptable and innovative, with a unique sense of discipline, character and experience into the next generation. We owe it to them to represent their sacrifices, while at the same time making a sound future investment.

That’s the key point: investment. Our families are our future.

We must take care of our future Navy by developing prospective officers, technically expert enlisted staff, and a local work force by taking advantage of opportunities right here in our community. At the same time, we embrace the aloha of Hawaii and appreciate the opportunity to live, work and learn here in these beautiful islands.

So let’s continue the involvement and the improvement. Let’s continue to work together as educators, community leaders and Navy leaders to ensure we give all families the best education and training opportunities possible.

You can also help me get the word out and let people know why Hawaii is such a great place in which to live, work and learn. It’s because we share the aloha.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Laurie Dexter

Musician 2nd Class Andrea Sematoske, musical education outreach program coordinator assigned to Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) Band at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, speaks with students of the Moanalua Middle School band during a music educational clinic Jan. 30 at the Pu’u Kahea Conference Center on Oahu.

## Diverse Views



**What was your most unusual experience on a commercial flight?**



**IS1 Daniel Caywood**  
*JIOC*

“Sitting next to someone who brought their cat on board. For the entire 13-hour flight, the cat meowed every 10 to 15 seconds.”

**Master Sgt. Yvette Rose**  
*PACAF*

“I once observed a very flamboyant male flight attendant call a woman passenger the ‘B’ word very loudly. She deserved it for treating him badly.”



**CS1 Osman Fernandez**  
*NAVSUP FLC*

“Sitting on a flight for 10 hours and not being fed anything but peanuts. It was very unusual, because on a five-hour flight, the same airline fed us. But you don’t feed passengers for a 10-hour flight?”

**Tech. Sgt. Sergio Camacho**  
*65th Airlift Squadron*

“A few years back, maybe when I was about 23 years old, I fell asleep on a complete stranger’s shoulder. I think I slept about one to two hours. The person just let me sleep. I remember she was a very attractive girl, which made it all the more embarrassing for me.”



*Provided by Lt. Damall Martin and David D. Underwood Jr.*

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## Blackout leaflets loaded at Hickam



Photo courtesy of Hawaii Department of Transportation

Blackout leaflets are loaded on a B-18 at Hickam Field for distribution May 18, 1940 on Oahu. On May 23, 1940 (75 years ago this month) the U.S. military staged a simulated enemy attack on Hawaii.



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# Airman from JBPHH selected for Tops in Blue

David D. Underwood Jr.

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Senior Airman Marissa K. Strickland, a cryptologic language analyst with the 392nd Intelligence Squadron, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, has been selected to perform with the Air Force's premiere entertainment group Tops in Blue.

Tops in Blue is an all-active duty, U.S. Air Force special unit made up of talented amateur performers who are selected for their entertainment abilities and special talents.

Strickland's special talent is playing the bagpipes, and she has been in band since the fourth grade.

A native of Fairfield, Calif., Strickland joined the Air Force in 2010. She has practiced a lot and maintained her talent, even when she didn't have a band to play with. Tops in Blue was suggested to her by a coworker.

Strickland is at Lack-



land Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas going through her initial training. Lackland is the home of Tops in Blue. The training is a highly accelerated educational process where performers hone their skills and become world-class performers and distinguished Air Force ambassadors.

"I'm learning how to sing here, too, since they have me officially listed as a female vocalist," said Strickland. She is also learning the show routines to be ready for a successful world-wide tour.

Strickland will tour for nine to 10 months around the globe, entertaining deployed troops, military families, promote community relations, and support Air Force recruitment efforts.

Senior Airman Marissa K. Strickland plays the bagpipes.

Photo courtesy of  
Senior Airman Marissa K. Strickland

"I feel great! It's such an honor that I can do what I love and share it with people on this tour," she said.

She said her unit is extremely supportive. It was a challenge for her going through Airman Leadership School and trying to out-process for her temporary assignment with Tops in Blue.

"They were there to help every step of the way, and I can't thank them enough. My friends and family were also supportive and very excited for me," she added.

After her tour with the team, Strickland would like to reenlist and return to Defense Language Institute for a second language.

"I will definitely continue playing bagpipes. It's not the kind of instrument you ever put down, and it has opened so many doors for me," she said.

The Tops in Blue team is always looking for new talent. For more information on how to join the "best of the best," visit their website at <http://ow.ly/Mj5kX>.

## Navy encourages national preparedness during America's PrepareAthon

Navy Installations Command  
Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Hurricane season starts June 1, so now is a good time to ensure you are prepared for any disaster that might strike now or in the immediate future.

The Navy encourages everyone to take part in this year's America's PrepareAthon.

America's PrepareAthon is a month-long emergency preparedness campaign organized by the

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that culminated with National Preparedness Day on April 30.

"America's PrepareAthon reminds us that national safety is dependent upon our individual preparedness," said Jeff Sanford, emergency management program analyst.

"The PrepareAthon is an opportunity to make sure everyone has the resources they need to be safe and prepared year-round," Sanford said.

All Navy installations, Sailors, civilian personnel and families are encouraged to register at [www.ready.gov/prepare](http://www.ready.gov/prepare). At the website, participants can register preparedness activities, share information and download materials. It's an opportunity to be counted among those who view preparedness as a shared responsibility and contribute to national preparedness.

Navy installations across the U.S., as part of a Department of Defense-wide effort, will be part-

nering with local FEMA representatives and other community organizations in various preparedness drills and exercises.

For more information on emergency preparedness and to find out about the Navy's emergency preparedness program, visit the Ready Navy website at [www.Ready.Navy.mil](http://www.Ready.Navy.mil).

You can also contact Ready Navy by e-mail at [ready.navy@navy.mil](mailto:ready.navy@navy.mil) or call (202)433-9348, DSN 288-9348. Follow Ready Navy on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/ReadyNavy](http://www.facebook.com/ReadyNavy)), Twitter

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# Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*

Gen. Lori J. Robinson, Pacific Air Forces commander, prepares to shoot an M-4 caliber machine gun following instruction from an 8th Security Forces Squadron combat arms instructor April 23 during her visit to Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea. During Robinson's visit, she had the opportunity to experience hands-on demonstrations as she interacted with the Wolf Pack's combat-ready Airmen.

