

Hagel talks to troops during stop in Hawaii

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The tight integration in Hawaii between active duty service members, civilian defense employees and National Guardsmen points to the future of the overall force, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel

told troops at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam yesterday. “That’s as much value added as I think we can get in our system,” Hagel said. An Air Force F-22 Raptor served as the secretary’s backdrop as he spoke to about 200 personnel representing the Navy, Air Force, Marines, Army, National Guard and Coast Guard. “Thank you, on behalf of our president and our country,” the secretary said. “I know sometimes you feel stuck out here in the

Pacific, that no one knows who you are or what you’re doing. Let me assure you, we do, and we’re grateful.” Hagel asked the group—mostly made up of junior enlisted service members—to also thank their families for the support they give the military. “I think the families are often just taken for granted, and it’s probably as difficult—maybe more difficult—for them as it is for you,” he noted. “I ... extend my

thanks and best wishes.” U.S. forces in the Asia-Pacific region are a “central part of the larger plan” America is pursuing in the Pacific, Hagel said. “Our interests are global,” he added. “But ... I think the opportunities that abound in the world are probably centered as much in the Asia-Pacific as in any [other] one area.” Hagel said the unique opportunities present in the Asia-Pacific region hold “as much potential as maybe ever in the history of man.” He said to realize that potential leaders in the region must govern wisely, respond to each other wisely, and form coalitions of common interests wisely. “We all have common interests, [though] our governments are different,” he said. “Our cultures are different; some of us look different; our languages are different. But still, the basic common interests of the human being don’t change.” People everywhere need food and security, and they value their families, he said. “I’ve never found a country yet, or religion, or culture, or tribe, that doesn’t have the same feelings about their families,” he said. “We start there. We all need the basics in life to survive. We start

there.” Following his remarks, Hagel invited service members to ask a few questions. Questions were asked about cyber warfare, Veterans’ Administration, pay and benefits, and rebalancing to Asia-Pacific. “It was an honor to for me to meet the secretary of defense and hear what he had to say,” said Information Systems Technician 2nd Class (IDW) Whitney Prince, assigned to Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station. “It’s a big deal for all service members to have someone at our top of our chain of command come out and interact with us. It’s awesome.” Prince added that it was also nice to hear information about sequestration, benefits and retirement. “I’m still a few years out from retiring, but knowing what I know now is always good,” said Prince. Hagel’s stop in Hawaii is the first leg of a trip that will also take him to Singapore and Brussels. Hagel was sworn in as the 24th secretary of defense on Feb. 27, becoming the first enlisted combat veteran to lead the Department of Defense.



Department of Defense photo by U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Michael R. Holzworth
Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel addresses more than 200 service members May 30 inside aircraft hangar 19 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

USS Pearl Harbor honors fallen Sailors at Arizona Memorial

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USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52)

Sailors and Marines embarked aboard the amphibious dock landing ship USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52) for Pacific Partnership 2013 visited the USS Arizona Memorial on May 24 to pay their respects and lay a wreath in honor of Memorial Day. USS Pearl Harbor, the command platform for this year’s Pacific Partnership mission, had the opportunity to honor its namesake city and the Sailors who lost their lives in the Japanese attack on Dec. 7, 1941. Before the ceremony, Pearl Harbor Sailors toured the memorial and gathered together to view the sunken ship and names of its fallen Sailors. Capt. Wallace Lovely, the mission commander for Pacific Partnership, and Cmdr. Michael Harris, commanding officer of USS Pearl Harbor, led a wreath-laying ceremony to pay their respects. “This is an absolute honor and a privilege,” said Harris. “To be able to do this memorial for those who have gone before us is very humbling.” Sailors who attended the ceremony said they experienced a mixture of emotions. “The feeling I got when I arrived

was beyond tranquility,” said Hull Maintenance Technician 2nd Class Keith Doran. “I feel like I’m almost related to them in a way, like I’m part of family.” All those in attendance, some of whom were visiting the memorial for the first time, were humbled to celebrate the memory of those who fought and lost their lives for their country. After the ceremony, Harris said that there was something really special about being deployed aboard USS Pearl Harbor, in Pearl Harbor on Memorial Day. “It’s just incredible,” Harris said. Pacific Partnership is the largest disaster response-preparation mission in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. This year’s missions are taking place in Samoa, Tonga, Republic of Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands and will partner the U.S. Navy with non-governmental organizations and regional partners including Australia, Canada, Colombia, France, Japan, Malaysia and New Zealand. The objective of Pacific Partnership is to improve maritime security, conduct humanitarian assistance and strengthen regional disaster response preparedness. Partner nations will lead individual phases for the first time in the history of the mission.



Capt. Wallace Lovely, mission commander of Pacific Partnership 2013, and Cmdr. Michael Harris, commanding officer of the amphibious dock landing ship USS Pearl Harbor, place a wreath at the USS Arizona Memorial.

Admiral in Hawaii sends BZ to his forward-deployed ships



Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific Public Affairs

Rear Adm. Frank Ponds sent a Bravo Zulu message May 23 to commanding officers and crews of his forward-deployed ships from Hawaii operating in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of operations—USS Chosin (CG 65), USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) and USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60). As commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, Ponds oversees 11 homeported ships at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. His message to his three deployed ships was inspired by the Memorial Day commemoration and the anniversary of the Battle of Midway. Ponds’ message to commanding officers, Capt. Patrick Kelly, USS Chosin; Cmdr. Justin Orlich, USS

Chung-Hoon; and Cmdr. Luke Frost, USS Paul Hamilton reads: “Memorial Day is upon us and with Independence Day following closely in the wake, it is a fitting opportunity for me to express sincere appreciation for the outstanding job you and your crews are doing in executing our missions at sea and ashore. “Memorial Day marks the start of the summer season for most Americans. As we prepare for vacations, family get-together, and barbecues, I want you to know that the sacrifices of your Sailors and their families is not lost on those of us back home. On behalf of all Americans, I thank you all for keeping our nation safe. “It is fitting that our three deployed MIDPAC ships are all executing the mission in the [U.S.] 7th Fleet AOR, as June 4-7 marks the 71st anniversary of the Navy’s and the

nation’s most historically significant naval victory. The Battle of Midway changed the tide of the War in the Pacific and the course of world history. “While we are not currently at war in the Pacific, your actions in keeping our sea lanes open for commerce, providing a stabilizing force in the region, and engaging with regional partners and allies are no less meaningful and will also have a lasting effect on world history. “Please share with your crews and their families our sincere appreciation. We anxiously look forward to welcoming you back to the Pearl Harbor waterfront. Continue to sail safe!” Chosin and Chung-Hoon deployed from Pearl Harbor last month and are expected to be away from their homeport throughout the summer. Paul Hamilton deployed Sept. 21, 2012.



