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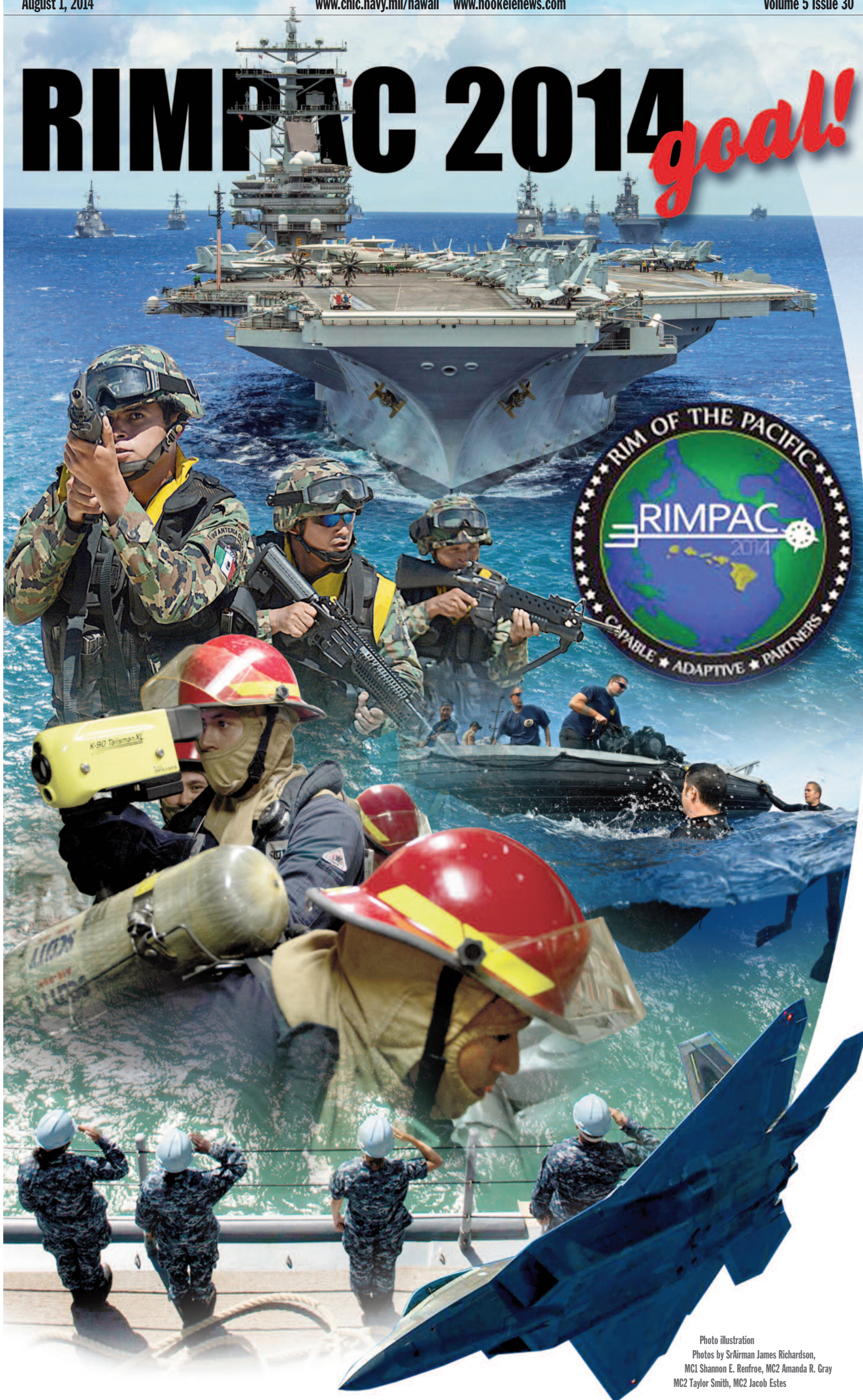


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# Navy and industry partners launch Pacific’s largest renewable energy project

Catherine Cruz Norton

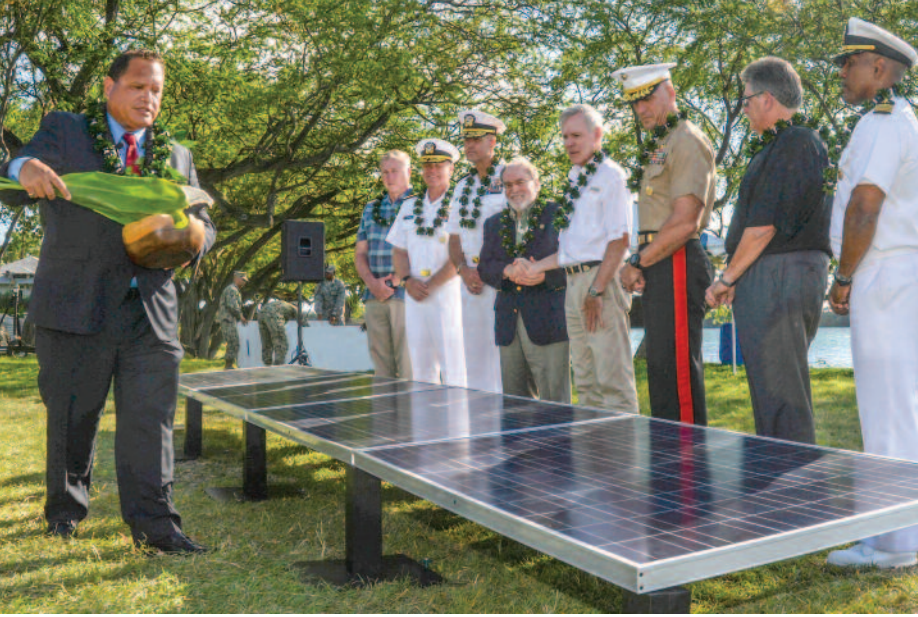
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Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Ray Mabus, Navy and Marine Corps senior leaders, and industry partners untied a traditional *maile* lei signifying the launch of the Navy’s largest solar power generation system project in the Pacific during a ceremony July 24 at the USS Nevada Memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH).

“This is a large project with 10 roof top photovoltaic systems and four ground-based or elevated systems, built on three different bases,” said Mabus.

“In the first year alone, we expect that these systems will save the taxpayers \$1.6 million. That’s the equivalent of the electricity that can be generated from 54,000 barrels of oil here in Hawaii.

It’s the amount of electricity needed to power more than 5,000 average homes here, and that’s just in the first year. This program will be generating those savings for decades. The work we are doing here will serve as a model for other projects



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Laurie Dexter

Kelekona Bishaw, pastor of Kamehameha Schools, delivers a traditional Hawaiian blessing during a groundbreaking and blessing ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The ceremony signifies the launch of the Navy’s largest solar power generation system project in Hawaii.

around the world,” Mabus said.

Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Pacific awarded a \$334 million task order July 11 to Pacific Energy Solutions LLC, a small business from Boca Raton, Fla., for the procurement of electricity produced from renewable energy generation systems.

The work to be performed provides for purchase of reliable, locally-generated, alternating-current power from solar power generation systems that are designed, constructed, owned, operated and maintained by the contractor on government property. Sites included in this task order are located on Oahu at Waipio Peninsula,

Marine Corps Base Hawaii and Camp Smith.

“Today marks a significant milestone in our collective pursuit of new ways to use renewable energy initiatives and investments — to reach sustainability. These efforts will save lives for our warfighters and enhance the quality of life here on the home front, in our aloha

state,” said Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

“Here in beautiful Hawaii, we are committed to meeting not only SECNAV goals but also the goals of the governor and the state of Hawaii,” Williams said.

Once constructed, the PV systems will deliver renewable energy for a term of 25 years. The construction of the PV systems is expected to take 12 months, and the total amount of power generated is anticipated to be about 17 megawatts of alternating current that will be shared between the Navy and Marine Corps.

Williams said at JBPHH and at Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kauai the Navy is reducing energy and water consumption, increasing use of renewable energy sources, and constructing sustainable facilities such as this — meeting the mission and protecting the environment.

Williams thanked the NAVFAC engineers, the SEABEES and all of team NAVFAC for its technical, business and acquisition acumen to get this project done. “Allow me to say a few words

about a person whose hard work and dedication brought us here today — Rear Adm. Bret Muilenburg,” said Williams.

“Bret is a former NAVFAC Hawaii commander and now NAVFAC Pacific commander on Adm. [Harry] Harris’ staff. He worked a long time on this project — often behind the scenes, always coaching us — showing that legendary can-do spirit,” he said. “Your persistence has paid off.”

The Navy is taking its commitment to renewable energy to a whole new level by generating about 14 percent of the region’s electricity with this project.

“This project signals the Navy’s largest photovoltaic array in the Pacific and a significant step toward achieving our renewable energy goals,” said Muilenburg, NAVFAC Pacific commander.

“Renewable energy initiatives are paramount to enabling the Navy and Marine Corps to improve energy security and efficiency ashore and operational reach afloat. In addition, we are very proud to be partnering with Pacific Energy Solutions as we work to execute this substantial investment,” Muilenburg said.

# Miller assumes command of 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing

Kristine Hojnicky

515th Air Mobility  
Operations Wing

Col. Douglas K. Lamberth relinquished command of the 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing to Col. Albert G. Miller during a change of command ceremony July 22 at the Hickam Officers’ Club, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

“I am extremely thankful and honored to have commanded this phenomenal wing over the past two years, and I am tremendously proud of what you have accomplished as a team,” said Lamberth.

“There is no doubt that you are the best in the business at what you do. The privilege of serving the great Airmen, civilian Airmen and families of the 515th has been the highlight of my career,” he said.

During his tenure, Lamberth pioneered the command’s only virtual community action information board, developed a



U.S. Air Force photo by SrAirman Christopher Stoltz

Maj. Gen. Frederick Martin (left), commander, U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, passes the guidon to Col. Albert Miller, commander, 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, during the 515th’s change of command ceremony, held July 22 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

commander’s inspection program, and led the wing to an “excellent” rating during the 2013 Air Mobility

Command Inspector General Mission Capability and Compliance Inspection and a 2013 Air Force Outstand-

ing Unit Award.

