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USS Reuben James makes final return today

Travis Dickerson

USS Reuben James Public Affairs (FFG 57)

The Oliver Hazard Perryclass, guided-missile frigate USS Reuben James (FFG 57) returns today to its homeport at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from a deployment to the western Pacific.

During the ship's sevenmonth deployment, the crew of Reuben James participated in a series of bilateral maritime exercises Cooperative Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) while conducting at-sea security scenarios, helicopter operations, a search and rescue practical, and surface gunfire drills in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility (AOR).

"First and foremost, thank you to the crew of USS Reuben James for your outstanding performance," said Cmdr. Daniel Valascho, Reuben James commanding officer.

"Our motto is 'Back with a Vengeance,' but now we're back with a sense of satisfaction, knowing we did our part operating forward, strengthening partnerships and protecting freedom," Valascho said.

After completing its final deployment, Reuben James



(Top left) Sailors, Marines and Royal Brunei Armed Forces personnel attend the closing ceremony of Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) Brunei 2012. (Top right) First Admiral Dato Seri Pahlawan Abd Aziz Hj Mohd Tamit, joint force commander at the Royal Brunei Armed Forces and Capt. Michael Taylor, Chief of Staff for Commander, Task Force 73 walk along the pier before the closing ceremony of Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) Brunei 2012. (Bottom left) Sailors assigned to the guided-missile frigate USS Reuben James (FFG 57) and Royal Brunei Armed Forces compete during a sports day event. (Bottom right) USS Reuben James Sailors participate in a cleanup of American Cemetery in Manila, Philippines,

summer after 27 years of James on her final deploy-

service to the fleet. I cannot think of a better

ment."

"They maintained readi- other on and off duty," said very proud of them all.

will be decommissioned this crew to represent Reuben ness, showed their pride Reuben James Command and professionalism and Master Chief CMDMC (SW) always looked out for each Johannes J. Gonzalez. "I'm http://www.public.navy.mil/su

it has completed deployments to the Arabian Gulf in support of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom, to the eastern Iraqi Pacific in support of counter-drug operations, and it appeared in the 1990 motion picture "The Hunt for Red October."

"I also want to thank all the families and friends who stood by us and prepared a Native Hawaiian welcome for the entire crew. It will be great to see you all pierside," added Valascho.

Guided-missile frigates are multi-mission surface combatants, capable of undersea warfare (USW) and surface warfare (SW) missions. Reuben James is assigned to Commander, Destroyer Squadron 31 under Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, in Hawaii.

U.S. 3rd Fleet leads naval forces in the eastern Pacific from the west coast of North America to the international date line. Joint, interagency and international relationships strengthen U.S. 3rd Fleet's ability to respond to crises and protect the collective maritime interests of the U.S. and its allies and part-

For more information, visit the ship's website: rfor/ffg57/Pages/default.aspx.

Aloha: Sailors of USS Chosin deploy

Story and photo by MC3 Dustin W. Sisco

Navy Public Affairs Support Element West Det. Hawaii

Sailors aboard the Hawaiibased, Ticonderoga-class guidedmissile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) departed April 30 from their homeport of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) for a scheduled western Pacific deploy-

While deployed, Chosin is scheduled to conduct theater security operations with partner nations while providing deterrence, promoting peace and security, preserving freedom of the seas, and providing humanitarian assistance/disaster response.

Chosin is one of 11 surface ships of Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. It is the first U.S. Navy warship named in commemoration of the First Marine Division's heroism at the Chosin Reservoir in the Korean War. The ship's motto is "Invictus," Latin for invincible or unconquered.

"The fine team aboard USS Chosin, led by Capt. Kelly, is welltrained, well-equipped and exceptionally capable of carrying out their mission," said Rear Adm. Frank Ponds, commander of Navy



The guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) departs Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled Western Pacific deployment.

Group Middle Pacific.

"They have my complete confidence. I also want to recognize and thank the family members and shipmates here on the waterfront for their support of this fine warship and all that she stands for," Ponds said.

"USS Chosin represents our commitment to the CNO's (Chief of Naval Operations) Sailing are focused, and we are ready to Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Directions: Warfighting first, oper-

ate forward, be ready," Ponds added.

"A little over a year ago, I realized a lifelong dream when I assumed command of this mighty warship and its exceptional crew," said Capt. Patrick Kelly, Chosin commanding officer. "The crew of Chosin has prepared well for this deployment. We are trained, we

"We are privileged to be part of the Navy's presence in the Asia-Pacific Region and to represent Surface Group MIDPAC and U.S. Pacific Fleet. We look forward to operating with our allies, partners and friends in the months ahead, wherever we are needed," Kelly added.

Seaman Victor Pass, assigned to Chosin, expressed his feelings about going on his goals.

"I know a lot of people that got to say bye to their families, and it's going to be real hard on them, I'm sure," said Pass. "But we're getting ready to go on deployment, so we're pretty excited, kind of nervous, but we're doing a good thing for this country, so it's worth it.'

U.S. Navy guided-missile cruisers perform primarily multi-mission [air warfare (AW), undersea warfare (USW), naval surface fire support (NSFS) and surface warfare (SUW)] surface combatants capable of supporting carrier strike groups, amphibious forces, or of operating independently and as flagships of surface action groups.

Commander, U.S. Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific leads and manages the overall warfighting capability of the surface combatant force homeported at JBPHH to achieve the highest levels of combat readiness; to coordinate with external organizations for products and services to directly support surface combatant force mission readiness; and to support the type commanders and numbered fleet commanders in the development of surface warfare requirements, policies, programs, standards, and business practices to meet operational readiness

Toby Keith to play Ward Field tonight: Parking will be limited

operate forward."

writer Toby Keith will perform at a free concert tonight at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-

Toby Keith Hammer Down Tour event. Gates will open at 5:30 p.m. and the concert will be held ing stalls on Battleship Road from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

fields and streets will be closed. May 3.

Country music singer-song- Bloch Arena parking lot will be

closed to 11 p.m. May 3. Parking stalls in Bloch Arena parking lot next to Ward Field and across from building 150 The USO will sponsor the will be closed from until 11 p.m. May 3. Ward Field will be closed until May 6 at noon. The parknext to the laundromat will be The following parking areas, closed from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

On May 3, military-affiliated hibited: backpacks, totes, purses childcare such as diaper bags personnel (including family members and civil service employees), with appropriate Department of Defense decals or temporary stickers) may enter through Nimitz Gate and park at the Paul Hamilton Avenue parking lot or enter through Makalapa Gate and park at Mike Pier or Bravo Piers.

The following items are pro-

or bags of any kind (other than and formula in a plastic containsmall clutch purses), food, beverages, tents, umbrellas, pets, glass containers, coolers, and audio and video recording devices.

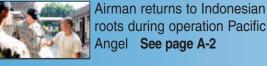
Authorized items (but subject to search) include: cameras, cell phones, folding chairs, blankets and strollers (containing only items that are necessities for

Toby Keith will also perform at 7 p.m. May 4 at Schofield Barracks Weyand Field, and 5 p.m. May 5 at Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay Dewey Square.

For more information visit greatlifehawaii.com or facebook.com/greatlifehawaii.



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School children honor Pearl Harbor survivor with Heart of a Hero award

Story and photo by MC2 Nardel Gervacio

Navy Region Hawaii Public

The Young Patriot's Club of Navy Hale Keiki School (NHKŠ) presented the "Heart of a Hero" award to a retired Navy chief during an awards ceremony April

NHKS students in first through fourth grades from the Young Patriot's Club designed and generated the idea of the Heart of a Hero award to honor local military heroes.

The event started with the arrival of the honored guest, the playing of the National Anthem and a flag presentation. Students took turns reading a bio of Chief Quartermaster Michael Ganitch and his accomplish-

The students introduced growing up as a child, his



The Young Patriot's Club of Navy Hale Keiki School (NHKS) presents the second annual "Heart of a Hero" award to Pearl Harbor survivor and WWII veteran retired Senior Chief Quartermaster Michael Ganitch.

Ganitch, who talked about the attack on Pearl Harbor. vice and heroic attributes the community.

Ganitch was chosen such as bravery, honesty

enlistment in the Navy, and based on his military ser- and selfless contributions to because his energy is conta- and maybe inspire them a future."

loyal," said Shari Gulledge, Navy Hale Keiki school director.

Ganitch is the second recipient to receive the Heart of a Hero award.

He was born in 1919 as Ganitch enlisted in the Navy in January 1941 and was stationed on USS Harbor. He retired in 1963 after 23 years of service.

something with these kids future of our country," said community." Ganitch.

2007. Patriot's Club founder and Patriot's demonstrate for group mentor, created the their country and those who club to offer students a serve it," said Raduziner. chance to recognize and "They understand the gift increase their awareness that freedom is. They and importance of the understand the sacrifices school's history.