U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Taylor Curry



Adm. Harry B. Harris Jr., commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, renders honors during an Australia and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) Day ceremony at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl). ANZAC Day is held to honor and commemorate the soldiers who gave their lives in the front line of Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey on April 25, 1915.

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

Sonar Technician 3rd Class Syed Tanveer, attached to USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53), speaks about his late shipmate and friend, Sonar Technician 2nd Class Johnathan McNeely, to friends, family and shipmates April 17 at a memorial service at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam's Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. McNeely passed away suddenly March 29 in a hiking accident at Pali Notches, Oahu.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Michael Ray



Cmdr. Gonzalo Partida, incoming commanding officer of Patrol Squadron (VP) 9, renders a salute as he passes sideboys at VP-9's change of command ceremony April 29.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Amber Porter



# Navy Reads: The Stavridis Bounce offers ‘novel’ approach

Review by Bill Doughty

Navy Reads got a bounce this month when the Task & Purpose blog connected to a post we published in 2013: “Stavridis’s Novel Approach to Summer,” in which former NATO Supreme Allied Commander Adm. James Stavridis revealed top 20 works of fiction by authors ranging from Ian Fleming and Ian McEwan to Stephen King and Hilary Mantel, author of “Wolf Hall” (now a BBC/PBS series).

Luckily, Stavridis as dean of The Fletcher School, Tufts University, is still recommending books, including several works of fiction, Ha Jin’s “A Map of Betrayal,” Emily St. John Mandel’s “Station Eleven” and Phil Klay’s “Redeployment,” which Dean Stavridis calls “a very serious read” of “beautifully realized stories.”

Two works of nonfiction he recommends from 2014 are “World Order” by Henry Kissinger and “In the Kingdom of Ice” by Hampton Sides.

On Task & Purpose, U.S.



Image courtesy of Navy Reads

Then-Adm. Stavridis explained in 2012 on TED Talks how the U.S. military is delivering global security this century using more than the barrel of a gun.

Army Maj. Crispin Burke presents the six smart habits of the U.S. military’s most successful commanders, and

among those habits is reading.

“Not only does reading expose you to new ideas, but it improves concentration, helps

your writing skills, and best of all, it’s a lot more productive than playing video games,” Burke advises.

“Most importantly, reading will teach you that there’s very little you’ll live through that someone else hasn’t experienced already. That’s especially true in the profession of arms — after nearly 5,000 years of recorded military history, most armed conflicts differ little from the days of Sun Tzu, Thucydides and Clausewitz,” he adds.

Burke also examines the importance of sound mind and body, setting a battle rhythm, networking, getting ground truth (not relying on yes-people), and remembering humility — servant leadership. Burke offers great examples to back up his thesis. Learning through others’ experiences is a task with a purpose, and reading, once embraced, becomes more joy than task.

For the full list of Stravidis’s recommended books, visit <http://navyreads.blogspot.com>.)

(Doughty writes and posts to *Navy Reads*, a blog supporting the CNO’s Professional Reading Program and related books: [navyreads.blogspot.com](http://navyreads.blogspot.com).)

## Seabees host 23rd Annual Seabee 10K/5K Fun Run on Ford Island

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CBMU 303 Detachment Pearl Harbor

Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit (CBMU) 303 Detachment Pearl Harbor, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, and Pacific Seabee self-help hosted the 23rd Annual Seabee 5K/10K fun run held April 18 on Ford Island.

The route took runners past the Battleship Missouri Memorial and USS Arizona and the USS Utah memorials.

Overall in charge of organizing the event, Lt. j.g. Samuel Mayton said he was impressed by the turnout and the number of volunteers who participated.

“The event was an overall suc-

cess and looking back at all the challenges, it was worth it. This run is one of our largest fundraisers towards the Seabee Ball, and it’s about showing what we do and who we are. I couldn’t have done it without all the volunteers that helped set it up,” Mayton said.

The first race was the keiki 1-mile run. After the race was complete, the 10K and 5K runners prepared to begin at the starting line. With each race having its own designated route, both races were started simultaneously.

Ester Nakamura, who finished third in the women’s 10K race, said it was a fun experience.

“It was an honor to run with my boyfriend and the wonderful people he serves with. The run was a fun way to be a part of a group activity and getting to know a few more people,” she said.

The race ended with the top

three in each category receiving a commemorative glass. The winners are as follows:

10K/Men: 1st, Alec Bell, 35:40; 2nd, Marc Nelson, 36:17; 3rd, Sean Haight, 38:44.

10K/Women: 1st, Sara Santilli, 47:45; 2nd, Claudia Smallman, 47:55; 3rd, Ester Nakamura, 49:5.

5K/Men: 1st, Will Gardner, 19:05; 2nd, Dennis Hernandez, 19:41; 3rd, Timothy Dengler, 23:26.

5K/Women: 1st, Nicollett Hernandez, 26:37; 2nd, Juliana Yaste, 27:40; 3rd, Tanya Peiffer, 31:30.

1-mile/Keiki: 1st, Grayden Pope, 11:13; 2nd, Sophia Hale, 11:30; 3rd, Memphis Brethouwer, 12:55.

Runners go past the Battleship Missouri Memorial during the 23rd annual Seabee run.





# Hawaii JROTC cadets join worldwide 5K run



(All photos) Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) cadets from several Oahu high schools participated in a 5K run on Ford Island for JROTC’s 99th anniversary. This year’s anniversary run aimed to break a Guinness World Record for the largest coordinated run.

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Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) cadets from across Oahu participated in a 5K run held April 25 on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, to celebrate the 99th anniversary

of the JROTC program.

This year, JROTC programs from around the world joined the run in an effort to beat the Guinness World Record for largest coordinated multi-location run. From Oahu alone, more than 700 cadets from approximately 15 different schools took part in the run.

“I believe we exceeded

expectations,” said David Tom, school liaison officer for commander, Navy Region Hawaii.

“To see the excitement and the energy of the kids here, coming in at zero-dark-30 on a Saturday morning when they could be sleeping in, was very impressive and inspiring for me.”

The JROTC came into being with the National Defense Act of 1916. Currently,

the program runs through the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines and is taught as an elective course at more than 3,000 secondary schools nationwide.