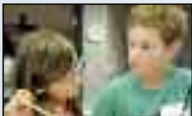
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Sailors clean USS Oklahoma Memorial

**Story and photo by
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More than 50 service members, along with families and friends, gathered May 26 to help clean the USS Oklahoma Memorial on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Chiefs of the Waterfront, a network of Hawaii chiefs brought together by Commander Navy Region Hawaii Command Master Chief Marc Sibal, coordinated the volunteer effort to help beautify the historic memorial.

“With the power of the chiefs mess, the first class petty officers and the petty officers they lead every day, we are getting this done and doing it to a high level,” said Senior Chief Gunner’s Mate Jaye Bell. “All these people are out here voluntarily and that speaks volumes about them.”

The memorial honors the 429 Sailors and Marines on

board the battleship USS Oklahoma (BB 37) who lost their lives during the Dec. 7, 1941 attack. The ship was hit by five torpedoes and ended up capsizing at Pearl Harbor.

crew member who perished during the attack. The white marble columns are arranged in a “V” shape, designed to resemble Sailors manning the rails. Surrounding the columns

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—NCCM Tyrone Jiles

“We wanted to make sure that on Memorial Day when people came to visit the memorial, we had a nice monument for them to look at,” said Bell. “It’s all about our Navy heritage.”

The memorial is constructed of 429 pieces of three-dimensional white marble columns, engraved with the names of each

are black marble slabs etched with notable quotes from Oklahoma survivors.

“We’re not just out here cleaning,” said Master Chief Navy Counselor Tyrone Jiles. “This is also an opportunity for our Sailors to come out and learn about our history and honor our brothers and sisters that have gone before us.”



Information Systems Technician Chief Rachelle Larsen polishes the USS Oklahoma Memorial.



Capt. David Hughes, outgoing commanding officer of USS Lake Erie (CG-70) walks through sideboys at the start of a change of command ceremony May 24. Capt. John S. Banigan relieved Hughes as commanding officer during the ceremony.

USS Lake Erie (CG-70) holds change of command

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Capt. John S. Banigan relieved Capt. David Hughes as commanding officer of the Ticonderoga-class, guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Erie (CG 70) during a change of command ceremony held May 24 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The ceremony started with the arrival of the official party followed by the parading of the colors. The invocation was provided by Chaplain Lt. Daniel Zimmerman.

Rear Adm. Robert P. Girrier, guest speaker, praised Hughes for his exceptional performance while in command and also Lake Erie’s Sailors. Girrier also highlighted many of Lake Erie’s accomplishments under Hughes’ command.

During his farewell remarks, Hughes thanked family members and his Sailors for their hard work and dedication during his tour as commanding officer.

Hughes took command of Lake Erie in October 2011. Under his command, the ship conducted the first successful ballistic missile intercepts with the SM-3 Block 1B

interceptor, validating the expanded capabilities of the missile and the next generation Aegis ballistic missile defense (BMD) combat system.

He also led a task group of maritime missile defense forces from the United States, Japan and Republic of Korea during the largest multi-national BMD tracking event conducted to date.

As he prepared to take command of Lake Erie, Banigan thanked his family and the ship’s crew.

Banigan reported to Lake Erie as executive officer in September 2011. He previously served on the Chief of Naval Operations’ staff in the resources, requirements and assessments directorate, surface warfare division, as deputy for BMD and Aegis ashore head.

Lake Erie was commissioned July 24, 1993 as the 24th Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser.

U.S. Navy guided-missile cruisers perform primarily in a battle force role. These ships are multi-mission air warfare, undersea warfare, naval surface fire support and surface warfare surface combatants capable of supporting carrier strike groups, amphibious forces, or of operating independently and as flagships of surface action groups.

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USS Michael Murphy holds first change of command

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The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) held its first change of command ceremony May 23 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Cmdr. Thomas E. Shultz turned over command to Cmdr. Corey J. Turner.

The ceremony started with the arrival of the official party, the parade of colors, the National Anthem sung by Seaman Recruit Steven A. Martinez and the invocation by Lt. Cmdr. Carl Muehler, chaplain of Destroyer Squadron 31.

Among the attendees was Lt. Murphy's mother Maureen.

Former Secretary of the Navy Donald Winter, the guest speaker, praised Shultz for his exceptional performance while in command.

Capt. Wallace G. Lovely, commander of Destroyer Squadron 31, presented Shultz with the Meritorious Service Medal.

During his farewell remarks, Shultz thanked family members and shipmates. "The crew of Michael Murphy and the great ship they serve on, you've made this past two and a half years more rewarding than I could have ever imagined. In everything this crew

has done, they have always followed our motto, 'Lead the Fight,'" Shultz said.

Shultz ended his remarks with "Hooyah Michael Murphy."

Command Master Chief (SW) Matthew E. Danforth presented Shultz with the commissioning pennant.

Cmdr. Corey J. Turner thanked his family as well as the ship's crew.

"The men and women of the mighty 112, thank you for all you have done. I stand in awe of the awesome power of your tenacity and grit," said Turner.

"With your never-quit attitude, you embody excellence at every turn, in everything you do. I am standing by with you to answer all bells and look forward to our time together as a team," Turner said.

The guided-missile destroyer is named after Lt. (SEAL) Michael P. Murphy, the first person awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously for actions in Afghanistan and the first member of the U.S. Navy to receive the award since the Vietnam War.