"They voted for him be here to help them grow

gious and his service so little bit," said Ganitch. "Hopefully from my actions, it'll help them with their future. These kids are the future and I love them."

According to the Navy Hale Keiki School, "NHKS Young Patriot's Club was the youngest boy of 14 chil- created to support students dren in Mongadore, Ohio. affected by military deployments. The club helps students feel productive during a stressful time by offering Pennsylvania at Pearl an opportunity to actively support the military community. Members strive to "It's outstanding to do be role models for their peers with outstanding citibecause these kids are the zenship and service to the

"I am always humbled by Monique the pure patriotism, spirit Raduziner, NHKS Young and love the kids in Young that are made to have free-"I'm just proud that I can dom. They give me the greatest hope for our

Airman returns to Indonesian roots during operation Pacific Angel

Story and photo by A1C Kia Atkins

Pacific Angel 13-2 Public Affairs

YOGYAKARTA, Indonesia -Staff. Sgt. Endro Accettola, an members are renovating. electrical systems journeyman from Joint Base Pearl Harbor- my home country by helping out. Hickam, Hawaii, left his hometown of Balikpapan, Indonesia, in 2002 at the age of 14. His first time back to Indonesia was with the U.S. Air Force on a humanitarian operation called Pacific Angel (PACANGEL).

PACANGEL is a joint and combined humanitarian assistance mission held in various countries I would like," Accettola explained. several times a year and includes medical, dental, optometry, engisubject-matter expert exchanges.

"I really didn't expect to come back here as part of an Air Force Indonesian Armed Forces that I operation," said Accettola. "When I first joined the Air Force, my

back through the Air Force. I always told him I didn't think that would happen."

During Pacific Angel, Accettola is the site lead for a clinic that U.S. and Indonesian service

"I feel like I'm giving back to It makes me want to come here more often. After being in the U.S. for 10 years, I'm starting to lose my culture and my native language. I understand what my Indonesian counterparts are saying, but my language skills have become quite limited, so it's a little hard to talk to them as well as Accettola said working side-by-

side with members of the neering programs and various Indonesian military is a great

> "The members am working with are really good guys," he said. "They are hard



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Endro Accettola (right), an electrical systems journeyman, talks to Tech. Sgt. John Graham, site three lead, during dad told me I might get to come workers and never complain. Pacific Angel 13-2 at Yogyakarta, Indonesia on April 25.

They are very comfortable with the materials, and they have so much experience and knowledge.'

Accettola said Pacific Angel is a great operation to show the world that the U.S. military is here to lend a helping hand and hopes operations like this will continue to happen in order to further improve relations in the Pacific region.

"Once we leave here, these locals are going to remember that the U.S. military came here and helped them," said Accettola. "The job might not be huge, but it's enough to impact a community, and they're going to see this and remember this for a long

Operation Pacific Angel missions were previously conducted in Indonesia in 2009 and 2011. The first Pacific Angel of this year was conducted in the Philippines in March, and others are scheduled for Vietnam, Sri Lanka and

Henry Kapono to perform May 10 at Hawaii Theatre to honor troops

As a salute to the Military forAppreciation Month, Henry Kapono and friends will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. May 10 at the Hawaii Theatre, Bethel Honolulu.

The USO event is titled "Home in the Islands: I'm Coming Home, a Salute to Our Troops." VIP (a whole package with meet and greet) costs \$78 or \$63.75 for military, level two tickets are \$48 and \$41.25 for military, level three tickets are \$38 and \$32.75 for military.

USO Kapono and Hawaii are offering a limited number of free concert tickets for active duty military personnel and their guests. Those who are interested in attending should send an email request to cnrh.pao @navy.mil. The email



must include the active as available. duty member's name, rank and command.

be sent. Tickets must be JBPHH Public Affairs. picked up by May 7, no

number of free tickets, requests are limited to create a new sound. two tickets per person,

office (building 150). Any the troops who he honors, brings artists together to albums.

per military email the public, and it will pro- tickets, call 528-0506 or address. Requests will vide a special tribute to visit the websites www. be honored on a first the military including a hawaiitheatre.com and come, first served basis, presentation of Kapono's www. HenryKapono.com.

hit song "I'm Coming Requests for tickets Home," inspired by Air will be accepted via email Force Maj. Eddie Besta. If tickets are available, only. For more informa- Kapono is a Grammya confirmation reply will tion, call 473-2920, nominated and multiple award The concert with singer/songwriter. He later than 4 p.m. from the Kapono's band of "Power- formed a collaboration Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hitters," will include his with Cecilio Rodriguez Hickam Public Affairs classic hits, a salute to which became the duo "Cecilio and Kapono." In tickets not picked up by and a showcase of rock 1981, Kapono pursued a May 7 will be distributed with a special presenta- solo career with the to the next authorized tion of The Wild release of "Kapono: Stand person on the waiting list. Hawaiian Experience, a in the Light." Since then Due to the limited multi-cast show where he he has recorded 17 solo

For more information on The concert is open to the concert and to purchase





Energy security: Where future horizon leads Navy in Hawaii



Rear Adm. Frank Ponds

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

Next week Navy Region Hawaii and Marine Corps Base Hawaii will showcase a remarkable partnership as part of our joint energy security initiative here in Hawaii—on behalf of residents in military communities and on behalf of all of us who are doing their part in helping our nation to break free of its dependence on foreign fossil fuels. Thank you! You are making a difference!

Diverse

As part of our grand strategy to reduce fossil fuel dependence through reduced consumption and alternative fuel sources, we are participating in the first phase of a significant solar project and rooftop photovoltaic power purchase agreement. This agreement will help the state and Navy meet renewable energy goals. More details about this endeavor will appear in next week's Ho`okele.

Despite our nation's budget challenges, we continue to move forward wherever we can to embrace innovative new technologies in

solar energy out in front as sources.

Hawaii has already led the neighbors. way in conserving energy. Commentary -

and security leads toward our residents who make it work together, and our ability and security. renewable energy with a point to reduce energy building energy managers consumption, and thanks one of our most promising for taking the time to share best practices and conser-Meantime, our Navy in vation tips with your

The Residential Energy strides on reducing con-Conservation Program was sumption and using renewencourage people to save spaces and in our facilities.

(BEMs) are here to show us how. Through the joint ener-

gy security initiative here in Hawaii, we have a region. Also, we're making great strong commitment to solar energy as well as other promising alternapiloted here in Hawaii and able energy along the tive and renewable energy is proving to be a way to waterfront, in our office sources and solutions. We but also for generations to moving

energy. The future horizon energy by offering positive History has proven that we together at every opportu-for our economy, health incentives. Thanks to all can do even more when we nity to promote sustainnity to promote sustain-Energy security needs to become a "way of life," and that way of life must start here, in Hawaii—the gateway to the Asia Pacific

This is the right thing to do for our nation, for our Navy, for Hawaii and for our *ohana*—not only now,

ustoms and courtesies: It's who we are

Chief Master Sgt. Leslie Bramlett

15th Wing Command Chief

According to Professional Development Guide, "Military customs and courtesies are proven traditions that explain what should and should not be done in many situations. They are acts of respect and courtesy when dealing with other people and have evolved as a result of the need for order, mutual respect and sense of fraternity among military person-

"Military customs and courtesies go beyond basic politeness. They play an extremely important role in building morale, are customs and courtesies. esprit de corps, discipline Customs and courtesies ensure proper respect for



self-discipline."

It is impossible for our military services to be successful based upon technology alone. Undergirding our technical expertise is professionalism, and the cornerstone of that professionalism

A SNCO [senior non comand mission effectiveness. missioned officer once corrected a junior enlisted member for a courtesy lapse the military members and at the customer service desk

to draw that SNCOs blood? Yes, that same junior enlisted member.

Would the junior member do the right thing when drawing and processing the specimen sample or "miss" on purpose? The junior enlisted member delivered textbook service to the SNCO. Why? It was because of his professionalism.

Remember, before the junior enlisted could earn his career-field badge, he had to earn the title, "Airman." It's just like that old TV slogan, "... the quality goes in, before the name goes on." In other words, professionalism was his foundation. He simply had a lapse in customs and courtesies.

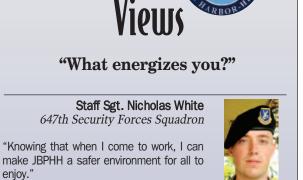
Recently it has been noted that service members fail to salute staff cars, pause for Taps, reveille and retreat, or render proper build the foundation for while visiting a laboratory in customs and courtesies.

Ohio. Guess who later had While it's easy to rationalize the behavior away, we must embrace our customs and courtesies.

They remind us "who we are" and easily translate from the shore to the airfield, the cruiser to the battlefield. In peacetime and war, we are required to maintain professionalism, etiquette, situational awareness, respect for authority and faith with our country and comrades.

Practicing these precepts is impossible if we have a "self before service" mentality instead of "service before self."

