

# PACFLT Adm. Harris kicks off Pro Bowl



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# USS Lake Erie completes its role in Koa Kai

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The guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Erie (CG70) completed its part in exercise Koa Kai 14-1 on Jan. 29 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Koa Kai 14-1 is an integrated maritime training exercise to certify independent deployers in multiple warfare areas and provide integrated training in a multi-ship environment. Lake Erie conducted flight operations, visit board search and seizure drills, maneuvers with other ships in the area, and a replenishment at sea with the Royal Canadian navy auxiliary oil replenishment ship HMCS Protector.

“It’s a capstone of the basic level of training that makes certain we can operate in complex and operational scenarios,” Capt. John S. Banigan, commanding officer of Lake Erie said.

This exercise gave the crew of Lake Erie a chance to

spend time developing their ability to work as a war-fighting unit.

“The benefit I see on the deckplates is that the crew gets to cross train and work together to become a more cohesive unit,” said Command Master Chief Jack Johnson.

Lake Erie’s executive officer Lt. Cmdr. Raphael Castillejo agreed.

“It gave us an opportunity to give experience to watchstanders and provide last minute adjustment in the ways we fight the ship,” Castillejo said.

This year Koa Kai 14-1 had five guided-missile cruisers from Hawaii and San Diego along with four guided-missile destroyers which provided joint training throughout the fleet.

“Any operation that works with other ships in fleet not only benefits us (Lake Erie), but it benefits the synergy of all the other ships on the waterfront as well,” Castillejo said.

The Lake Erie conducted flight operations with the

2nd Squadron 6th Cavalry Regiment of the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade.

“The big challenge was working with the Kiowa Warriors and we learned a lot about joint flight operations,” Castillejo said. “Now we can write tactical memos for the fleet so they can use Army helos anywhere in the world.”

This was the first Koa Kai that featured a strike group as the composite warfare commander.

“This, unlike other Koa Kais, was a more holistic approach, in [that] a strike group-led the exercise,” Banigan said.

Along with the Army, Koa Kai was supported by Submarine Forces U.S. Pacific Fleet, Helicopter Strike Squadron 37, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 2, Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224, Marine Aircraft Group 24, Hawaii Air National Guard, and HMCS Protector.

“(Koa Kai) had great support from all services from the air to sea,” Banigan said.



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An Army UH-60 Blackhawk from the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade (25th CAB) conducts deck qualifications aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) off the coast of Hawaii during exercise Koa Kai 14-1. (See more photos on page A-5).

# Personal Readiness Summit planned for Feb. 4-6

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U.S. Pacific Fleet will host a Personal Readiness Summit from Feb. 4-6 at various locations. Sessions on Feb. 4 and 5 will be held at the Ford Island Conference Center on Ford Island and the Military and Family Support Center (MFSC), room 294. The theme of this year’s conference is “Respect.”

The Feb. 4 and 5 sessions will begin at 7:30 a.m. at the Ford Island Conference Center. Command family ombudsmen and family readiness group leaders will address participants beginning at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 at the MFSC.

Break-out sessions will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 6 at Ford Island Conference Center.

The event will culminate Feb. 6 with two all hands calls at Sharkey Theater. The first will be from 9 to 10:30 a.m. An



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Diana Quinlan

An officer reviews supplementary material provided during the combined U.S. Pacific Fleet and Commander Navy Region Hawaii, Personal Readiness Summit held March 26, 2013 on Ford Island at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. (This year’s summit will be held Feb. 4-6. The theme for this year is “Respect.”)

afternoon all hands call will be from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Leadership, command program advisors and

command climate program, physical readiness program, family advocacy, and fleet stressors and programs.

Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, will address attendees on Tuesday morning and evening.

“Even when we’re not forward-deployed, there are stressors in the military. The impact is often hard for our Sailors, but it can be even harder for families who have to cope, adapt and overcome,” Williams said.

“How do we cope? We help each other. It’s a pact, a trust: When Sailors know their families are cared for and supported, they are more able to focus on the mission,” the admiral said.

(See next week’s Ho’okele for full coverage of the Personal Readiness Summit.)



An SH-60B Seahawk participates in a recovery assistance exercise aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97).

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# 15th Wing leaders recognize hard work, dedication

**Staff Sgt. Alexander Martinez**

*15th Wing Public Affairs*

Col. Johnny Roscoe, 15th Wing commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Leslie Bramlett, 15th Wing command chief, hosted a commander's call Jan. 23 at Hickam Memorial Theater, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The commander's call began with recognizing the wing quarterly award winners, followed by remarks from Roscoe.

"I want to start out with thanking each and every one of you for what you do," Roscoe said. "And thank you for all the hard work you put into making 2013 a successful year for the wing. There were some amazing chal-

lenges that you had to overcome, and you did with efficiency and outstanding teamwork."

Roscoe said challenges such as sequestration, the government shutdown, an operational readiness inspection, a visit from President Barack Obama and the wing's response to Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines all contributed to a busy 2013.

"Through all of this, you never took your eye off the ball, and when I talk to your commanders, they tell me about the great things you all do on a daily basis," the commander said.

Roscoe also highlighted the importance in taking pride in being part of Hickam's heritage.

"Being stationed at Hickam, you are part of a

strong Air Force heritage, and you must always keep that in mind," he said.

Bramlett followed Roscoe's comments by also thanking the wing team members for their teamwork and a job well done.

"What an amazing opportunity to be a part of such an outstanding organization," Bramlett said. "As I look across this room and see the sea of Air Force uniforms, it can't help but to make you feel good about being part of the Air Force.

I get a lot of chances to go around and talk to Airmen about what it means to be part of the Air Force, and I always make it a point to highlight the fact that no one joins the Air Force to be alone, and that is evident in this room today."



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Jerome S. Tayborn

Chief Master Sgt. Leslie Bramlett, 15th Wing command chief, addresses Airmen during a commander's call Jan. 23 at Hickam Memorial Theater, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

## USS Santa Fe returns to Pearl Harbor following deployment

**MC1 Steven Khor**

*Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs Office*

Smiles of excitement could be seen at the submarine piers for the crew of USS Santa Fe (SSN 763) as families and friends gathered to welcome back the Los Angeles-class, fast attack submarine to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 28 following a deployment to the western Pacific region.

"The crew performed superbly, meeting every challenge and excelling at every opportunity," said Cmdr. Timothy Poe, Santa Fe's commanding officer.

While deployed, 24 Sailors earned their designation as qualified in submarines and now wear their dolphin warfare insignia.