"It has truly been an honor to lead such fine officers and Sailors aboard an extremely well-built ship with a storied namesake and legacy that inspires us all," said Shultz.

"I have the utmost confidence that Cmdr. Turner will be an exemplary commanding officer and will lead Michael Murphy and her crew to continued success," he said.

Shultz reports to Bahrain as deputy commander of Patrol Coastal Squadron One.



Cmdr. Thomas E. Shultz, outgoing commanding officer of USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), walks through sideboys at the conclusion of a change of command ceremony May 23. Cmdr. Corey J. Turner relieved Shultz as commanding officer during the ceremony.

Col. Carlson bids aloha



Col. Dann S. Carlson (shown above welcoming members of the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team) handed over command of the 647th Air Base Group to Col. David A Kirkendall during a change of command ceremony this morning at the Missing Man Memorial, Aloha Aina Park at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH). Carlson is also deputy commander of JBPHH. Watch next week's Ho'okele for complete coverage of the 647th Air Base Group change of command.

Hurricane Iniki strikes Kauai in 1992



Photo courtesy of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. On the afternoon of Sept. 11, 1992, a small but intense Hurricane Iniki struck the state of Hawaii across the island of Kauai. Although all islands felt the storm, Kauai and Oahu were most impacted. Seven people were killed and about 100 injured. Total damage reached about \$1.8 billion.



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"What is the worst weather event you have ever lived through? Why does it stand out in your mind?"

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Louie Dela Cruz
Region Operation Center
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"It would be a typhoon in the Philippines I experienced. The heavy rains, flooding, the wind and the houses washing away is what stands out for me the most."



Capt. Harry James
613th Air and Space
Operations Center



"I myself have never endured a severe weather event. My wife and I evacuated for several hurricanes while in Mississippi, but never stuck around for the storms."

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Ozzie L. Anderson
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"It would be a hail storm in South Carolina living in a trailer house with tin roofs. The hail came down very hard, damaged the roof to where it began leaking. It also damaged the one car we had."



Gloria Underwood
Pearl Harbor Commissary



"When I was young, I was in a typhoon in the Philippines. Our house was close to the ocean, and a big wave from the ocean came through our house. I remember this well because my dad almost drowned."

Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Michael Dunigan
Transient Personnel Unit
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam



"That would be a blizzard in Wisconsin that stands out in my mind. I remember opening the door and realizing I couldn't walk outside."

2nd Lt. Jeremy Rhode
48th Aerial Port Squadron



"Hurricane Iniki stands out in my mind because as a young child, I vividly remember my father being activated as an officer in the Hawaii Army National Guard to render support to the citizens who were impacted by the storm. I felt a strong sense of pride knowing my father was serving those in need."

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Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*

Memorial Day events in Hawaii

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) cadets from Kailua, Kalaheo, Leilahua and Nanakuli high schools participate in the posting of flags at The Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. The ceremony honored veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their nation.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Johans Chavarro



Sailors embarked aboard the amphibious dock landing ship USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52) for Pacific Partnership 2013 tour the USS Arizona Memorial after a wreath-laying ceremony. Pacific Partnership is the largest humanitarian and disaster response-preparation mission in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Tim D. Godbee



The Sounds of Aloha men's chorus performs in the Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Johans Chavarro



Guests walk along decorated grave markers at the Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Johans Chavarro



Guests hold hands during a moment of silence at the Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Johans Chavarro

Ceremony honors Pearl Harbor survivor

**Story and photos by
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A Pearl Harbor survivor, assigned to USS Pyro (AE1) during the Dec. 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, was remembered during a sunrise ceremony May 14. During the ceremony, his ashes were committed into the waters of Pearl Harbor near the Arizona Memorial.

Rear Adm. Frank Caldwell, commander of Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, helped honor the late Donald Green and presided over the ceremony.

“As those shipmates who experienced World War II firsthand pass, it is important for us in service today to seek out their stories, share their experiences, and continue to ‘never forget’ the lessons of history,” said Caldwell.

Green was a chief petty officer who, along with his twin brother George, served on the ammunition ship USS Pyro (AE1) which was docked in Pearl Harbor during the attack by the Japanese on Dec. 7, 1941. In an article by Kitsap Navy News published May 15, 2011, Green said he and his twin brother joined the Navy on their 18th birthdays to better themselves.

“It was just perfect for a guy like me,” said Green in the article. “It was something I could do to give myself a good life.”

On his last visit to Pearl Harbor, on Dec. 11, 2011, Green was interviewed by Commander Submarine Force Pacific Fleet (COM-SUBPAC) Public Affairs about his recollections about that infamous day. (To view the interview, go to this link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KAJgLfFi-5s>)

He described a scene of chaos and destruction. “That Sunday morning, all hell broke loose,” said Green.

He explained that he had recently completed his duties as the petty officer of the watch from midnight to 4 a.m. and was sleeping in his bunk when around 8 a.m., he was awakened by a loud explosion. He thought the sound was from the Army practicing bomb runs, but soon found out the real horror when the bomb blasts started feeling all too real.

Green ran topside to investigate. To his disbelief, Japanese Zero planes were strafing Pearl Harbor. He remembered seeing the red scarf worn by the Japanese Zero pilot as the pilot discharged the bomb out of his plane and narrowly missed the Pyro by 10 feet. Green ran and manned his machine gun and fired at the Japanese planes. The Zero was eventually brought down by the same machine guns that had been fitted a few months earlier.

In another news clipping that Green had saved, it said that the overall effort by Green and the other crew members in warding off the attack by the Japanese played an important but little known part of the overall defense of Pearl Harbor and, in particular, the ammunition depot at West Loch.

Green said in the Kitsap Navy News article that his memories of fighting at Pearl Harbor were bitter-sweet. “On one hand, Pearl Harbor was a beautiful place,” said Green. “But the loss of great lives during that war was hard to deal with.”