I'm proud to be an Airman, wear this uniform and stand next to Sailors, Soldiers and Marines as we project peace and power in the Pacific. Together, let's stand on the foundation of professionalism when it comes to rendering customs and courtesies ... it's who we





Quartermaster 2nd Class (SW) Caroline Balagtas Port Ops Harbor Control

"What energizes me is my mom. She constantly gives me the inspiration to work and I also try to (use her) advice in the military.'

> Maj. Jeffrey Holley HQ PACAF

"Having a sense of purpose from being a great father to being an excellent Airman.'





Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Abrel Smith Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"When I put on this uniform, come to work every day, serve our country and working with a diversity of people.

Tech. Sgt. Kristina Reese 647th Security Forces Squadron

"Setting the example for my troops and being a good role model for my daughters."





Builder 1st Class Jeremy Harman Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"Coffee in the morning and my family is what energizes me."

(Provided by David Underwood Jr. and MC2 Nardel Gervacio)

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Ships spell out Einstein's energy equation

Official U.S. Navy photograph

A task group of nuclear-powered surface ships is shown in this photo, operating in formation in the Mediterranean Sea on June 18, 1964. The ships are the aircraft carrier Enterprise (CVAN-65), (at left) the guided-missile cruiser Long Beach (CGN-9), (in center) and the guided-missile frigate Bainbridge (DLGN-25), (at right).

MHO'OKELE

Enterprise crew members are spelling out Albert Einstein's equation for energy (E=mc2) on the flight deck.

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U.S. Rep. Hanabusa recounts experiences at heritage month event

Brandon Bosworth

Staff Writer

Navy Region Hawaii marked the start of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with an observance held May 1 at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel.

Speaking at the event were Rear Adm. Frank L. Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific; Quartermaster 2nd Class Balagtas, Operations, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam; and U.S. Rep. Colleen Hanabusa, who represents Hawaii in the U.S. House of Representatives.

President Jimmy Carter signed a joint resolution designating Asian-Pacific Heritage Week in October 1978. In 1990, President local business. George H.W. Bush signed an extension expanding the weeklong event into a month-long celebration. In 1992, the official designation of May as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month was signed into law.

The month of May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United 2012 and works as a harbor patrol

States on May 7, 1843 and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants.

"Asian-Pacific DNA is woven into the very fabric of our country," said Ponds. "Today it is fitting we set aside some time to recognize our fellow Americans.

Balagtas spoke about being born and raised in the Philippines and her journey to the United States. Her father was a U.S. Navy Sailor who died when she was age four. She eventually made her way to California and became a U.S. citizen herself in 2005.

One day Balagtas found herself talking on the phone to a Navy recruiter after someone made a mistake transferring her call to a

"He began talking about the opportunities and programs the military offered," she said.

She enlisted and was soon off to Naval Station Great Lakes for basic training.

"Great Lakes opened my eyes to the diversity of the U.S.," she said. Balagtas came to JBPHH in



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Nardel Gervacio

Sailors and civilians assigned to various commands aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam listen as U.S. Rep for Hawaii's 1st Congressional District Colleen Hanabusa talks about the accomplishments of Asian Americans past and present during an Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage event held at JBPHH Memorial Chapel.

dispatcher for Port Operations.

"As a Filipino woman, I am proud of my accomplishments," she said. "As an American, I am proud to serve and will continue to serve as long as they let me."

The event ended with a speech by Hanabusa, who recounted her own experiences as a fourth generation Japanese American growing up in Hawaii.

"It is a unique place to grow up, since we are a state composed of all minorities," she said.

Hanabusa also talked about the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, an Army unit composed almost entirely of American Soldiers of Japanese descent who volunteered to fight in World War II. It is also the most decorated infantry regiment in the history of the United States Army. She explained how the 442nd reflects the sacrifices Asian Americans have made to the nation

"Why do Asian Americans commit so much to this country?" she

"It is their sense of family, their sense of loyalty, and their sense of obligation. They are grateful to have a chance at the American dream," she said.

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii conducts office energy study

Sila Manahane

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii (NAVFAC Hawaii) monitored 90 smart surge protectors and 100 occupancy sensors throughout the command's headquarters building, as part of a multi-month long energy demonstration project which continued through Environmental Awareness Month in April.

"This action is to collect data on energy plug load usage in an effort to promote energy consciousness and reduce energy consumption in an office-style workplace," said Amy Hanada, NAVFAC Hawaii energy team manager. "It is believed the demonstration will show how a lowcost smart electronic device will help the Navy control excess energy use, especially during non-business



U.S. Navy photo by Denise Emsley

Amy Hanada, NAVFAC Hawaii energy team, checks an occupancy sensor with a data logger reader April 11 in building A4 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

hours when equipment may be inadvertently left on."

The pilot project began in November 2012. Building A4 was selected by the energy team as a representative office facility at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

(JBPHH) complete with work including sub-meters, advanced implemented throughout the spaces, break rooms and kitchens. As part of the demonstration, all power-drawing equipment such as computers, printers, copiers, fax machines, water fountains, refrigerators and other pluggable electronics in the building were analyzed.

"This initiative was to reduce energy consumption in Building A4 by 5 percent overall." said Hanada. "Preliminary data indicates that we will reach this goal."

The energy team and contractor, National Renewable Laboratories (NREL), identified 689 plug loads and 11 electrical panels. Panel meters were installed into electrical panels throughout the building to collect baseline data for energy usage. These meters collected data wirelessly and transmitted it to the contractor

In mid-February the NREL team returned to building A4 and installed additional equipment

power converters (APCs) or smart surge protectors, and occupancy sensors to collect actual work space data and compare it to the initial baseline information already gathered.

The contractor team revisited the building in mid-March and used the collected data to implement a power schedule for occupant APCs. The APC strips were configured as needed for each individual user based on their work schedule. This scheduling can reap significant energy savings since the power strips have the capability to de-energize during evenings and weekends while the plugged-in devices are least used but could be still pulling small amounts of power.

result of this pilot project in this particular building may be minimal ing energy reduction directions, if

JBPHH, the Navy's savings could be huge," said Hanada.

"In the long-term, this study will educate other building occupants about their energy consumption and provides an inexpensive solution on how to reduce and conserve energy," she said.

The NREL team is scheduled to return to Building A4 the first week of May to obtain feedback from personnel on their APCs schedules. A report on the pilot project and the amount of energy saved will be provided to the NAVFAC Hawaii energy team in summer 2013.

"These smart APCs retail for approximately \$20 from various sources and would be great for personal use," said Hanada. "They are "Although energy savings as a easy to program and will help reduce energy consumption and power bills for all of the electronic since personnel were already follow- equipment plugged in throughout

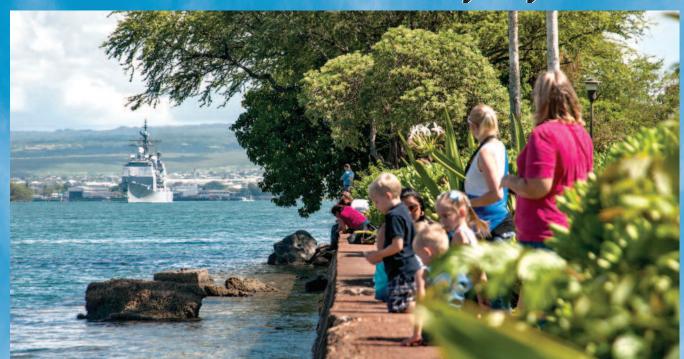
Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights

(Right) The guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) departs Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled western Pacific deployment.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Class Dustin W. Sisco

(Below) Vice Adm. Luis Alano, Republic of the Philippines flag officer in command, listens to Henry Mata, code 103 fleet maintenance surface project superintendent at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, explain the inner workings of the gas turbine shop. Alano and his staff toured the shipyard April 22 to gain a better understanding of the importance of maintenance to a naval fleet.

U.S. Navy photo by David Tomiyama









U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Class Dustin W. Sisco
A Sailor bids his family farewell before departing Joint Base
Pearl Harbor-Hickam on the guided-missile cruiser USS
Chosin (CG 65) for a scheduled western Pacific deployment.

(Left) An honor detail of joint military members prepares to escort the remains of fallen service members who died during World War II and the Vietnam War during an arrival ceremony hosted by the U.S. Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command April 26.

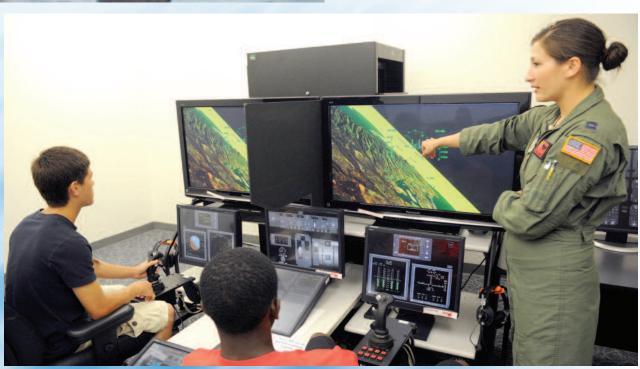
U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Sean Furey

Radford High School juniors Andrew Davis (left) and Torey Bowman (center) receive flight instructions while on a C-17 Globemaster III reconfigured desktop simulator from Capt. Angela Kimler, 535th Airlift Squadron training flight commander and Radford High School alumna. The session took place during a career day April 25 at Joint Base Pearl-Harbor-Hickam. The purpose of the event was to offer possible recruits a glimpse of daily duties performed by Airmen.