Maj. Gen. Frederick H. Martin, commander of the U. S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., presided over the ceremony. He presented Lamberth with the Legion of Merit for accomplishments during his command from June 2012 to July 2014. “The EC’s mission is to train, enable and shape expeditionary Airmen for global response,” said Martin.

“The 515th, under the leadership of Col. Lamberth, has been a vital link to ensure global mobility throughout the Pacific enterprise. Col. Miller, we welcome you and look forward to building upon the success of the 515 AMOW and the tremendous partnerships within PACAF and across the PACOM AOR.”

Miller comes to JBPHH from Joint Base Charleston, S.C. where he most recently served as the vice commander of the 437th Airlift Wing.

As commander of the 515th AMOW, a tenant unit headquartered at JBPHH, he is responsible for 1,800 geographically separated personnel across 26 operating locations and nine Pacific time-zones from Alaska to Diego Garcia, with an annual budget of more than \$50 million.

“I am extremely humbled by this opportunity to serve the great Airmen of the 515th and their families,” said Miller. “They have a tremendous reputa-

tion of excellence and mission success. I look forward to working with them and our mission partners throughout the Pacific.”

The 515th AMOW serves as the Pacific arm of the USAFEC and AMC. The wing’s mission is to provide agile enroute capability to accelerate global air mobility for war fighters throughout the Pacific, utilizing command and control, aerial port operations and aircraft maintenance.



# Blue Angels to perform here Sept. 27-28

Joint Base Pearl  
Harbor-Hickam Public  
Affairs

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) “Wings Over the Pacific” air show will feature the Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy’s world-famous flight demonstration squadron.

The airshow will take place Sept. 27 and 28 from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the Hickam side of JBPHH.

The Blue Angels flight demonstration will use the F/A-18 Hornet aircraft to exhibit the choreographed refinement of skills possessed by all naval aviators.

The Leap Frogs, the United States Navy Parachute Team, will also perform, and there will be demonstrations by the Blue Angels C-130 Hercules support aircraft affectionately known as “Fat

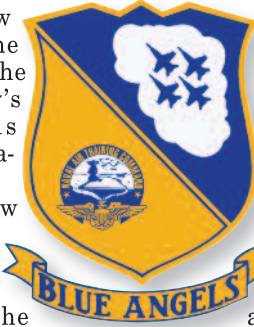
Albert” and a C-17.

“Wings Over the Pacific” will also offer displays of vintage and modern aircraft, food booths and an Xtreme Fun Zone for children that will feature rides, games and more. The show is free and open to the general public. Security restrictions will be in place.

“On behalf of our Navy and Air Force community, I invite you to join our *ohana* for this great event,” said Capt. Stan Keeve, commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

“We think you will be entertained by the Blue Angels and other air show performers, and you will have an opportunity to see static displays of a variety of aircraft.”

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



# AF units showcase airpower during RIMPAC



(Above) A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon from the 301st Fighter Wing, Naval Air Station Joint Base Fort Worth refuels from a KC-135 Stratotanker from the 96th Air Refueling Wing during the Rim of the Pacific 2014 July 18.

(Right) A U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptor from the 199th Fighter Wing turns after refueling from a KC-135 Stratotanker from the 96th Air Refueling Wing.

U.S. Air Force photos by SrAirman James Richardson



# Bridge to close temporarily Aug. 6

All lanes of the Ford Island Bridge will be closed from 9 to 11 a.m. Aug. 6 for quarterly maintenance.

All motorists and pedestrians should plan accordingly.

The small craft gate under the bridge will be closed to boat traffic.



Commentary

# Supporting children’s education has impact on performance

Col. David Kirkendall

Deputy Commander, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

As summer draws to an end, our children are preparing to go back to the classroom. If your experience is anything like mine, this is met with some elation (from parents and caregivers) as well as trepidation (from students).

Today marks the first day of instruction in Hawaii’s public schools. As a parent, I, like all parents, want my child to succeed in school. Parents can help children achieve



Col. David Kirkendall

their best in school by being actively engaged in their children’s learning.

Decades of research show that parent involvement has incredible impact on student performance. Students earn higher grades, better test scores, and graduation rates increase. When parents show interest in our children’s education, we reinforce the message that education is a top priority.

As parents, it is our mission to partner with our schools and students to provide the support, environment and resources needed for our children to succeed in school.

The U.S. Department of

Education provides some basic tips that parents can use on the “home front:”

- Encourage children to read, as it is the single most important thing that we can do to help them succeed in school.
- Engage children in conversation as speaking and listening skills are major components of children’s school success.
- Monitor children’s homework and amount of time spent watching television, playing video games, and using the Internet.
- Help children get organized, and provide a quiet place in the home to study.

•Encourage children to be responsible and work independently. Make it clear that they have to take responsibility for actions, both at home and at school.

•Encourage active learning by listening to children’s ideas and responding to them.

As we strive for great communication with our students, establishing a close working partnership with our children’s school staff and teacher is important as well. I urge you to volunteer your time and talent in the schools and find ways to be included and integrated with the

various extracurricular programs offered.

As a son-in-law to a grade school teacher of more than 25 years, I can assure you that our support of the school is as important to our children’s success as our support to our students.

Our military children are truly resilient and self-sacrificing. With every PCS move, they must leave their friends, adjust to a new location, and transition to a new school. With direct involvement in our children’s education, we can set the conditions for their continued success.

## Diverse Views



What tip do you have for a military member or military family who is going to PCS (permanent change of station)?



Senior Airman Shannon Ross  
15th Medical Group

“Make sure to have good communication with your sponsor. It really is all right to ask questions even if they seem silly.”

MMC Jason McDonald  
USS Houston (SSN 713)

“Plan ahead, make sure you have all the documents for schools for kids or medical, and start early.”

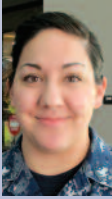


Tech. Sgt. Jeff Camacho  
613 Air and Space Operations Center

“Keep copies of all documents and hand carry them. You never know when they might come [in] handy.”

HM3 Miranda Hayden  
Naval Health Clinic Hawaii

“For military members, make sure you contact the command you’re going to and see if they can set up a sponsor or have a sponsorship program. That worked for me.”



SrAirman Dofonso Fernando  
15th Medical Operations Squadron

“Take your time settling in at your new base, duty section and housing. Starting on the right foot is very important to have a stress-free time at your new base. Relax and enjoy.”

IT1 Lorenzo Nichols  
USS Lake Erie (CG 70)

“Start early. There’s a lot of stuff you have to do.”



Chief Master Sgt. Kurt Mason  
PACAF

“Be prepared. Start your prep as soon as possible. It will make the transition much smoother for you and your family.”

HMCS Eugene Johnson  
ATG Middle Pacific

“Make sure dependent information is updated into your transfer orders, especially when going overseas for no-fee passports. And start the process early.”



Staff Sgt. Megan Flores  
Air Force Office of Special investigations

“Send your PCS orders to your gaining base housing office as soon as you receive them. Waiting lists are usually extensive, so the sooner the better.”

Provided by Lt. j.g. Eric Galassi and David D. Underwood Jr.

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## School starts back in session today

Students, drivers advised to exercise caution

Darren Dean

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam School Liaison Officer

Today is the first day for students attending public schools in Hawaii. With schools back in session, large numbers of students will be walking and riding bicycles. Drivers should exercise caution.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) is reminding drivers to use extreme caution and be aware of young children going to school in the morning and walking home in the afternoon. There is always an adjustment period when classes resume for both drivers and students.

Student traffic can be expected to begin just before 7 a.m. and continue through 8 a.m. After-school traffic normally begins at 2 p.m. and winds down after 3 p.m.

There are many students new to JBPHH, and there are many new families in the surrounding military housing community who are not familiar with the local traffic patterns.



Photo courtesy of Aliamanu Elementary School

Aliamanu Elementary School’s Falcon Safety Patrol assist students in crossing the street, helping to ensure students are safe from traffic.

“The best advice we can give is for drivers to slow down and give yourselves more time to get to your destination. The extra time is certainly worth avoiding accidents,” said David Tom, Navy Region Hawaii School Liaison Officer.

Likewise, parents and students should map out the safest route to school together, including any alternate routes. Parents should also discuss proper safety practices with

their children including the use of crosswalks and proper bicycle safety and have their children wear bright clothing to increase visibility for drivers.

Children should not walk to school wearing headphones or playing portable video games because this makes it difficult for them to hear the traffic around them. Let’s all do our part to ensure a safe and accident-free school year for all.

## Liberators sit in Hickam hangar



Photo courtesy of the state of Hawaii Department of Transportation, Airports Division

B-24J Liberators sit inside a maintenance hangar at Hickam Field Hawaiian Air Depot on July 30, 1944, 70 years ago this week.



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# RIMPAC’s maritime component commander thanks Hawaii

## Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

HONOLULU — Ron Mizutani, veteran newscaster in Hawaii and anchor of KHON(FOX)2’s Wake Up 2day show, gave Rear Adm. Gilles Couturier an honorary title during an interview July 24 about Rim of the Pacific Exercise 2014.

Couturier, who has participated in five RIMPAC exercises over the years, was named by Mizutani as an “honorary *kamaaina*” — a local resident of Hawaii. Couturier is commander of the maritime component for RIMPAC, the world’s biggest maritime exercise, which is about to enter its final week in and around Hawaii.

On behalf of all RIMPAC participants, Couturier thanked the people of Hawaii for their support and *aloha*, noting how RIMPAC helps the local economy.

“Without a doubt, the 25,000 Sailors, plus the ships ... they need all sorts of things, so we buy local Hawaiian, and I want to take the opportunity to thank the [people of Hawaii] for their hospitality,” Couturier said.

“This is my fifth time at RIMPAC, so I’m very familiar with your beautiful islands and every time looking forward to come back here and visit and enjoy,” he said.

During his interview, Couturier explained two of the primary goals of RIMPAC.

“First of all, it’s to be able to learn to work together as professional mariners. So this year we have 22 countries, 47 ships, 200-plus aircraft, six submarines and over 25,000 people here. What we are trying to do is work together in order to be able to be ready to operate at sea anywhere in the world,” Couturier said.