The Pyro later steamed out of Pearl Harbor and three days later was



Rear Adm. Frank Caldwell, commander of Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, presided over a sunrise ceremony May 14 to help honor the late Donald Green, a Pearl Harbor survivor and former USS Pyro (AE1) Sailor. Green’s ashes were committed into the waters of Pearl Harbor near the Arizona Memorial.

attacked by a Japanese submarine. Three torpedoes were fired at his ship but missed due to the ship following a zigzag pattern. Pyro’s five-inch gun ended the confrontation, and the ship and her crew survived the attack.

In the interview by COM-SUBPAC Public Affairs, Green, originally from New Bedford, Mass., said he and his brother George were fortunate to be stationed together on Pyro and fortunate to make it out alive that tragic day.

After sailing on Pyro, he continued his Navy career at other places such as Alaska, Washington, the South Pacific and New Hebrides Islands.

Green knew his decision to join the Navy was a move to better himself.

“What I like most is the

fact that you meet amazing people,” said Green to Kitsap Navy News.

After 20 years of service, Green retired and continued working as a pipefitter foreman at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard.

He said there were several reunions of former Pyro Sailors over the years. Noting the importance of unit reunions, Green said in another news clipping that each time they got together, the group learned something new about that historical day.

“I think it’s important for all of us to know our history because it brought us to where we are today,” said Green in that article. During his lifetime, he spoke at schools, Navy forums and other events about his experiences in Pearl Harbor.



The late Donald Green, a Pearl Harbor survivor and former USS Pyro (AE1) Sailor, was remembered during a sunrise ceremony May 14 in which his ashes were committed into the waters of Pearl Harbor near the Arizona Memorial.

Ashes of Pearl Harbor survivor, wife scattered at USS Utah

Brandon Bosworth

Staff Writer

The ashes of Chief Radioman Earl Selover, a survivor of the Dec. 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, along with those of his wife Ella Mae, were scattered in the waters near the USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island during a ceremony held May 22.

Among those in attendance was Selover's son, Earl Jr. Several Pearl Harbor chief petty officers were also on hand to pay respects to one of their own. Chaplain Lt. James Ragain, Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, presided over the services.

Earl Sr. was born March 18, 1917 in New Jersey. By the time he was 11, he knew he wanted to be a Sailor in the U.S. Navy, and he enlisted just four days after he graduated from high school. Already a licensed ham radio operator, Selover became a Navy radioman, a position in which he thrived.

"A hard charger from the get-go, he was able to become a chief radioman at the age of 23, unheard of in today's Navy," said Jim Taylor, Pearl Harbor sur-

vivor liaison, who spoke at the ceremony.

Selover eventually served as flag chief radioman on the USS Maryland which was homeported at Pearl Harbor.

"Life was good for Earl," said Taylor. "He was living in an apartment with his wife, Ella Mae, in Waikiki."

Selover was on liberty on Dec. 7, 1941 and was asleep in his apartment when the attack began. When he heard on the radio what was going on, he dressed and immediately caught a cab to Pearl Harbor, arriving at the same time as the second wave of Japanese aircraft.

Despite the chaos, Selover struggled to make it to his battle station aboard the Maryland. He first boarded the USS California, which was moored nearby, and then crossed a narrow pipe to finally make it to his ship. He then ran to his battle station in the radio shack where he spent the remainder of the day and that night.

After Pearl Harbor, Selover participated in 10 major naval engagements before being transferred to shore duty in September 1944. He left the Navy in 1954 and then worked as a quality control manager at

a Navy electronics overhaul facility in Norfolk, Va. until his retirement in 1979. Yet his time in service and his experiences on Dec. 7 were never far from his mind.

"For over 20 years, he enjoyed presenting programs about his Pearl Harbor experience to church, school, civic, library, veterans groups and hospitals," said Taylor.

"My father wore his USS Maryland hat every time he could," said Earl Sr.'s son, Earl Jr., a Navy veteran with 28 years of service. "Even if it was 80 or 90 degrees out, he still wore his Pearl Harbor survivor's jacket."

Earl Sr. died on Oct. 24, 2007. Even in his final days, his Navy experiences remained important to him.

"Pearl Harbor was the defining moment of his life," said Earl Jr. "The last week of his life, he was still talking about it like it was yesterday."

Earl Selover Jr. said that, though it was hard to say goodbye to his father, he and his family were very impressed by the memorial service.

"These people are awesome. The Sailors were outstanding," he said. "I can't thank them enough."



Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Honors and Ceremonial Guard participates in the ash scattering ceremony of Pearl Harbor survivor Earl Selover at the USS Utah Memorial.



U.S. Navy photos by MC2 Tiarra Fulgham

A member of the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Honors and Ceremonial Guard presents a ceremonial flag to Earl Selover Jr. the son of, retired Chief Petty Officer Earl Selover following an ash scattering ceremony at the USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island. Chief Selover's remains joined the remains of more than 50 Sailors still aboard the wreckage of the USS Utah (BB 31) which was sunk during the 1941 attacks.

Life & Leisure

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Joy and Logan Myrick admire the portrait done by volunteer Richard Bartlett during the Oncology on Canvas event at Tripler Army Medical Center.

Oncology on Canvas on display

Story and photos by MC1 (SW) Cynthia Clark

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Patients, families and survivors of cancer recently participated in the seventh annual Oncology on Canvas event at Tripler Army Medical Center, the Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children, and Queens Medical Center. The participants gathered at Honolulu Hale to see their work on display.

Dr. Pat Nishimoto, adult oncology clinical nurse specialist at Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC), said that about 300 pieces of art were on display at Honolulu Hale through May 23. The pieces will also be on display at Kahala Mall in June and TAMC through the beginning of July. Oncology on Canvas, which started seven years ago, was much smaller and has grown immensely, she said.

"Our first year we had less than 60 pieces of art that was done," she said. "This year we probably had more than 400 pieces. There are 300 pieces displayed, and about 100 of them went home with family members."

Not only was the reception a way for the public to see the creations, it was an opportunity for Nishimoto to thank each participant and for her to reminisce on how the program was started.

"We started Oncology on Canvas because we knew that many of our patients and their family members weren't always able to put in words all the things they were feeling and what they were going through," she said.