U.S. Air Force photo Tech. Sgt. Jerome S. Tayborn

(Below) The 15th Operations Group at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam held an Amazing Race Challenge in honor of Wingman Day on April 26. Wingman Day is a day for Airmen to take a break away from the mission and focus on morale building and resilency type training activities such as sexual assault awareness and suicide prevention.

U.S. Air Force photo





Earth Day fair displays Navy's environmental protection efforts

Story and photo by Jim Murray

Naval Supply Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor

From water conservation to hydrogen-powered vehicles and even to insect control, an April 22 Earth Day fair offered visitors a chance to view some of the Navy's most ambitious and visionary efforts to preserve the environment.

Held at Kilo 8 Pier, the fair was coordinated by Naval Supply (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor (FLCPH) with assistance from Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific, Naval Facilities Engineering Command the Hawaii. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam.

Visitors to the event were greeted by a cluster of booths and exhibits that covered seal, and even walk away even vehicles powered by Hommon always had a subjects such as installation with a free dog leash, a restoration, storm water pollution prevention, the monk seals don't make good Waianae watershed and the playmates. control of invasive species. A life-sized carving of a green booths was an auto show— environment, a passion they sea turtle attracted passers- minus the "muscle cars." by to the NOAA display, This was an alternative tors. One of those volunteers where they could view a energy car show, and the was Becky Hommon, envivideo of monk seals, feel the main attractions were ronmental attorney for Navy molted pelt of a young monk hybrids, electric vehicles and Region



Becky Hommon, environmental attorney for Navy Region Hawaii (right), fields a question regarding the geography of Ford Island during the NAVSUP FLCPH 2013 Earth Day, held April 22.

reminder that loose dogs and

hydrogen.

If there was a common trait among the volunteers who were manning booths, it At the far end of the was their passion for the wanted to share with visi-Hawaii,

group of people clustered around her table.

She had a detailed map in front of her, and she used it to explain the history and ners. geography of Pearl Harbor. How many streams flow into Pearl Harbor? Nine. How many fishponds did Pearl Harbor once have? More and than 20, including two that 15,695th Earth Day . . . and said.

1300s, but were filled to regards every day as Earth enable NAVSUP FLCPH to Day. This is not just lip serland. How many fishponds long and accountable history remain today? Two. If you of environmental stewardinto a Mililani storm drain, has where will it end up? Pearl marked testimony to its suc-Harbor.

Ever mindful of the need awareness among our nation's youth, NAVSUP Earth Day coloring contest for Navy Hale Keiki School students. Anyone entering the fair could not miss the scores of colorful entries mounted along the walkway.

Choosing just three winners from all the submissions Defense turned out to be a much more difficult task than the judges had anticipated, and they skill of the artwork and the proficiency of the writing. Eventually, the judges reluctantly made their selections, and, prior to the fair's end, Capt. Paul Verrastro, commanding officer of NAVSUP FLCPH, presented medals and certificates to the win-

Although the April 22 event marked the world's 43rd observance of Earth Day, NAVSUP FLCPH Day, prefers to think of it as its can safely play," Dragovich

might have dated from the that's because the command be built on the reclaimed vice. The command has a dump your used motor oil ship, and the recognition it received

Last February, for examto instill environmental ple, the command was notified that it had won the CNO's Environmental FLCPH also sponsored an Sustainability Team Award and in March, it learned it had won the Secretary of the Environmental Navy Quality Team Award. In May, it capped things off when it received word that it had won the Secretary of Environmental

Quality Team Award. "Earth Day is a reminder that we all share the were impressed with the same planet," said Lt. j.g. Luke Dragovich, NAVSUP FLCPH facilities engineer. "And when you share something, it implies that you also take responsibility for it."

"That's part of the reason why we are having this event today. It allows everyone to see what the Navy, NOAA-and many other worthy organizations—are doing to keep our skies blue, our oceans clean, and our lands a place where children

Connecting the warfighter at Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station

Lt. Jacob Galbreath

Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station, Pacific Public Affairs

Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station, Regional Network Operation munications services for Pacific grid are secure. Fleet ships, submarines, aircraft,

To ensure it is up this task, NCTAMS PAC recently underwent a rigorous five-day inspecunder U.S. Cyber Area tion Pacific Command's Cyber Security (NCTAMS PAC) and the Pacific Inspection Compliance Program (CSICP), which ensures the secu-Center.(PRNOC) are the focal rity of Navy networks and conpoint for all networks and com- nections to the global information

A team of technical and securiand other deployable forces, ty experts from U.S. Fleet Cyber spanning all limits of the cyber Command Office of Compliance administrators, operators, tech-

the connectivity that enables the Wahiawa facility to examine warfighters to execute their mis- every facet of the command's cyber security posture, from policy compliance and information assurance training to network vulnerability and physical securi-

> Anything that could affect the security, integrity or availability of the warfighters' networks was fair game. "Nothing was off-limits," according to Sheila Miller, security management department head.

PAC's NCTAMS

together months ahead of time to self-assess and make sure every risk was known and addressed. "It was truly a team effort," Miller said.

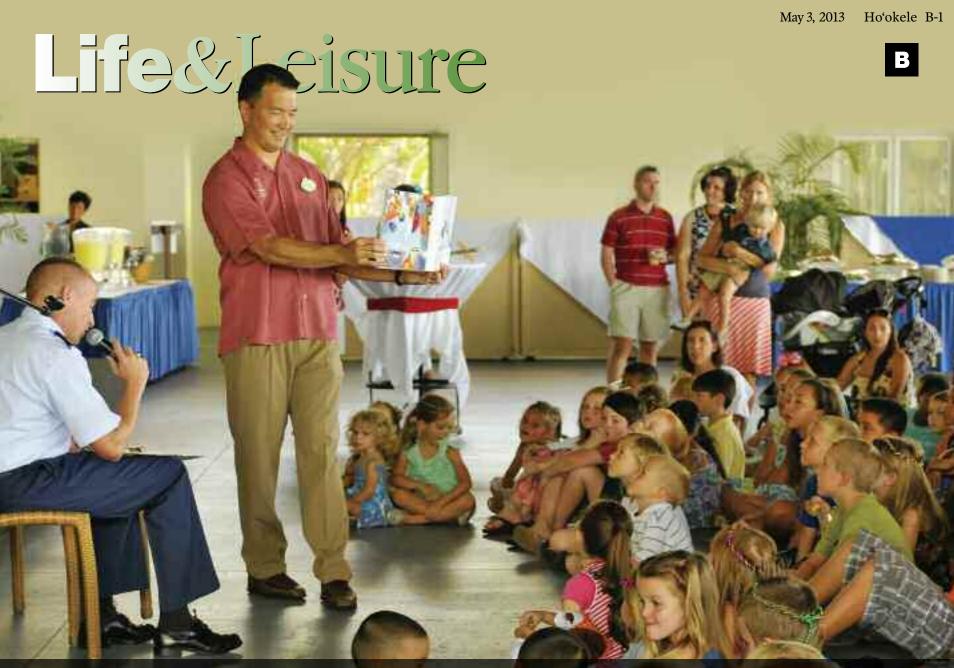
end with one meeting. "The risks are constantly changing. Every day, someone is looking for a new way to get into our systems," said Ensign Marc Sunby, Pacific Region Network Operations Center division officer.

system PAC team has to reassess and re- the secret and unclassified netsecure fleet networks on a con-

domain. The command ensures and Assessment descended upon nicians and security team came stant basis while maintaining greater than 99 percent operational availability to its cus-

> The NCTAMS PAC PRNOC team received a passing score However, this process didn't and their personnel and physical security records, building structure and design and their fire control system were denoted a "model facility" by the traditional security inspector.

> In the end, the NCTAMS PAC team score bested their last This means that the NCTAMS inspection by 20 points on both



Military keiki receive donated books at Books on Bases

Story and photos by MC2 Tiarra Fulgham Navy Public Affairs Support Element West, Detachment Hawaii

More than 1,000 books were donated to military families during a Books on Bases event, held April 28 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"Books are so important for these military kids to have a sense of security and foundation when everything around them keeps changing," — Navy Sailor spouse and mother of two, Van Nguyen

(Right and below) Parents read to their children during the Books on Bases event held April 28 at the Hickam Officers Club.











