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YEARS OF PEACE

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Affairs

The U.S. Navy and the sister cities of Nagaoka, Japan and Honolulu will join together Saturday to celebrate 70 Years of Peace as the city of Nagaoka brings its famous fireworks to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The event will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II in the Pacific and will take place on historic Ford Island.

The public is invited to the festivities which will begin at 4 p.m. with food vendors, cultural and educational displays, and entertainment on stage, followed by a commemorative program at 7 p.m.

The fireworks display will begin at 8 p.m. and will honor the memory of war victims and celebrate 70 years of continuing peace and friendship. Music for the fireworks will be simulcast live on radio station Hawaiian 105.1 KINE-FM.

Some of the event highlights will include entertainment by multiple Na Hoku award-winning musician, Mark Yamanaka, U. S. Navy's talented Pacific Fleet Band, Aloha Hula Club from Japan, and a taiko drum performance by Ryukyukoki Matsuri Daiko.

The official commemorative program which will begin at 7 p.m., will feature guest speakers, a youth peace summit declaration, choir performances by Nagaoka Boys and Girl's Choir and HEARTS Hawaii Choir, and a special live performance of the hit song, "Jupiter" by Japanese singer, Ayaka Hirahara.

Fireworks viewing locations

The main fireworks viewing location will be on Ford Island, with parking available on a first-come, first-served basis. The National Park Service's Pearl Harbor Visitor Center will open after hours at 5:30 p.m. as an alternate viewing location. Neal S. Blaisdell Park in Waimalu offers another viewing option for the public and will close at 10 p.m.

Parking and entry

The City and County of Honolulu will provide free shuttle service from Aloha Stadium to and from Ford Island (A \$3 fee will be charged if vehicles are parked at the stadium.)

Parking on Ford Island will open at 4 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis. In preparation for the fireworks, the Ford Island Bridge will close to inbound and outbound traffic from 7:45 to 8:20 p.m. Other parking and transportation options will be posted on the website at www.cnic.navy.mil/70yearspeace.

Security

Strict security measures will be in place for access to Ford Island. Guests may bring lawn chairs and mats, small bags, diaper bags, strollers and cameras. No large bags, coolers, tents and outside food or beverages are permitted. Food will be available for purchase. All carry-in items are subject to search. For a complete list of restricted items, is also on the "70 years of peace website."

Contact us by email at www.70yearsofpeacefriendship@gmail.com, or call (808) 473-1173 or 473-3958.

(See *Ho'okele* pages A-2, A-3, A-4, A-6, A-7 and B-1 for more information.)

Courtesy photo

Ford Island Bridge closures announced for Saturday

The Ford Island Bridge will be closed to both inbound and outbound vehicle traffic from 7:45 to 8:20 p.m. on Saturday during the Nagaoka fireworks event.

The Ford Island Bridge will also be closed to inbound vehicle traffic from 8:20 to 9:45 p.m. on Saturday for departure of event attendees.

All motorists, pedestrians and residents should plan accordingly.

Ho'okele newspaper survey begins today

Ho'okele Staff

Ho'okele readers will have an opportunity to participate in a survey and also have a chance to win some great prizes.

The eight questions on the survey will provide some helpful feedback to the staff of Ho'okele and give us some ideas to help improve the newspaper. We would like to hear from you. What is your favorite section of the newspaper? What is your least favorite section? What do you think we could do better?

We appreciate your taking the time to participate in the survey and give us some valuable feedback. Visit www.hookelenews.com to complete the survey. Only one survey should be completed per person.

Prizes have been provided by our publisher, Oahu Publications Inc., and by the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange. These include a \$200 NEX gift card offered by our publisher and a gift basket filled with goodies from the Pearl Harbor NEX.

The survey begins today and will continue through Sept. 4.

So please take a few minutes to answer the survey. We would love to hear from you. Mahalo nui loa!

USS Michael Murphy re-enlistment



U.S. Navy photo by LTJG Joshua A. Flanagan

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Ian Sattaur is reenlisted on the ship's centerline anchor by USS Michael Murphy's commanding officer, Cmdr. Todd Hutchison. Michael Murphy is homeported in Pearl Harbor, and is commencing a maintenance period having after returning from her maiden deployment in U.S. 7th Fleet.



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Rear Adm. James Kilby, commander, Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC), speaks with junior surface warfare officers during a ship tour and professional mentorship wardroom call aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

SWO ‘Top Gun’ admiral promotes new career opportunities

Story and photo by
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Junior surface warfare officers (SWO) stationed aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) were visited Aug. 10 by Rear Adm. James “Jim” Kilby, commander, Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC), at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The new SWO “Top Gun” commander hosted a professional mentorship call to introduce SMWDC and the career opportunities it presents to SWOs after their second division officer tour as a new generation of SWO tactical experts called warfare tactics instructors (WTI).

“WTIs are junior SWOs that receive comprehensive education in advanced tactics and training,” said Kilby.

“These officers will act as force multipliers for their ships and staffs. They are passionate about tactics, and they’ve shown an affinity throughout their career to become tactical subject matter experts (SME) in specific warfare areas: amphibious warfare (AMW), integrated air and missile defense (IAMD), surface warfare/anti-submarine warfare (SUW/ASW) and mine warfare (MIW),” he said.

SMWDC’s goal is to produce 110 WTIs per year with one WTI attached to each surface ship and staff (center for surface combat systems, afloat training groups, etc) to ensure a single training

standard for the surface fleet.

Junior officers aboard John Paul Jones said having the rear admiral come on board ignited their interest in the WTI program, primarily because the career trajectory allows opportunity for growth, specialization and appreciation.

“Do I see myself pursuing the path of a WTI? Right now, where I am in my career, I would say, yes,” said Ensign Elee Wakim, main propulsion officer (MPO) aboard John Paul Jones.

“It offers the opportunity for me to specialize, learn and grow in a specific warfare area. It allows me to leave my imprint and really have ownership of something in my career. It’s an exciting opportunity and it’s one I think I’ll pursue,” Wakim said.

Lt. j.g. Alexander Roman, anti-submarine warfare officer (ASWO) for John Paul Jones, agreed with Wakim.

“Would I sign up to be a WTI? Of course, without a doubt,” said Roman. “This is an exciting time to be a SWO; being a better warfighter is what I signed up to do.

“WTI is the future of the [surface] Navy. Being able to teach tactics, being able to understand the tactics, and being able to tactically employ the weapon systems and build up the proficiency of the wardroom, wherever you go [as a WTI] in the Navy, is the way that it should be,” Roman said.

Dating back to summer 2014, Kilby and his SMWDC staff have been on a ship-to-ship campaign seeking the most tactically passionate junior SWOs to prospectively

become WTIs. His visit to the John Paul Jones marked his 55th ship visit spanning from San Diego, Virginia, Japan and now Hawaii.

“When you take time out of your day to go to the ship and address them, that’s a definite overt signal. It’s a visible tangible signal that we are serious about this program,” said Kilby.

“The John Paul Jones is unique. She’s the test ship for the Missile Defense Agency in the Navy. Those officers are on the tactical cutting edge of our Navy, and I definitely want to pull that experience and leverage it as we move forward into this program.”

In conclusion, Kilby said the WTI program is a long-term investment opportunity, one that builds a more robust surface Navy, with more tactically proficient leaders as they gain subject matter expertise at more junior levels.