“The second goal of RIMPAC is to create those relationships, amongst all of us the leaders of the exercise, but also amongst some of the ships’ captains, the key staff — so whenever we are called to work together we can grab that phone and say, ‘Hey, remember me? You and I worked together at RIMPAC.’ That makes it a lot easier to operate at sea.”

Mizutani asked, “Are you learning from each other as well? Different techniques, different MOs, if you will?”

Couturier responded, “Absolutely! We call it tactics training and procedures. So each country comes from their own slightly different approach, but what we do realize at the end is that we are pretty well all the same. We know what to do. One of the key events we do at sea is maritime interdiction operations, so anti-piracy roles off the Gulf of Aden, we have to do some things to prevent the pirates from doing the bad stuff at sea, so we share how we operate, how we do it, some of the tactics we use, and it proves to be very useful to all of us.”

Mizutani thanked “honorary *kamaaina*” Couturier for another successful Rim of the Pacific exercise in and around Hawaii.

“I’m glad you folks are learning and absorbing and at the same time, sir, you are helping our economy. You folks pump back a ton of money into Hawaii’s economy,” Mizutani said.

*(KHON(FOX)2’s Hawaii Navy News segment that began in early 2009, in partnership with Navy Region Hawaii. It is a biweekly, sometimes weekly, interview to inform the public about items of interest at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oahu and Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kauai.)*

## Stay safe during outdoor activities

Don Robbins

Editor, Ho’okele

Here are some questions and tips to keep us safe while participating in outdoor activities.

### Driving

- Are you careful at intersections? It may not be safe to assume that others are going to do the right thing.
- Are you focused when operating a vehicle? Staying focused (not distracted), and keeping your eyes on the road can help prevent accidents.
- Are you aware of the drivers around you? If you see an erratic driver, it is better to get away from them than to get angry.
- Do you ever drink and drive? It is wise to plan your transportation in advance, if you drink.
- Do you drive if you are tired? It is advisable to drive when you are well-rested instead.
- Do you keep your car running well? It is advisable to make sure your tires, brakes, headlights and taillights, and turn signals are all working perfectly.
- Do you obey the speed limit? In rain, fog and darkness, it is safer to slow down.
- Do you drive defensively?

sively and obey the rules?

- Do you keep your children in car safety seats, and know how to install the seats?

- Do you use your turn signals and avoid making any sudden moves?

### Boating

- Have you learned to swim?
- Do you make sure you are not drinking while boating?
- Do you wear an approved life jacket, and make sure your passengers do, too?

### Grilling food

- Do you keep your grill at least three feet away from your house, porch, shed, trees or bushes?
- Do you use starter fluid that is made especially for barbecue grills? Do you follow the instructions about how to apply and light it?
- Do you make sure you never squirt starter fluid on a fire after you’ve already tried to start it?
- Do you avoid using gasoline to try to start or restart charcoal?
- If you have a gas grill, do you make sure you read and follow the instructions about how to use and store it?
- Do you store gas cylinders outside and keep them away from buildings?
- Do you keep children away from the grill both while you are cooking, and after you finish while the grill is still

hot and when hot coals remain?

- Do you make sure to never leave lit grills unattended?

### Beach safety

- Do you protect your skin? Do you limit the amount of direct sunlight you receive between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and, wear a sunscreen with a sun protection factor containing a high rating such as 15?

- Do you drink plenty of water regularly and often even if you do not feel thirsty? Your body needs water to keep cool.

- Do you watch for signs of heat stroke? Heat stroke is life-threatening. Signs include hot, red, and dry skin; changes in consciousness, rapid, weak pulse, and rapid, shallow breathing.

### Swimming pools and kids

- If you’re at a pool with children who are either very young or who can’t swim, do you make sure they are never left alone, even if they aren’t in the water?
- If you are taking care of an infant or toddler, do you make sure to keep them within arm’s reach?

- Have you learned about rescue swimming and taken a CPR course? You never know when you might have to rescue someone.

- Do you make sure you have life preservers handy?

## RIMPAC sports events to be held today

Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation RIMPAC sporting events beginning at 9 a.m. today include:

- Indoor volleyball at Naval Station Gym.

- Soccer at Ward Field.
- Basketball at JPBHHGym.
- Softball at Millican Field.
- 5K run.

U.S. Navy Hull Maintenance Technician 2nd Class Eli Garcia brazes a pipe aboard the dock landing ship USS Rushmore (LSD 47) in the Pacific Ocean on July 23, during the Rim of the Pacific 2014 exercise.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Amanda R. Gray



(Above) Boatswain’s Mate 2nd Class Eric Bruce from Charlottesville, Va. and Boatswain’s Mate 2nd Class Michael Bloodworth from Lorena, Texas launch a landing craft air cushion, assigned to Amphibious Craft Unit (ACU) 5, in the well deck of the amphibious assault ship USS Peleliu (LHA 5) during Rim of the Pacific 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Daniel Viramontes

(Right) Sailors walk the flight deck during a foreign object damage (FOD) walk down aboard the aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) during Rim of the Pacific Exercise 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Torrian Neeman





# Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*

A U.S. Marine Corps UH-1Y Venom helicopter, (right), participates in nighttime flight operations on July 24 aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Peleliu (LHA 5) in the Pacific Ocean on July 24, during Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by  
MC2 Daniel Viramontes



Pilots and weapon systems officers from 391st Fighter Squadron F-15E Strike Eagle step to their aircraft during a mission July 16 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The 391st FS is currently on a two-month deployment here from Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. While here, the squadron's F-15Es have participated in Rim of the Pacific 2014 exercise missions.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alexander Martinez



Flightline and aircraft crews prepare 391st Fighter Squadron F-15E Strike Eagles for a mission July 16 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alexander Martinez



Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class Jennifer Brinkman, (right), from San Francisco and Ensign Joseph Pfaff from Detroit film the passing of the aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) from an MH-60S Sea Hawk helicopter assigned to the Black Knights of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 4. Ronald Reagan is participating in Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Exercise 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jacob Estes



(Below) Naval Aircrewman (Operator) 2nd Class Joshua Eichhorn (seated), shows Adm. Harry Harris Jr. (left), the commander of U.S. Pacific Fleet, how to monitor signals from a sonar buoy during an intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance flight aboard a P-8A Poseidon aircraft July 21. The flight over the Pacific Ocean was part of Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 David Kolmel





# Reserve Sailors bring support during RIMPAC

MC1 Steven Khor

*Submarine Force Pacific Public Affairs*

Reservist Sailors from around the nation have been at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to support Commander, Anti-Submarine Warfare Force, U.S. 3rd Fleet (CTF-34), participating in the world's largest international maritime exercise, the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC), with activities situated in and around the Hawaiian islands.

Capt. Rod Urbano, chief of staff for CTF-34, noted that Reservists are a critical component to the success of exercises like RIMPAC.

"I view the Reserve component as a powerful force multiplier for CTF-34 staff," said Urbano. "They are fully integrated into our theater anti-submarine warfare watch team and without their support, it would be impossible for us to execute all of our assigned missions. For RIMPAC specifically, our Reserve personnel have been involved in every phase, from planning to execution, and are a critical component to the successes we've been able to achieve," he said.

Capt. Timothy Wolters, commanding officer of Undersea Warfare Operations Detachment I and the Submarine Force Reserve Component/RIMPAC coordinator, said Reservists come from a multitude of backgrounds.



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Jason Swink

Capt. Timothy Wolters, commanding officer of Undersea Warfare Operations Detachment I and Submarine Force Reserve Component coordinator for Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Exercise 2014, talks with Republic of Korea Navy Lt. Seo Jung Hoon outside of Anti-Submarine Warfare Force 3rd Fleet (CTF-34) offices on July 22.

"There are a wide variety of military and civilian experiences that the Reservists bring to the table," said Wolters.

"More than half of the Reservists supporting RIMPAC have performed an individual augmentee deployment, and civilian occupations range from stay-at-home parents, to university professors, to biomedical engineers, to indepen-

dent business owners."

Reservist Electronics Technician 2nd Class Sarah Bostick and other enlisted Reservists support CTF-34 by compiling and tracking units to provide the battle watch captains with a picture of the battle space during RIMPAC and other exercises.

"I spent three years training and learning with my Reserve unit,"

said Bostick, who drills at Navy Operational Support Center Fort Worth, Texas.

Enjoying the opportunity to put her training to practical use, Bostick added, "It's nice to be able to put two and two together to understand the dynamics and relationships we have with the different component commands."

Wolters said Reservists continue to help in the overall mission by providing critical skills at a moment's notice. "Since many Reservists already have extensive active-duty experience, they already have the knowledge of how undersea warfare works and help save time and money for the Navy who would otherwise have to train new active duty personnel," he said.

"RIMPAC is a rewarding experience for both the Reservists and the Navy," said Wolters. "It provides excellent training for the Reservists and provides the Navy with quality, experienced individuals who fit the needs of the many positions required. The Reserve force helps man the needed positions to complete any number of critical jobs to support a task force."

Lt. Cmdr. Joshua Hepola, a Reservist and RIMPAC participant, is commanding officer of Naval Reserve Expeditionary Unit, Detachment I in Louisville, Ky. He has spent more than seven years on active duty including duty in Iraq.

Hepola said that it is beneficial

for Reservists to participate in exercises like RIMPAC because it gives exposure to what is going on in today's Navy, allowing Reservists the ability to keep their skills at optimal levels needed to be of support at a moment's notice.

Electronics Technician 1st Class Long Han, a Reservist and RIMPAC participant from Houston, Texas, said he enjoys the opportunity to bring family to the places he himself enjoys when not working. Han said he enjoys Hawaii and would like to bring his family to Hawaii to enjoy the fun in the sun.

"Hawaii is always awesome," said Han. "When I'm not busy doing RIMPAC stuff, I can spend time at the beach, so that's kind of cool."

Han's involvement with RIMPAC as a database manager helps build the "digital picture" from which others can make decisions based on this picture.