Along with this accomplishment, 20 Sailors advanced in rank and four Sailors were initiated into the Chiefs' Mess.

Poe said Santa Fe completed multiple missions vital to national security, strengthened the relationship with the Japanese Maritime Self Defense Force (JMSDF), and enhanced theater security and cooperation through port visits in the Republic of Singapore as well as Japan.

"The most rewarding aspect of this deployment has been wit-



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Steven Khor

Electrician's Mate 2nd Class Eric Krukowski from the Los Angeles-class, fast attack submarine USS Santa Fe (SSN 763) hugs his wife Heidi following the return of the submarine to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Jan. 28 after completing a six-month deployment to the western Pacific.

nessing the next generation of submariners gaining crucial experience by operating in some of the most demanding and challenging environments," said Poe.

Along with a warm welcome back to Pearl Harbor from families and friends, the crew was welcomed back by the Mayor of Santa Fe, David Coss, and other community leaders from New Mexico's capital city.

"All of these representatives, along with their families, are part of the Santa Fe ohana. The crew is honored to have them welcome us home," said Poe.

"Santa Fe has a very proud military community, so it is becoming a special relationship between our city and the USS Santa Fe," said Coss. "We are very proud to be here, we are proud of their service, and we are proud to say that

we have a submarine in the Navy."

Coss added that the USS Santa Fe committee was able to sponsor 10 crew members to travel to Santa Fe last Memorial Day to participate in numerous ceremonies and events. Nearly a year later, those same crew members still talk about how much they enjoyed the trip, especially the warm support they received from

the citizens of Santa Fe. The crew continues to talk about possibilities for the next trip to their namesake city.

"It's a curious thing to have pride in both directions. When I'm at home, I of course have a sense of pride in my work and what I do, but while I'm away, I take pride in home and everything that defines it," said Machinist's Mate 1st Class Robert Roybal, a crew member who grew up in Santa Fe. "To remember all the people back home and think of their support, one cannot help but to be humbled and intensely grateful."

"I'm ecstatic. I couldn't be more proud of him, and I'm just so happy," said Emily Randen, spouse of Santa Fe Sailor Culinary Specialist 1st Class Jared Randen. "I'm looking forward to spending time together as a family."

"It's the best feeling in the world. It's been a long six months, and it's just so great to have him back," said Ruth Davila, wife of Lt. Aaron Davila. "I'm excited to get reacquainted and seeing some sights around Hawaii."

Santa Fe is the second ship to be named in honor of the capital city of New Mexico. As an improved Los Angeles-class submarine, it features retractable bow planes and 12 vertical launch tubes for cruise missile strikes.

## USS Lake Erie named CSADD Small Sea Chapter of Year



**MC1 Elliott Fabrizio**

*Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs*

The Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD) Sea and Shore chapters of the year were announced by the Chief of Naval Personnel on Jan. 23 in NAVADMIN 012/14.

USS Lake Erie (CG 70), homeported at Joint Base

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Diana Quinlan

The guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Erie (CG 70) returns March 29, to homeport at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam, was named Small Sea Chapter of the Year. USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 72) was named CSADD Large Sea Chapter of the Year.

"This year's judging was more difficult than ever," said Fleet Master Chief for Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education April Beldo. "All nomination packages demonstrated how CSADD Sailors help foster a positive image of our young Sailors to our communities and abroad."

The best practices that made the winning chapters to stand out included

integrating CSADD into their command indoctrination courses, organizing life skills workshops, making effective use of social media and networking resources with other organizations and chapters.

CSADD was established in June 2010 by OPNAVINST 1500.80 as a peer-to-peer mentoring group to positively influence young Sailors' behavior through resources and tools that promote good decision-making.

"Junior Sailors are naturally closer to each other than to their senior lead-

ers, and the great thing about CSADD is that this encourages Sailors to use that influence to promote positive decisions on and off-duty," said Beldo.

"Every time I visit Sailors in the fleet, I hear about the great things CSADD chapters are doing in their communities. I'm impressed, and I look forward to hearing about their future accomplishments," she said.

There are currently 300 chapters, which share their activities via Facebook and other networks.

For more information on CSADD, visit the website <http://ow.ly/t8d7g>



Commentary

# NFL gets big ‘thank you’ for hometown connection

**Rear Adm. Rick Williams**

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

This past Sunday, military service members stationed in Hawaii from all services were on the field being recognized and honored in the opening ceremony of the NFL Pro Bowl at Aloha Stadium. A joint military color guard participated. Adm. Harris, commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, conducted the official coin toss.

The ceremony was the culmination of a week of opportunities for service members and their families to meet and interact with some of the best players in the National Football League.

NFL players and coaches practiced at Joint Base Pearl



Rear Adm. Rick Williams

Harbor-Hickam's Earhart Field last week and graciously met with fans, signed autographs and posed for photos. The NFL and its sponsors offered to upgrade and maintain Earhart Field, creating a lasting legacy of fitness for us.

On Wednesday, Jan. 22, some of the game's premier players also helped middle school students get active at Ward Field through Play 60.

It was a perfect match: Play 60 promoting fitness and wellness at the joint base, one of DOD's key sites for its Healthy Base Initiative to fight obesity, prevent tobacco use, and encourage exercise. As we know, good fitness equates to greater readiness.

Last Saturday, Aloha Stadium opened for *Ohana* (family) Day. This was a chance for the local community — including our military families — to interact with the all-stars, watch them practice, and see a rehearsal of the halftime show.

Throughout the week, NFL players made it a point to thank military service members and families for

helping keep America safe. And the NFL generously provided free tickets to hundreds of service members to enjoy the game.

During the Pro Bowl NBC broadcast on Sunday, there were scenes from throughout the Hawaiian Islands with several video clips of our joint base, USS Arizona Memorial and Battleship Missouri Memorial. The players and broadcasters expressed how much they appreciated the hospitality shown here in Hawaii.

Now it's our turn to thank those who brought these opportunities to Hawaii for our military warfighters and families. We appreciate the NFL for including us. Throughout the year, many NFL coaches and players also go out of their way to support Wounded Warriors and visit forward-deployed forces.

We are proud of our association and appreciate the opportunity the Pro Bowl brings. When all-stars from our favorite teams take the field, it makes a connection with our hometowns and a link to our favorite football team and creates an energy-filled family atmosphere.

By the way, I'm also proud of the way "our team" conducted themselves at the game and in tailgate parties — lots of camaraderie and spirit, without incidents.