Character actors from the Disney Aulani Resort read and sign books for children.

ol. Dann Carlson, deputy commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, addressed those in attendance and encouraged the parents to take time to read to their children daily—especially before, during and after deployments and separations.

"It has been an awesome day and awesome program, the linkup between Disney and Blue Star Families to be able to provide Books on Bases and donating a ton of books but also encouraging us to read and be active parents involved with our kids in the reading environment," said Carlson.

Carlson quoted the famous children's book by Dr. Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!" saying, "The more you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you will go."

"Reading to the children was a ton of fun," said Carlson. "When you are up there reading and you're seeing their faces light up, there is very good interaction there, something you don't normally see."

Carlson also read the book, "Billy Twitters and His Blue Whale Problem" by Mac Barnett, reading alongside Todd Apo, director of public affairs for the Disney Aulani Resort.

"This event is a great opportunity for us to give back just a little bit to the military families that gives so much for all of us," said Apo.

"It's the chance to share books with the kids as well as understanding of the importance of education and how important reading is for the growth and development of children," he said.

During the event, children not only participated in story time but also multiple arts and crafts activities, including a surprise visit from Walt Disney character actors Mickey and Minnie Mouse. The characters played with kids, took photographs and autographed donated books.

"Books are so important for these military kids to have a sense of security and foundation when everything around them keeps changing," said Van Nguyen. Nguyen, a mother of two and spouse of a Navy Sailor, also works with Blue Star Families.

"This is also the Month of the Military Child which makes it even more awesome,

Each child at the event walked away with a total of five books including the one that was read and a gift bag with a movie, arts and crafts idea book, and puzzles. The rest of the books will be given to the base library and the child development centers on Oahu.

Since Books on Bases launched in 2009, more than 100,000 books have been donated to military-impacted schools and libraries all over the U.S.

Books on Bases was created by Blue Star Families to positively impact the lives of military children through the power of reading. With the assistance of partners and supporters including Disney, BAE Systems, Sleeping Bear Press, Operation Paperback, United Concordia and Random House, Blue Star Families donates books to military children, base libraries, Department of Defense schools, military-impacted public schools and community libraries.

Pitching leads SUBPAC/NCTAMS to win over 613th AOC

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Retired Chief Information Systems Technician Lloyd Shoemaker and Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Eric Cavett combined to toss six shutout innings to lead the joint squad of Commander Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUB-PAC)/ Naval Computer Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC) to a 12-3 victory over the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) in a White Division intramural softball game on April 25 at Millican Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

After giving up three runs in

"You just want to give it a nice hard hit... You got the wind blowing in, you don't want to try and do too much. If it goes, it goes. You just want to make sure nobody can catch it."

—Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Eric Cavett

the first, Shoemaker buckled down and shut down the 613 AOC until giving way to Cavett in the fourth, who continued to befuddle the opposition through the final frame and preserve the win.

"That's all it's about," said Cavett about mixing up his pitches to shut down the 613 AOC. "You got to make sure to keep everybody on their toes."

Both teams entered the contest with 1-1 records in the White Division.

Besides throwing four shutout innings for SUBPAC/NCTAMS, Cavett also had a great day at the plate and got things started with a run-scoring single in the first before crossing home for the second run on an RBI double from Information Systems Technician Seaman Benjamin Grams.

Down 2-0 heading into the bottom half of the frame, the 613 AOC got a clutch two-out single by Airman 1st Class Kevin Brown to pull to within a run at 2-1.



Retired Chief Information Systems Technician Lloyd Shoemaker keeps his eyes on the ball before slashing a two-run single.

Then, teammate Airman 1st Class Nick Palaszweski stroked another single to drive in two runs for a 3-2 lead.

SUBPAC/NCTAMS tied the score at 3-3 in the top of the second on an infield error by the 613 AOC and followed up with four runs on clutch hits by Cavett and Shoemaker in the third.

Cavett singled to drive in two runs and moved to third on a hit by Grams before Shoemaker chased both runners home on a base hit for a 7-3 advantage.

"You just want to give it a nice hard hit," said Cavett about singling to drive in his second and

third RBIs of the game. "You got ahead," he said. "It picked up our the wind blowing in, you don't want to try and do too much. If it goes, it goes. You just want to make sure nobody can catch it."

The team added two more runs in the top of the sixth before putting the game away with three runs in the seventh for the final score.

In the top of seventh, Cavett hit another single and Grams drove in his second RBI of the game with a base hit.

Cavett admitted that once the team scored four runs in the third inning, he knew that momentum was on their side.

"That definitely gave us the go- Brown acknowledged. "This year, Nobody has fun losing."

momentum and gave us enough to carry us right through the rest of the game."

couple of big innings in the win, Brown said that scoring in multiple innings has been a problem for the 613 AOC this year.

While Cavett and his team-

A perennial powerhouse in intramural softball in the past few years, the 613 AOC has lost many of their core players and appears to be mired in a rebuilding season for 2013.

"It's a completely new team,"

we got a lot of new faces and are still trying to figure out where people need to go. We want to win. We're trying to figure it out."

Although SUBPAC/NCTAMS mates were able to put together a is sitting near the top of the division with a 2-1 record, Cavett also admits that his team is still trying to sort things out as well.

"We've only played three games, so we're still working on things," he said. "It's kind of hard to feel everything out, but right now, we're doing with what we got and we're doing alright. We're out here to have fun and compete. You always want to be competitive.

Late penalty kick lifts 613th AOC past HIANG

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Senior Airman Jeremy Reding tied the game with a goal in the first half and then booted in a penalty kick with the clock winding down to raise the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) past Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG), 2-1, on April 27 at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The 613 AOC has now started off the season with seven straight wins and leads the Blue Division with a perfect 7-0 record while the HIANG, last year's runners up, lost their first game of the season and saw their record drop to a 5-1-1.

"This was a good game. I enjoyed this game," said 613 AOC head coach Paul Imperial, a Department of Defense (DoD) civilian. "Last week, we played an 0-6 team and that was boring. This was a good challenge.

Against a tough HIANG team, the 613 AOC immediately went on the offensive and got four quick kicks on goal off the foot of striker Operations Specialist 2nd Class Valentine Edward.

However, going in the opposite direction, the HIANG, on their first penetration into 613 AOC territory, set up for a penalty kick after Capt. Brandon Chang was fouled while making a move

toward the goal. Kicking from his left to right,

Chang blasted a shot past the goalkeeper for an early 1-0 advan-

The lead was short lived, however, as moments later the 613 AOC answered on a boot from Reding that tied the score.

"We had gotten it up the field, and then we had two guys pressure on the ball and it popped out," Reding explained. "I just took the opportunity to shoot."

After the 613 AOC misfired on several shots early in the game, Reding said that taking the ball closer to the goal made all the difference in the world.

"We were trying to shoot from deep," Reding said. "This team dropped back defensively a lot, so we took shots from the outside which are generally lower percentage."

The deadlock held up until halftime and, with time running out, appeared headed to end that way until Reding got fouled and lined up for a penalty kick.

"I was dribbling and I thought I was getting past the guy," Reding pointed out. "But I was getting tugged and kicked a little bit and the ref stopped the ball, so I got to take the free kick.'

Staring down at the ball, Reding said he blocked everything out and focused on making the kick before putting it up into the air

The well-placed shot zipped past the HIANG goalkeeper and to the net for the game winner as time ran out.

"I tried not to think about the



Senior Airman Jeremy Reding is about to receive a handshake from a teammate after scoring the winning goal on a penalty kick to lead the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) past Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG), 2-1, in a Blue Division game.

implications of it," Reding admitted. "The important part is shooting it the way you're taught and the way you've practiced it. Try not to think about any pressure and just do it.

For the HIANG, Chang said that the team's first loss all came down to not getting enough shots

returnees from last year's squad, Chang admitted that the team is

"Pretty much it's just conditioning," he said. "We just come out here Imperial added that there are on Saturday just to play for fun. If still a lot of challenges ahead. we practiced more, we'd probably be in better shape and be able to have Imperial as he pointed to the Blue more offense. We just come out here Division's other remaining undeto have fun, but I honestly think we Although the team is filled with have a chance to take everything. Port. "They are the team to beat."

not quite up to speed just yet.

We'll see how it goes."

While Reding said that beating a good team like the HIANG is definitely a confidence builder,

"We want to play them," said feated team USS Texas (SSN 775)

Talented JPAC keeps good times rolling with 19-1

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Prisoner War/Missing in Action Accounting Command (JPAC) batted around the order in the top of the first and second innings en route to a decisive 19-1 victory over Afloat Training Group

PAC) on April 30 in a Blue mercy-rule defeat that Division intramural softball game at Hickam

JPAC, which won their fourth game against no defeats, have now scored 39 runs over the last two games and 51 over the past three.

ATG MIDPAC entered the showdown with a solid record of 2-1 and saw their Middle Pacific (ATG MID- record dip to .500 with the

ended in four innings.