"As nurses, we thought that we needed to know that, so we could help each and every one of you. We wanted you to come out of this stronger than when you went into it. That is our dream and our hope," she told the families.

Oncology on Canvas is not the only event that cancer patients on Oahu can use as a means of art therapy. Jocelyn Chang, artist in residence at Queens Medical Center and a thyroid cancer survivor, offers a weekly event where patients can make jewelry or create with watercolors or acrylics.

"The whole premise of the program is to just help patients take their minds sometimes off of thinking about a cancer diagnosis and to help them discover their own creativity," she said.

"It relaxes them, takes their mind off of their cancer. They're learning some new skills, and it's been a great distraction for the patients. It's been a wonderful experience for me and the patients love it. They do fantastic artwork. They're very proud of it. They're enjoying it, and I think it's a blessing for all of them," Chang said.

When it comes to the importance of Oncology on Canvas, however, she wanted to share her thoughts on the event. "I'm just overwhelmed with everybody's stories and beautiful art that was done at this Oncology on Canvas," Chang said.

She invited cancer patients interested in her program to attend her weekly art programs. Anyone



Jake Grana is the son of U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Col Brian Grana, who lost his wife to a brain tumor in December. In the photo, he celebrates his mother's memory through art.



Sophia Myrick asks Luke Grana for advice on her artwork.

interested can get information on this program through the oncology services department at Queens.

Not only is Oncology on Canvas important for the patients themselves, but the family members—from young children to grown men—have found it enjoyable and a special way to spend time with their loved ones.

Navy Lt. Patrick Farmer attended the event and explained that his wife is a cancer patient at TAMC. He added that he really enjoyed the Oncology on Canvas activities.

"The fellowship was fantastic ... everything was just very encouraging," he said.

The siblings of the patients were also excited to be able to have the time with their family members, especially Zachary Tyrrell, whose sister Haley is a patient.

"I enjoy doing Oncology on Canvas because arts and crafts are one of her favorite things to do," he said. "I enjoy painting with her, because she spreads a lot of joy and she's very creative."



Connor Myrick paints a jellyfish during the Oncology on Canvas event at Tripler Army Medical Center.



Logan Myrick lends a hand to create a painting.



Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) Airman 1st Class Sean Chang is all smiles as he gets past USS Texas (SSN 775) Port goalkeeper Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Kinney Jones.



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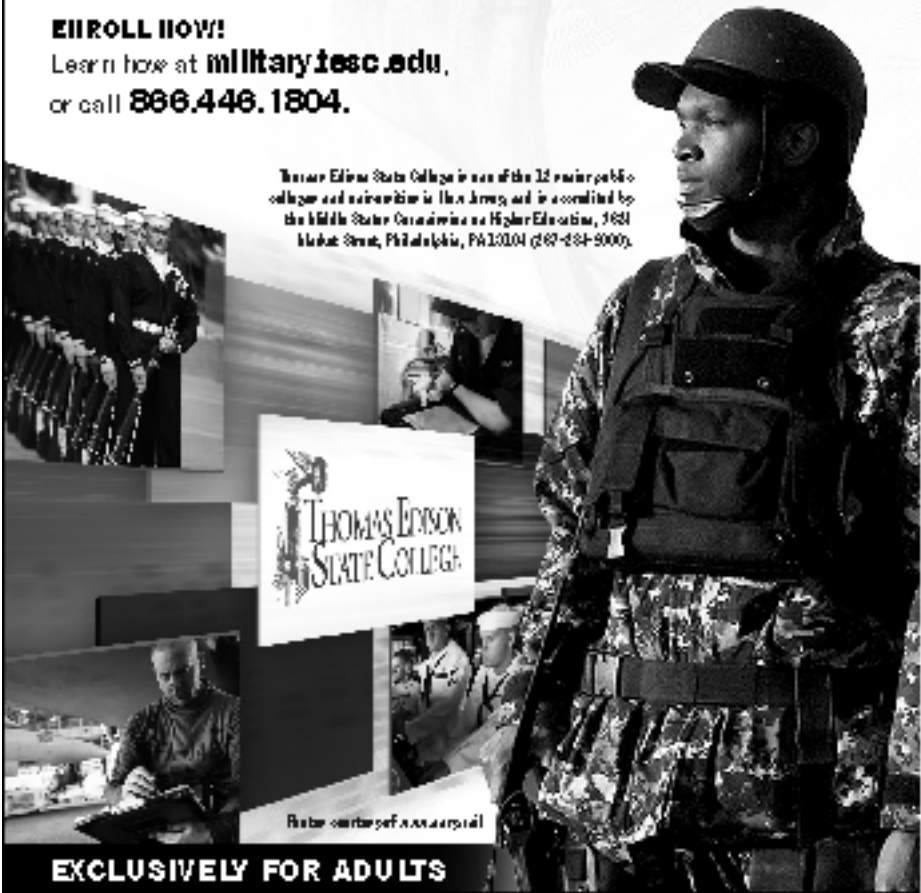
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67th Network Warfare Wing sends 613th AOC to first defeat

Story and photo
by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Down 3-1 at halftime, the 67th Network Warfare Wing (67 NWW) scored three unanswered goals in the second half to hand the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) their first loss of the season on May 25 in a Blue Division intramural soccer matchup at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The 67 NWW, which entered the showdown in sixth place, picked up their seventh victory of the season against three defeats and one tie, while the 613 AOC saw their eight-game-winning streak come to an end. “We’re a good team,” said Senior Airman Nick Cardenas, who kicked in the game-tying goal late in the second half. “There aren’t many people talking about us, but we’re a good team, too.”

In the first half, the 67 NWW immediately established that a battle was about to take place after Master Sgt. Andre Wilson surprised the league-leading 613 by scoring the first goal of the game on a break-away shot down the middle of the field.



Staff Sgt. Christopher Voight, 67th Network Warfare Wing (67 NWW), steps in front of Sgt. 1st Class Miguel Martinez of the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) to receive the ball during a Blue Division intramural soccer game.