Of course, the hard work of our own all-stars on the region and joint base MWR team, working with the NFL and other organizations and groups, made it all possible. And I thank Mayor Caldwell and Chief Kealoa for the great cooperation shared with the City and County of

Honolulu and the Honolulu Police Department.

If you were one of the many volunteers on the field and behind the scenes, or if you had a hand in sponsoring and supporting the Pro Bowl in Hawaii, thank you!

The Pro Bowl, like our military, is a melting pot of people from all over the country, and that's why there was such a strong hometown connection. By all accounts, including from the players themselves, this year's new format, Team Rice and Team Sanders NFL Pro Bowl, was a huge success. I thought it was a great game with lots of fun, excitement and positive energy on and off the field.

And, there was lots of strong defense — something those of us in uniform can identify with.

## Traffic court location to change Feb. 5

**Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Security Department**

In order to improve customer service and reduce wait times, effective Feb. 5, the traffic court location at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) will change from police headquarters to the Navy College building, JBPHH, building 679, first floor, in the USS Utah room. Building 679 is located at 1260 Pierce St.

"Due to the heavy volume of traffic violations, traffic court will be relocated to the Navy College building in order to better serve our military, civilian and contractors with their citations," said JBPHH traffic clerk Sandra Harris.

Traffic court will continue to be held

from 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays with a check-in time of 12:45 p.m.

"Traffic laws are designed to protect you and other drivers on the road. If we do not follow them, we are not only putting ourselves at risk but also innocent bystanders and drivers," said Lt. Robert Liberato, a traffic judge for JBPHH.

The base security department stated that commands are encouraged to remind personnel that JBPHH continues to be committed to improving safety of the base population and that the following traffic offenses will result in suspension of base driving privileges.

Offenses:

- Failure of operator or occupant to use restraint devices in a motor vehicle.
- Failure to properly restrain chil-

dren in a child restraint system in a motor vehicle.

- Excessive speeding (eight mph or greater above the posted speed limit).
  - Failure to wear required personal protective equipment (PPE) while operating or riding a motorcycle.
  - Permitting an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle.
  - Utilizing a cell phone or other portable electronic device while operating a motor vehicle.
  - Reckless driving.
- Sanctions imposed are as follows:
- First offense — 30 day suspension of base driving privileges.
  - Second offense — one year suspension of base driving privileges.
  - Third offense — permanent suspension of base driving privileges.

## Diverse Views



**What did you like about this year's Pro Bowl?**



**Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Equipment) 2nd Class Dreamus Whitaker**  
*Transient Personnel Unit (TPU)*

"The one thing I liked about this year's Pro Bowl was the fact that it was un-conferenced and it had two NFL veterans choosing the teams versus just AFC and NFC. It seems best. It made it more fun to watch."

**Airman 1st Class Harmandeep Kaur**  
*647th Force Support Squadron*

"The practice was my favorite part. Meeting all players was a blast."



**Elaine Kaneshiro**  
*Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel*

"I liked it because it's ... entertaining with Deion Sanders and Jerry Rice being the captain of the teams and it's ... un-conferenced."

**Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Watson**  
*792nd Intelligence Support Squadron*

"The format they played was a fresh change, a lot of good hits."



**Doug Kozik**  
*Navy Region Hawaii N5*

"I like how they're trying to do a new format this year. Maybe it will generate interest and excitement and people attending it. Maybe it will keep it here in Hawaii."

**Maj. John Mallory**  
*65th Airlift Squadron*

"I liked the new format, and the physicality was a welcome change from years past."



**Staff Sgt. Jason Price**  
*PACAF Protocol*

"The intensity of the game! Hopefully this year's Pro Bowl resurrected the appreciation and passion for football."

*Provided by MC1 Nardel Gervacio and David Underwood Jr.*

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## USS Higbee honored noted Navy nurse



Official U.S. Navy photograph

USS Higbee (DD-806) is shown here underway in the Pacific Ocean on May 2, 1970. Higbee was commissioned Jan. 27, 1945 (69 years ago this week) and it was the first U.S. warship named for a female member of the U.S. Navy. Chief Nurse Lenah S. Higbee served as superintendent of the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps in World War I.

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# Nation to celebrate African American History Month in February

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*Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs*

As announced by NAVADMIN 016/14 released Jan. 27, the Navy joins the nation in celebrating the history and culture of African American Sailors during African American History Month throughout the month of February.

Established in 1926 as Negro History Week, President Gerald R. Ford expanded the celebration in 1976 to include the entire month of February. This year, Navy commands are encouraged to celebrate and reflect on the theme “Civil Rights in America.”

African American Sailors have a legacy of honorable service in naval history through every major armed conflict since the Revolutionary War. During the Civil War, African American Sailors fought on every kind of Union warship, accounting for 10 to 24 percent of each ship’s crew, and included eight Medal of Honor recipients.

During World War II, the Golden Thirteen were an example of African Americans breaking new ground in the Navy and in American society. In February 1944, 12 prior-enlisted African American servicemen were commissioned as ensigns and a 13th was made a warrant officer.

They were the first group of African American servicemen to complete

officer training in the Navy and led the way for future African Americans. These 13 officers not only made a contribution to the Navy during World War II, but to society as well. By the end of the war, 64 African Americans had become officers in the Navy.

Wesley A. Brown became the first African American graduate of the United States Naval Academy in 1949, joining the Navy’s Civil Engineer Corps and retiring at the rank of lieutenant commander. He passed away May 22, 2012 after a distinguished career both in the Navy and in the civilian workforce.

Edna Young was the first African American woman to enlist in the regular Navy and later the first black woman to achieve the rank of chief petty officer. Young joined the Navy after the passage of the Women’s Armed Services Integration Act on July 7, 1948.

In December 1996, Adm. J. Paul Reason became the first African American naval officer to wear four stars and assumed command of the Atlantic Fleet, comprising nearly 200 warships, 1,400 aircraft and 122,000 service men and women based at 18 major shore facilities.

Vice Adm. Michelle Howard is recognized for many first accomplishments, including the recognition as the first female United States Naval Academy graduate to be promoted to the rank of admiral, the first African American female

to command a combatant ship, and the first African American female promoted to two-star and three-star admiral. She has also been confirmed by the Senate to serve as vice chief of naval operations, the service’s No. 2 uniformed officer. She will be the first African American and first woman to hold the job and the first female four-star admiral.

African Americans continue to serve with distinction, now comprising more than 17 percent of the active duty Navy total force end-strength. Sailors and their commands are encouraged to use this month to celebrate and recognize the exceptional and distinctive contributions and the unique histories and cultures that African American shipmates bring to the Navy.