"We get out there and Softball Complex, Joint have fun, keep it loose, Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. that's the key right there," said Cmdr. Larry Gonzales about JPAC's fast start out of the gates this season. "We don't take it too seriously."

Despite the team's easy approach on the diamond, there is nothing sedate about the way JPAC is crushing the ball so far this season.

JPAC's leadoff hitter Sgt. 1st Class Dharwin Delarna hit a fly ball to right field for the first out, but the team's next seven batters reached

error and five singles to

jump out to a 4-0 lead. Gonzales came up with the team's first big hit of the game on a bases-loaded single that drove in two runs.

JPAC went on to score

Against ATG MIDPAC, two more runs in the top of umpire ended the contest the first inning to take an after the bottom of the early 6-0 advantage.

Armed with a big lead, JPAC pitcher Senior Chief Explosive Ordnance struck out the first ATG MIDPAC hitter he faced before setting down the next two hitters in order.

seemed to be a good thing for in talent from the top to the

fourth inning due to the league's mercy rule.

While scoring runs in bunches seems to be the base safely on a walk, an Disposal Jeremy Porter team's identifying tradecalmly went to work and mark this season, Gonzales said that the squad's real identity is its ability to play together as one unit.

It also helps, he said, to The short turnaround have a team that is loaded



Senior Chief Explosive Ordnance Disposal Jeremy Porter gets ready to drive a pitch over the centerfield fence for a three-

"It is camaraderie. It's teamwork and we enjoy each other's company. We deploy together a lot. Every one of these guys has been deployed in austere conditions and we're like a family. We're very tight and we have good talent."

·Cmdr. Larry Gonzale

the hot bats of JPAC which picked right up where they left off in the first inning.

After a walk and a single led off the top of the second inning, Porter helped out his own cause by crushing a deep fly ball over the centerfield fence for a threerun shot and 9-0 lead.

"I was just looking to hit go up there relaxed knowing that I've got good hitters in back of me."

The deluge didn't stop two innings of play.

innings, but the home competitive team."

bottom of the lineup. "It is camaraderie," he

pointed out. "It's teamwork and we enjoy each other's company. We deploy together a lot. Every one of these guys has been deployed in austere conditions and we're like a family. We're very tight and we have good talent.'

Although Gonzales adit hard," said Porter about mits that some of the talent his home run. "It's easy to is soon to be deployed, he still believes that JPAC will be competitive for the remainder of the season.

"Right now, we know we there as JPAC went on to are stacked," he said. "But knock 11 more hits, three of we lost two guys yesterday them for extra bases, to to mission, and we're about tack on 10 additional runs to lose three more guys in a and a 19-0 lead after only couple of weeks. The games are going to get a lot closer JPAC didn't score any in the coming weeks, but more runs in the next two we're still going to field a

Distinctive Women in Hawaiian History program to be featured May 20

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-**Hickam Public Affairs**

As part of Asian American and Distinctive Women in Hawaiian History Program will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. May 20 at Makai Recreation Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH). Makai Recreation Center is located at building 1859, McChord Street.

The brown bag (bring your own lunch) event is a professional development seminar, featuring leadership models from Hawaiian history. Hosting commands for the event are Navy Region Hawaii and JBPHH.

The seminar will feature opening comments from Air Force Col. Eva S. Jenkins, commander, 692nd Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group. Capt. Jeffrey James, commander of JBPHH, will

provide closing remarks.

military's civilian workforce.

The seminar will include the following:

A discussion of Queen Pacific Islander Heritage Month, a Kapiolani from 11:40 to 11:55 a.m. with presenter Colette Higgins, professor of history, Kapiolani Community College.

Queen Kapiolani was an advocate for patients afflicted with leprosy (Hansen's Disease). She used her considerable fundraising skills and royal status to assist

The Native Hawaiians were significantly impacted by the outbreak of this foreign disease, as they made up 98 percent of the leprosy patients in 1880.

At a time when the Kingdom of Hawaii exiled those with leprosy to prevent the spread of the disease, the queen visited these patients in their homes at the remote settlements of Kalaupapa peninsula on The event is open to military Molokai in 1884. In the months personnel, their spouses and the following her visit, she sent care Mizobe So: Immigrant Women's modern Korean women's movement at Guss. Alexander@navy.mil.

patients and raised the necessary funds to establish the Kapiolani Home for Girls of leprous parents in Kakaako, Oahu, which was dedicated in 1885.

 A discussion titled "Hawaiian Letter Writing Woman: Queen Emma," from noon to 12:25 p.m.

The discussion will focus on dramatic performance of selected political and personal letters between Queen Emma and her cousin, from "News from Molokai, Letters between Peter Kaeo and Queen Emma, 1873-1876."

The letters also explored the context of the history of Kalaupapa, Molokai and late 19th century letter writing. Presenters of the discussion will be Craig Howes, director, Center for Biographical Research, University of Hawaii at Manoa; Victoria Nalani Kneubuhl, playwright, and novelist and actor Wil Kahele.

• A discussion titled "Yeiko

packages to nearly all the Tale of Turmoil," from 12:25 to in the Territory of Hawaii and 12:40 p.m.

So's establishment of the Japanese Women's Home for abused picture brides served 700 women of Japanese and Korean ethnicity over its 10 years on Alapai Street, Honolulu from 1895 to 1905. The presenter will be Kelli Y. Nakamura, history instructor, Kapiolani Community College.

 Acknowledgments by Jamie Conway from 12:40 to 12:45 p.m. and announcement of a Women of World War II Hawaii program which will be held Aug. 25. The August program will feature 1941-1945 stories closely tied to heritage while in service" to the Pearl Harbor and Hickam Field.

• A discussion of "Dora Moon and the Korean Women's Relief Society of WWII Hawaii" from 12:45 to 1 p.m. The presenter will be Julie Rancilio, assistant professor of History, Kapiolani chief, Navy Region Hawaii. Community College.

responded to the Japanese occupation of the Korean peninsula.

Following the "March 1st Movement" in Korea in 1919, which resulted in scores of Koreans killed, beaten, or arrested by Japanese military authorities, Moon organized Hawaii's Korean women in social activism by forming the Korean Women's Relief Society whose activities and convictions supported women and children in occupied Korea throughout WWII.

• A discussion titled "embracing and celebrating Filipino nation, from 1 p.m. to 1:25 p.m. Presenters include Rear Adm. Raquel Bono, command surgeon, U.S. Pacific Command, and Command Master Chief Marc F. Sibal, region command master

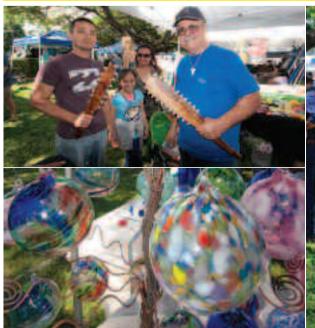
Email registration RSVPs Moon was a pivotal organizer of a should be sent to Guss Alexander



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The spring craft fair and family fun day is tomorrow on the lawn of the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center.

Military Appreciation 5K: Begins at 8 a.m. May 4, Hickam Fitness Center.

This free 5K will help launch Military Appreciation Month events at JBPHH. FMI: SrA Smith at

Spring Craft Fair and Family Fun Day: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. May 4, Hickam Arts & Crafts Center, center

There will be handmade arts and crafts for sale, live entertainment, food booths, pony rides and youth activities. Admission is free for shoppers. FMI: 448-9907 ext. 101.

Family/Group Sailing Instruction: 9:30 a.m.noon, May 4, 11, 18, 25, Rainbow Bay Marina.

The sailing course includes an overview in the classroom, demonstration of rigging, and time on the water. FMI: 473-0279.

Lifeguarding Challenge Course: 10 a.m.-noon, May 4, Scott Pool.

This course is for lifeguards whose certifications are about to expire. Participants must bring their certifications. FMI: 473-0394.

Library Know-How: Begins at 11 a.m. May 4, Hickam Library.

Learn how to find e-books, audiobooks, music, online foreign language training and continuing education at this free session. FMI: 449-8299.

HBO Boxing PPV: Begins at 2 p.m. May 4, J.R.

This event will feature Floyd Mayweather Jr. vs. Robert Guerrero and Austin Trout vs. Saul Alvarez.

FMI: 448-2271.

Military Appreciation Mondays: 5–9 p.m. May 6, 13, 20, Naval Station Bowling Center. Shoe rental, bowling games and a hot dog are \$1.50

per person. FMI: 473-2574. **Pre-School Story Time:** 9–10 a.m. May 8, Hickam

Library. Children can enjoy stories about "blankets and

bedtime" at this free event. FMI: 449-8299. Ultimate Frisbee Team Coaches Meeting:

Begins at 1 p.m. May 8, JBPHH Fitness Center Gym. The official roster is available at MWR

intramurals office, bldg. 667, Pearl Harbor. FMI: 473-2494/473-2437. Youth Sports Registrations: Registration period

ends May 10.