“The JROTC program primarily helps to instill citizenship in our young men and women in high school,” said Retired Master Chief Paul Cavallaro.

“It is not about trying to get them to want to

join the military but to teach them the importance of being good citizens and stewards within our community,” he said.

According to Cavallaro, the anniversary 5K went a long way toward teaching leadership by helping the cadets learn how to take charge and put together such a large-scale event.

“I appreciate how much support we have gotten

from the community and from all branches of the military for helping us do this today,” said Cavallaro. “We showed that when we want to come together and do something, there is nothing that we can’t accomplish.”

The goal was to have more than 101,246 runners participate to break the current record. Results from the event are currently pending.





# Hickam Thrift Shop has successful year at Joint Base

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The Hickam Thrift Shop implemented a new upgrade last year that improved customer service and convenience. Customers were able to start using credit and debit cards instead of being limited to cash and checks.

“Our customers love not having to run to an ATM,” said Becky Adams, the thrift shop manager.

Since the new upgrade, the thrift shop has served more customers and had an increase in donations.

“The donations we received this year, along with our staff and volunteers, allowed the Hickam Officer’s Spouses Club the opportunity to end this fiscal year with a huge success,” said Adams.



Ruth Koch, a Navy spouse, helps her daughter, Christel Koch, test ride a bike April 22 at the Hickam Thrift Shop.

“The shop had a record-breaking year that contributed to giving \$55,000

away in college scholarships and over \$200,000 in local and national

grants,” she said.

The thrift shop will be providing more opportu-

nities for employment as well as volunteers. This summer, they are bringing back their summer hire program. “We look to hire three to four new staff members, some as employees and others as permanent staff,” said Adams.

“Positions will be posted in the beginning of May with applications due on 18 May and interviews at the end of May.”

They will also be hosting a Mother’s Day shopping hour from 1 to 2 p.m. May 9. Dads will be able to bring younger children in to shop, and kids 12 and older will be allowed to shop for mom while the store is closed to the public.

If Dad is deployed, there will be volunteers available to assist the kids with their shopping while mom waits in the Mother’s Day tent in front of the shop.

“Please think of us as you move on and off the island,” said Adams. “Our shop runs completely on donations and, in turn, allows us to give so much back to the community.”

Donations are accepted 24 hours a day in the two sheds located in front of the shop. Patrons may also stop by during business hours which are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays as well as the second Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteers are always needed and welcome. No previous experience is necessary. Those interested should stop by and ask the cashier or manager for information.

The Hickam Thrift Shop is located in building 1723, between the base car wash and Kuntz gate, behind GSA and one street in front of the recycling center.

## Naval Academy emphasizes diversity at heritage event

MC2 Jonathan Correa

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ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Adm. Harry B. Harris Jr., commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, gave the keynote address as the U.S. Naval Academy hosted an Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month banquet April 28 at the Naval Academy Club.

Harris, a 1978 academy graduate, was born in Japan and raised in Tennessee and Florida. He spoke to the guests about his point of view on diversity in the Navy, how important it is, and how it has changed over the years.

“The condition of being different—that’s the dictionary meaning of diversity,” said Harris. “It’s an irony, I suppose, that the military, known for establishing a culture of uniformity, is the same military that embraces our differences and leads in the struggle for diversity.”

Harris said the U.S. is a melting pot of different religions, cultures, ethnic backgrounds and beliefs, and the military reflects that.

“I believe that embracing diversity is vital to both our present and future,” said Harris.

“We cannot achieve healthy growth without it. One former CNO rightly said that, as leaders, we must not be locked in time. We must anticipate and embrace the demographic changes of tomorrow to build a Navy that always reflects our country’s makeup,” he said.

In the Navy, minorities represent almost 50 percent of the enlisted workforce and 22 percent of the officer corps. Approxi-

mately 13 percent are flag officers. Within the flag ranks, 91 percent are male and only 9 percent female.

Eighty-seven percent are white with only 6 percent African American, 5 percent Asian Pacific American, and less than 2 percent Latino, but these numbers show how far the Navy has come since he was commissioned in 1978, Harris said.

“We want to welcome every Sailor and Marine into a family they will proudly call their own for the rest of their lives, a family that exists like no other on land, at sea or in the air,” said Harris.

Asians and Pacific Islanders have been serving in our Navy since the 19th century, and they have continued to be at the forefront as leaders in every aspect of American life and in the military.

“I’m proud to be the Navy’s first four-star admiral of Asian Pacific heritage,” said Harris. “But more than that, I’m proud

to be an American on the Navy-Marine Corps team, amongst the outstanding men and women, from diverse backgrounds, who are critical-thinking Sailors and Marines who serve with honor, courage and commitment.”

Asian Pacific American Heritage Week was first established in 1979. In 1990, President George H. W. Bush expanded the observance to encompass the month of May, and in 1992, Congress passed a law permanently designating May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.

The month of May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the U.S. on May 7, 1843 and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants

(See Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month events on page B-3.)



Airman Lourdes Basbas, Aviation Boatswain’s Mate (equipment), demonstrates a native Hawaiian dance in honor of Asian Pacific Heritage Month in 2014.

U.S. Navy file photo



# Navy awards \$20.5 million to renovate AMC Passenger Terminal at JBPHH

**Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii**

Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii awarded a \$20.5 million firm-fixed-price task or-

der under a multiple award construction contract April 27 to Insight Pacific LLC, a small business in Anaheim, Calif.

The work to be performed is for repairs of the existing two-story Air Mobility Com-

mand Passenger Terminal (AMC) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) and renovations to the in-bound and out-bound pas-senger processing so that it will comply with current codes, requirements and ac-

cessibility standards.

“This project not only in-creases the efficiency of a fa-cility which serves 100,000 passengers a year but will also improve the quality of life of everyone there,” said Capt. Dean Tufts, command-

ing officer of NAVFAC Hawaii.

“The terminal is vital to Air Mobility Command’s missions which include worldwide cargo and passen-ger delivery, air refueling and aeromedical evacuation.

NAVFAC Hawaii is honored to support AMC’s capabili-ties in the Pacific,” Tufts said.

The project is expected to be completed by March 2018. Four proposals were received for this task order.