For RIMPAC, Navy Reserve Sailors have filled or are filling billets in support of Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) as well as CTF-34. The functions range from planning to watch-standing to naval liaisons at sea with their international counterparts.

"With approximately 130 members serving during RIMPAC for at least 16 days each, Reservists have been an integral part of this exercise," added Wolters.

## 747th Communication Squadron ensures RIMPAC communication security

Maj. Joe Blubaugh

*15th Wing Public Affairs*

Maintaining communication security in and around Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) is a big job for the 747th Communications Squadron. In fact, they have the largest COMSEC footprint in Pacific Air Forces, supporting all the tenant units of the base including the Hawaii Air National Guard and several other locations such as Maui, Wheeler

Army Airfield and Wake Island.

The members of the 747th will be the first to admit that many of their fellow Airmen don't know what they do. In simple terms, they provide the material needed so that the units they support can utilize secure communications, both in the air and on the ground.

Tech. Sgt. Shari Epley, JBPHH COMSEC [communications security] manager, said she and four additional Airmen

support more than 80 COMSEC accounts across a large geographical area. That number increase dramatically with onset of the planning phase of RIMPAC, a multinational maritime exercise that takes place in and around the Hawaiian Islands.

"RIMPAC definitely ups the tempo," said Epley. "We start working with the organizations we support when the exercise planning starts to ensure we can provide them with their secure communica-

tion materials. We also support units from the United Kingdom, Canada, the Navy and Marines."

Epley's team was also responsible for providing the resources necessary so that the highest levels of RIMPAC leadership could communicate securely. The team's efforts helped enable secure satellite communication links between the combined forces Air component commander, combined forces maritime

and the combined forces land component commander.

Not surprisingly with an exercise as large as RIMPAC, they also received last minute requests, especially from transient units attending the exercise.

"It takes a lot of extra time and coordination on the last minute requests, but we always drop what we are doing to make sure the mission is accomplished," Epley said.

RIMPAC is one of the

biggest exercises the team supports, and they provide more secure communication materials for the exercise than at any other time of the year. However, since a large part of their efforts were concentrated during the planning phase, they have been able to get back to somewhat normal day-to-day operations as the exercise entered its final days, said Epley. "And of course get ready for the next exercise," she added.



# JBPHH Fuels Division pumps life into RIMPAC

Story and photo by  
Tech. Sgt. Terri Paden

15th Wing Public Affairs

The air component is a significant part of RIMPAC 2014, the world's largest maritime exercise; but there's a saying in the petroleum, oils and lubricants community: "Pilots are pedestrians without fuel."

"Aircraft can't fly without fuel—no fuel, no flights," said Alphonso Parks, fuels division chief at Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Parks said the amount of aircraft deployed here and participating in RIMPAC increased the demand for fuel, and they issued an average of 1.5 million gallons per week in support of the exercise.

An average of 611 aircraft are refueled at JBPHH per month, but Parks said that amount was on track to more than triple by the end of RIMPAC.

"RIMPAC doesn't change what we do or how we do it, but it does increase the workload," he said.

In addition to providing JP8 fuel to aircraft, the fuels division also supported the ground and sea missions by supplying diesel fuel for the two tent city locations on JBPHH and Ford Island, and, for the first time in RIMPAC history, refueled small Navy patrol boats.

"We're like a gas station in the middle of the ocean," said Parks.

The fuels division prepared for more than six months to ensure there was proper planning for the division to successfully meet the demands of the exercise.

"Every time there is an exercise, we learn," said Parks. "We know what to expect during RIMPAC now and how to adjust to make sure the mission gets accomplished."

SrAirman Trevor Kuhns, who is deployed here in support of RIMPAC from the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron at



SrAirman Trevor Kuhns, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels specialist, prepares to refuel an aircraft on the flightline at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Kadena Air Base, Japan, said he also learned from the joint and multinational aspect of RIMPAC.

"This is my first time supporting RIMPAC, and I've been surprised at how similar our refueling processes are to our joint and international counterparts," he said.

With this year's RIMPAC hosting 22 nations, 49 surface ships, six submarines and more than 200 aircraft, Kuhns said he is proud to be an integral part of such a big mission.

"I'm happy to do my small part to put planes in the air," he said. "Planes don't fly on hopes and dreams. They fly on jet fuel, and that's what we provide."

## Safety office offers bicycle safety tips

As the school year begins, children, their parents and drivers should be more cautious and practice bicycle safety.

According to Adventure Sports online, statistics indicate that each year more than 500,000 bicyclists are injured, more than 1 million bicyclists are treated by their doctors for injuries, and bicyclists suffer approximately 70,000 serious head injuries each year. Head injuries account for more than 62 percent of bicycle fatalities. Each year hundreds of bicyclists die as a result of cycling accidents.

The Joint Base Traffic Instruction (JBPHHINST 5100.1) lists these 11 tips for bicycle safety:

- All persons, including minors, riding bicycles on JBPHH will observe the same traffic rules as are required of a motor vehicle operator.
- All persons operating bicycles through any JBPHH installation gate should avoid the normal flow of vehicle traffic whenever possible and utilize available bike paths and side streets.
- Sidewalks may be used by bicyclists when bicycle riders do not pose a hazard to pedestrians.

All bicyclists under the age of 18 will dismount their bicycles at intersections and walk the bicycles across the street, whether or not a crosswalk is present.

- All riders will wear approved ANSI or SNELL Memorial Foundation certified bicycle helmets.
- Every bicycle when in use at night (from 30 minutes before sunset to 30 minutes after sunrise) shall be equipped with a white light on the front which shall be visible for at least 500 feet ahead and a red reflector or red light on the rear which shall be visible for a distance of at least 600 feet.
- Bicyclists are highly encouraged to equip their bicycle with a bell or other device capable of being heard for a distance of at least 100 feet. Sirens and whistles are prohibited.
- All bicyclists shall wear light colored clothing. During restricted visibility conditions, reflective clothing or vests will be worn by all bicyclists.
- Bicycles will be properly parked and secured by use of a chain and padlock or bicycle cable lock to an approved bike rack.
- No bicycle will be ridden on any sidewalk within business

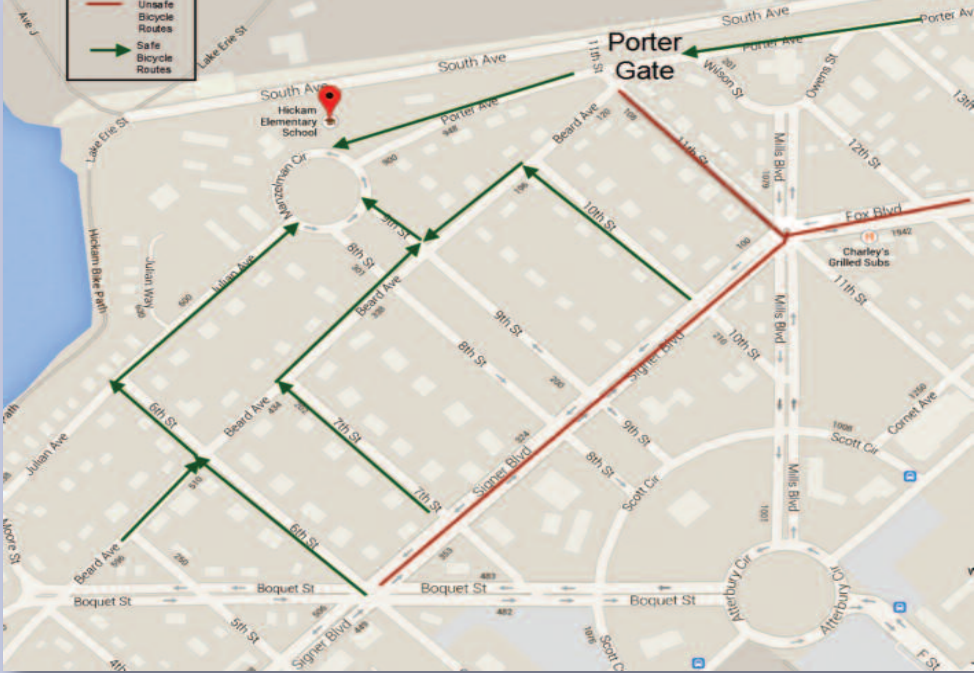
areas (i.e. base exchanges, commissary, bank, credit union, etc.) or on the Mokulele pedestrian overpass.

- Bicycle operators are prohibited from using any crosswalk, sidewalk, driveway, or any other area not designated as a traffic lane for the purpose of by passing a traffic control device, to circumvent the flow of traffic, or to cross over lanes of traffic unless already legally operating on a sidewalk.

- Bicycles are prohibited on any portion of the Kuntz Avenue overpass or on O'Malley Boulevard from the Air Mobility Command 9AMC) Terminal Road to the Kuntz Avenue exit.

Children traveling to Hickam Elementary should avoid the busy roads of Fox Boulevard, Signer Boulevard, and 11th Street. If children are using Porter Avenue, they should stop for traffic at Porter Gate before proceeding to Hickam Elementary. Children traveling to all other base elementary schools should consult with school officials as to the best routes to take.

*(Information provided by Wayne Siu and Austen Cook, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Safety Office.)*





# Life & Leisure



## YACHT CLUBS ENCOURAGE SPORT OF SAILING



Story and photos courtesy of Pearl Harbor Yacht Club

Pearl Harbor Yacht Club and Rainbow Bay Marina recently hosted the 2014 Region H qualification for the Chubb U.S. Junior Championships, Triplehanded Sailing Championship for the Sears Cup.

Hosting teams are from four local yacht clubs. The three-member teams sailed in the historic East Loch of Pearl Harbor.

According to Jeremiah Turpin, the Pearl Harbor Yacht Club's rear commodore for sail and event organizer, this year's event included participants from the Pearl Harbor Yacht Club, Waikiki Yacht Club, Hawaii Yacht Club and Kaneohe Yacht Club.

"We had a lot of support from Derrell Demello and the entire MWR team at Rainbow Bay Marina," he said. "Without their support, the event would not have been the smashing success it was."