More information can be found at the Naval History and Heritage Command at <http://ow.ly/t7Ho7>. A full-color brochure on the history of African Americans in the United States Navy is also available for download through the Naval History and Heritage Command link.

A complete educational presentation, including a downloadable educational poster, can be requested from the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI) by email at [deomipa@us.af.mil](mailto:deomipa@us.af.mil).

More information on Navy diversity events can be found on the Navy Office of Diversity and Inclusion calendar at <http://ow.ly/t7HwQ>.

## USS Oklahoma Memorial cleanup



(Top): Chief Information Systems Technician Jared Miller of Defense Information Systems Agency, Pacific Field Office, joins Chief Fire Controlman Jeremy Yeske (center) of Center for Surface Combat Systems Detachment Pearl Harbor and Chief Fire Controlman Josh Scheib (bottom), assigned to Afloat Training Group Middle Pacific (ATG MIDPAC) in volunteering to take care of the USS Oklahoma Memorial on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The memorial honors more than 400 Marines and Sailors who lost their lives on board battleship USS Oklahoma (BB 37) at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

U.S. Navy photos by MC2 Tiarra Fulgham



# Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights

Naval Aircrewman Tactical 2nd Class Joshua Curry performs a pre-flight inspection on an SH-60B Seahawk on board the flight deck of guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97).



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Johans Chavarro



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Johans Chavarro

Fire Controlman 3rd Class Emily McCulley handles line aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97) as Halsey departs from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to conduct training near Hawaii during exercise Koa Kai 14-1. Koa Kai is a semiannual exercise that improves cooperation, readiness and the capability of forces to respond quickly to various crises, ranging from armed conflict to humanitarian assistance.

Sailors participate in a simulated crash and salvage operation aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97).



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Johans Chavarro



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Daniel Barker

Canadian underway replenishment ship HMCS Protecteur (AOR 509) transits the waters of Pearl Harbor during exercise Koa Kai 14-1.



(Left): Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, and his wife, Suzy, wave to the crowd during the 2014 Night in Chinatown Street Festival parade. The multi-block street festival in the heart of Chinatown featured live entertainment, cuisine and crafts. The Chinatown Merchants Association hosted the parade, which is held annually to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

(Below): Members of the U.S. Navy Pacific Fleet Band march in downtown Chinatown during the 2014 Night in Chinatown Street Festival.

U.S. Navy photos by MC1 Nardel Gervacio





# Traffic advisories announced for JBPHH

Beginning Jan. 30, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam will implement traffic modifications in the vicinity of Hale Ali'i housing and building 1315, located between Hale Ali'i Avenue and Paul Hamilton Avenue.

The improvements will eliminate through traffic flow between Hale Ali'i Avenue and Paul Hamilton Avenue to alleviate pedestrian and vehicle safety hazards.

Traffic improvements are as follows:

- Barriers will be placed between the Hale Ali'i housing neighborhood rear driveway alleyway to eliminate the flow of through traffic from Hale Ali'i Avenue to Paul Hamilton Avenue.

Left turn arrows will be painted on the outbound lanes of the west parking lots of building 1315.

Drivers should heed traffic warning signs identifying

“no through traffic” and “residents and guests only.”

- In addition, beginning Feb. 3, JBPHH will implement traffic modifications to aid traffic flow in the vicinity of Porter Gate, located between South Avenue and Porter Avenue.

The improvements will result in better flow of traffic between the Hickam and Pearl Harbor sides of the joint base through Porter Gate.

Traffic improvements are along 11th Street, from Beard Avenue to South Avenue. Four stop signs have been removed to make 11th Street free flowing.

Drivers should continue to heed the 15 mph speed limit in the residential area and exercise caution when driving in the proximity of the school zone. Pedestrians have the right of way at crosswalks, and drivers must stop for pedestrians.

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# Legal office extends hours

## Region Legal Service Office

The Region Legal Service Office Hawaii (RLSO) will be open for extended hours from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month beginning Feb. 5.

The legal assistance department understands that not every service member's schedule affords him or her the time to seek assistance during normal business hours. Therefore, in addition to normal hours, the office will be open from 6 to 7:30

p.m. Feb. 5.

The office remains committed to ensuring active duty military members and their families have ample opportunity to attend to legal matters and to plan and prepare for operational commitments.

Normal legal assistance walk-in hours are 8:30 to 11 a.m. Monday through Wednesday and from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday. Legal assistance is also available by appointment.

For more information, call the office at 473-4717.

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# Legal service office will hold divorce seminars

## Region Legal Service Office

The Region Legal Service Office at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam is now offering divorce seminars beginning at 9:30 a.m. every Monday and Wednesday.

The divorce seminar provides a general understanding about how to file for divorce in the state of Hawaii. The seminar also covers a variety of divorce and separation topics pertinent to individuals in the military and their families.

An attorney will be present at the end of the seminar to answer general questions. Spouses may attend the seminar separately or together.

Participants should arrive 10 minutes early to fill out paperwork prior to the divorce seminar. Upon completion of the seminar, if there are still specific questions, participants can see an available attorney or schedule an appointment for a future time.

For more information, call 473-4717.



# Life & Leisure

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## Pro Bowl events bring military close to the action

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Team Rice captured a 22-21 victory over Team Sanders in last Sunday's Pro Bowl at Aloha Stadium in a close football battle won by a 2-point conversion.

Since the Pro Bowl adopted a new unconfederated look with players this year, the game and practice weren't AFC vs. NFC but Team Rice vs. Team Sanders.

Hall of Famers Jerry Rice and Deion Sanders served as alumni captains and drafted their players the weekend before the Pro Bowl game. Both teams included a variety of players from both the NFC and AFC.

Volunteers from the armed services, including Sailors and Airmen from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, participated in the weekend's Pro Bowl festivities.

There were 200 active duty volunteers from all services who participated in the Pro Bowl pregame show on Sunday for the national anthem and player introductions.

Sunday's dramatic game capped off a week of Pro Bowl activities, including appearances by the players at JBPHH.

On Jan. 22, nearly 20 of the game's most accomplished players volunteered their time to bring the NFL Play 60 message of fitness to a group of middle school children at Ward Field on JBPHH. The NFL players participated in a mini football camp that got the children moving, while several NFL cheerleaders led a group of youngsters through their routines.

In addition, more than 6,500

Morale, Welfare and Recreation patrons and military personnel showed up for the Official NFL Pro Bowl Practice held Jan. 23 at Earhart Field on JBPHH. Both of the unconfederated teams practiced in front of NFL fans. Players also signed autographs and posed for pictures with military families on the sidelines, who had been loudly cheering them on during the practice.