## Vehicle Registration Office closes

The City and County of Honolulu's Pearl Harbor Satellite Vehicle Registration Office closed on April 30 at the conclusion of the one-year pilot program. The City and County is in the process of reviewing the program, and the office will remain closed until further notice. The City and County of Honolulu opened the satellite office in April 2014 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbo-Hickam Club Pearl complex as a one-year pilot program providing specialized motor vehicle registration services to military personnel on Oahu. For locations of other Satellite City Hall offices, visit: <http://www.honolulu.gov/csd>.



# Life & Leisure



JBPHH Child and Youth Programs staff and teens show off their Operation Megaphone sign during a webinar conference.

## Teens lead the way at Operation Megaphone

Annie Case

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Teen Center

On April 24, a total of 83 young people gathered at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Teen Center for the worldwide lock-in known as Operation Megaphone.

Operation Megaphone is an annual lock-in created to connect military teens from all over the world so that they can discuss three main issues that military youth commonly identify with. The issues include the lack of participation in military youth programs, the need for stronger school support for transitioning military teens, and the need for up-to-date and dynamic marketing of military youth programs.

The event has evolved into a teen-directed effort for all the world's military services to have an overnight lock-in. The goals of the lock-in are to raise awareness of military youth problems, reach out to new and existing populations of military youth, connect military youth within and across all branches of service, and promote and create local partnerships.

The Keystone Club at the JBPHH Teen Center set up the event and joined a webinar with youth centers in Texas, California and Colorado and even a brief conference with Memphis, Tenn.

"It was great to connect with



Machelle Terrell talks with teens at Operation Megaphone.

other teens around the world and see what they are doing and had done for their own events. Getting to interact with them for even a short time was incredible!" said participant Ray Wendall.

The teens from JBPHH were eager to participate in the event, some showing up an hour before the doors opened. In addition, visitors from the teen center at Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay also attended the night's festivities.

"I've been to other lock-ins before, so I kind of had an idea, but I loved this one. It was fun, and there were a lot of activities so it was good. As an added bonus, the people were friendly, too," said Tommy Mijares, a teen from Kaneohe.

The two guest speakers, Machelle Terrell and Jamila Tanada from the Sexual Assault Prevention Office (SAPR), discussed teen dating, respect and good communication among peers and adults and relationships in general. The night included a trip to the bowling alley, a lip sync contest, games, snacks and a cotton candy machine.

"I loved it! The amount of kids that showed up was pretty incredible and there were so many new people to meet, that it was just so much fun. I didn't expect cotton candy. That was an amazing surprise," said teen Katie Kysar.

This operation has become a way for

teens to share their views and make friends along the way. Operation Megaphone's slogan is "Get the word out" and with the help of the youth, the word is getting out.

"I really liked it and everyone was so into it. I loved the environment and can't wait to come back," said participant Rossandra Martinez.

(For more information on the JBPHH Teen Center, call 448-0418 or visit [www.facebook.com/jbphhte](http://www.facebook.com/jbphhte) center.)

(Editor's note: Author Annie Case, representing Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, recently earned the state Military Youth of the Year award. She will soon get a chance to compete in the Youth of the Year regional competition this summer in San Diego.)



Teens scramble to collect the most balloons in a game of human "hungry hungry hippos."



A teen whips a throw during a game of dodge ball.



Youth line up for food during Operation Megaphone.



A teen focuses while taking a shot during a game of billiards.



JBPHH Child and Youth Programs staff conduct icebreakers to help youth get to know one another.



# Air Mobility 735/515 picks up sixth win of season

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The 735th Air Mobility Squadron (735 AMS)/ 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing (515 AMOW) scored four goals in the first half and four more after the break to dispatch a depleted Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii squad, 8-1, on April 25 in a battle of Red Division intramural soccer teams at Quick Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Nate Day, a retired military veteran and current military spouse, picked up the rare hat trick with three goals to lead the 735/515 to their sixth win against only one defeat, while NIOC now hold a record of 3-2-3.

The game, which pitted the second- and fourth-place teams in the division, had all of the makings of a highly competitive matchup until NIOC arrived with a game-minimum of seven players to barely avoid a forfeit.

Having to play seven-on-nine throughout the entire contest, NIOC got out to a strong start but faded as the game progressed.

In fact, NIOC seemed to frustrate the 735/515 in the early stages of the contest by turning away several attempts on goal.

Meanwhile, NIOC got on the scoreboard first when Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Jonathan Demarco shot a bullet from the right wing that slammed the back of the net for a 1-0 lead.

The 735/515 finally broke through with a goal off a kick by



Nate Day cranks up before blasting a shot on goal.

Senior Airman Daniel Callahan to tie the score at 1-1.

Shortly after the shot by Callahan, Day popped in the first of his three goals to put the 735/515 ahead at 2-1.

“We start off kind of slow and once the game goes, we start pick-

ing it up,” said Callahan about trailing early against NIOC. “We’ve always started off slow pretty much in every game.”

Up by a goal, momentum clearly shifted to the 735/515’s favor when Tech. Sgt. Daniel Wooten got the first of his two

goals. Then just before halftime Fire Controlman 3rd Class Travis Holleman put away an assist from Callahan to make it 4-1.

In the second half, the 735/515 continued to press the action against a tired, but game, NIOC squad.

The 735/515 took a four-goal lead on a boot from Staff Sgt. Brandon Arleth before Day and Wooten finished off the scoring.

Day got back-to-back goals to make it 7-1, and Wooten got his second goal near the end of the game.

Callahan said that while his team got a pass this time around, he acknowledges that NIOC is a very good team and would be stronger if they should meet again in the playoffs.

“That made a difference because they got tired,” said Callahan about having two more players on the field than NIOC. “We’ve been in the same situation and there’s not a lot you can do. They (NIOC) are a good team, and they’ll do something in the playoffs when they get there.”

Day agreed with Callahan and added that even with a big lead over NIOC, he never felt comfortable and regardless of the score, he felt he had to play his best until the very end.

“They (NIOC) could have sprung it at any chance,” Day said. “You kind of had to play as you were playing.”

With the team off to such a good start, Day points to team chemistry as the main reason why the 735/515 has won six out of seven games.

While he expects more success to come this season, Day noted that the team has accomplished quite a bit already.

“I think we’re one of the better teams in the division,” Day said. “But if this is the culmination of the season, then that’s pretty good.”