"At the conclusion of the event, the crew from Kaneohe Yacht Club came out victorious, securing the honor of representing Hawaii at the national championship for the Sears Cup, said Kai Andrade, commodore for the Hawaii Youth Sailing Association. The Kaneohe Yacht Club team consists of skipper Zachary Kaan and crewmembers Leah Ford and Aaron Kiyotoki.

The event, first held in 1921, is held annually for youth ages 13 to 18. It is organized as a "ladder-type" competition, where each of eight geographical areas compete in a multi-day event to determine which crew moves forward to the national competition. This year, the Chubb U.S. Junior Championship will be hosted by the Grand Traverse Yacht Club in Traverse City, Mich.

The first day of the qualifier was familiarization with the boats and waters that would be used during the competition. The second day was held as a round robin with each of the four crews sailing each boat for one race. Each boat consisted of a skipper and two crew members who had to work in unison to put together a winning run.

During the history of the Pearl Harbor Yacht Club dating to 1924, the club and Rainbow Bay Marina have hosted numerous local regattas, advocated for the sport of sailing, and provided education and coaching to the local community and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Through the years, membership in the yacht club has included Shirley Temple, Duke Kahanamoku and Harold Dillingham, who sailed the 1934 Pearl Harbor Yacht Club's entry into the biannual TransPacific Yacht Race aboard "Manuiwa" and won. In an effort to build upon tradition, the Pearl Harbor Yacht Club is working to rebuild a youth sailing program that can compete with the other yacht clubs on a routine basis.

Every Thursday from 4 p.m. to sunset, Pearl Harbor Yacht Club hosts a sunset cruise at Rainbow Bay Marina. The weekly event is intended to give people with little or no experience with sailing the opportunity to go out on a boat with an experienced crew.





# Lake Erie overcomes doubleheader to beat North Carolina

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Despite having to play two games in one morning, USS Lake Erie (CG 70) fought off exhaustion and the heat to defeat USS North Carolina (SSN 777), 3-1, July 24, in a Summer Soccer League game at Quick Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

After coming off a tie with USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) in the first game, Lake Erie regrouped and came back onto the field an hour later and dominated their matchup with North Carolina.

The win preserved Lake Erie's undefeated record and raised it to 3-0-1, while North Carolina dropped to 0-3.

"It was rough, but we have a lot of good guys that come out and play every week," said Ensign Austin Kim about the team's two games in three hours. "It's really a testament to the guys. They hustle every single play. Since the first game, it's all about hustle. That's how we win."

Early in the first half, Kim used some hustle of his own when he kicked in a straight away shot that got past goalkeeper Machinist's Mate 2nd Class James Knapp (SS) to give Lake Erie a 1-0 lead.

"The first one I shot got blocked," Kim said. "I saw



Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) Fireman Clarence Kelly gets ahead of USS North Carolina (SSN 777) for a shot on goal.

that the keeper was a little slow in going to the other side, so when I saw the opportunity the second time, I ripped it and I got lucky, I guess."

With Lake Erie's defense clamping down on North Carolina, it appeared as though the one goal would be enough to stand at least

until halftime.

However, North Carolina caught up with Lake Erie just before the break when Electronics Technician 1st Class Jonathan Jones made good on a penalty kick to tie the score at 1-1.

In the second half, Lake Erie must have been feeling a bit fatigued, but the team

came out aggressively and stormed Knapp with seven kicks on goal in the first few minutes of play.

Knapp, to his credit, withstood the fire and knocked down four of the kicks on his own to keep the game tied.

"It was very exciting," Knapp said about the busy

game defending the goal. "I just watched the ball and didn't let anything else confuse me."

Kim said that fatigue might have been the real reason why Lake Erie just couldn't score.

"That's probably due to playing two games," Kim pointed out. "Tired legs give

you that slight late (kick) that make it go a little higher, a little wider, whatever it is."

The deluge on the North Carolina net didn't stop, however, and finally Electronics Technician 2nd Class Bobby Garrison sneaked a shot past Knapp for a 2-1 lead.

"Hopefully the flood gate will open up for him," said Kim about his teammate's goal. "He's (Garrison) a goal machine, but that's his first one."

Throughout the rest of the second half, Lake Erie controlled the ball and was able to keep it on the North Carolina side of the field.

"We have a solid group of guys in the back," Kim stated. "They out-hustle every single player and are always first on the ball."

The defense allowed Lake Erie to finally put the game away for good when Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) Fireman Clarence Kelly put one final shot away to make it 3-1.

Kim said that he believes that the team has all it needs to compete with the top teams in the summer league.

And with this being the Lake Erie's final season here at JPBHH, he would like to end it with a title.

"We're going to homeport shift here in a little while," Kim said. "This is our last season here in Hawaii. Our guys are going to miss this league, so we want to leave with a bang."

# Three-time Olympian slugger assists Operation Military Kids

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Baseball may have had the Bash Brothers, a power-hitting combo that was named for Jose Canseco and Mark McGwire, but in women's fast-pitch softball no other slugger could ever match the thunderous swing of three-time Olympian Chystl Bustos.

On July 29, the partnership of Operation Military Kids (OMK) and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Youth Sports, presented more than 40 children with a rare opportunity to learn from the "Big Bruiser" Bustos in a free softball clinic that was held at Lynch Field Baseball Complex, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Kiki Yoshimoto, OMK project coordinator, said that the joint effort was highly successful due to the help from MWR.

"It's gone great," she said. "We have a great partnership, and it's a great way for us to service youth from all services."

According to Yoshimoto, OMK is an Army-funded program that partners with different military and community members to support all kids from all branches of service, specifically kids affected by deployment.

"We host various sports, educational and social activities for kids to meet each other and give them support at the same time," Yoshimoto said. "One thing we have coming up next month is a science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) day camp."

While STEM was not the subject matter at the softball clinic, Bustos, along with fellow instructors who also included Ruby Rojas, a 2008 Olympian for Venezuelan National Team and current head softball coach at Mount San Antonio College, electrified the young athletes with their combined knowledge and teaching abilities.

Held for three hours, the clinic divided up the field to instruct the kids on batting, fielding and other skill-building exercises.

"Teaching wise, it was pretty awesome," said Army Sgt. Ivan Alvira, who brought his 9-year-old daughter Isabella. "It broke all the stuff down and Chystl came down and showed us how to do it."

At the end of the camp, Bustos addressed the attendees in an inspirational talk that seemed to be just as important as the on-field lessons.

Bustos said that the talk wasn't just for the kids on the field, but was also tailored for the parents as well.



Chystl Bustos signs the cap of 9-year-old Sophia Quevas, whose dad is Master-at-Arms 1st Class Raymond Quevas, USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60).

"It opens their (kids) eyes, but I want the parents to listen," she said. "The parents want their kids to be 4-for-4 and it's not realistic. A major league baseball player or a profession softball player is going to go 3-for-10. That means that there are two games that they're not going to hit at all. Kids are still learning the mechanics, so you can't require them to be perfect."

Bustos, who held a clinic at Lynch Field for OMK back in 2011, said that it was a pleasure to come back to Hawaii and reach out to the kids of the armed forces.

In her talk to the youth, she explained that she has a special bond with members of the military and their families because she is a product of the culture.

Bustos stated that her dad was a Marine and her sister was born at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton.

"My dad was a Marine, my uncle served in Vietnam, and several of my cousins have been to Afghanistan and Iraq," she said. "I do a lot of stuff with the Wounded Warriors Amputee Softball Team. I surround myself with a lot of great people, and it just so happens to be that they come from the military."

She explained that because she knows a lot

about the trials of being a member of a military household, getting a chance to give back to the families means a lot to her.

"I think it's huge," Bustos stated. "We think about our men and women in the military, but we fail to remember that they are family people also. I want them to know that there are people that know what they're going through and are going to reach out and hopefully make things as normal as they can for them."

Currently, Bustos is an assistant coach to Rojas at Mount San Antonio College and said that the transition to life as a noncompetitive athlete is going great.

Still the holder of the record for the most home runs in the Olympics, Bustos said that it would be great if one of the many girls she has taught would someday break the high barrier she set.

"I would hope so," she admitted. "It's just really hard. You get nine games to hit a home run in and I hit six in six games. Would it be there forever, who knows? We should be back in (Olympics) 2020, and hopefully I have a couple kids on there that can work toward breaking that."

For more information about OMK, visit the website at [www.OperationMilitaryKids.org](http://www.OperationMilitaryKids.org).



# Tiger-Hawks open season with straight-set victory

Story and photo by  
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The 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) Tiger-Hawks opened up their intramural volleyball season by beating the 154th Maintenance Group (154 MXG) in straight sets, 25-16 and 25-20, in a meeting of Blue Division teams on July 24 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

Although the Tiger-Hawks won in straight sets, the showdown was much more of a battle than the scores indicated.

Runners up for the past two seasons, the Tiger-Hawks began their quest for a third consecutive championship appearance on a high note while the 154 MXG saw their record drop to 1-1.

"We almost didn't get a chance to practice, but we got to do it a few times," said Tiger-Hawks hitter Staff Sgt. David Morris. "Obviously everybody is rested, so I think those two practices kind of helped us out."

Dusting off the rust from the long off-season, the Tiger-Hawks saw a six-point lead evaporate down



Staff Sgt. David Morris (right) goes up for the kill during a Blue Division intramural volleyball matchup between 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) Tiger-Hawks and 154th Maintenance Group (154 MXG).

to a single digit midway through the first set.

With the score at 13-12 in favor of the 324, a huge block by Cliff Torrigos, a Department of Defense civil-

ian, sparked a three-point run that was punctuated by a kill from Tech. Sgt. Tim Harris to go up by four at 16-12.

A side-out was followed

by another three-point run before the Tiger-Hawks gained full control of the first set with four consecutive points that put them ahead at 23-14.

"I guess you've got to get into the groove of things," Morris said about the strong closeout of set one.

With Torrigos holding service to open set two, the Tiger-Hawks got off to a good start on a kill by Morris and a netted ball by the 154 MXG to take an early 2-0 lead.

Then after a side-out, the Tiger-Hawks extended their lead to 4-1 before a five-point run that was aided by a solid kill from Senior Airman Stephan Renehan stretched the 324's lead to seven at 9-2.