Registrations are for Youth Summer League Basketball 5-on-5 for youth ages 9-15 years old and Youth Summer Soccer for youth ages 5–15 years old. The season runs June through August. Register at www.greatlifehawaii.com. FMI: 473-0789.

Texas Hold'em and Bunco: Begins at 5:45 p.m. May 10, Tradewinds Enlisted Club (Oahu Room). This is a members-only event, no cover. All ranks are welcome. FMI: 448-2271.

Phat Friday with DJ Magic and DJ G-Flava: 6

p.m.-midnight May 10, J.R. Rockers. Enjoy food, beverages, time with friends and Friday jams with the USAF's own DJ Magic and DJ G-Flava. FMI: 448-2271.

Sign up for Outdoor Activities

EXCURSION	DATE/TIM		COST	SIGNUP
Group surf lesson at White Plains Beach with shuttle ¹	May 11	8 a.m.	\$40	May 7
Keiki and parent hand-pole fishing and reef walk ²	May 11	9 a.m.	\$8	May 8
Spearfishing excursion ²	May 11	9 a.m.	\$20	May 8
Bottom fishing at Hickam Harbor ²	May 11	2:30 p.m.	\$30	May 7
Women's stand-up paddleboard Haleiwa River/North Shore ¹	May 12	9 a.m.	\$30	May 8
Women's surf class ²	May 12	9 a.m.	\$35	May 8
Note: Excursions subject to change depending on weather conditions.				

¹ Sign up with Outdoor Adventure Center (OAC) • 473-1198

² Sign up with Outdoor Recreation (ODR) • 449-5215

This Week with Arts & Crafts

SESSION	CLASS DATES		DAY/TIME		
Hawaiian quilted pillow	May 7-28 May 7-28	Tue Tue	9–11 a.m. 7–9 p.m.	\$35 \$35	
Beginning glass fusion	May 7-14	Tue/Fri	10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	\$40	
Digital photography	May 7-21	Tue	10 a.mnoon	\$50	
Fused glass jewelry	May 7-21	Tue	2–4 p.m.	\$40	
Young artist hand- building with clay	May 7–21	Tue	3–4:30 p.m.	\$33.75	
After-school intro to children's drawing	May 7- June 11	Tue	3:45–5:15 p.m.	\$75	
Adult hand-building with clay	May 7-21	Tue	5–8 p.m.	\$33.75	
Skulls and flowers (ages 5–9)	May 8-29	Wed	2:30–4 p.m.	\$60	
Glass plate making	May 9-30	Thu	10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	\$70	
Home-school intro to children's drawing	May 9- June 13	Thu	1:30–3 p.m.	\$75	
Skulls and flowers (ages 8–12)	May 9-30	Thu	4–5:30 p.m.	\$60	
Digital photography	May 9–23	Thu	6–8 p.m.	\$50	
Stained glass kaleidoscope	May 10–31	Fri	10 a.m.–1 p.m.	\$100	
* Supplies additional for so	Note:	Note: Information subject to change.			

Hickam Arts & Crafts Center • 448-9907

YOGA BY THE SEA

A yoga by the sea session will be held today from 6 to 7 p.m. at Foster Point Pavilion. This event is open to all eligible patrons. FMI: 448-2214.

YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS

Registration for youth summer camps has begun. There are a variety of camps offered, including golf, volleyball, basketball, tennis and soccer. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com

CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS

Hickam Pool two is offering a variety of swim lessons for children beginning May 13. Classes are divided into three age groups: 6 months—3 years old, 3—4 years old and 5—16 years old. Register online at www.greatlifehawaii.com.

MOTHER'S DAY CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

Reservations are being accepted for the Mother's Day champagne brunch at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. This buffet brunch will be held May 12. Seatings are available at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$34.95 for members, \$36.95 for non-members, \$14.50 for children ages 7–12 years old, \$7.25 for children ages 4–6 years old, and free for children ages 3 years and under. FMI: 448-2271.

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH AT HICKAM OFFICER'S CLUB

Reservations are being accepted for the Mother's Day brunch at the Hickam Officer's Club. This buffet brunch will be held May 12. Seatings are available at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m on the lanai and 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the dining room. The cost is \$34.95 for members, \$36.95 for non-members, \$14.50 for children ages 7–12 years old, \$7.25 for children ages 4–6 years old, and free for children ages 3 years and under. FMI: 448-4608.

FITNESS AND WELLNESS FAIR

A free fitness fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 15 at the JBPHH-Pearl Harbor Fitness Center. Activities include various mini-workouts, personal training Q & A, body composition assessment, health evaluations, fitness organizations and clubs, community partners and sponsors, healthy snacks and ongoing drawings and prizes. This event is open to all authorized MWR patrons. FMI: 471-2019.

ARMED FORCES KIDS RUN

Registration has begun for the Armed Forces Kids Run. The run will begin at 8 a.m. May 18 at Earhart Field. This free event is open to ages 5-13 years old. FMI: www.americaskidsrun.org.

MWR NEWCOMERS LUNCH

A free MWR Newcomers Lunch will be held at 11 a.m. May 21 at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. This event features lunch, MWR information booths, sponsor tables and giveaways. This event is open to all military-affiliated personnel during their first six months of arrival. FMI: 473-0787.

MAY NOW-

NOW — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Pass and ID Special Events Office is now located at building 1113 Vickers Ave. on the Hickam side of the base. A special event is defined as any event with more than 10 guests who are not in possession of Department of Defense common access cards and being held on JBPHH, including all joint base annexes. FMI: 449-9394 or by email jbphhpassid@navy.mil.

4 — Photographer Kim Taylor Reece will greet patrons from noon to 2 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange mall giftware department. Reece is known for his black and white photography of hula dancers and capturing the essence of Hawaii. This is a free event for all authorized patrons. FMI: 423-3287.

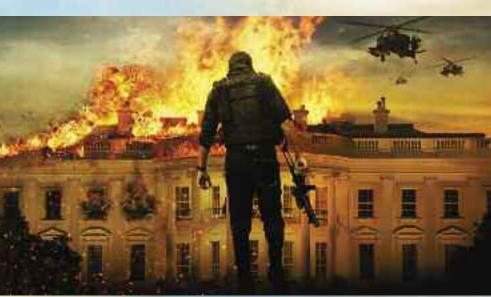
8 — Artist Jeff Chang, known for his authentic pottery pieces, will be at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange mall in the giftware department from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a free special appearance and demonstration. FMI: 423-3287.

10 — U.S. Air Force Pacific Band-Hawaii group "Hana Hou" will perform from noon to 1 p.m. at Tamarind Square, Honolulu. The event is free and open to public. FMI: http://cochawaii.com/hawaiimilitaryappreciationmonth_new.asp

11 — An open cockpit day will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in hangar 79 at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The event is free with paid admission and is an opportunity to climb into the cockpit of a historic aircraft and snap a photograph with a costumed pilot and aircrew. FMI: 441-1007 or visit the website PacificAviationMuseum.org.

19 — Hawaii Military Appreciation Day will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Honolulu Zoo. The event is free for military and their families. FMI: http://cochawaii.com/hawaiimilitary appreciationmonth_new.asp.

31 — Members of the Pacific Fleet Band will perform tunes from mainstream genres including rock, pop, hip-hop, country and R&B at 5:30 p.m. at Hickam Harbor as part of the summer concert series. The free event is open to all military-affiliated personnel and Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or facebook.com/greatlifehawaii.



OLYMPUS HAS FALLEN (R)

An ex-special forces operative and former presidential bodyguard must fight to take back the White House from terrorists who have kidnapped the commander in chief in this high-stakes action thriller directed by Antoine Fuqua (Training Day, Shooter). It stars Gerard Butler who is in the aftermath of a tragic accident involving the president (Aaron Eckhart) and the first lady (Ashley Judd), Secret Service agent Mike Banning (Butler) is handed his walking papers.

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 5/3

6:00 Olympus Has Fallen (R)

SATURDAY 5/4

4:00 OZ the Great and Powerful (PG) 7:00 Olympus Has Fallen (R)

SUNDAY 5/5

2:00 OZ the Great and Powerful (PG)

SHARKEY THEATER
is closed
for renovations
until June.

Some MWR facilities and services may be subject to change. For more information, visit the JBPHH website at www.cnic.navy.mil/pearlharbor-hickam or the Navy Region Hawaii website at www.cnic.navy.mil/hawaii.

Personnel Support Detachment holds change of command at Battleship Memorial

Story and photo by **Brandon Bosworth**

Staff Writer

Lt. Cmdr. Martin F. Fajardo relieved Cmdr. Kyle J. Vernon as commanding officer of Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) Pearl Harbor during a change of command ceremony held April 25 at Battleship Missouri Memorial.