“The best investment is in our people. We’re investing in our youth and building that expertise at a much more junior level,” said Kilby.

“We will see over time that those officers will stay in and feel valued and become great commanding officers, destroyer squadron commanders or amphibious commanders in the future.”

SMWDC headquarters was formally established June 2015 at Naval Base San Diego and is responsible for increasing the tactical proficiency of individual surface warfare communities through the creation of warfare doctrine, under-way assessment exercises and warfare tactics instructors.

USS John Paul Jones intercepts target



Photo by Ralph Scott

On July 29, a short-range ballistic missile (SRBM) target was launched from the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kauai, Hawaii, as the second event in a series of joint Missile Defense Agency/U.S. Navy missile defense tests. The USS John Paul Jones, positioned west of Hawaii, detected, tracked and launched a SM-6 Dual I missile, resulting in a second successful target intercept. (See story in Aug. 7, 2015 Ho’okele, page A-1.)



Good reasons to attend 70 Years of Peace

Spectacular fireworks
Mark Yamanaka
U.S. Pacific Fleet Band
Nagaoka Boys’ and Girls’ Choir
Celebration of 70 Years of Peace
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Commentary

Remembering, Honoring, Celebrating: ‘70 Years of Peace’

Rear Adm. John Fuller

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The United States and Japan ended World War II in the Pacific 70 years ago this summer.

This week, the U.S. Navy in Hawaii is hosting sister cities Honolulu and Na-

gaoka, Japan to commemorate that anniversary.

This month's commemoration, "70 Years of Peace," has three goals: to honor the sacrifices of seven decades ago, celebrate the enduring peace between the United States and Japan today, and keep the memories alive for generations to come—past, present, future.

Nagaoka Mayor Tamio Mori, Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell and Adm. Scott Swift, commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, will lead solemn remembrance events on Aug. 14. We will recognize those who fought and died during the War in the Pacific—beginning in Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 and then across the ocean, from island to island, and ending in the summer of 1945 in Japan.

Pearl Harbor suffered greatly on Dec. 7, 1941. Nagaoka suffered greatly in the waning days of the war when U.S. bombers destroyed 80 percent of the city. Nagaoka was the home of Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, commander-in-chief of the Imperial Japanese Navy's Com-



Rear Adm. John V. Fuller

bined Fleet, who, historians tell us, reluctantly planned the attack on Pearl Harbor.

After conducting private solemn ceremonies on Aug. 14, we will shift the focus to a public event on Aug. 15 to celebrate our mutual respect and friendship.

Nagaoka, now famous for its spectacular fireworks

displays, will light up the sky over Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The base will open part of historic Ford Island to the public. Singers, dancers and taiko drummers will perform, but the highlight will be the fireworks show.

Today, the citizens of Japan and the United States work together to prevent war by preserving peace—building cooperation, strengthening partnerships and training together as allies.

And, that's what our Navy does when we operate forward. We have great friends in the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force, and we work as a team to continually improve that relationship.

Here in Hawaii, people from Nagaoka and Honolulu are promoting cul-

tural and educational exchanges, in which our Navy is happy to participate – in association with the Japan America Society of Hawaii. Young people from both countries are conducting outreach events at local schools, with the University of Hawaii, and together with the National Park Service at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center.

We learn by studying the lessons from history.

Our World War II veterans tell us their greatest wish is that we never forget the sacrifices they made seven decades ago and that future generations will continue to value and defend cooperation, stability, freedom—and peace.

Please join us as we celebrate 70 Years of Peace with our dear friends at Pearl Harbor.

Diverse Views



What is your favorite video game of all time?

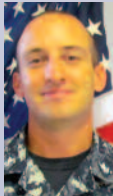


LSSN Daniel Walpole
JBPHH

"Super Smash Brothers. It's always fun to see who would actually win in a fight between Mario and Luigi or Bowser and Princess Peach. She isn't a hostage anymore!"

Master Sgt. Steven Phillips
Det 5, 2nd Weather Squadron

"The Legend of Zelda, because it was the first challenging game I beat."



STG2 Matthew Paiva
JBPHH

"My favorite video game of all time is Mario Kart because it's simple, fun and a game you can play with a bunch of friends!"

Lt. Col. Jerrod Duggan
HQ PACAF

"Atari Pitfall, always a great adventure."



FC2 Austin Emery
USS Chosin (CG 65)

"My favorite game is Halo because it's fun and because of the nostalgia of following the game when it first came out."

Chief Master Sgt. Liza VanBurger
HQ PACAF

"I loved pinball games."



OSSN Jasmine Bencid
JBPHH

"Mortal Kombat is my favorite game of all time because of the intense nature of the game!"

Capt. Edward Yang
8th Intelligence Squadron

"Rome: Total War. It was an amazing game for battle strategy and tactics, especially for someone who enjoys reading about Roman history."



STG2 Jose Moran
USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60)

"Kingdom of Amalur. It created an outlet for me during deployment."

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

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Na Hoku Hanohano award winning singer Mark Yamanaka has a voice range from tenor to falsetto and is known for his song stylings in traditional and contemporary Hawaiian music but also covers some country.

Force protection exercises to begin next week

Naval installations in Hawaii are planning to participate in force protection exercises this month beginning next week. Such exercises are conducted to enhance the training, readiness and capability of Navy security forces to respond to threats to installations, commands and units. Residents and the workforce may hear announcements, sirens or other noises associated with the training. These exercises are not in response to any specific threat. Additional details will be provided in next week's Ho'okele.

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Navy nurses celebrate end of war



Official U.S. Navy photo

U.S. Navy nurses stationed at Pearl Harbor march in a V-J Day parade on Sept. 3, 1945. Hawaii officially marked V-J Day with a three-day holiday ending with a parade.



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WWII Companion: How Peace Was Achieved 70 Years Ago

Review by Bill Doughty

Starting in the aftermath of the First World War, when the world lived in “interesting times” – economically, politically and socially – David M. Kennedy shows how the fumes of discontent and aggression exploded into war.

How and why the Allies won in Europe and the Pacific in 1945 is also explained in Kennedy's encyclopedic, “The Library of Congress World War II Companion” (Simon & Schuster, 2007).

Kennedy provides fascinating context alongside hard facts and historical photos in this 982-page book that shifts chronologically from East to West and back with timelines, lists and profiles of people, places, battles and concepts.

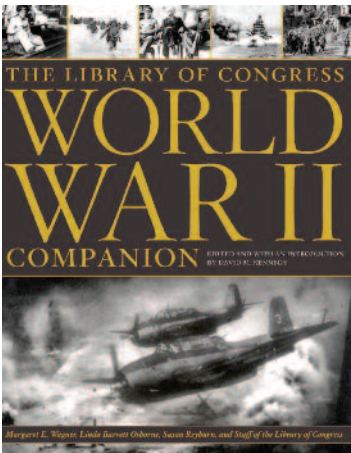
Timeline entries show how the war began, with tensions growing in 1940 after President Franklin D. Roosevelt embargoed oil and other materials to Japan in January. Volatility increased into the summer.

“July 26: Attempting to restrain Japanese expansionist policies, the United States embargoes shipments of high-octane aviation fuel and premium scrap iron and steel.”