The 154 MXG, however, wasn't going to go down without a fight.

Outscoring the Tiger-Hawks by a 7-1 margin over the next eight serves, the 154 MXG pulled to within point at 10-9.

Once again, Harris was instrumental in getting the Tiger-Hawks back on track.

Just as he did in the first half, a kill by Harris put the team up by four at 16-12, but he wasn't done yet.

Harris immediately followed his spike with a service ace to make it 17-12.

The five-point advantage held up almost until the end when the 154 MXG pulled

to within two at 23-20.

However, the Tiger-Hawks put the game away for good when Torrigos picked up back-to-back kills to complete the two-set sweep.

"I think we knew we had enough skill to win the game," Torrigos said. "It was just a matter of getting to know each other. I think we have a lot of individual skills. It's just putting it all together."

Torrigos explained that it would take time for the setters to get in sync with the hitters, but he expects it to happen somewhere during the regular season.

Morris, who has experienced the feeling of falling short two seasons in a row, said that while the attitude is to take games one at a time, the team is clearly going all out to win.

Although Torrigos is only in his first year, he admitted that he is fully onboard with the team's ultimate goal.

"I guess they took second the last two years and many guys feel that this is their last year, so we really want to win," he acknowledged. "We're going to win this. That's everyone's goal."

## Swimmers can 'jump' into summer at joint base pools

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam  
Morale, Welfare and Recreation

A free jump contest will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Aug. 10 at Scott Pool, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam. Signups are from noon to 1 p.m.

The biggest splash, belly flop and nicest dive will all be judged by the patrons. Patrons need to pass Scott Pool's swim test to participate. For more information on the contest, call 473-0394.

In addition, the pools at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam have expanded hours for the summer season until Labor Day. They are:

**Scott Pool:**

- Lap swim on Monday to Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Open swim on Monday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.
- Holidays from noon to 5 p.m.



**Hickam Pool 2:**

- Open swim on Wednesday to Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and holidays from noon to 5 p.m.
- Classes are from Monday through Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m.

**Hickam Pool 1:**

- Monday to Friday:
- 5 a.m. to 7 a.m., lap swim.
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., lap swim.
- Closed weekends and holidays.

**Towers Pool:**

- Lap swim on Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Open swim on Monday to Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. The pool is closed on holidays.

**Arizona Pool (seasonal):** Now through Labor Day only.

- Monday to Friday, 1 to 5 p.m., open swim.
- Weekends and holidays, noon to 5 p.m., open swim.
- Also open on holidays and school breaks.



U.S. Navy photos by Brandon Bosworth

## Halsey Sailors participate in Guam COMREL outreach

Lt. j.g. Rochelle Perry

USS Halsey (DDG 97) Public  
Affairs

NAVAL BASE, GUAM—Sailors from USS Halsey (DDG 97) came together to serve the local community in three community relations (COMREL) projects during their recent port visit in Guam.

COMREL projects are a way for Sailors to enjoy the local community and break the monotony of deployment while also serving others. Logistics Specialist 1st Class (SW) Kristian Fabian said he and other shipmates enjoyed being able to engage the young minds of children as they explained and shared their jobs in the Navy as well as their hobbies and favorite sports.

Eighteen Halsey Sailors visited Inarajan Elementary School to interact with the students and provide positive mentorship. The students and Sailors sang songs, told stories, played games and

exchanged gifts. The students also had the opportunity to learn about what the Sailors do onboard Halsey.

The Sailors also assisted Island Girl Power (IGP) in their initiative to clean and preserve neighborhood parks to provide safe and clean places for children to play. During the five-hour event, Sailors assisted IGP in removing debris, pulling weeds, and moving debris and fallen tree branches. Sailors were divided into teams with girls ages seven to 14 and other volunteers.

As the Sailors worked with IGP, by their words and example, they empowered the girls to make healthy lifestyle choices, encouraged positive self-esteem, and inspired community pride and service.

"I especially enjoyed seeing the local community come together to preserve the park for future families and children to enjoy," said Ensign Ruben Maldonado.

During another COMREL pro-

ject, Sailors volunteered at the Guam Animals in Need project where they provided human interaction and affection to abandoned or mistreated animals by taking turns feeding and caring for the animals. This project provided an especially symbiotic relationship because many deployed Sailors miss their pets back home.

COMREL projects are integral to Sailors learning and understanding the local culture and providing a positive outlet by making connections.

Fabian summarized Halsey's COMREL experience on Guam. "This COMREL has been another success. Sailors have not only made a difference in the community, but also their personal lives, because they have all learned something," Fabian said.

To learn more about USS Halsey (DDG 97), visit [www.destroyermen.blog.blogspot.com](http://www.destroyermen.blog.blogspot.com) and [www.facebook.com/USSHalsey](http://www.facebook.com/USSHalsey).



U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Erica Bauer

Seaman Vince Moulterrie enjoys a game of basketball with the young students at Inarajan Elementary School, Guam. Volunteering at the local elementary school was one of the many COMREL (community relations) projects USS Halsey (DDG 97) Sailors participated in while in port.





# Live the Great Life

## Submissions to be accepted for showcase

**Justin Hirai**

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

The Hickam Arts & Crafts Center at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam is accepting entries for its 2014 gallery showcase now through Oct. 1.

The gallery showcase is open to active duty service members and their families, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, reservists and retirees. This year there are three categories available and three ages groups: adults 18 years and older, youth 13-17 years old and youth 6-12 years old.

Each participant is allowed to submit three entries per category, a total of nine if participating in all three categories.

The first category is “artist-craftsman,” which includes any two-dimensional or three-dimensional artwork and crafts. The second is “photography,” which is any black and white or color, digital or film photographs.

This year's new category is “digitally created,” which includes computer-generated visual media, 3-D still imagery and animated imagery.

Entrants submitting their artwork will need an entry form, which can be found on [www.greatlife.hawaii.com](http://www.greatlife.hawaii.com) or picked up from the Hickam Arts & Crafts sales store. All 2-D submissions, such as paintings, photography and digital art, need to be framed or “wall ready” to be displayed in the gallery. The 3-D artwork will be displayed on shelves.

There will be a special gallery opening reception from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Oct. 15 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Some of the contributing artists are expected to attend the event, which will include appetizers for patrons. Submissions will remain on display through Jan. 15, 2015.

The sales store is also where entrants can drop off their submissions. Entrants need to have two

copies of the entry form per submission. The store is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The Hickam Arts & Crafts Center is located at 335 Kuntz Ave. For more information, call 448-9907.



Patrons attend a Hickam Arts & Crafts Center gallery opening reception in 2013.



An instructor demonstrates surfing on shore before taking patrons into the water at White Plains Beach.

## MWR to offer surf lessons Aug. 9

**Reid Tokeshi**

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

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) will offer surf lessons at two locations Aug 9 to help patrons beat the heat at the beach.

The MWR Outdoor Recreation department will offer a surf lesson at Hickam Harbor for \$30. Instructors will familiarize students with proper technique, eti-

quette and gear before getting in the water. Once comfortable, the students can take the surf taxi out to the waves where they can apply what they learned. According to instructors, many who take the three-hour class are up and riding that day.

Some people prefer to explore beyond the base and for them, a surf lesson excursion to White Plains Beach will be offered. The five-hour, \$40 excursion to the west side of the island will include transportation from the MWR

Outdoor Adventure Center to the beach and back. Instructors at the three-hour surfing boot camp will teach the basics and offer pointers on catching the perfect wave.

All the necessary gear is included for both lessons. For more information on the session at Hickam Beach, call the harbor office at 449-5215. For more information on the excursion to White Plains Beach, call the Outdoor Adventure Center at 473-1198. Both beaches also offer private surf lessons.

## Your Weekly Fun with MWR



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**Portrait Drawing & Painting class** will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday from Aug. 2 through 23 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students can learn how to draw portraits from subjects in real life and from photographs. Tuition is \$60. FMI: 448-9907.

**Library Know-How** will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Hickam Library. This free program will cover how to search the online catalog and use the Dewey Decimal system and include demonstrations of available online resources. FMI: 449-8299.

**Free advance screening** of “Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles” (rated PG) will be shown in 3D at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday at Sharkey Theater. The ticket booth and doors will open at 1 p.m. to the first 400 authorized patrons. Active-duty ID cardholders can receive up to four tickets. Family members and other military card holders can receive up to two tickets. FMI: 473-0726.

**Junior Lifeguard/Ocean Safety Registration** period opens Aug. 4 and closes Sept. 5 for youth ages 11 to 17 years old. The fall session runs September through The fee is \$95. Registration is available at [www.greatlife.hawaii.com](http://www.greatlife.hawaii.com). FMI: 473-0789.

**Painting People and Animals class** will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. every Monday from Aug. 4 through Sept. 8 at the

Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Realistic painting skills and advanced techniques are emphasized as students create dramatic compositions of people, animals or both. Tuition is \$65. FMI: 448-9907.

**Kiln-Formed Vessels class** will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through 26 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Previous glass experience is recommended. Tuition is \$75. FMI: 448-9907.

**Young Artist Hand-Building with Clay class** will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students ages 7 to 12 years old can learn basic

pottery techniques for pinch-pots, coil building, etc. and about underglaze and glaze technique. Tuition is \$45. FMI: 448-9907.

**Dynamic Drawing: Awesome Animals class** will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through Sept. 2 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center for students ages 9 to 13 years old. Fundamentals will be covered in a way that encourages students to enjoy the drawing process while making realistic pictures with personality. Tuition is \$65. FMI: 448-9907.

**Drawing with Glass class** will be held from 3:45 to 5:45 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through 26 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students ages 12 years and older can learn to use glass to create their own expressive designs on glass with the flexibility of traditional media.

Tuition is \$75. FMI: 448-9907.

**Hawaiian Floral Painting, Part I class** will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through 26 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Participants can learn to interpret their vision of nature's beauty through the use of watercolors. Tuition is \$100 and includes some supplies. FMI: 448-9907.

**Beginning Adult Watercolor class** will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 5 through Sept. 9 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students can learn how to use and apply basic tools, techniques and procedures of watercolor to compose and paint pictures. Tuition is \$70. FMI: 448-9907.