"It's an honor to be out here.

To play for the folks who serve our country is special," said Andrew Luck, quarterback of the Indianapolis Colts.

"It is an honor to give back to the community and have access to all the military members. It's phenomenal! That's why I love the Pro Bowl because it brings out the best in people," said Greg Hardy, tight end for the Carolina Panthers.

Jason Witten, tight end for the Dallas Cowboys, added, "It's a blast. We always have a special place in our hearts for our military, not just those out there fighting for our country, but also for the families and all the sacrifices they make. It's an honor for us to be a part of it. Just to see the emotion and passion they have for the NFL and us... it's special."

Other Pro Bowl activities last weekend included options for families and single military service members.

They included a free *Ohana Day*, which the NFL held Saturday at Aloha Stadium. The family-friendly *Ohana Day* for the public included prize drawings, contests, challenges, games and a sneak peek of the pre-game and half-time shows.

In addition, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam's Liberty Program helped single Sailors and Airmen enjoy the Pro Bowl by purchasing tickets for qualifying active duty members. Liberty hosted a free tailgate party prior to the game on Sunday, provided food and beverages for single service member attendees and transportation to and from the party and game.





# Tigers pounce on COMPACFLT for easy hoops victory

Story and photo by  
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Sports Editor

The 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) Tigers jumped out to an early lead and led from buzzer-to-buzzer to defeat Commander United States Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT), 49-30, in a season-opening Red Division intramural basketball matchup Jan. 28 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

Airman 1st Class Brian Vanderpool got the Tigers off and running by hitting the first basket of the game by zeroing in on a trey from beyond the arc.

Vanderpool scored the next basket as well to give the Tigers a 5-0 lead only seconds into the contest.

Tigers head coach Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 3rd Class Ryan Shirley said after the game that the team did exactly what he wanted it to do.

“Play hard by keeping focused,” Shirley stated. “We need to stay together as a team. I’m happy.”

In gaining the victory over COMPACFLT, the Tigers utilized a well-oiled transition game and



Staff Sgt. Jonathan Lezama, post player for 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) Tigers, goes up for a shot inside the lane.

built up their lead on a steady diet of fast-break baskets.

While the team was very good at running up and down the floor, the Tigers’ half-court offense was also effective from the perimeter.

Just prior to halftime, Tigers guard Jonathan Bates pulled up and sank a trey to give his team a 26-13 advantage at the break.

The Tigers continued to push the ball in the second half and with only 9:02 remaining in the game, Tech. Sgt. Terrance Gist scored on a break-away lay-up to up the team’s lead to 20 at 40-20.

From there, the Tigers never lost control of the game in cruising to the lopsided victory.

While no Tigers player reached double digits in points, a total of eight players got in the scorer’s column.

Meanwhile, Yeoman 3rd Class Brandon Dobbs was the only consistent scoring threat for COMPACFLT.

The swing player recorded three baskets in the first half and finished as the game’s high scorer with 14 points.

Dobbs explained that while the team didn’t per-

form up to expectations, he believes that COMPACFLT will bounce back.

Besides Dobbs, COMPACFLT is also led by Operations Specialist 2nd Class Solomon Pulu, who quarterbacked the fleet’s flag football championship team, and Marine Sgt. J.R. Martin.

“This is our first time together,” Dobbs said. “We haven’t even practiced yet.”

Last year, the Tigers finished the regular season with a solid record of 9-4.

Working off the success of last year’s team, Shirley said that he has high hopes for this season’s squad.

The win over an athletic team like COMPACFLT, Dobbs said, shows that the Tigers are right where they want to be this early in the season.

“We have a good team and our goal is to win the championship,” Dobbs acknowledged.

While Dobbs admits that it won’t be easy, he has a plan that he hopes with get the team there.

“The playoffs are going to be tough,” he said. “But if we stay cohesive, everybody plays together, we’re very solid.”

## Pacific Missile Range Facility hosts high school model rocket launch

Stefan Alford

Pacific Missile Range Facility  
Public Affairs Officer

Approximately 20 Waimea High School math students and as many parents converged on the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kauai recently to participate in the final phase of the school’s “scratch-built” model rocket program with launches near the base runway.

The school has partnered with PMRF on the program since 2003 as part of the Navy base’s out-

reach mission to encourage local youth to pursue studies in STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) toward successful career opportunities.

“The benefits of having launches at PMRF are many,” said Jerry Nishihira, the school’s algebra teacher who organized the event along with PMRF technical advisor Alan Chun.

“The biggest impacts are that the students get to see where the ‘big boys’ build, launch, track and recover missiles; have their launches coordinated and supervised by PMRF engineers; and

they get a pep talk from the commanding officer and will hopefully be inspired to pursue further studies (in technical areas).”

Capt. Bruce W. Hay, PMRF commanding officer, greeted the students and related his own experiences building and launching model rockets as a child. He also acknowledged and lauded the parents’ involvement at the event.

“The parents actually launched the rockets that their child built in math class,” said Nishihira. “The model rocketry program is enriched with all phases of math, from simple measuring to

advanced trigonometry and physics components.”

“There’s a lot of math principles involved,” concurred Briggs Agu, one of the students. “There’s tracking and plotting angles and time measurements.”

“It takes a lot of hard work and patience,” added fellow student Samantha Nichols. “I learned how to work under time constraints.”

“The first time Waimea High School came out to fly model rockets was 10 years ago and they came out to fly almost every year since,” said Chun. “I have been

the technical representative for them since the first launch because model rocketry has been my hobby since I was a kid in elementary school.”

In addition, since 2003, Chun related that PMRF has hosted model rocket launches for Kauai High School several times, Elelee Elementary School, and St. Theresa School.

“We’ve also had Kauai Community College and Leeward Community College from Oahu jointly come out three times to launch their larger model rockets,” he added.

## Increased online, phone service leads to end of TRICARE walk-ins April 1

15th Medical Group

Keeping up with the rapidly increasing number of TRICARE beneficiaries who most often turn to a laptop or cell phone when they have questions, walk in service at the TRICARE Service Centers (TSC) in the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska, will no longer be available as of April 1. Find out more at [www.tricare.mil/TSC](http://www.tricare.mil/TSC).

Patients of the 15th Medical Group still have a wide variety of secure, electronic

customer service options available through [www.tricare.mil](http://www.tricare.mil). The new “I want to....” feature puts everything beneficiaries want to do online on the front page of [www.tricare.mil](http://www.tricare.mil).