Kennedy shows the perspective from all sides, including Japan's.

Among the topics in “Companion”: mobilization, operations, tactics, instruments of war and how war affected the homefront.

This week marks the 70th anniversary of the end of war in the Pacific, when “Tenno Heika” Emperor Hirohito announced Japan would surrender, signifying the end of theocratic divine rule, male dominance over society, and military control of the government.



As to how the United States led efforts in the Pacific to bring freedom, equality and democracy to Japan, Kennedy lists the “Keys to Victory: Why the Allies Won.” He has lists for both the European War and Asian-Pacific War. In the case of Asia-Pacific, he offers these reasons:

- **Allied Industrial Production.** The United States quickly overcame the damage done to the U.S. Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor, while Japan had neither the population nor the resources to match Allied industrial output. The intense rivalry between Japan's army and naval branches greatly limited the country's production capabilities.
- **Intelligence.** Allied intelligence gathering, code breaking, and analysis was far superior. After the war, Japan's chief of army intelligence, Lt. Gen. Seizo Arisue, admitted, “We couldn't break your codes at all.” The Japanese, in fact, broke some but to little effect.
- **Battle of Midway.** After the war, all Japanese naval officers

questioned by U.S. interrogators cited the defeat at Midway as “the beginning of total failure.” Japan could not make up for the tremendous loss of aircraft, warships or experienced pilots. In 1943-1944, Japan produced seven aircraft carriers; in that same period, the United States produced 90.

- **Island hopping strategy.** By skipping over many fortified Japanese-held islands, the Allies isolated and kept large Japanese forces out of the fight (as at Truk and Rabaul). The strategy also kept the Japanese guessing as to where the Allies would strike next.
- **Combined operations and amphibious landings.** The Allies mastered these techniques to successfully capture the islands necessary for an eventual attack on Japan.
- **Destruction of the Imperial Navy.** At the Battle of Leyte Gulf in October 1944, U.S. forces destroyed nearly all that remained of the Japanese navy, which was “tantamount to the [subsequent] loss of the Philippines,” the Japanese naval minister said after the war. “When you took the Philippines, that was the end of our resources.”
- **Conventional and atomic bombing of Japan.** Bombing from spring 1945 to August destroyed more than 2 million buildings and demolished about 40 percent of the country's urban areas. The destruction and Allied blockades put Japan on the verge of starvation.

One could argue that other key reasons deserve special recognition: the impact of submarines and inspirational naval leadership, such as that provided by Fleet Adm. Nimitz, for example.

Balanced with the joy of victory and end of suffering, Kennedy also shows the tragic aftermath of war. He writes of a U.S. Marine, Eugene Sledge, who was on Okinawa on Aug. 14, 1945 and who remembers poignantly the Marines' reaction:

“We received the news with quiet disbelief coupled with an indescribable sense of relief. We thought the Japanese would never surrender. Many refused to believe it. Sitting in stunned silence, we remembered our dead. So many dead. So many maimed. So many bright futures consigned to the ashes of the past. So many dreams lost in the madness that had engulfed us. Except for a few widely scattered shouts of

joy, the survivors of the abyss sat hollow-eyed and silent, trying to comprehend a world without war.”

Today, Japan and the United States share the same values of an open and free society based on democratic principles. A commemoration in Pearl Harbor this week, presented by sister cities Nagaoka and Honolulu and hosted by the U.S. Navy, celebrates “70 Years of Peace.”

Last week, Japan Self-Defense Force soldiers and sailors paid their respects aboard USS Arizona Memorial in Pearl Harbor.

(Doughty writes Navy Reads on weekends: www.navyreads.blogspot.com.)



It's an opportunity to celebrate peace and share cultures. Nagaoka's famous fireworks beginning at 8 p.m. will honor the memory of the war's victims and celebrate 70 years of peace and friendship.

USS Chung-Hoon Sailors engage in COMPTUEX



(Above, right) Sailors from the guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) conduct a visit, board, search and seizure training exercise aboard the motor vessel M/V ATLS-9701.

(Left) Sailors aboard Chung-Hoon heave around phone and distance line as the ship takes on fuel during an underway replenishment (UNREP) from the Military Sealift Command fleet replenishment oiler USNS Yukon (T-AO 202).

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Marcus L. Stanley



Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Jason Swink
(Above) The Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine USS Columbus (SSN 762) moors pier-side on returning to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam following a six-month scheduled deployment to the western Pacific region.



(Below) U.S. Air Force Chaplain Daniel Leatherman, 154th Wing Headquarters, performs a blessing at the 154th Security Forces Squadron (SFS) indoor firing range at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Robert Cabuco

U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Jackson
(Above) Senior Airman Famellajamie Aquino, chemical, biological and nuclear environment survival instructor with the 154th Civil Engineering Squadron, walks Hawaii Air National Guard Airmen through a basic map reading exercise during the hands on portion of Self-Aid and Buddy Care training during August's unit training assembly Aug. 9 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

(Below) Airmen from the Hawaii Air National Guard practice lifesaving skills during the hands on portion of Self-Aid and Buddy Care training during August's unit training assembly Aug. 9 at JBPHH.

U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Jackson



About Nagaoka: Nagaoka is Honolulu's sister city and home of the famous Nagaoka fireworks. After Nagaoka was bombed during World War II and 80 percent of its city's was destroyed, the people of Nagaoka started reconstruction of the city and also began a fireworks festival as a symbol of their recovery. The fireworks are considered a kind of prayer for peace of Nagaokan people.

Hawaii Air National Guard unveils new indoor shooting range

Senior Airman Orlando Corpuz

154th Wing Public Affairs

The Hawaii Air National Guard debuted its new indoor live-fire shooting range in a ceremony held Aug. 8 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The new 6,000 square foot unit located on the grounds of the Hawaii Air National Guard gives the HIANG a capability it has never had before, the ability to qualify and train its Airmen in small arms fire and prepare them for deployments in-house.

"Small arms qualifications was conducted at the only USAF firing range on the island, which happens to be located approximately 20 miles away on Schofield Barracks," said Maj. Dane Minami, 154th Security Forces Squadron commander.

"The HIANG had to compete for scheduling of the firing range with both the active duty and the Reserves and because we did not own the range, we normally had low priority," he said.

According to Minami, in addition to improving readiness capability, benefits



U.S. Air National Guard photos by Airman 1st Class Robert Cabuco

(Left) U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt Bronson Colton, 154th Security Forces Squadron (SFS), grabs a pinch of salt during the blessing ceremony of the 154th SFS Indoor Firing Range, Aug. 8, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Salt is spread throughout the facility by the chaplain and members of the 154th SFS as a way to purify and protect the facility. (Right) U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. Stan Osserman (retired), former commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard, aims down range after the blessing of the 154th Security Force Squadron Indoor Firing Range at JBPHH.

include cost savings due to the reduction in the resources and manpower previously needed to coordinate, schedule and

transport Airmen to an off-site firing range.

"For a traditional Guardsman, time during drill weekends is a precious commodity. Having an indoor firing range right here in our own backyard saves time, money and gas for our

unit members and all Hawaii Air National Guard personnel with weapons qualification requirements," Minami said.

"The ability to schedule live-firing at any time of the day and night or week will allow us to more effectively

support the entire organization with short notice deployment and annual qualification requirements," he said.