**Beginning Glass Fusing class** will be held from 3:45 to 5:45 p.m. every

Wednesday from Aug. 6 through Aug. 27 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students can learn how to cut and fuse sheet glass and learn about the effects of heat on glass and how these differences can allow for texture on an otherwise smooth piece. Tuition is \$75. FMI: 448-9907.

**Ford Island & Battleship Tour** will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Aug. 6. This tour focuses on the battleships docked on Ford Island. A tour guide from MWR Information, Tickets & Travel (ITT) will lead a guided tour aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial and a visit to the USS Nevada Memorial at Hospital Point. Round-trip transportation from the ITT-Hickam office is included. Cost is \$38 for adults and \$30 for children ages 3-11. FMI: 448-2295.



Community Calendar

AUGUST

RIMPAC SPORTS EVENTS

**TODAY**— Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation RIMPAC sports events beginning at 9 a.m. include:

- Indoor volleyball at Naval Station Gym.
- Soccer at Ward Field.
- Basketball at JBPHH Gym.
- Softball at Millican Field.
- 5K run.

FEDS FEED FAMILIES

**NOW** — Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) is participating in the annual Feds Feed Families program through Aug. 31. The program is a charitable campaign by the U.S. Department of Agriculture that collects canned goods and non-perishable food items for those in need. Collection boxes for the food items have been placed at several locations around JBPHH including base chapels, the Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific administration building, and the third floor of building 150. Individual commands can place their own collection boxes. FMI: Chief Religious Program Specialist Kimberly Bell at 473-4512 or [www.fedsfeedfamilies.gov](http://www.fedsfeedfamilies.gov).

BACK TO SCHOOL NEX EVENTS

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY** — Back to school events will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange parking lot big white tent. Representatives from area universities will participate in the event. Other activities will include face painting for children. FMI: Stephanie Lau at 423-3287 or [Stephanie.lau@nexweb.org](mailto:Stephanie.lau@nexweb.org).

NERDS BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL

**SATURDAY** — A Nerds Back to School Social will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Hickam Teen Center for ages 13 to 18 years old. The cost is \$5. Participants should bring a school supply to donate and dress in their best nerd/geek costume to enjoy games, activities and snacks. FMI: 448-0418.

BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE

**4, 5, 12, 13, 14** — Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor upcoming drives:

- Aug. 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., USS Port Royal, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.
- Aug. 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2nd Brigade, building 2097, Schofield Barracks.
- Aug. 12, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., NEX, Tripler Army Medical Center.
- Aug. 13, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Schofield Barracks Exchange.
- Aug. 14, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., USS Chosin, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

FMI: 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email [michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil](mailto:michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil).

TEMPORARY BRIDGE CLOSURE

**6** — All lanes of the Ford Island Bridge will be closed from 9 to 11 a.m. for quarterly maintenance. All motorists and pedestrians should plan accordingly. The small craft gate under the bridge will be closed to boat traffic.

BOGO BOWLING

**6** — Back to School BOGO Bowling will be held from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Naval Station Bowling Center. Patrons can purchase one bowling game and get one game free. Shoe rental is free. FMI: 473-2574.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

**7** — The 2014 Joint Spouses Conference registration will begin at 7 p.m. Aug. 7. The conference will be held Sept. 27 at Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay. FMI: [www.jschawaii.com](http://www.jschawaii.com) or [Facebook.com/jointspousesconferencehawaii](https://www.facebook.com/jointspousesconferencehawaii).

SUPER GARAGE SALE

**9** — The Super Garage Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to noon at Richardson Field. Admission is free for shoppers. Parking will be at Rainbow Bay Marina and overflow parking will be available at Aloha Stadium for a fee. No pets are allowed at the event. FMI: 473-0792.

NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

**13** — The Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Newcomers Luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Tradewinds Club on the Hickam side of the base. The event will include a buffet lunch, MWR information booths, children's activities and prizes. The event is for military affiliated personnel to the base and Oahu. FMI: 473-2570 or [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).

OPERATION HELE ON

**15** — Operation "Hele On" is an annual youth deployment day that gives children of Air Force and Navy families an opportunity to go through a mock deployment processing line at a simulated Air Force base. Registration ends today. This year's event will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 15 (a state holiday) at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. There will be an application fee of \$5. FMI: 474-1999/0096 or 474-0109 or [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).

PRE-TEEN BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

**16** — A Pre-Teen Back to School Bash will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Makai Recreation Center, building 1859, for ages 9 to 12 years old. The cost is \$5. The event will include tug of war, water games, food and music. FMI: 448-0418.

HALF-MARATHON

**30** — The eighth annual Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Half-Marathon will begin at 6:15 a.m. The start and finish will be at Hickam track. Registration is \$30 now through Aug. 13 and includes a T-shirt. Late registration is from Aug. 14 to 22 but does not include a T-shirt. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each category. FMI: 448-2214 or [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).



THE FAULT IN OUR STARS (PG-13)

"The Fault in Our Stars" is the sixth novel by author John Green, published in January 2012. The story is narrated by a 16-year-old cancer patient named Hazel Grace Lancaster, who is forced by her parents to attend a support group, where she subsequently meets and falls in love with the 17-year-old Augustus Waters, an ex-basketball player and amputee.

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 8/1

6:00 PM Double feature first friday. See two movies for the price of one. Whether you watch one or both movies. Cost is \$5 for active duty/sdults, children ages 6-11 years of age \$3

6:00 PM Jersey Boys (R)

6:30 PM Think Like a Man Too (PG-13)

SATURDAY 8/2

2:30 PM Free advanced screening of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles in 3D. Free to the first 400 authorized patrons. Assigned seating tickets will be distributed at 1 p.m. at the ticket booth. Active duty ID card holders can get up to four tickets. Military family members, retirees and DOD card holders can receive up to two tickets.

2:30 PM Sneak Preview - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (3-D) (PG-13)

5:10 PM The Fault in Our Stars (PG-13)

7:20 PM Deliver Us from Evil (R)

SUNDAY 8/3

2:30 PM Earth to Echo (PG)

4:30 PM Transformers: Age of Extinction (3-D) (PG-13)

6:40 PM Tammy (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 8/1

6:00 PM Earth to Echo (PG)

SATURDAY 8/2

2:00 PM How to Train your Dragon 2 (PG)

6:00 PM Studio appreciation advance screening – free admission – rated PG-13.\* Tickets are available at local exchange food courts. Seating is open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to showtime.

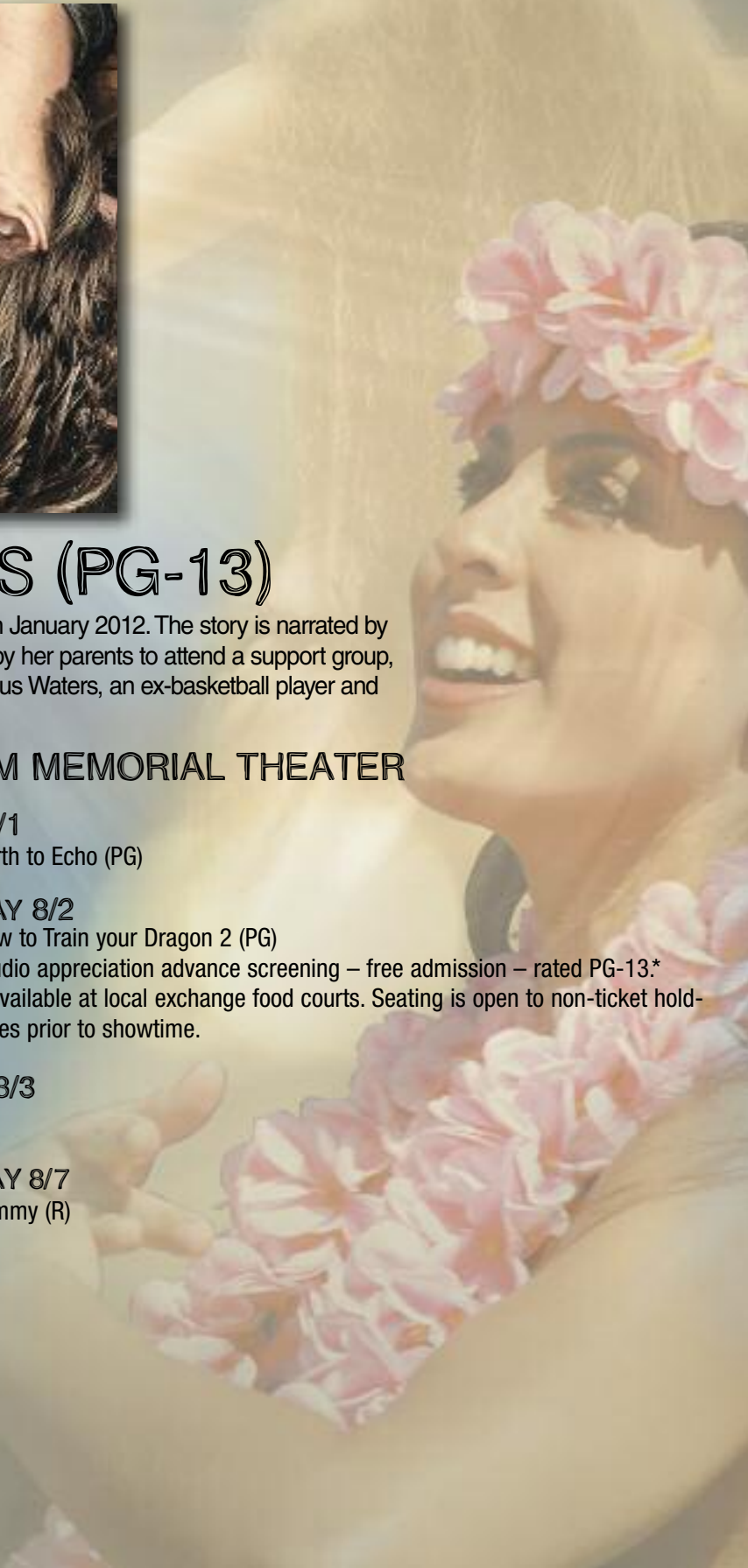
SUNDAY 8/3

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THURSDAY 8/7

7:00 PM Tammy (R)

Movie Showtimes





# AFA cadets get a taste of Air Force life at JBPHH

**Maj. Joe Blubaugh**

*15th Wing Public Affairs*

It's not very often that you get a chance to "test drive" a potential career before you commit to it, but that is exactly the case for six Air Force Academy cadets who spent just more than two weeks at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The cadets are members of the class of 2016, nearly 850 juniors getting ready to start their third year at the academy. It is a graduation requirement for each member of the class to perform three weeks of Operation Air Force in the weeks leading into the fall semester. JBPHH is one of dozens of bases around the world where cadets have been assigned for the three-week program.