When walk-in service ends April 1, beneficiaries in Hawaii who want to get personal assistance can call UnitedHealthcare Military & Veterans at 1-877-988-WEST (9378) or visit their website at [www.uhcmilitarywest.com](http://www.uhcmilitarywest.com) for enrollment and benefit help.

All health care, pharmacy, dental and

claims contact information is located at [www.tricare.mil/contactus](http://www.tricare.mil/contactus). Beneficiaries can get 24/7 TRICARE benefit information at [www.tricare.mil](http://www.tricare.mil) and make enrollment and primary care manager changes and more online at [www.tricare.mil/enrollment](http://www.tricare.mil/enrollment).

Rather than driving to an installation TSC, TRICARE beneficiaries can combine high-tech with low-tech by downloading health care forms online and sending them in the old fashioned way, through the U.S. mail – at a cost of less than 50 cents.

Walk-in customer service is also the most expensive possible customer service option. By eliminating walk-in customer service at TSCs, the Department of Defense estimates savings of approximately \$250 million over five years. The change does not affect TRICARE benefits or health care delivery.

For more information, call United Healthcare or contact the beneficiary counselor and debt collection assistance coordinator Mary-Ann Crawford at 448-6125.



# Defending champs NIOC Hawaii tip off with win

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On the verge of a historic push to win three base championships in a row, Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii got off on the right foot by beating 647th Civil Engineer Squadron Bulls, 43-28, to open the 2014 Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam intramural basketball season Jan. 28 at JBPHH Fitness Center.

Relying on the inside power of a trio of 6-foot-5-inch players, NIOC established a strong presence in the paint to take a 27-14 lead at halftime and never looked back.

“We got to remember that season starts all over,” said Senior Chief Cryptologic Technician (Collection) Christopher Webb, who is in his first season as head coach. “It’s all about getting into the groove, come out, play strong and play our style of basketball.”

In the first half, post-players Senior Airman Sean Caddell and Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Quentin Leathers set the pace by controlling the boards and dominating the paint on offense.

Up by only five points, Leathers threw down a thun-



Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Quentin Leathers slams down two of the 13 points to help Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii beat 647th Civil Engineer Squadron Bulls, 43-28, to start the 2014 intramural basketball season.

derous slam, which was followed by a basket and two free throws from Caddell to go up 21-10 with 2:10 remaining in the half.

While two free throws from Bulls’ guard Staff Sgt. Brian Sanders stopped the run, NIOC outscored their opponent, 6-2, to finish off the first half.

As if the twin towers of Leathers and Caddell didn’t cause enough damage to the Bulls, reserve Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) 3rd Class Michael Wald, another 6-5 skyscraper, came off the bench to toss in four points before halftime.

In the second half, the Bulls came out to score the first three points and held NIOC without a basket for nearly three minutes.

However, NIOC cured their post-halftime swoon by going back to the inside where Leathers deposited a lay-up with 14:42 remaining in the game to get the team back on track.

Although the Bulls crept to within nine points on two occasions in the second half, that was as close as the team would get.

Keeping a close eye on the flow of the game, Webb substituted freely during the entire contest while maintaining a torrid full-court press.

Webb made sure that every member of the 24-man squad

got playing time to ensure that the team would have fresh legs on the court at every minute.

While the continuous substitutions might have created lulls in the team’s offensive attack, Webb said, he felt it was necessary to get everyone involved.

“We always try to play as much players as possible,” Webb said. “I was in transition a lot to get the players to be able to play together.”

A total of nine players got on the scoreboard for NIOC, which was led by Caddell and Leathers with 13 points each.

Meanwhile, no player on the Bulls managed to score in double digits against NIOC’s pressure defense.

“We need to remember that we got off to a slow start last season,” said Bulls point guard Airman 1st Class Jurel Burton, who pointed out that the team finished last year’s regular season with a 12-2 record. “It’s all about getting into the groove. We need to come out, play strong and play our style of basketball.”

Webb said that while he told his players to forget about the past, the goal is still the same as in the last two years.

“Our goal is to repeat, but it’s going to be tough,” Webb said. “With our talent and motivation, we expect to be there in the end.”



(Left) Margaret Truman, the USS Missouri’s sponsor, prepares to christen the battleship, during launching ceremonies at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on Jan. 29, 1944. Looking on are (left to right): Rear Adm. Monroe R. Kelly, Brooklyn Navy Yard commandant; Rear Adm. Sherman S. Kennedy, and U.S. Sen. Harry S. Truman of Missouri. (Center) The USS Missouri approaches the end of the building ways as it is launched Jan. 29 1944, at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. (Right) The USS Missouri enters the water for the first time during its launching at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on Jan. 29, 1944.



Photos courtesy of Battleship Missouri Memorial

## Battleship Missouri Memorial celebrates anniversaries

### Battleship Missouri Memorial Association

The 70th anniversary of the Battleship Missouri will be celebrated Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Battleship Missouri Memorial this year as part of Living History Day.

The event will feature a variety of historical exhibits including displays of military vehicles, memorabilia and weaponry. There will also be bands playing patriotic music, oral history presentations, people in period dress from the World War II era and

actors portraying notable wartime figures, such as Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Adm. Chester Nimitz.

The Battleship Missouri marked two important anniversaries on Jan. 29: the Missouri’s launching from New York Navy Yard in 1944 and the battle-

ship’s 1999 opening as a memorial in Pearl Harbor.

“January 29 represents a new beginning for the USS Missouri, first in its service to America starting 70 years ago and today as a distinguished memorial honoring the commitment made to protect America’s freedom,”

said Michael A. Carr, president and chief operating officer of the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

“In the 15 years since the Battleship Missouri Memorial opened, we are continually making improvements to a historical tour experience that carries special significance

here in the midst of Pearl Harbor,” Carr said.

Admission to Saturday’s event is free to Hawaii residents, military and members of the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

For more information, call 1-877-644-4896 or visit USSMissouri.org.

## Pearl City Sailor creates snow art

MCCS  
Daniel Sanford

Naval Air Facility  
Misawa Public Affairs

Seven Sailors, currently forward deployed to U.S. Naval Air Facility Misawa and its tenant

commands, will soon take part in the 65th Annual Sapporo Snow Festival in Hokkaido, Japan Feb. 5. One of the Sailors participating is Chief Builder Billy Harger from Pearl City on Oahu.