## A GENT IN THE KITCHEN

BY: BRANDON BOSWORTH

### Power of the Sour: Shchi

Story and photo by  
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For my first A Gent in the Kitchen column, I shared a recipe for the Russian (technically Ukrainian) staple borscht. Today I'll be continuing the Slavic theme with something that might not be quite as familiar to many readers: shchi, specifically sauerkraut or sour shchi.

Shchi (sort of rhymes with “she”) is a cabbage soup and is such a part of Russian culture that there is even an old saying about it: “Shchi da kasha — pishcha nasha” which translates to “Shchi and kasha are our staples.” There are countless ways of making shchi. My recipe is pretty simple and is inspired by a similar recipe by Muscovite blogger Victoria Logunova.

**Sour Shchi**  
(serves 4-6)  
1-2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 onion, diced



5-6 potatoes, peeled and cubed  
3 carrots, diced  
3 stalks celery, diced  
6 cups water  
4 generous tablespoons sauerkraut  
2 tablespoons (at least!) of minced fresh dill  
2 teaspoons sea salt

Heat a tablespoon or two of olive oil in a large pot with a lid on medium-high heat. Add the onion, stir for three to five minutes, and then add the carrots or celery. I usually use three car-

rots and three stalks of celery, but the recipe works just fine if you use a couple more or a couple less.

While the vegetables are simmering, peel and cube the potatoes. You want each cube to be about 1 inch in size. Add the potatoes to the pot, followed by the water and the sauerkraut.

Don't skimp when buying the sauerkraut. Get a good brand. (Personally, I prefer Bubbies.) The sauerkraut is important because it is what imparts most of the flavor to the shchi, as

it turns the water into a tangy broth.

Give everything a good stir, cover, and reduce the heat to medium. Cook until the potatoes are soft, about 20 to 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Once the potatoes are cooked to your liking, uncover, add the salt and dill, stir, and let cook for another five minutes or so.

Sour shchi is great as an opening course or even as a meal, especially if served with some nice rye bread. It is a surprisingly good accompaniment to Japanese dishes, so if you are so inclined, have shchi and sushi while contemplating the Russo-Japanese War and Japan's decisive 1905 naval victory over Russia in the Battle of Tsushima.

This recipe also works pretty well halved, but I recommend making the full batch as shchi refrigerates and reheats nicely.

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

## Memorial Day observances planned

Several events to observe Memorial Day have been planned across Oahu. They include:

- The Roll Call of Honor in Remembrance ceremony will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. May 24 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).
- A Veterans Candlelight Memorial Day ceremony will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. May 24 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).
- The mayor's annual Memorial Day ceremony will be held from 8 to 10:30 a.m. May 25 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl).
- The governor's annual Memorial Day ceremony will be held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. May 25 at the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery at Kaneohe.

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# Coast Guard keeps winning streak going strong

Story and photos by  
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Luke Bailey, a Department of Defense civilian, finished off a productive day at the plate by swatting a walk-off RBI single to lead U.S. Coast Guard Base Honolulu in a mercy-rule, 12-2, win over Naval Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) on April 27 in a Red Division intramural softball matchup at Millican Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win kept the Coast Guard's perfect record intact at 3-0, while NHCH is still searching for their elusive first win and fell to 0-3.

For the day, Bailey went 3-for-4, which included a leadoff triple and a three-run home run in addition to the walk-off single.

"This is indicative of how we play," Bailey said about the team's dozen runs scored. "We typically look to just have fun. That's what we try to bring to the field, win or lose."

In the first inning, Coast Guard pitcher retired veteran Rick Hayes got into a little trouble with runners on second and third but came up with a huge strike-out to end the inning.

After stopping a potential crisis, Coast Guard hitters returned the favor to Hayes by plating three runners to take a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first.

Big hits in the inning came off of the bat of All-Armed Forces player Storekeeper 2nd Class Niko Langas, who slugged a two-run triple and Hayes, whose single drove in Langas.

After falling behind, NHCH responded in the top of the second with two runs of their own to narrow



(Above) Luke Bailey drives a pitch for a triple. Bailey went 3-for-4 with a three-run homer to lead U.S. Coast Guard Base Honolulu over Naval Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH).



(Right) All-Armed Forces player Storekeeper 2nd Class Niko Langas sets up for the putout.

the gap down to one.

Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Tony Aldapa drove in the first run on a single with the bases loaded, and then with two outs, Hospitalman Moses Castaneda deposited another hit for the team's second run.

The game remained tight through the next couple of frames, but in the bottom of the fourth, the Coast Guard fashioned their biggest rally of the game with six runs to take a commanding 9-2 lead.

Langas kicked off the merry-go-round by stinging a line drive for a single with one out and the bases loaded.

Then with two men on, Bailey stepped into the batter's box and proceeded to muscle a towering shot

that cleared the left-center fence for a three-run homer.

Hayes sailed again through the NHCH lineup in the top of the fifth for his fourth goose egg of the game before the Coast Guard put the game away in the bottom of the fifth with three more runs.

Looking to end it early, Coast Guard hitters came up with five straight singles in the fifth to set up Bailey's walk-off hit.

While Bailey produced big-time out of the fourth batting spot, he quickly pointed out that you can't drive in runs if your teammates don't set the table.

Both Bailey and Langas, the team's third batter, consistently had players on base when it came time for

their at-bats.

"That's the big thing with us," Bailey explained. "We do a lot with a little. We trust in each other."

In addition to the team's overall solid performance at the plate, the Coast Guard also showed that the squad is full of capable fielders as well.

Against NHCH, the Coast Guard's infield played impeccably and turned not one, but two double plays.

"We have great infield guys that played together for a long time," Bailey said. "Having four guys on the field that play All-Armed Forces softball, having played with each other for a long time, just makes it easy to turn stuff like that."

## ‘Mustang Road Shows’ planned for enlisted-to-officer programs

### Navy Mustang Association, Hawaii Chapter

This month, the Navy Mustang Association Hawaii Chapter (NMAHC) will hold "Mustang Road Shows," a group of lectures providing an overview of all enlisted-to-officer commissioning programs.

The event is for enlisted Sailors and Marines assigned to units and commands at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), Marine Corps Base Hawaii and Wahiawa Annex.