The modular containerized small arms training sets (MCATS), as its name implies, utilizes a prefabricated and modular design concept. Prefabrication of the units was done by a company in Nevada and then shipped to the Hawaii Air National Guard where it was assembled on an empty asphalt area on the HIANG's compound.

Because of this, many of the pre-construction costs, such as engineering, architecture and site prep were minimized. Its modular design allows it to be disassembled and moved to another location should the need arise.

The MCSATS has 12 shooting lanes and is fully enclosed with heating, ventilation and cooling systems. Everything from target control to shooting environment is monitored and adjusted from a master control room.

Depending on the training requirements, lighting systems can simulate low light or night time shooting conditions, and an automated target retrieval system makes feedback to the shooter

timely and convenient.

The ceremony, which included a traditional Hawaiian blessing, signified the range's first official day of operation and was the culmination of months of planning and procurement challenges.

"The list [of challenges] is long and wide, everything from having to build a standard configuration that the Guard Bureau and USAF accepted," said retired Brig. Gen. Stan Osserman, a former commander of the Hawaii Air National Guard.

"Then there was the typical case of Hawaii being so far away from Washington, D.C. that we couldn't always make sure we kept our priority place in line. We nipped that one on my last trip to D.C. and got the HIANG put back in the right place," he said.

While the firing range's primary use is to train HIANG Airmen, there are plans to eventually make the facility available to other Department of Defense organizations.

The facility is the third one of its kind in the Air National Guard. The Nevada Air National Guard and New York Air National Guard began operating similar facilities in 2014.

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HAWAIIAN PEACE
NAGAOKE HONOLULU

More good reasons to attend 70 Years of Peace

Taiko drums
Hula
HEARTS Hawaii Choir
Even more entertainment
Youth peace summit declaration
Cultural displays
Fun and festivities

Hurricane season is busier than usual

Karen S. Spangler

Managing Editor, Ho'okele

With the prediction earlier this year that the 2015 hurricane season would be busier than usual, it increases the odds that our island home will be impacted by one of the passing storms.

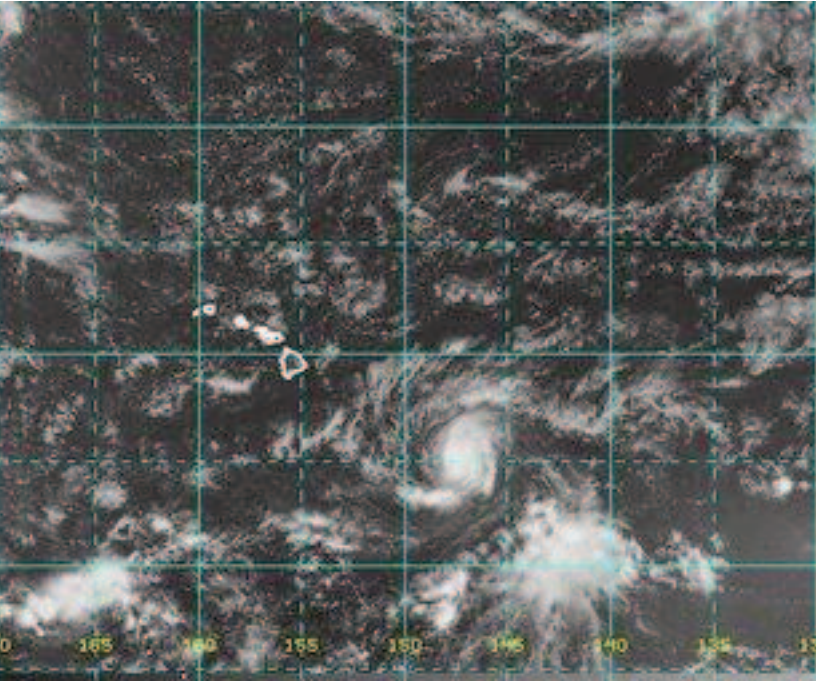
Tropical storms Guillermo and Hilda passed by the islands within a week of each other and just a few weeks earlier, Tropical Depression Ela passed by the islands, thankfully without making much of an impression.

But the forecast for more storms than usual makes it likely that Hawaii will be saying aloha to more disturbances before hurricane season ends in November.

So it's important to take precautions, just in case one of the storms should decide to pay a visit.

Hawaii Emergency Management Agency recommends that island residents continue disaster preparedness efforts:

- Continue to follow reports for the latest information on hurricanes/tropical storms by monitoring local broadcasters and/or sign up for local notification systems, especially if living in a flood prone area.
- Be aware of flood safety recommendations. Tips can be found at www.floodsmart.gov.
- Gather important documents such as flood insurance policy. Flood losses are not covered under normal homeowners' insurance policies.
- Listen to ocean safety officials and exercise caution if entering the water as high surf messages are issued.
- Read the Hawaii Boater's Hurri-



Courtesy of NOAA

cane and Tsunami Safety Manual for recommended precautions to protect boats prior to a storm at: <http://ow.ly/QPD3o>.

• Download the Homeowners Handbook to Prepare for Natural Disasters, which includes helpful tips to lower risk of damage to homes from a natural disaster at <http://ow.ly/QPDj0>.

• Identify small outdoor items that could be picked up by high winds. Make a plan to bring these items indoors if a hurricane/tropical storm watch or warning is issued.

• Have an emergency kit with enough food and water to last your family for three to seven days and make sure to have at least \$250 in cash.

• Set aside an emergency supply of any needed medication, and keep a copy of prescriptions in case you run out of medication after a disaster.

• Those who require special medical assistance should make arrangements in advance of the storm's arrival (i.e., if medication needs to be chilled, begin building up ice reserves).

For more information, about emergency preparedness, visit the Navy Region Hawaii website at www.cnic.navy.mil/hawaii and the JBPHH website at www.cnic.navy.mil/PearlHarbor-Hickam.

Additional information is available at www.ready.gov.

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Family members of Cmdr. Linda Seymour, outgoing USS Halsey commanding officer, and Cmdr. Ken Athans, incoming commanding officer, place the Command at Sea Pin during Halsey's change of command.

USS Halsey holds change of command in San Diego

Lt. j.g. Frances Klimczak

USS Halsey (DDG 97) Public Affairs

Cmdr. Ken Athans relieved Cmdr. Linda Seymour as the commanding officer of guided missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97) during a change of command ceremony held Aug. 3 in San Diego.

Capt. Paul Hogue, commodore of Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 23, presided over the ceremony. He both welcomed Halsey to the DESRON 23 team and congratulated Seymour and the crew

for a job well done throughout her tour, especially on a successful deployment to the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility.

Seymour addressed the crew and expressed how proud she was of their accomplishments and how bright their future was ahead with Athans at the helm.

Currently, Halsey is away from its homeport of Pearl Harbor and is participating in LA Navy Days and a fleet exercise for training.

USS Halsey brings aloha spirit to Los Angeles

Lt. j.g. Frances Klimczak

USS Halsey (DDG 97) Public Affairs

USS Halsey (DDG 97), homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, sailed past the battleship USS Iowa into the port of Los Angeles as it arrived Aug. 4 for LA Navy Days. Alongside Halsey were USS Bunker Hill and USS Cape St. George.