However, the early push temporarily took the wind out of the 67 NWW, admitted Wilson, as the 613 AOC stormed back to score back-to-back breakaway goals by Senior Airman Jeremy Reding and Operations Specialist 2nd Class Valentine Edward for a 2-1 advantage.

Reding later scored on a penalty kick to put the 613 AOC up by two goals at the break.

“I was so winded after the first goal, I stepped out,” Wilson said. “And it seemed like our midfielders kind of collapsed, and that’s what brought them (613 AOC) back in the game.”

After falling behind 3-1 at halftime, Wilson said that the team talked about making a few adjustments to its offense and defense to turn things around

“We needed to cut them off,” he explained. “One thing that we didn’t do in the first half was we let the ball bounce. That’s what kind of put us on our back heels. So we pressured them earlier, which then created more chances for us.”

The plan began to take hold after another score by Wilson made it a one-goal game, and then Cardenas kicked in his game-tying

shot to even out the match at 3-3.

“It was a good play that started back with our defense,” said Cardenas about his goal. “It took a couple plays and I got a good deflection. That was pretty much it. It felt pretty good.”

Following the goal, the 67 NWW kept up the pressure and with time running out, the team went back to Wilson, who was looking for his first hat trick in awhile.

Already leading the squad with two goals, Wilson didn’t disappoint his teammates and booted in the tiebreaker with only a few ticks left on the clock.

“It was just get in there,” said Wilson about his third goal of the game. “The defender didn’t want the ball and the goalie was still far away from it, so I said, ‘OK, I’m going to go in there.’ I was able to get the toe poke and the rest was history.”

Looking back on the win, Wilson said that he knew that good things were about to happen for his team once the players hit the field.

“It was the perfect storm,” he acknowledged. “We had everybody show up to play. I know it was going to be a tough game and that they were a tough team to

beat, but we just believed and made it happen.”

Department of Defense civilian Paul Imperial, head coach of the 613 AOC, said that the 67 NWW presented his team with a tough challenge, but that the loss may turn out to be a good thing for the AOC in the long run.

Although the 613 AOC dropped their first game of the season, the team retained its place atop of the standings after the second-place USS Texas (SSN 775) Port lost to Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) later in the day.

“This was the first team that had an offense,” Imperial said. “That’s the first time I’ve seen us on defense the whole game. But I think this is good. I’m not worried. We’ll regroup and we’re going to be in the playoffs. I think this is going to spark more motivation because we were taking things for granted.”

While Imperial pointed out the benefits of getting its first loss out of the way, Wilson was quick to state that the win definitely bodes well for the 67 NWW in the future.

“We’re confident that we’re going to be a contender,” he said. “As long as everybody shows up that is.”

Events planned to commemorate Battle of Midway

A series of events have been scheduled to commemorate the 71st anniversary of the World War II Battle of Midway. They include:

- June 4, 2:30 p.m.: Wreath-laying ceremony on the USS Arizona Memorial hosted by Navy Region Hawaii. Retired Adm. Thomas Fargo, former commander of U.S. Pacific Command, will be keynote speaker. The event will be led by Navy chiefs CPO-365.
- June 4, 4 p.m.: Presentation by Jonathan Parshall, co-author of “Shattered Sword: The Untold Story of the Battle of

Midway,” followed by a 5:30 p.m. reception at Pacific Aviation Museum.

- June 7, 10 a.m.: Midway commemoration hosted by commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet at at the fleet headquarters flagpole.
- June 7, 2 p.m.: Commander, Pacific Fleet and the naval intelligence professionals are planning to lay a wreath at the Station Hypo plaque at building 1 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in honor of the Battle of Midway.
- June 8, 6 p.m.: Midway Commemorative Ball at Pacific Aviation Museum hosted by the Honolulu Council Navy League.

Air Force band promotes education with performance at Hickam Elementary School

Story and photos by
David D. Underwood Jr.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Public Affairs

Hana Hou, the premier ensemble of the United States Air Force Band of the Pacific-Hawaii, jammed on May 22 for students of Hickam Elementary School.

The musical group gave a performance to students to promote the value of an education, said Staff Sgt. Courtney Clifford, a vocalist with the ensemble.

The show started with the Miley Cyrus hit, “Party in the USA,” performed by

Master Sgt. Lara Murdzia, followed by the Bruno Mars hit, “Locked Out of Heaven,” performed by Senior Airman Devin Rivas-Martin. Their performance of “Domino,” by Jessie J got the kids up and dancing immediately. That was followed by Katy Perry’s “Firework,” performed by Staff Sgt. Courtney Clifford. There were some minor lyric changes to make all songs listener-friendly.

Rivas-Martin gave a shout out and thanks to the principal of Hickam Elementary, John Erickson for allowing the band to perform for the students, and also congratulated the

students and told them they were being treated for getting good grades.

“I loved it,” said Rhylee Duff, a fourth-grader at the school. “This isn’t something we get every day. I appreciate them coming to our school to sing.”

“I thought the show was entertaining and exciting,” said James Wills, another fourth-grader. “I loved the way the guitar man rocked his way out of the band and worked the crowd. He made everybody shout out loud.”

Hana Hou performed for three schools, and the theme was the same at each performance, said Clifford.



Staff Sgt. Courtney Clifford and Senior Airman Devin Rivas-Martin, vocalists with Hana Hou, the ensemble of the USAF Band of the Pacific-Hawaii, work the crowd at Hickam Elementary School.



Staff Sgt. Courtney Clifford, vocalist with Hana Hou, the ensemble of the United States Band of the Pacific-Hawaii, performs “Firework” during a concert for students at Hickam Elementary School.

My Favorite Photo...



Photo courtesy of Stacy Davis

Isaac “Tookie” Davis, under the direction of Chief Warrant Officer 3 Troy Cutchens, recently administered the reenlistment oath to his father, Operations Specialist 1st Class Isaac Davis, aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

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Military, families invited to film casting call Saturday

Military personnel and their families on Oahu are invited to participate in a casting call on Saturday for a major feature film.