The Ops Air Force program provides cadets with exposure to Air Force operations while allowing them to explore the various career fields available to them

once they have commissioned into the Air Force.

Cadet 2nd Class Darren Sency, one of the six cadets assigned to JBPHH, said he has been impressed with the Airmen he has had the opportunity to meet during his stay.

"I am amazed to see how knowledgeable and skilled people are at their job," said Sency. "It is refreshing to see such a high level of expertise that is waiting for us when we join the Air Force."

Another benefit of the program for the cadets is it gives them one last chance to decide if military life is still a good fit for their career aspirations. Cadets are not required to fully commit to the Air Force until the fall of their junior year. Until that time, the cadets can walk away from the Air Force with no service commitment.

Capt. Andrew McPherson, assistant public works officer for the 647th Civil Engineering Squadron, was

one of two 15th Wing coordinators charged with building the schedule for the cadets' visit. He said they focused the schedule on the company grade officer level while allowing for mentoring with senior non-commissioned officers and field grade officers.

"We tried to give them a good split between the operational side and the support side of Air Force operations," McPherson said.

Cadet 2nd Class Connor Hagan said his visit has been very rewarding and said he was most impressed with seeing Airmen operate on a day-to-day basis and how similar actual operations are to the training he has received at the academy.

"It has been extremely rewarding to see how similar our training is to what is really happening at the operational level," said Hagan. "It's really not that much different than what we are being taught at the academy."



U.S. Air Force photo by SNA James Richardson

Air Force Lt. Col. Reese Evers (center), KC-135 Stratotanker pilot from the 96th Air Refueling Wing, talks to Air Force Academy cadets about the photos they took during an air refueling for the Rim of the Pacific exercise on July 18.

## NOSC Pearl Harbor Sailors volunteer



U.S. Navy photo by Cmdr. Neil McCown

Sailors from Naval Operational Support Center (NOSC) Pearl Harbor, Chief Boatswain's Mate Toan Le, Personnel Specialist 1st Class Darwin Esmino, Operations Specialist 2nd Class Humberto Mondragon and Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Levy Ordonez, assisted the Hawaii Community Action Program with food distribution at Kalihi Valley Homes on July 18. Along with other Sailors from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, the volunteers helped off-load and set up the food distribution site, assisted with packaging of perishable foods, handed food to clients, and cleaned up after the food distribution.

## My Favorite Photo...

Cameron James Cassani, age 12, took this photo of a lizard recently on Ford Island while his family was staying at the Navy Lodge.



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## Women's equality event at chapel to feature guest speaker

A Women's Equality Day event will be held from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Aug. 26 at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. The event is sponsored by Navy Region Hawaii.

Guests should be seated by 8:15 a.m. The guest speaker will be Coralie Chun Matayoshi, chief executive officer of the American Red Cross, Pacific Islands Region.

The Silver Dolphin Bistro Galley will also have a special menu from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 26 in recognition of Women's Equality Day open to military members and Department of Defense civilians. See page B-8 of Ho'okele for more information on the special menu.

A joint resolution of Congress in 1971 designated Aug. 26 of each year as Women's Equality Day.

The annual event began as a commemoration of the passage of women's right to vote when the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution was certified as law in 1920 and has since evolved to a broader recognition of women's equality in society and the workplace.

The 2014 United Nations International Women's Day theme is, "Inspiring Change."

## Museum to feature author, movie screening

### Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Under the Blood Red Sun Day, a day to join author Graham "Sandy" Salisbury, will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Sept. 14 at the Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor.

The event will celebrate the 20th anniversary edition of this childhood book and a film screening of the new movie of the same name.

"Under the Blood Red Sun" is the story of a young Japanese-American boy's struggles with wartime discrimination and the friends who stood by him, just after the attack on Pearl Harbor. The newly released film of

the same name will also screen in the museum's theater.

In addition, the movie's director Tim Savage and actors Kyler Sakamoto (Tomi Nakaji), Kalama Epstein (Billy Davis), Chris Tashima (Papa Nakaji), Dann Seki (Grampa Nakaji) and others will be available for a special showing of the newly released movie version of "Under the Blood Red Sun."

The schedule of events includes:

- 1:30 to 3 p.m., screening of the movie, "Under the Blood Red Sun."
- 3 to 4 p.m., author, actors and director panel discussion.
- 4 to 5 p.m. – book signing and meet-and-greet.

The event is free with museum admission and free to museum members. For more information, call 441-1007 or visit [PacificAviationMuseum.org](http://PacificAviationMuseum.org).

Another special screening of the film will be held at 6:15 p.m. Sept. 20 at the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument. The event will be held on the lawn as a "movie in the park" event.

A no bag policy is in effect, but families can bring their lawn chairs, blankets and food and beverages in clear, plastic bags for this presentation on the lawn.

For more information, email [Amanda\\_Carona@nps.gov](mailto:Amanda_Carona@nps.gov).



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# Museum to showcase remote-control aviation

**Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor**

The Biggest Little Airshow in Hawaii will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 16 and 17 at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The event will include a morning airshow from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., a live remote broadcast from 10 a.m. to noon (Saturday only), candy bombers from 12:30 to 12:40 p.m., a full-scale warbirds fly-by from 12:50 to 1:10 p.m., an afternoon airshow 1:30 to 4 p.m., and candy bombers from 4 p.m. to the close of the airshow. There will be music, food, retail and entertainment booths, exhibits and a variety of airplanes.

For two days, Ford Island

will feature remote-control flying and static aircraft and full size aircraft on display, "candy bombings" over historic Ford Island Runway for the *keiki*, hands-on modeling stations, *keiki* rides and activities, and open access to hangar 79 to see the museum's aircraft exhibits and restoration shop. There will also be streaming broadcasts of the 2014 Red Bull Air Race World Championship. Local performers, mainland pilots from the Academy of Model Aeronautics, and remote control flyers from Japan will perform remote-control aviation feats for two days, flying their 1-to-5 scale planes in the skies above the museum.

Admission to the airshow is \$5 per person (including entry to hangar 79), \$15 per family (limit six entries per family). The event is free with museum general admission and free to museum members. Tickets for the airshow only and tickets for the entire museum visit that day are available online at [www.PacificAviationMuseum.org](http://www.PacificAviationMuseum.org). Museum admissions may also be purchased at the museum and at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center ticketing desk. Shuttles will depart every 15 minutes, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, round trip to the museum. For more information, call 441-1007.





## Commissary announces re-set

### Pearl Harbor Commissary

The Pearl Harbor Commissary will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will close at 2 p.m. Aug. 17 and remain closed through Aug. 19 while it undergoes a “commissary reset.”

The reset is part of the Defense Commissary Agency’s ongoing effort to enhance the shopping experience. The commissary will reopen at 9 a.m. Aug. 20.

The reset is part of an agency-wide program that systematically changes how products are displayed on shelving throughout a commissary system in order to better serve customer shopping patterns.

The goal is to give commissaries worldwide a more customer-friendly product flow and a layout

that is as consistent as possible from location to location, according to Tracie Russ, deputy director of sales.

DeCA is intent on making the commissary shopping experience faster and easier—making the commissary the place to shop every day, not just on pay day. One of the priorities is to help busy, active-duty shoppers make a quick run through their commissary and get home more quickly.

To make changes easier for customers to follow, stores have aisle layout maps available as well as generic item locators on their Web pages. Store Web pages are under the locations link at <http://www.commissaries.com> along with store hours, contact information, store news and special customer service features.

## Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta to be held Aug. 16

The sixth annual Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta will be held Aug. 16 in the waters behind Hale Koa Hotel and the U.S. Army Museum in Waikiki.

The event will begin with an 8:30 a.m. opening ceremony. There will be 12 teams competing in the wounded warrior division; 33 teams in the military division for active duty, National Guard, Reserves and veterans;

nine teams in the youth division; and a VIP exhibition heat at 10 a.m.

The regatta is dedicated to recovering wounded warriors and their families and to promote vocational training, job opportunities and community support for veterans in Hawaii.

Participating in this year’s race will be teams from “Gold Star Families” (families of service members

who died in war), recipients of the Purple Heart Ward (wounded in action), and other military members coping with combat injuries.

This year’s grand marshal will be Col. Greg Gadson, a double amputee from the Iraq war.

For more information, call Matt McCarville at 525-7902, or email [Matthew.McCarville@morganstanley.com](mailto:Matthew.McCarville@morganstanley.com).

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## Silver Dolphin luncheon to honor women’s equality

A special luncheon in honor of Women’s Equality Day will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Silver Dolphin Bistro galley. The price is \$4.65.

The special meal will be open to active duty military, Department of Defense civilians, retirees and family members of active duty military with valid ID cards.

Attendees are asked to have exact change available.

The meal will include French onion soup, braised stuffed pork chops, herbed baked chicken and garlic butter shrimp. Other menu items will include mashed potatoes, rice pilaf, country style gravy, glazed carrots and green bean casserole. In addition, there will be a garden salad bar, beverage bar, fresh fruit, pastries and ice cream.

For more information, call 473-2948.

## Chaplain gets his ‘just desserts’

U.S. Navy photo by Brandon Bosworth



Chaplain Lt. James Ragain, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, gets hit with a pie in the face at the conclusion of Vacation Bible School (VBS) on July 25. VBS students divided into a boys’ group and a girls’ group and competed to collect school supplies for needy children. The girls won, so Ragain got a pie in the face.