The first "Mustang Road Show" will be held from 9 a.m. to noon

May 19 at Hickam Memorial Theater.

The second of three road shows will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. May 21 at the base theater at Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay. The location, date and time for Wahiawa is not yet determined

as of press time, but will be released through the on-island Mustangs and the Navy Mustang Association Hawaii Chapter Facebook page.

On-island Mustangs (officers who were prior-enlisted before commissioning) will lead each

of the lectures.

The Mustang Road Shows will be recurring events held for the benefit of all Sailors and Marines assigned to shore or sea duty, according to CWO4 Michael Matthews, vice president of the NMAHC.

## Events planned in May for heritage month

May is Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month.

Upcoming events have been scheduled at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to celebrate the heritage month.

- A proclamation signing and 5K fun run/walk and food drive will begin at 7:30 a.m. May 8 at the Missing Man Formation Memorial on the Hickam side of the base. Participants are asked to bring canned and/or nonperishable food items. All donations will go to the Hawaii Food-bank.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. James Lewis at james.lewis.16@us.af.mil or 448-3048.

- A golf tournament will begin at 1 p.m. May 15 at Ke'alahi Par 3 at Hickam. The cost is \$25, with a \$5 discount if paid before May 7.

For more information, contact Lewis or Tech Sgt. Cody Ray at cody.ray@us.af.mil or 449-0737.

- A cultural showcase will be held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. May 29 at Sharkey Theater on the Pearl Harbor side of the base, followed by lunch at the Silver Dolphin Bistro galley. The cost of the lunch is \$5.55 per person.

For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Kon Lee at kon.lee@us.af.mil or 449-3639.

## Go Fish: 16th Annual Friends of Hickam Keiki Fishing Tournament

### 2nd Lt. Kaitlin Daddona

15th Wing Public Affairs

Hundreds of children and their families are preparing for the 16th Annual Friends of Hickam Keiki Fishing Tournament which will be held June 5 at the Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens in Kaneohe.

The tournament is a long-standing event that unites the Friends of Hickam mission of creating stronger community relationships with the 15th Wing mission of developing Airmen and their families.

"It has become a tradition and one which we hope conveys our gratitude to the entire family of our Air Force women and men who sacrifice so much, and in so many ways, for our nation," said Ray LeBlanc, Friends of Hickam board member and chairman for the tournament.

The free registration is limited to the first 200 Hickam keiki ages 5-12 years, and all fishing poles and bait will be provided by the Friends of Hickam.

The day will also include round-trip transportation to and from the event, lunch served upon arrival at the park, welcoming remarks by the 15th Wing commander and Friends of Hickam president, and the tournament, which will offer trophies to winners and prizes to all participants.

The deadline for registration is May 15.

Sunscreen and bug spray are highly advised. Parents and chaperones are encouraged to keep track of the weather for rain.

In previous years, winners were reported catch-

ing up to 26 fish and even a 34-and-a-half-inch catfish.

"Everyone would agree that the high point of the tournament is watching the children getting excited about reeling in their first fish," said LeBlanc. "It's an excitement that seems to grow with each additional fish they catch."

(For more information or to register for the event, visit [www.15wing.af.mil](http://www.15wing.af.mil).)

## My Favorite Photo...

John Burns, administrative support assistant for Navy Region Hawaii, took this photo of a female mallard duck and her nine young ducklings paddling around recently at Ala Moana Beach Park. She was intently watching over them, to make sure they all kept out of mischief. They were in the narrow 20-foot wide canal on the edge of the park near the street.



How to submit: send non-posed photos to [editor@hookelenews.com](mailto:editor@hookelenews.com).







# Live the Great Life

## Spring craft fair celebrates 40 years of family fun

Justin Hirai

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

The 40th Annual Spring Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. There will be more than 120 booths selling original, handmade arts and crafts. This annual event is designed to provide fun for the whole family.

"It's always a very special, family-oriented, fun-filled event that has a reputation of being the best craft fair on the island," said Donna Sommer, Hickam Arts & Crafts Center director.

"The dog show is back and we are very excited," said Heather Baker, Hickam Arts & Crafts Center operations clerk. According to Baker, many people are looking forward to the return of the dog show, which hadn't been held in recent years.

Contestants can enter their dogs in the categories of best costume, most obedient, owner/dog look alike or best trick.

All contestants will receive a bone-shaped dog tag they can have personalized at the engraving shop. First, second and third place winners in each category

will receive prizes. Signups will start at 9 a.m. Saturday morning and the contest will begin at 10 a.m.

Donations for PAWS of Hawaii will be accepted. Any extra towels, sheets, paper towels, puppy pads, leashes, collars, food or other dog items will be accepted.

"There's always something new to discover at our craft fair. We have a good mix of new vendors and returning favorites," said Amy Irle, craft store manager. She said customers should expect a range of items such as home décor, jewelry, glasswork and fiber arts.

Besides the crafts, patrons can experience music, food demonstrations and other activities. There will be make-and-takes, pony rides, archery games and a hula-hoop contest at noon. Attendees can win some of the crafts provided by the vendors through prize drawings throughout the day.

This year there will be a total of seven food vendors selling a variety of food, including deep fried Oreos, plate lunches, shave ice, taro cinnamon rolls, fish tacos, burgers, loaded sweet potato fries and other items.

*(For more information, visit [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com) or call 448-9907, ext. 101 or 102.)*



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(Above) Handmade items such as jewelry and apparel will be among the dozens of booths at Saturday's craft fair. (Right) Pony rides will return Saturday for this year's spring craft fair and family fun day. (Below) Food vendors will line the lawn, offering lunch and snack choices.



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**Library Know-How** will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Patrons can learn about how the library's collections can enrich their lives, careers and education at this free session. FMI: 449-8299.

**Bottom Fishing excursion** will depart at 2:30 p.m. May 3 from Hickam Harbor. This trip is designed for both experts and beginners and includes gear, bait, guides and boat. The cost is \$30. The sign-up deadline is May 1. FMI: 449-5215.

**\$1.50 Monday** will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. May 4 at Naval Station Bowling Center. Patrons can get bowling games, shoe rental and hot dogs for \$1.50 each. FMI: 473-2574.