The team, nicknamed the “Sapporo Seven,” will

represent NAF Misawa and build a snow sculpture on behalf of the command. This year also marks the 31st anniversary of Misawa Sailors participating in the festival, which draws about two million spectators each year.

## Forest City announces upcoming community events

Upcoming Forest City military communities events at Navy housing in Hawaii include:

- Feb. 3-6, funny pet picture contest at Halsey Terrace resident services office.

East communities residents can bring in the funniest pet pic to enter into the contest. All pictures must be received by Feb. 6 to be considered. The winner will take home a pet prize basket. For more information, call 839-8620.

- Feb 5, 8 a.m., PCS and moving workshop at Kahuna’s Community Ballroom of the enlisted club at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe. All Manana, Camp Smith and Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay residents are invited. A Forest City representative will participate. For more information, call the Kaneohe Bay office at 839-8700 or the Manana office at 839-8752.

- Feb. 5, 3 to 4:30 p.m., *kaiki* matinee at Catlin media room for all east residents. For more information, call 839-8620.

- Feb. 6, 9 a.m., new arrivals orientation at Kahuna’s Community Ballroom of the enlisted club at Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay. The event is open to all future and current Manana residents. For more information, call the Kaneohe Bay office at 839-8700 or the Manana Office at 839-8752.

## TRICARE Online medical appointment reminders for military emphasized

Capt. Scott D. Cook

15th Medical Group

Have you or your family members ever missed a medical appointment at the 15th Medical Group (MDG)? Would a text-message or e-mail reminder have helped you remember? If you answered yes to either of these questions, 15th Medical Group has a solution.

TRICARE Online (TOL), which allows 15th Medical Group beneficiaries the ability to schedule, cancel and view appointments from any computer via the Internet, now offers beneficiaries the ability to receive appointment reminders via email or text.

Some users may have encountered difficulty using TOL in the past. However, through recent upgrades, access to TOL has been simplified from six log-in steps to two, and the unique 15-digit password has been eliminated.

Eligible beneficiaries can now log in using a password, their common access card, DFAS myPay login or premium DoD self-service login account. Once logged in, users have the option to define up to three e-mail addresses and

mobile phone numbers to receive appointment reminders for primary care and self-referral specialty care appointments.

Appointment reminders work for any appointment, regardless of booking mechanism. TOL users can receive reminders for appointments booked via TOL, those booked in person at the 15 MDG, and even appointments booked through the central appointments line at 448-6000.

Users receive a confirmation e-mail and/or text message when booking the appointment, a reminder up to 48 hours prior to the scheduled appointment time, and again, two hours prior to the scheduled appointment time.

E-mail and text message reminders are also a convenient way to communicate medical appointments to other family members and/or caretakers. If you register for text message reminders, normal text message rates may apply. Clients should contact their servicing cellular provider if they have questions.

How do you sign up for appointment reminders? If you are not a registered TOL user, you will need to sign up for an account first. New or existing

users will be prompted automatically to set up appointment reminders after they book an appointment on TOL. They can also review, change or activate reminder settings by following the instructions below:

- Go to the TOL home page located at [www.tricareonline.com](http://www.tricareonline.com).
- Log in to TOL using CAC, Premium DS Logon or DFAS myPay account.
- Click “my profile” in top navigation bar.
- Complete the four red asterisk boxes (primary email, confirm primary email, zip code and service affiliation).
- For the TRICARE Region box, ensure that “Region 19-West” is selected.
- For the MTF box, ensure that “15th Med Grp-Hickam” is selected.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page under the “appointment reminders” section.
- Complete requested fields and click “submit” button.

If you experience technical difficulties when trying to register for a TOL account or set up your appointment reminders, click the “contact us” link on TRICARE online or call the Military Health System Service Desk at 1-800-600-9332.





# Live the Great Life

## Digital photography class helps MWR patrons

Reid Tokeshi

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

Amateur shutterbugs can learn to get the most out of their digital camera with a new class available at MWR's Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Basic digital photography is an introductory course covering various techniques and helping students understand the terminology and concepts of photography.

Instructor Ron Steiner, who has a degree in fine-art photography, aims to teach students not to rely on the "smart" or "auto" setting and graduate beyond simple point-and-shoot.

"My part in this collaboration is to demystify digital photography and make you smarter. At the end of the day, when you leave this class I want you to have the confidence to pick up your camera and take better photographs," Steiner said.



Photo courtesy of Ron Steiner

The basic digital photography class instructor Ron Steiner took this photo on his recent trip to Japan.

Basic digital photography meets once a week for four weeks. The next classes start at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 and

9 a.m. Feb. 5. The cost is \$60 per person plus cost of supplies. For more information, call 448-9907.

## Your Weekly Fun with MWR

Visit [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com) or subscribe to MWR's digital magazine Great Life Hawaii.



**Valentine's Bowling** will be held from Feb. 1 to 11 at Pearl Harbor and Hickam Bowling Centers. Patrons can bowl a game during open bowling and receive an entry to win a dinner or lunch for their special someone on Valentine's Day. First prize is a dinner date for two at Schooners or lunch for two at Seven Palms. The second-prize winner will receive a box of chocolates. The winners will be notified on Feb. 11. FMI: 448-9959 or 473-2574.

**Youth Fitness Orientation Program** will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at Hickam Fitness Center. The program is open to youth ages 10 to 14 years old. Orientation includes a facility tour, safety guidelines, cardio equipment usage demo, and review of the rules and regulations. FMI: 448-2214.

**Ko Olina Whale Watching Cruises** will be held from noon to 3:45 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays from Saturday to April

6 departing from Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT)-Hickam. The activity includes round-trip transportation from ITT-Hickam. Bottled water will be provided. FMI: 448-2295.

**Valentine Origami** will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Feb. 8 at Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The activity is open to youth ages 7 and older. FMI: 448-9907.

**UFC 169** will begin with doors opening at 3 p.m. Saturday at JR Rockers Sports Café. Urijah Faber will take on Renan "The Baron" Barao in the bantamweight title fight coming in hi-definition from the Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. FMI: 448-2271.

**Wood Shop Safety Class** will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, and Feb. 8, 15, and 22 at the Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. The class is open to patrons age 12 and older. FMI: 448-9907.

**NFL Superbowl XLVIII Party** will begin with doors opening at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday at JR Rockers Sports Café. Prize giveaways will be held and food will be available for purchase from the regular menu. FMI: 448-2271.

**Intramural Racquetball Tournament** will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 3 to Feb. 7 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center Racquetball Courts. The tournament is limited to players from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The tournament is open to active-duty, Department of Defense civilians and family members over 18. FMI: 473-2494 or 473-2437.