For six full days, each ship offered tours of the topside decks to the general public and hosted various receptions for the Navy League and other supporters. In return, Sailors participated in numerous activities from

nights out in the city, to an Angel's baseball game and even some Hollywood studio tours.

LA Navy Days are a celebration of the sea services where Sailors interact with the public through ship visits, social events and community relations activities. The general public tours offered people a chance to see the ships up close and to hear Sailors talk about what they do.

"It can be easy to forget just how unique our jobs are," said Firecontrolman 2nd Class Jonathan Little.

"I do a lot of the same mundane tasks every day but getting to show someone and see how excited they were to be part of it, that was special," he said.

Sailors proudly wore their uniforms out in town and received a warm welcome from the people of Los Angeles. Navy Days reinvigorated the crews of all three ships and reminded them just how important their work is.

The visit to LA also held special meaning for Halsey. Adm. Bull Halsey Jr. was chosen as LA's hometown hero following World War II. USS Iowa, now permanently homeported in the port of LA as a museum, also served as Halsey's flagship at the end of the war.

Halsey's sister ship, Battleship Missouri Memorial, sits across the harbor from Halsey when it is at home in Pearl Harbor.



U.S. Navy photo by Ensign James Wade

Visitors toured the topside decks of USS Halsey (DDG 97) as part of a recent LA Navy Days event.

Utilities work breaks waterline

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

A waterline break occurred on the morning of Aug. 11 on Kamehameha Highway near Aloha Stadium and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam during scheduled utilities relocation work by Kiewit Infrastructure West Co., a rail construction contractor.

The break was reported to Navy engineers at 9:15 a.m. on Aug. 11. The contractor is repairing the waterline and will notify the Navy when repairs can be completed.

Only an isolated area was affected: Richardson Pool, which is currently closed, and an office space. Housing areas and Schooners Restaurant were not impacted.

The 24-inch waterline is approximately 4 feet deep, was installed in the late 1990s and was not encased in concrete.

The cause of the break is believed to have been movement of a pipe joint during work by the contractor, but this has not been confirmed. The Navy does not plan to conduct an investigation.

On Aug. 13 the contractor completed repairs. The Navy ensured the contractor properly disinfected the new rerouted section of waterline, and then Navy engineers slowly opened up the valves to recharge our system.



Taiko drum performance by Ryukyukoku Matsuri Daiko Hawaii chapter features three types of drums and choreography created in Okinawa



HO'OKELE

Life & Leisure

Na Koa WOUNDED WARRIOR Regatta *kicks off OceanFest*

Photo courtesy of RJ Kaleidoscope Photography

The Warrior Transition Battalion Female Group paddles hard to the finish line.



Photos courtesy of banzaibetty.com and Jim "Goose" Guziar

Top left, lei are draped on Duke Kahanamoku memorial statue. Left, paddlers racing to finish. Top right, teams launch at the start of the Na Koa Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta competition. Hawaii Rep. Tulsi Gabbard, pictured above, delivered remarks during the opening ceremony.



A display of a koa canoe that honored Soldiers was showcased at Duke's Oceanfest opening festivities held Aug. 22 at Kapiolani Park.

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Staff Sgt. Chris Yarbrough of Team MXG battles Staff Sgt. Kyle Rachan of PACOM/JIOC at the net.

PACOM/JIOC closes in on ‘first’ with win over MXG

**Story and photos by
Randy Della Cruz**
Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Pacific Command/Joint Intelligence Operation Center (PACOM/JIOC) put together their most complete game to date and shocked Team Maintenance Group (MXG) in straight sets, 25-18 and 25-23, in a battle of top teams in the Gold Division on Aug. 19 at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The intramural matchup pitted teams with identical 5-2 records and with the win, PACOM/JIOC maintained their position in the standings in a tie for second place with the 647th Civil Engineer Squadron (647 CES) Bulls.

Both teams are just off the pace of the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC), which leads the division with a 5-1 record.

“I think today we were scrappy. That’s the word I like to use,” said military spouse Michelle Farrar, who is the setter for PACOM/JIOC. “We knew that we’re getting into the playoffs, so we wanted this, we fought for this. It’s crunch time now, so we can’t lose another game.”

In the first set, the lead bounced back and forth as the game was tied three times with the final dead-



Players battle at the net during a showdown between PACOM/JIOC and Team MXG.

lock coming at 14-14.

Hitter Yeoman 2nd Class Steven Marsh gave PACOM/JIOC a huge boost by smashing back-to-back kills to give his team a 16-14 lead.

Then with the team clinging to a one-point advantage at 18-17, Marsh blocked a shot for a point

and side-out and followed that up with another kill to put PACOM/JIOC out in front by three.

Farrar picked up service at 23-18 and proceeded to induce a hitting error for a point before closing out the first set with a service ace.

Marsh, whose presence at the net caused huge

problems for the MXG, said that he wasn’t quite sure how he did, but he’s glad that he did.

“Honestly, I’m not sure,” he said about how he played so well at the net. “I’m not really a volleyball player. I’m a basketball player, so I just jump.”

As close as the first set

was, the second set was even tighter, with MXG holding a small lead for most of the game.

PACOM/JIOC finally caught the MXG at 14-14 and took their first lead of the night three plays later to go up 16-15.

The MXG came back to tie the score at 21-21, but a

kill by Staff Sgt. Kyle Rachan put PACOM/JIOC back out in front at 22-21.

The MXG managed to go back out on top by a point at 23-22, but a service error not only tied the score, it also put the ball into the hands of Farrar, whose deadly serves ended set one.

With Farrar serving, Rachan got a big kill to make it 24-23 before Farrar, like she did in the first set, ended it all on an ace.

“I’ve been playing since I was 6 years old, so I’ve faced pressure most of life,” Farrar explained about how she kept her poise in a couple of very clutch situations. “I’m the setter, so I have to be calm.”

With only a couple of games remaining in the regular season, PACOM/JIOC appears to be peaking at the right time.

Farrar said it’s due to the dedication of the players, who have committed themselves to practice.

A win over a strong team like the MXG will do wonders for the team’s confidence, Farrar said, as PACOM/JIOC prepares for the playoffs.

“I, knock on wood, expect us to win the playoffs,” she said. “If we have the right people in there and the right mindset, I think we can do it. We have a lot of talent. We just need to put it where it needs to be.”



Navy Lt. Chuck Wood picks up another kill for Hawaii Air National Guard as the guard rolls on to their eighth-straight victory.

Depleted HIANG dominates over struggling 67th CW

**Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz**

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Even without any substitutions, the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) didn't miss a beat against a well-stocked 67th Cyberspace Wing (67 CW) team, as the HIANG swept a two-game set, 25-6 and 25-9, the teams met Aug. 20 in a Blue Division intramural volleyball matchup at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Down to only the bare minimum of six players, the HIANG got even distribution of the ball and dominated from wire-to-wire to raise their record to a perfect 8-0, while the 67

CW fell to their seventh consecutive defeat without a win.

Although both teams entered the showdown at opposite ends of the standings, HIANG team captain Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo said that it's important to enter each game focused and ready to play no matter who is the opposition.

"We keep on the same principle that we play our game," Lorenzo said. "We try our best to make it an error-free game. That minimizes the fact that the errors are our fault. That's the only way you can focus and stay on the same path. We stick to the principles that keep us going forward."