**Moonlight Paddle at Hickam Harbor** will begin at 7:30 p.m. May 4. The trip, led by the MWR Outdoor Adventure Center staff, will include all required gear. Participants of all paddling abilities are welcome. The cost is \$25. The sign-up deadline is May 2. FMI: 473-1198.

**Cinco de Mayo Celebration** will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 9 p.m. May 5 at Sam Choy's Island Style Seafood Grille. FMI: 422-3002.

**Ladies Golf Clinic** will begin at 9:30 a.m. May 6 at Barbers Point Golf Course. The pro will offer tips for female golfers at this free clinic. FMI: 682-1911.

**Wii Wednesday** will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. May 6 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Youth ages 6

to 16 years old can play for free on the new Wii U consoles. FMI: 449-8299.

**Golf Demo Day** will be held from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. May 6 at Navy-Marine Golf Course. Patrons can try out the latest golf equipment at the driving range for free. FMI: 471-0142.

**Reservations for Mother's Day Brunch** at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club need to be made by noon May 7. The brunch buffet will be held May 10 with lanai seating at 10 a.m.

and 1 p.m. and dining room seating at 11 a.m. The cost is \$34.95 for adults, \$17.50 for children ages 7 to 12 years old. The cost is \$11.75 for children ages 4 to 6 years old and free for children ages 3 years and under. FMI: 448-4608.

**Mongolian BBQ** will be offered from 5:30 to 8 p.m. May 7 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.



Community Calendar

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**MOTHER’S DAY LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST NOW TO MAY 10** — Authorized patrons can enter the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) Mother’s Day Look-Alike Contest. They should show how they and their mom could be “twins” and could win a \$20 gift card for mom. Patrons can visit the NEX aloha center concierge desk in the NEX mall rotunda for more information and an application. FMI: 423-3287 or email Stephanie.Lau@nexweb.org.

**LEI-MAKING DEMONSTRATION SATURDAY** — Graduation season is approaching, so a lei-making demonstration will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange mall in the second floor lei section. This is a free special event for authorized patrons. FMI: 423-3287 or email Stephanie.Lau@nexweb.org.

**ANNUAL HICKAM SPRING CRAFT FAIR SATURDAY** — The 40th annual Hickam Spring Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the lawn at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Admission is free for shoppers. The event will also include a dog show, pony rides and entertainment. FMI: 448-9907.

**CAREER CHOICES CLASS 6** — A class on discovering the best career will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Patrons can register online. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

**MOTHER’S DAY TEA 7** — A Mother’s Day Tea event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at the Hickam Military and Family Support Center lanai. The event is open to active duty mothers and families enrolled in the New Parent Support Program. This is a gathering to celebrate the challenges and successes of motherhood. There will be activities such as lei making, and refreshments of tea and sandwiches will be served. FMI: 474-1999 or 474-0135.

**MOMMY MINGLE 8** –A Mommy Mingle event will be held to celebrate Mother’s Day from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Ka Makani Community Center. The event will include games and prizes. FMI: www.hickamcommunities.com or 853-3776.

**HEALTH AND FITNESS FAIR 8** — A health and fitness fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Fitness Center. The event is a showcase for the military and civilian community, including giveaways. Activities will include a truck pull/bench press contest, martial arts demonstration, hula demonstration, Zumba demonstration and free five-minute chair massages. FMI: 471-2019/2020 or www.greatlifehawaii.com.

**MANAGING MONEY AND CREDIT 8** — A class on managing money and credit will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Participants can register online. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

**MOTHER’S DAY SHOPPING HOUR 9** — A Mother’s Day shopping hour will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Hickam Thrift Shop, located in building 1723. Dads will be able to bring younger children in to shop, and kids 12 and older will be allowed to shop for mom while the store is closed to the public. If dad is deployed, volunteers will be available to assist the kids with their shopping while mom waits in the Mother’s Day tent out front.

**SUPER GARAGE SALE 9** — The JBPHH Morale, Welfare and Recreation Super Garage Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to noon at Richardson Field. The event is open to the public and admission is free. Parking will be available at Rainbow Bay Marina, and overflow parking will be at Aloha Stadium for a minimal cost. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

**BOOT CAMP FOR NEW DADS 9** — A Boot Camp For New Dads will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Halsey Terrace Community Center. This dads-only workshop will cover things like holding a baby, feeding and diaper changing. Participants can register online. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

**AFCEA HAWAII LUNCHEON 12** — An AFCEA (Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association) luncheon will be held at the Fort Shafter Hale Ikena Club. The speaker is Col. Jeff Davis, chief of staff of the U.S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific. Check in is at 11 a.m. and the buffet starts at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$14 for all members who register by 4 p.m. on the last Friday before the event. Pricing is \$17 for nonmembers who register by the deadline. Walk-ins are welcome on a space-available basis at a cost of \$20. FMI: email president@afcea-hawaii.org or call 386-7424 or visit www.afcea-hawaii.org.

**AMERICA’S ARMED FORCES KIDS RUN 16** — The America’s Armed Forces Kids run will begin at 9 a.m. at a Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam venue to be announced. The event is open to all military youth ages 5 to 13 years old. Participants can register online at www.americaskidsrun.org. FMI: 473-0789.



HOME (PG)

When Oh, a loveable misfit from another planet, lands on Earth and finds himself on the run from his own people, he forms an unlikely friendship with an adventurous girl named Tip who is on a quest of her own.