**Junior Lifeguard/Ocean Safety Registration** will be held Feb. 3 to March 7. It is open to youth ages 11 to 17 years old. Spring session runs from April to May. FMI: 473-0789 or [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).

## Morale, Welfare and Recreation program to prepare teens for employment

Justin Hirai

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

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam's Morale, Welfare and Recreation Child and Youth Programs will administrate a teen employment program this summer. The program is an opportunity for teens to learn and strengthen skills associated with entry-level work. They will have mentors and on-the-job training devoted to skills development.

Mandatory weekly training away from the worksite will incorporate an education and career development curriculum designed by the



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A teenager listens as she learns.

Boys and Girls Clubs of America and the 4-H Program.

The curriculum encourages teens to explore interest, develop

skills, and to identify short and long-term career goals by linking school learning with work experience.

There will be two hiring events held in March. Dates have yet to be determined. Applicants who are selected will be indoctrinated on May 30 and will begin training on June 2. They will be eligible to work up to 12 weeks.

Facilities that teens will work at will vary and at the seventh week mark, teens will switch to a new facility. Work hours will depend on the facility to which they are assigned, and the managers will schedule staff according to the program needs.

The program is available to

youth whose parent or guardian is active duty, Reservist, National Guard, Department of Defense or a retiree.

Currently, pre-employment training opportunities are being hosted by the Military Family Support Center at 530 Peltier Ave., building 1923. These workshops provide information to help teens interested in applying for a summer job.

The classes are geared toward application and resume writing, interview skills and dressing for success. The classes are available to youth ages 14-18 years old. All workshops will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

For more information, visit [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).



Morale Welfare & Recreation

PEARL HARBOR VALOR TOUR

Pearl Harbor Valor Tours will be offered Tuesdays-Fridays beginning Feb. 4. This tour includes a visit to the USS Arizona Memorial as well as stops at the USS Utah Memorial, the USS Oklahoma Memorial and the USS Arizona Memorial Rock. Departures are from Information, Tickets & Travel. FMI: 448-2295.

FREE LADIES' GOLF CLINIC

There will be a free ladies' golf clinic at 9 a.m. Feb. 5 at the Barbers Point Golf Course. FMI: 682-1911.

WOOLLY WEDNESDAYS

Woolly Wednesdays will be held from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5, 12, 19 and 26 at Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. Participants of all skill levels may participate, including beginners. Patrons can bring their current project to knit and crochet. FMI: 448-9907

YOUTH WINTER JUNIOR TENNIS REGISTRATION

Registration for youth junior tennis is ongoing through Feb. 7. The season runs from February through April. Registration is open to youth ages 7-18. FMI: 473-0789.

VALENTINE'S 5K RUN

A Valentine's Day 5K run will begin at 8 a.m. Feb. 8 at the Hickam Fitness Center. This is a free event. FMI: 448-2214.

GROUP SURF LESSON

There will be a group surf lesson at 8 a.m. Feb. 8 at White Plains Beach. The registration deadline is Feb. 18. Shuttle service is included via the Outdoor Adventure Center at the Fleet Store. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. FMI: 473-1198.

LIBRARY KNOW-HOW

Hickam Library will hold a free educational tour at 2 p.m. Feb. 8. The staff will demonstrate how to find e-books, audiobooks, music, online foreign language training, as well as explain the Universal Class for online continuing education and the Dewey Decimal system. FMI: 449-8299.

STAND-UP PADDLEBOARD

Patrons can learn the basics of paddle boarding at 9:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. Feb. 8 at Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. Feb. 5 is the last day to register. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. FMI: 449-5215.

Community Calendar

**TODAY** — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Tax Assistance Center will open at Navy College, first floor, classroom 11, 1260 Pierce St. (building 679). No appointments are accepted, walk-ins only. Certified tax volunteers can assist with questions as participants use this year's self-service program. The center will be open until April 20. FMI: 473-4717.

FEBRUARY

**1** — A Living History Day will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. Guests can meet pioneers and heroes from Pacific aviation history, interact with living historians in period attire, and hear the stories of World War II, Korea, Vietnam and early aviation in the Pacific. The events are free with museum admission and free to museum members. Living History Day activities will also take place on the Battleship Missouri Memorial. FMI: 441-1000 or [www.pacificaviationmuseum.org](http://www.pacificaviationmuseum.org).

**3** —An African American Heritage Month special meal will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Silver Dolphin Bistro. The cost of the meal is \$4.65. This special meal is open to active-duty service members, Department of Defense civilians, retirees, and family members of active duty with valid ID cards. FMI: 473-2948.

**3, 12, 18** — Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives as part of the Armed Services Blood Donor Program. Currently scheduled drives include Feb. 3, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., JIOC Building, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; Feb. 12, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; and Feb. 18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., NEX, Tripler Army Medical Center. FMI: 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email [michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil](mailto:michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil).

**8** — Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor will hold a hangar talk titled "Tuskegee Airmen Then and Now" from 2 to 4 p.m. in the museum theater. Tuskegee Airman Philip Baham, Dr. Dorothy Goldsborough and a panel of experts will discuss stories and the legacy of the first African-American military aviators who served during World War II. The event is free with regular museum admission and free to museum members. FMI: 441-1000 or [www.pacificaviationmuseum.org](http://www.pacificaviationmuseum.org).



ANCHORMAN 2: THE LEGEND CONTINUES (PG-13)

With the 70s behind him, San Diego's top rated newsman, Ron Burgundy, returns to the news desk in "Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues." Also back for more are Ron's co-anchor and wife, Veronica Corningstone, weather man Brick Tamland, man on the street Brian Fantana and sports guy Champ Kind.

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 1/31

7:00 PM 47 Ronin (3D) (PG-13)

SATURDAY 2/1

2:30 PM Walking with Dinosaurs (3D) (PG)  
4:30 pm Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues (PG-13)  
7:00 pm Escape Plan (R)

SUNDAY 2/2

2:30 PM Walking with Dinosaurs (3D) (PG)  
4:30 pm Saving Mr. Banks (PG-13)  
7:00 pm 47 Ronin (PG-13)

THURSDAY 2/3

7:00 PM The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (3D) (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 12/6

6:00 PM 47 Ronin (PG13)

SATURDAY 12/7

4:00 PM Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)  
7:00 PM 47 Ronin (PG13)

SUNDAY 12/8

2:00 PM Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)

THURSDAY 12/12

2:00 PM Grudge Match (PG13)

Movie Showtimes