The casting call will take place from 3 to 7 p.m. June 1 at Keehi Lagoon Memorial Park, Tommy Kakesako Hall, also known as veterans’ hall. The address is building 10, 2685 North Nimitz Highway in Honolulu.

If called as an extra, the pay will be \$80 per day, with overtime after eight hours and a catered meal provided.

Military personnel should be in uniform if possible. Some of those cast will be asked to bring a duffle bag, back pack and dog tags on days of filming. Participants will be required to fill out a casting form and take photos. Bring a resume if you have one.

Participants must be available for possible filming June 30, July 1 and July 2. Possible additional family days may be added in July.

Military and civilian government personnel will need a signed application form for off duty employment prior to filming. If you are selected, you will have to be on leave or in off-duty status in order to be in the movie.

Military personnel are ineligible if they are under current flagging action or pending adverse personnel action.

Children must be 6 years old or older to participate. Filming will be on base so all extras must have base access credentials.

For more information, e-mail nemo-hawaiicasting@gmail.com.

Activities, entertainment planned for July 4th Beachfest

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation will hold a free July 4th Beachfest from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Hickam Harbor.

The Air Force Band of the Pacific-Hawaii and the Pacific Fleet Band will perform a variety of music at the event, including rock, pop and a patriotic salute.

Activities and entertainment include:

- Demonstrations of water-propelled jet packs and a chance to register to win a jet pack experience for two.
- Shave ice while supplies last.
- Standup paddleboarding.
- A boat tour of the harbor.
- A discover scuba adventure.
- Sales of food and beverages,
- Free *keiki* (children’s) fun activities.

Patrons can register to win prizes, including a \$1,000 gift certificate. Other prizes include beach cottage stays, luxury golf packages and other MWR recreational and dining experiences.

Pre-register for July 3 overnight camping at the Hickam Marina Office. Space is limited. For more information on camping, call 449-5215.

The event is open to all military-affiliated and Department of Defense cardholders and their sponsored guests. Parking is available at Hickam Harbor, the Hawaii Air National Guard parking lot and Honeymoon Beach.

For more information, visit the websites www.greatlifehawaii.com or [Facebook.com/greatlifehawaii](https://www.facebook.com/greatlifehawaii).



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Wheel Throwing will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays, June 1 – July 6 at the Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. Participants should be ages 16 and older. The class includes creating functional and decorative ceramic forms on the potter's wheel. All basics will be covered. FMI: 448-9907.

Teen Summer Sessions begin June 4. There will be field trips, programs and projects. Sessions are open to ages 13-18 at the Hickam Teen Center. FMI: 448-0418.

Summer Fun Art Classes will be held Tuesdays – Fridays 10 a.m. to noon starting June 12. Kids ages 7-14 can create sculptures, tile for a mural, clay, fabric and more. There will be a different project every week. Register early. FMI: 448-9907.

Family/Group Sailing Instructions will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, June 1 – 29 at Rainbow Bay Marina. The course offers a brief introduction to sailing and is open to eligible adults and family member 10 years of age and older. FMI: 473-0279.

Golf Demo Day will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 1 at Mamala Bay Golf Course. This is a chance

to try out some of the latest golf equipment at the driving range. FMI: 449-2300.

Blue Pin Special will be held from 9:30 to noon on Sundays in June at the Naval Station Bowling Center. Participants can knock down a blue pin on their first ball when the blue pin is in the head position and receive one free game coupon good on their next visit. It is limited to one coupon per person per game. FMI: 473-2574.

Hawaiian Quilted Pillow class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. or 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, June 4 – 25 at the Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. Classes are for ages 14 and older. Students will learn the “snowflake” method of cutting out a Hawaiian motif and the technique of needle-turn applique to apply the design to a background fabric. FMI: 448-9907.

Free Ladies Golf Clinic will begin at 4 p.m. June 5 at Barbers Point Golf Course. FMI: 682-1911.

Around the World with Books Quilt activity will begin at 2 p.m. June 6 at the Hickam Library. Participants can decorate a fabric with a picture from their favorite book. The square will be included in a quilt to be hung in the library. FMI: 448-8299.

White Plains Beach to host All-Military Surf Classic



MWR Marketing photo

A participant heads down the beach for his heat.

White Plains beach is hosting its annual Hawaiian Island Creations – Quiksilver All-Military Surf Classic. Each year more than 100 military service members and family members enter the contest. The divisions include keiki 12 and under, open long board, active duty/military short board and active duty/military long board. Applications must be turned in by June 2 at the White Plains Beach Surf Shack or Hickam Marina Office. Retirees, reservists, Department of Defense civilians and family members can enter one division only.

“My staff and I look forward to this event every year and so do our MWR patrons. It's a great way to show off what they have learned since moving here in a competitive but safe environment,” said Marvin Nuestro, lifeguard and event organizer.

Not a big surfer? Spectators can watch the competition and cheer on the surfers while enjoying the sunshine and sand of White Plains Beach. For more information, call 682-4925 or visit greatlifehawaii.com.

Summer Concert Series kicks off June 21



MWR Marketing photo

The Pacific Fleet Band performs on the grassy area near the ITT Fleet Store.

The MWR Summer Concert series will start June 21 and continuing through September. The concerts will feature the Pacific Fleet Band, Air Force Band of the Pacific, and Marine Forces Pacific Concert Band. The June and July dates will begin at 5:30 p.m. at Hickam Harbor, on the lawn in front of Sam Choy's Island Style Seafood Grille.

The August and September dates will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the grassy area between the ITT Fleet Store and Scott Pool. Attendees should bring a beach chair or blanket, favorite treats and beverages. Food and drinks will be available for purchase at Sam Choy's for the June and July dates and at the Fleet Store (until 6 p.m.) at the August and September shows.

“This a great way to truly enjoy the Hawaiian weather and our military bands. These shows will be relaxing, enjoyable and a great way to spend your summer nights under the stars,” said Lara Katine, MWR special events director. For more information, visit greatlifehawaii.com.