The ceremony's speaker was Rear Adm. Frank L. Ponds, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. Ponds praised PSD's "outstanding customer service" and read "testimonials from customers who walked through the doors of PSD and left not just satisfied but gratified."

"Cmdr. Vernon is one of if not the most competent overcome these challenges. officers in command of a PSD attachment I've seen in my 28 years of service," Ponds said. "She made PSD Hawaii the pride of the waterfront, the envy of other commands, and a model for other PSDs.

Vernon addressed some of the difficulties her command has faced recently.

"We used to have 40 and eager to work," she said.



Rear Adm. Frank L. Ponds presents Cmdr. Kyle J. Vernon with the Meritorious Service Medal during a change of command ceremony held April 25 at Battleship Missouri Memorial.

active duty military person- "In 30 years of service, this nel at PSD," she said. "Now we have five."

Still, PSD has managed to

"Day in day out, year in year out, we have provided the best customer service of any activity I've been associated with on either side of the counter," she said.

Vernon especially praised her staff.

"The greatest reward was coming in every morning and seeing people happy

is the most enjoyable tour I've ever had."

Vernon, a native of New York, joined the Navy in September 1983. In January 2010, she reported to Navy Operational Support Center Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and earned her professional human resource certification in June of that year. She reported in August 2010 as officer in charge Personnel Support Detach-ment Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. During her tenure, she earned her joint

tion certification and was promoted to commander.

personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (fifth award), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (fifth award), Navy Good Conduct Medal (third award) and numerous other personal and unit awards. She is also involved in the Joint Venture Education Forum and volunteers at Pearl Harbor Elementary

As Fajardo assumed command from Vernon, he said, "Thank you for leaving me your wonderful ohana."

He enlisted in the Navy at the Houston, Texas Military Entrance Processing Station

camp at Recruit Training Corpsman "A" School at Naval Hospital Corps School, Great Lakes, Ill., and Neuropsychiatric Technician "C" School at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. His initial assignment was as a psychi-

atric technician at Naval

Hospital Philadelphia, Pa.

reported to Officer Development School in Newport, R.I. Upon completion, his first officer assignment was Naval Hospital Charleston, S.C. where he served as the family practice business manager and operations management officer.

professional military educa- in 1991. He completed boot Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, he was assigned to Millington, Command at Naval Station Tenn. where he served with Great Lakes, Ill., Hospital the Navy Manpower Analysis Center, code 40 afloat requirements department as the production officer and manpower analyst.

Fajardo's personal awards include Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (fourth award), Air Force Achievement Medal, Navy In March 2003, Fajardo and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (fourth award) and numerous unit and service medals and ribbons.

The mission of Personnel Support Detachment Pearl Harbor is to provide high quality service to substantially diverse customer clientele in the areas of pay, per-Prior to arriving at Joint sonnel and transportation.

My Favorite Photo



Allen Unger took this photo recently of the Kalaupapa Settlement and national park on the island of Molokai. Unger is employed at Naval Command Fleet Logistics Center

Navy Lt. Cmdr.

How to submit: Email your (non-posed) photos to editor@hookelenews.com

CCAF graduation to be held May 17



Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Air Force members gather to congratulate the latest Airmen who have earned their associates degree through

College of the Air Force (CCAF).

For some, it is the launching point to pursuing a bachelor's and/or master's degree. For those seeking senior rater endorsement on their enlisted performance report, a completed CCAF degree is a requirement.

at 9 a.m. May 17 at the Hickam Officers Club. There will be more than 281 graduates from more than 69 different units

Every year on Joint receiving their degrees. Col. Dan Baldessari will confer the diplomas. This event is open to the installation.

The CCAF is the only college system solely for enlisted members in the nation. Since its inception in 1972, the CCAF has awarded more than 411,000 associate degrees.

On average, an enlisted member earns a CCAF degree as a staff sergeant with nine years' time-in-service. Earning this degree is a milestone in the career of an enlisted Air Force member.

Each graduate is awarded an associate of applied science degree that is based on the enlisted member's Air Force Specialty Code and requires 64 semester hours.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Brianna Hester at 449-8775 or Senior Master Sgt. Mike Vonahnen at

Events at JBPHH to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Upcoming events in dish menu at Sam Choy's May to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Joint Base Pearl Harbor-

the Hickam dining facility. • May 11, 9 a.m. to 2 awareness at Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange.

May 13-18, Asian trio cludes brown bag (bring gayleen.lim.2@us.af.mil.

Island Style Seafood Grille.

• May 20, 11 a.m. to 1:30 Islander Heritage Month at p.m., professional development seminar at Makai Recreation Center, building • May 9, Asian cuisine at 1859, McChord St. The topic of the seminar is leadership models from p.m., informational booth Hawaiian history, in coopto promote Asian-Pacific eration with the distinctive women in Hawaiian history

your own) lunch.

• May 22, Asian cuisine at the Silver Dolphin.

• May 22, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., multi-cultural taste fest at Makai Recreation

Center. • Asian Pacific exhibits will be displayed all month at the Hickam Library.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Gayleen Lim program. The event in- at 449-5151 or email



the Community

This year, the graduation will be held

Hickam include:

Deadlines are near for summer military youth camps

(OMK), in collaboration 21-26 at Camp Erdman. Camp Erdman, will host a ing, climbing wall, archery, military youth camp for snorkeling, horseback riding, middle-school youth ages 11-14 (or having completed up paddle boarding, and grades six to eight), who have experienced the deployment of a parent.

This military youth camp Camp Erdman, located on the north shore of Oahu. Camp Erdman is a full residential facility that provides all meals and lodging. As a result of most of the costs for camp being supported by OMK and the Office of the Secretary of Defense, each camp participant is responsible for a fee of \$10.

The campsite's recreational activities include odyssey ropes course, alpine tower, giant swing, climbing wall, challenge courses, swimming and archery.

For more information on the camp and applications, visit Hawaii OMK website at www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/ 4h/OMK/education.htm. The deadline to apply is May 24.

In addition, the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, in collaboration with OMK and the YMCA of Honolulu Camp Erdman, will host the second annual Hawaii Adventure Camp for Military-Connected Teens. These teens will have an opportunity to build leadership, self-confidence and teamwork skills while participating in adventure activities.

Hawaii Adventure Camp 2013 is open to military-connected teens, ages 14-18, who are a dependent of an active duty, Guard, Reserve or retired service member.

Operation: Military Kids The camp will be held July with the YMCA of Honolulu Activities will include surfodyssey ropes course, standteam development courses.

The Department of Defense and U.S. Department of Agriculture/National will be held June 16-21 at Institute of Food and Agriculture support all costs, allowing this camp to be free for campers with a refundable \$50 deposit to hold a camp spot. Travel allowance for neighbor islands is up to \$250 per camper and up to \$1,000 per camper for foreign travel on a first-come, firstserved basis.

> For information and applications, visit the website at http://hawaiiadven turecamp.webs.com/ and the Hawaii Adventure Camp Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ HawaiiAdventureCamp. The deadline to apply is June 15 or until all 50 spots are filled.

> All other inquiries may be directed to Kiki at omk@ctahr.hawaii.edu or 956-4125.



Bellows Air Force Station to host volleyball tournament

Bellows Air Force Station will registered by May 17, the tournahost a Memorial Day weekend volleyball tournament May 25 and 26.

Early registration fees are \$10 per person and must be received (postmarked) by May 17. Late registration fees will be \$20 per person, with registration/payments received between May 18 and 24.

The tournament will be a four-person, two-sub maximum team. Brackets will be divided into skill level and men's, women's and co-ed categories. Co-ed teams must have two men and two women.

The amount of teams registered will determine whether the tournament is single or double elimination. If a minimum of six teams are not

ment will be canceled and fees paid will be returned to the team captain.

If a team would like to participate but requires sponsorship onto Bellows Air Force Station, send an email to Master Sgt. Robyn Matthews at robyn .matthews@us.af .mil no later than May 11. A security check for all sponsored guests will be required.

On the tournament day, all teams will be required to check in at the registration tent at least a half-hour before the game time. The first game will begin at 9 a.m. May 25.

For more information and updates, visit the website www .bellowsafs.com and the Bellows Air Force Station Facebook page.

Military Appreciation Month events planned in May

Events have been scheduled to commemorate Military Appreciation Month. They include:

• May 9, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Military Appreciation Month recognition luncheon at Hilton Hawaiian Village.

Pacific Command is executive agent coordinating military tasking for a joint service color guard. One service member of the year is recognized for their outstanding community service.

- May 10, 7:30 p.m. Henry Kapono will perform a concert titled "I'm Coming Home — A Salute to Our Troops" at Hawaii Theatre. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
- May 19, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Family Day at Honolulu Zoo.
- May 30, 7:30 to 9 a.m., "Celebrating the Military Family" at Hilton Hawaiian Village, Coral Ballroom. Congresswoman Gabbard is scheduled to speak. The Marine Forces Pacific Band, a color guard and Henry Kapono are scheduled to participate.