The strategy worked perfectly against the 67 CW,

which got bombarded from every angle on the court.

Tied at 1-1 in the first set, HIANG setter Tech. Sgt. Alik Kaahanui went to the back line for service and quickly put the deadlock in the rearview mirror.

Serving up two aces and forcing three hitting errors, Kaahanui got a hand from Navy Lt. Chuck Wood's kill to put the HIANG out in front with a seven-point lead at 8-1.

A serving error broke the streak, but a side-out by Lt. Col. Rick Cox put the ball back into the hands of the HIANG, who tacked on three more points.

Later, Cox was front-and-center again, as he took over service with the

score at 12-3 in favor of HIANG.

Like Kaahanui before him, Cox was superb from the back line.

Following a kill by newcomer Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Equipment) 2nd Class Isaac Atkins, Cox served up three straight aces for a 16-3 lead.

Next, Lorenzo put the finishing touch on the win with another outstanding performance from service.

With the ball in his hands at 18-6, Lorenzo picked up three aces and got two kills from Atkins en route to seven straight points and a 25-6 win.

"It feels good the team is actually coming together," said Lorenzo about the team's balanced attack.

"The passing is coming together, the hitting is coming together, and everybody is getting a chance at swinging at the ball."

Like in the first set, the game was all tied up at 1-1 in the second set, but from there it was all HIANG once again.

Wood served up two aces in a five-point rally and then later, an ace by Cox gave the HIANG their first double-digit lead in the second set at 15-5.

The 67 CW was still trailing by 10 at 18-8, when Lorenzo took over service, and once again the team captain took over control.

A kill by Atkins made it 19-8 before Lorenzo served up five straight aces that culminated when Wood

sent everyone home on another kill.

With PCP as the only remaining team in the division besides HIANG with a perfect record, Lorenzo said that it is exciting to face a challenge from anyone and everyone.

While the game hasn't been scheduled as yet, Lorenzo said that he only hopes that the HIANG will be fully stocked with players when the two kingpins finally throw down.

"Yeah, we're looking forward to it, but it's hard to prepare because we're not sure of the personnel we're going to have on that day (that) we're going to play them," he said. "I'm hoping that we'll all be here when we play them."

Serving and strong net-play lead COS to victory

**Story and photo by
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The 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron (690 COS) trumped Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) in straight sets, 25-15 and 23-16, on Aug. 20 in a Blue Division intramural volleyball game at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The COS, which has two of the tallest players in 6-foot-10-inch Airman 1st Class Theryn Hudson and 6-foot-6-inch Senior Airman Demetrius Harvey in the division, kept their hopes alive for the top spot by keeping pace with the undefeated and defending champs Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) and Pearl City Peninsula Warriors.

With a record of 6-2, the COS is only two games behind the division leaders, while DPAA has now lost three in a row and has a record of 2-4.

Staff Sgt. Steve Frost said that while he is encouraged by the team's most recent win, he insisted that for the COS to play better against the big boys in the division, they will have to improve.

"I think we have a lot of improving to do," Frost admitted. "We've gotten better with our hitting and serving, but as far as calling (for) the ball and the little things, we've got to improve on that."

In a game without the



690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron 6-foot-6-inch Senior Airman Demetrius Harvey goes up for a kill against Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA).

presence of Hudson, the COS didn't appear to miss a beat against the struggling DPAA.

After the team cruised ahead at 18-13 in the first set, the COS rolled on to the finish on the shoulders of Senior Airman Tim

Johnson and Harvey.

Down the stretch, the duo of Johnson and Harvey smashed six kills, three apiece, with Johnson putting down the final point for a 25-15 win.

Starting off in the second half, it appeared that the

COS lost a bit of their mojo and quickly fell behind at 3-0.

However, once Capt. Alan Geason got his hands on the ball to serve following a side-out by Harvey, it didn't take that long before the COS were back in business.

Behind Geason, the COS rallied for seven straight points to go up by four after trailing by three.

During the game-changing rally, Geason induced five hitting errors and picked up two service aces to complete the comeback.

"Once we get in a rhythm, a couple of good serves in a row, I think we're one of the best teams in the league," Geason said. "I kind of look for where the open areas are. Usually, they'll leave some big hole and I'll just aim for it. It usually works out."

DPAA, behind the solid play of team captain Gary Starks, a retired veteran and current DoD civilian, did manage to tie up the score at 11-11, but key kills and blocks by Harvey down the stretch were enough to hold off DPAA for the rest of the game.

"Like I said before, you can't replace his height," Frost said about the 6-foot-6-inch Harvey. "We just send him up front and he's like a brick wall. He'll block anything. Even on his way down, he's still blocking shots."

With the team only two games in back of the leaders, Geason said that he thinks the team is looking pretty solid.

Like Frost, Geason said there are still a few kinks to work out, but overall the team looks pretty good.

Frost said that if the team needs to understand where they should be in terms of readiness, then all it has to do is look no further than within their own division.

"Thinking back to our game against the HIANG, that was a huge eye-opener for us," Frost stated. "We're not on their level. I'm hoping that we can keep improving and make it a long stretch."



A taste of Morocco with ras el hanout eggplant and chickpeas

Ras el hanout is a North African spice mixture that it is central to Moroccan cuisine. It is not to be confused with Ra's al Ghul, who is a Batman supervillain.

In Arabic, ras el hanout means “head of the shop,” signifying that it is the best spice mix the seller has to offer. It can sometimes contain 30 or more ingredients, but most recipes include cardamom, nutmeg, anise, mace, cinnamon, ginger, peppers and turmeric. Premixed ras el hanout can be found at many health food stores and well-stocked groceries, though a quick Web search will find several recipes for those who want to make their own batch.

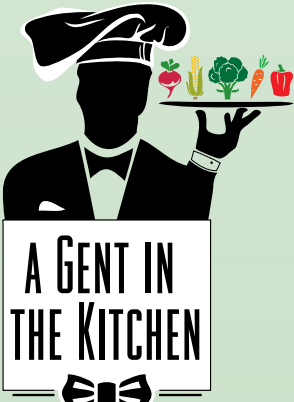
Ras el hanout is most commonly used in tajines, which are a form of stew named for the earthenware pot they are cooked in. This recipe, ras el hanout eggplant with chickpeas, is sort of a cousin to a tajine. It also bears a certain similarity to an Afghani dish called bonjan, which used cinnamon and mint instead of ras el hanout and does not include chickpeas.

Ras el hanout eggplant with chickpeas

(Serves 4-6)

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 large eggplant, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 15-oz can plain diced tomatoes with juices
- 1 15 oz. can chickpeas, rinsed
- 2-3 teaspoons ras el hanout
- Salt and pepper to taste

Preheat the oil in a large pot on medium-high heat. Add the onion and sauté until it is soft. Toss



BY: BRANDON BOSWORTH

in the garlic and eggplant and stir for a couple of minutes.

Add the tomatoes, chickpeas, and ras el hanout, cover. Lower the heat to low, and cook until the eggplants are soft, about 20 minutes give or take. Be sure to give everything a stir every so often, and add water or broth in small increments if the ingredients start sticking to the pot.