SHARKEY THEATER

**TODAY 5/1**  
7:00 PM Home (PG)

**SATURDAY 5/2**  
2:30 PM Cinderella (PG)  
4:50 PM Home (3D) (PG)  
7:00 PM The Gunman (R)

**SUNDAY 5/3**  
2:30 PM Home (PG)  
5:00 PM The Divergent Series: Insurgent (3D) (PG 13)  
7:00 PM Get Hard (R)

**THURSDAY 5/7**  
7:00 PM Woman in Gold (PG 13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

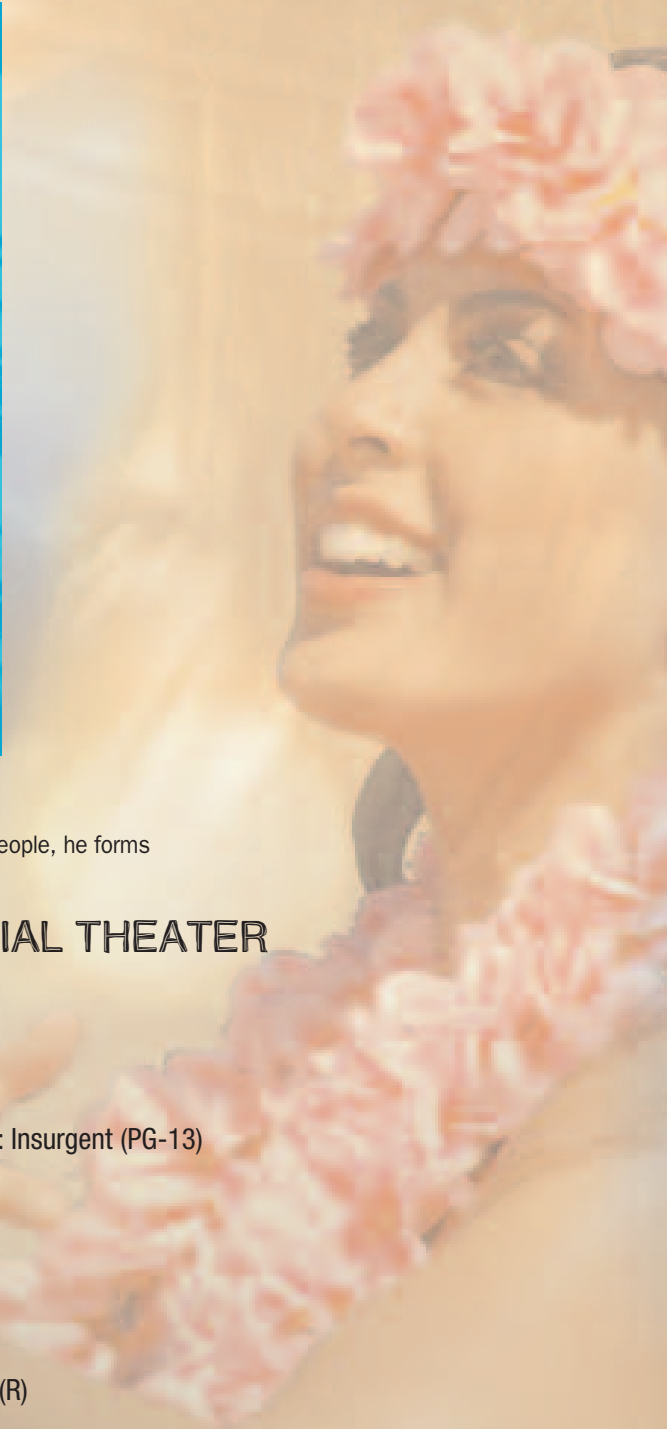
**TODAY 5/1**  
6:00 PM Cinderella (PG)

**SATURDAY 5/2**  
4:00 PM The Divergent Series: Insurgent (PG-13)  
7:00 PM Run All Night (R)

**SUNDAY 5/3**  
2:00 PM Cinderella (PG)

**THURSDAY 5/7**  
7:00 PM Unfinished Business (R)

Movie Showtimes





# Big innings propel Shipyard Sharks to victory

**Story and photos by  
Randy Dela Cruz**

*Sports Editor, Ho'okele*

The Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Sharks scored six runs in the first, four in the second and five more times in the fifth to take a 15-3 mercy-rule win over 8th Intelligence Squadron (8 IS) Sentinels on April 28 in a White Division intramural softball game at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

It was the second win in a row for Shipyard, which now holds a 2-1 record while the Sentinels fell to 1-2.

Senior Chief Charles Phelps, pitcher for Shipyard, only allowed single runs in the bottom of the second, third and fifth innings to gain the complete-game win.

Phelps was masterful in getting batters to pop up for fly-ball outs and induced numerous grounders to get out of jams with runners in scoring positions.

“When you throw the knuckleball, that’s what you’re trying to do, either get a pop up or ground ball,” Phelps said. “Just throw strikes so they can hit the ball. I got a good defense, so definitely want them to hit the ball.”

With Phelps keeping the Sentinels’ bats at bay, Shipyard hitters went to work and came out on fire.

Sonar Technician (Submarine) 1st Class Austin Langthorn got things started with an RBI single in the first inning.

Then with two men on, Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Derek Mitchell scorched a grounder that skipped over third base and headed toward the left-field corner.

Two runners scored before Mitchell crossed home plate on a bad throw to the infield for a 4-0 lead.

A walk and single put two Shipyard runners back on base and Chris Herman, a re-



(Above) Third baseman Staff Sgt. Jeff Gilmer tries to get the tag down on Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Brian Love.

(Right) Senior Chief Charles Phelps delivers a pitch en route to a complete-game win.

tired veteran and current Department of Defense civilian, drove in the fifth run with a single.

Herman later came home with run number six on an infield error off a batted grounder by Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Tom Studt.

“We don’t know who they (8 IS) beat, but they got a win,” Phelps said. “So to jump on them quick to get them off their game and put them down in the ranking, that’s what we do.”

In the second inning, Shipyard picked up right where they left off with back-to-back RBI doubles off the bats of Capt. Nito Blas and Langthorn to take an 8-0 lead.

Another infield error allowed one more run and Shipyard capped off the sec-

ond inning with an RBI single from Machinist’s Mate 1st Class Brian Love to take an early 10-0 advantage.

Shipyard’s bats got quiet over the next couple of innings, but in the fifth, the team set up the mercy-rule win with five more runs in the fifth inning.

Studt got another RBI on a single, while Chief Interior Communications Electrician Johnie Nicholson and Blas drove in two runs apiece on a single and a double to complete the night’s scoring.

Phelps said that although the team fell short in the first game of the season, he never worried about the team’s ability to collect hits in bunches, and the night was a perfect example of what Shipyard can do.



“First game, we only had nine players and we only lost by one run,” Phelps pointed out. “In the second game, we lit it up and this game we lit it up. We got a lot of great players, so hopefully the Shipyard

Sharks will be solid this year.”

While Phelps acknowledged that it’s still early in the season, he likes the team’s chances of creating some excitement on the field this year.

“I think we’ll be very competitive,” he said. “Pound Town (defending champs) looks strong, but I think with the players that we have and the hitting that we put together, we’ll be very competitive.”