Once the eggplant is soft and cooked through, the dish is done. Salt and pepper to taste. Serve over rice (jasmine or basmati work especially well), with pita, or go for the full Arabic experience and have it with couscous.

If you are a classical music buff, set the mood with Rimsky-Korsakov's “Scheherazade.” If you prefer something more modern, explore the contemporary Middle Eastern-influenced music of artists such as SoapKills, Azam Ali or Natacha Atlas (who does an incredible version of the Screamin' Jay Hawkins classic ‘I Put a Spell on You.’ Be sure to have some strong, sweet mint tea on hand for afterwards!

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Schooners' open-air dining room overlooks Rainbow Bay Marina.

Relaxed atmosphere, scenic views at Schooners Restaurant

Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Diners can find breathtaking harbor views and classic entrees at Schooners Restaurant.

Schooners' off-base location near the historic USS Arizona Memorial makes it a convenient spot for

lunch, dinner or pau hana for military patrons and guests. The open-air dining room overlooks the waters of Rainbow Bay Marina and the rows of boats gently bobbing with the tide.

The Schooners menu offers a range of dishes, from appetizers and burgers, to salads, steaks, pastas and other items. In addition, Schooners offers daily

and weekly specials. Kids can eat free from the keiki menu with each paid adult meal daily from 5 to 6 p.m.

Fans of buffets can go on Saturday nights for Schooners' seafood/crab legs buffet. Diners can eat steamed crab legs, shrimp, fish and other food from the sea from 6 to 8 p.m. The price is \$31.50 per person and \$13.25 for kids 6 to 12 years old.

A lunch buffet is available every Wednesday for \$14.95 per person or \$6.50 for kids 6 to 12 years old. Choices during the 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. buffet include chicken, kalua pork, fish of the day and other items.

During the *pau hana* social hour from 4 to 6 p.m. patrons can watch the sunset over the mountain range and marina.

Big swim meet expects to ‘make a splash’ next week

Helen Ko

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation's aquatics program will hold its first all ages swim meet from 5 to 6 p.m. Sept. 5 at Scott Pool. The event is free.

“The main goal of this event is to provide a fun competition for families without the pressure of winning or losing. We want the fun to be in the racing, not the winning,” said Noa Chung, lead lifeguard at Scott Pool.

“This event is tailored more towards families as a whole to come and have fun. But if we can get more adults to participate, then maybe we can do more fun events for them as well,” Chung said.

Patrons can sign up at Scott Pool from Sept. 1 to 5.

There will be three events: a wheelbarrow tag team relay, 50-yard doggie paddle sprint and a fun-dive contest, where costumes are welcome.

Chung said that for the wheelbarrow race, a partner is needed, so this is a way to include family members or a friend. She added that the fun-dive contest is about falling with style.

“From the diving board you take off, and be as crazy as you can be doing it. Dress up like Batman, Birdman, Wonder Woman or whatever. Our categories for winners will be best dressed, funniest jump, and best dive,” Chung said.

Patrons planning to participate in the event can bring their own goggles for the race.

(For more information, visit greatlifehawaii.com or call 473-0394.)



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The fun-dive contest will be featured at the all ages swim meet on Sept. 5.

Community Calendar

SEPTEMBER

ACING THE INTERVIEW

1 — An Acing the Interview workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The workshop will include what to bring for the interview, interview formats and how to ask and answer questions effectively. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or 474-1999.

SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT BASICS

2 — A Savings and Investment Basics workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. The workshop will cover managing and budgeting money, how to shop for investments, the difference between stocks, bonds, Roth and traditional IRAs, CDs and money market accounts. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or 474-1999.

GOLF DEMO DAY

2 — Golf demonstration day will be held from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Navy-Marine Golf Course. Patrons can try out some of the latest equipment at the driving range. There is no charge for the event. FMI: 471-0142.

AIR FORCE SPOUSE 101: HEART LINK

3 — An Air Force Spouse 101: Heart Link program from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Military and Family Support Center Hickam will introduce spouses to all aspects of Air Force life, provide them an opportunity to establish a peer network, and offer tools to adapt to the military way of life. The event will include a complimentary lunch: FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or 474-1999.

WOMEN'S SURF LESSONS

5 — Women's surf lessons will begin at 9 a.m. at Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation Outdoor Recreation at Hickam

Harbor. Participants need to be able to swim without a lifejacket. The cost is \$30. The sign-up deadline is Sept. 2. FMI: 449-5215.

LABOR DAY CAMPING WITH LIBERTY

5 — A Liberty Labor Day weekend overnight camping event will be held at Bellows Air Force Station. Besides beach activities, the event will feature kayaking to the Mokulua Islands. Meals, drinks, equipment, tents, lights and sleeping bags will be provided. Participants will return from the event on Sept. 7. Participants are advised to bring swim clothes and sunscreen. The event is for single, active-duty military E1 to E6 only. FMI: 473-2583.

ALL AGES SWIM MEET

5 — A free all ages swim meet will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. at Scott Pool. Events include wheelbarrow tag team relay, doggie paddle sprint and a fun dive contest. Participants can sign up at Scott Pool the week of the event. FMI: 473-0394.

FREE LABOR DAY CONCERT WITH SHINEDOWN

7 — A free Labor Day concert with the group Shinedown will begin at 5 p.m. at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Gates open at 3 p.m. The event is open to Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. The pre-party will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

FARMER'S MARKET WITH LIBERTY

9 — Fresh fruit and vegetables from local farmers will be available for purchase from 4 to 7 p.m. at the farmer's market in front of the Blaisdell Center in Honolulu. Plate lunches and other local products will also be available for purchase. Liberty will pick up participants and return them by 8 p.m. The event is for single active-duty military E1-E6 only. FMI: 473-2583.



PIXELS

When aliens intercept video feeds of classic arcade games and misinterpret them as a declaration of war, they attack Earth, using the games as models. Knowing that he must employ a similar strategy, President Will Cooper (Kevin James) recruits his childhood pal, former video-game champ and home-theater installer Sam Brenner (Adam Sandler), to lead a team of old-school arcade players.

Movie Showtimes

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 8/28
7:00 PM Pixels (PG-13)

SATURDAY 8/29
2:30 PM Ant-Man (3-D) (PG-13)
5:00 PM Minions (PG)
7:00 PM Southpaw (R)

SUNDAY 8/30
2:30 PM Pixels (PG-13)
4:50 PM Minions (3-D) (PG)
6:50 PM Trainwreck (R)

THURSDAY - 9/3
7:00 PM Vacation (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 8/28
6:00 PM Minions (PG)

SATURDAY 8/29
4:00 PM Paper Towns (PG-13)
7:00 PM Ted 2 (R)

SUNDAY 8/30
2:00 PM Minions (PG)

THURSDAY 9/3
7:00 PM Southpaw (R)

MONDAY 9/7
2:00 PM Pixels (PG-13)
A special matinee showing will be held. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call 422-4425.



Event to honor fallen service members

Tripler Army Medical Center

The Tripler Army Medical Center’s Fisher House will hold the fourth annual 8K Hero & Remembrance Run on Sept. 5.

The free event starts at 6 a.m. at the Pacific Aviation Museum on Ford Island.

It honors more than 7,000 fallen service members from all branches of service who have given their lives since 9/11.

The event is open to the public. All participants should be on the island no later than 5 a.m. to ensure access before the Ford Island Bridge closes. An official welcome and military honors will be held from 6:30 to 7 a.m.

All parking will be on Ford Island as directed when participants cross the bridge. Due to the amount of anticipated participants, carpooling and buses are recommended. There is no cost for parking.

There will be numerous boots with pictures of fallen service members on them and flags inside that will line the 8K running route. The run is not a timed event.

Once the event is over, the boots will be reassembled on the corner of Enterprise and O’Kane Streets on Ford Island and will stay on display until Sept. 12.

This will allow everyone an opportunity to look through the boots to find the names and pictures of loved ones and take photos of this memorial.

Military and political leaders of the community will participate in the opening ceremonies and the run. The host for the event is Hawaii’s Augie T.

Hawaii radio stations Power 104.3, Hawaiian 105.1 KINE, KRATER96 and FM100 will broadcast live from the event and throughout the run.

Event shirts will be available for pre-order purchase online for \$18 or for to \$20 at the event, with limited quantities available. Bottled water will be available at the event.

The military unit with the most participants registered online by Sept. 1 will be awarded the Traveling Bronzed Boots at a presentation prior to the run at 6:15 a.m. near the starting line stage. Last year’s awarded unit, the 528th Military Police, will pass the boots to the unit with the most participants this year.

The registration website is www.eventbrite.com.

(For more information or to volunteer, contact anita.f.clingerman.naf@mail.mil or 489-8261 or there-sa.m.johnson.naf@mail.mil or 931-217-0800.)



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan

Boots of fallen service members serve as a somber reminder of sacrifice at last year’s Tripler Fisher House 8K Hero & Remembrance Run, Walk or Roll.

Navy to observe Suicide Prevention Month in September

Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — While September is Suicide Prevention Month, subject matter experts from the 21st Century Sailor Office’s Suicide Prevention Office, OPNAV N171, say their goal isn’t to prevent suicide on just a single day or month, but every day of the year.

“Every life is precious, and the fight is year-round,” said Capt. Mike Fisher, OPNAV N171 director.

“We want people engaged with their shipmates every day of the year.

We’re talking about being there for every Sailor, every day.”

This year, Suicide Prevention Month will focus on a new message with its Every Sailor, Every Day campaign, “1 Small ACT.” The message promotes simple, everyday actions that can ultimately save lives, using Navy’s “ACT” (Ask Care Treat) bystander intervention model.

Last week, the Navy Suicide Prevention office released a toolkit to help Navy commands and Sailors engage in the fight to prevent suicide. This

toolkit features educational resources, high-resolution graphics, and ideas for actions to take during September and year-round.

Also in the toolkit are engagement ideas to promote peer support, personal wellness and bystander intervention all year long. One way to get involved as an individual or organization is to participate in the “1 Small ACT” photo gallery.

Participants can print the “1 Small ACT” sign directly from the toolkit or online, personalize it with their example of a

small act that they can perform in a shipmate’s life, and then send a photo with the sign to suicide-prevention@navy.mil.

Submissions will also be accepted through the Real Warriors mobile app, which can be downloaded on the Apple App Store or Google Play.

“We want to highlight people across the fleet as they share their ideas for supporting their shipmates and promoting psychological health,” Fisher said. “You never know when that everyday action — a kind word, an offer to help — will make

the big difference in someone’s life.”

The “1 Small ACT” photo gallery will be displayed on the Navy suicide prevention office’s Operational Stress Control Facebook page, building a virtual wall of hope for the entire Navy community. Submissions will be accepted from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31, 2016.

Help is always available. Call the Military Crisis Line at 1-800-273-TALK (press 1), text 838255 or visit www.militarycrisisline.net for confidential, free support, 24/7.

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www.hookelenews.com or www.cnmc.navy.mil/hawaii

Story Ideas?

Contact Ho’okele editor for guidelines and story/photo submission requirements.

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In 1945, USS Missouri (left) transfers personnel to USS Iowa in advance of the ceremony marking the end of the war in the Pacific.

U.S. Navy photo



End of WWII event planned for Sept. 2

Battleship Missouri Memorial Association

The USS Missouri Memorial Association will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II with a Sept. 2 ceremony at the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

The theme is “The Day that Launched a Better Future,” and the ceremony will honor the veterans of World War II.

The event will begin at 9:02 a.m., the exact time in 1945 when the formal proceedings for Imperial Japan’s surrender began.

The ceremony’s keynote address will be delivered by U.S. Sen. Brian Schatz, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the Senate Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

Adm. Scott Swift, commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, will also address attendees as the ceremony’s distinguished guest speaker,

Also speaking at the ceremony will be U.S. Rep. Mark Takai who will pre-

sent an Award of Special Congressional Recognition to the Battleship Missouri Memorial. Tim Guard, chairman of the board for the USS Missouri Memorial Association, will also present remarks.

The commemoration by the Battleship Missouri Memorial will feature an exhibit of rare historic artifacts that were part of the ceremony 70 years ago.

The ceremony is free and open to the public. To reserve a seat and receive complimentary round-trip shuttle service to the ceremony from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, guests are encouraged to RSVP via e-mail at RSVP@ussmissouri.org.

For those who are unable to attend the ceremony in person, the Battleship Missouri Memorial will be live streaming the entire event on its website at <https://ussmissouri.org>.

(For more information about the event, visit: <https://ussmissouri.org/event-involved/events/end-of-wwii-commemoration/>.)

Don’t wait: Communicate before an emergency

Navy Installations Command Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — The time to prepare for an emergency is before the first raindrop falls, the first crack of lightning splinters the sky, or the first media report of a storm warning elevates your fear factor.

The time to make a plan is now. Don’t wait. This urgent theme of action is the focus of September’s National Preparedness Month: Don’t wait.Communicate. Make an emergency plan today that includes how you will communicate

with your family if disaster strikes.

“We may not know when a wildfire will break out or a flood will occur, but with a communication plan, your family will know who and how to contact someone so you’ll know if our loved ones are safe in any emergency,” said Jeff Sanford, Navy Installations Command emergency management specialist. “Having a documented and well-thought-out plan can be the difference between calm and panic in a storm or other disastrous event.”

Your communications plan should include how to advise your family mem-

bers on your status, location, next steps and a place to go where you’ll be safe and can be found.

All Sailors, civilian personnel, and families are urged to assess their readiness at home and abroad and act during the month-long campaign culminating with America’s PrepareAthon! (AP!) National Day of Action Sept. 30.

There are several other ways to participate in National Preparedness Month and AP!:

- Follow @ReadyNavy, @Readygov, and @PrepareAthon and share the conversation with #Natl-Prep and #PrepareAthon.
- Conduct an emergency

drill at home to practice your escape routes, such fire or tornado exercise.

- Register to receive Wide Area Alert Network and local emergency alerts.

- Purchase flood insurance, which can take 30-days to go into effect.

- Collect and safeguard important documents (e.g., insurance policies and birth records).

- Assemble or update emergency supply kits.

(For more information on Ready Navy, visit www.ReadyNavy.mil, or contact Ready Navy by e-mail at ready.navy@navy.mil or by phone at (202)433-9348, DSN 288-9348.)

Upcoming blood drives

- Aug. 31, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Makalapa Clinic, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.
- Sept. 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., USS Chosin (CG 65), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.



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