Morale Welfare & Recreation

DOLLAR AND A HALF MONDAY

On Mondays between 5 and 9 p.m. throughout the month of June, the Naval Station Bowling Center will offer shoe rental, bowling and a hot dog for \$1.50 each. FMI: 473-2574.

LIBRARY KNOW-HOW

The Hickam Library will hold an educational tour beginning at 11 a.m. June 1. The staff will demonstrate how to find e-books, audiobooks, music and online foreign language training, as well as explaining the Universal Class for online continuing education and the Dewey Decimal system. FMI: 449-8299.

ADULT AND CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS

Hickam Pool 2 will offer a variety of swim lessons for beginning June 3. Classes are divided into four age groups: 6 months-3 years old, 3-4 years old, 5-16 years old, and 17 years and older. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

SUNRISE HIKE: KOKO HEAD

There will be a morning hike up Koko Head at 5:30 a.m. June 8. Departures are from the Outdoor Adventure Center-Fleet Store. This hike is strenuous and for the advanced. The last day to register is June 4. FMI: 473-1198.

WOMEN'S SURF CLASSES

The Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor will offer women's surf lessons at 9 a.m. June 15. Students will learn about the history, wave science, etiquette and techniques of surfing. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. The last day to register is June 11. FMI: 449-5215.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Preschool story time will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. June 12 at the Hickam Library. The theme will be "the beach and Hawaii." FMI: 449-8299.

MWR NEWCOMERS LUNCH

A free Morale Welfare and Recreation Newcomers Lunch will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 12 at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. This event features lunch, MWR information booths, sponsor tables and activities for kids. This event is open to all military-affiliated personnel during their first six months of arrival. FMI: 473-2570.

LEARN TO STAND-UP PADDLEBOARD

Learn the basics of paddleboarding at 9:30 or 10:45 a.m. June 22 at Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. June 18 is the last day to register. FMI: 449-5215.

Community Calendar

MAY

31 — The Hawaii Department of Education is accepting applications from the community to serve on the Hawaii Statewide Assessment Program (HSAP) Standard Setting committee for both the Hawaii state alternate assessments and the end-of-course exams. Sessions will be held in June and July and run for two to three days, seven hours a day. For more information, log on to <http://goo.gl/DBFk9>. Applicants must apply no later than May 31 via the online application. FMI: Kevin Kuai, American Institute of Research, at 943-3912 or email kkuei@air.org.

JUNE

1 — The City & County of Honolulu will hold the monthly statewide outdoor warning siren test at 11:45 a.m. The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam "Giant Voice" works in conjunction with Honolulu's outdoor warning sirens and will sound a steady tone for 45 seconds.

3 -14 — A basic skills class to help students prepare for the Armed Forces Classification Test will be held daily from 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. June 3 to 14 at the Navy College. The fee is \$20. A copy of the temporary assignment orders is needed for active duty service members to sign up. At least 10 participants are needed or the class will be canceled. The class is space available for family members. FMI: 473-4766.

15 — The USO will hold a Twilight Tribute to the Troops event from 3 to 9 p.m. at Sea Life Park. Parking is limited, so car-pooling is strongly recommended. Free off-site parking by shuttle transportation will be available from Bellows Air Force Base. The event will include entertainment by Chief Sielu, animal shows and giveaways. FMI: Kristin Tierney at 422-1213 or Melanie Bray at 259-2500.

AT A GLANCE

An Independence 5K run/walk will be held starting at 7 a.m. July 6 at Ford Island. Prizes will be awarded for the top three male and female finishers and for best patriotic costume. All proceeds will benefit the 2013 Enlisted Navy Ball. Sign up at www.active.com or www.navyballhawaii.com. FMI: www.facebook.com/#!/PearlHarborNavyBall.



PAIN AND GAIN (R)

The movie is based on the true story of Daniel Lugo (Mark Wahlberg) a Miami bodybuilder who wants to live the American dream. He enlists the help of fellow bodybuilder Adrian Doorbal (Anthony Mackie) and ex-convict, Christian bodybuilder Paul Doyle (Dwayne Johnson).

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 5/31
6:00 Oblivion (PG13)

SATURDAY 6/1
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7:00 Pain and Gain (R)

SUNDAY 1/2
2:00 The Croods (PG)

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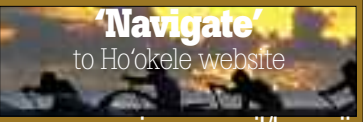
Having a ‘wheel’ good time at Kahuku Motocross Park

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Senior Master Sgt. Leonard Acosta Jr., 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, and children Justin, age 16, Ryan, 9, ride their dirt bike motorcycles recently at the Kahuku Motocross Park. Tech. Sgt. William “Raffy” Vargesespiet 647th Civil Engineer Squadron, is riding the four wheeler. His son, also named William, age 10, started riding about four months ago. The red dirt motocross track covers more than 400 acres and 50 riding trails east of Sunset Beach, Hawaii.

U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Mike Meares



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Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to a felony arrest, the recovery of drugs or stolen property. The process is anonymous and you never have to give your name. Tip submissions can be sent anytime by text, the web and smartphone app. Text NCIS plus your tip information to 274637 (CRIMES), log on to www.ncis.navy.mil and submit your tip, or visit the iTunes or Android mobile store to download the TipSubmit App.

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June 3, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3rd Radio Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe.

June 9, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pollock Theatre, Camp Smith.
For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or e-mail michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

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La Familia serves up fresh authentic Mexican cuisine to JBPHH patrons

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La Familia at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam makes homemade, fresh Mexican food daily with offerings that vary from enchiladas, burritos and taco salad to fried ice cream and tortilla soup.

La Familia is located on the Ke‘alohi Par 3 golf course across the street from the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. Upon entering the restaurant, immediately to your right are the new digital menu boards.

“This menu board is beautiful. It is going to have a huge impact on our customers. I get hungry just looking at it,” said Blanca Aguila, co-owner of La Familia.

La Familia has added new items to their extensive menu, but the main change is

the 10-minute menu. Patrons can choose from chicken or beef taco salad, chicken or beef chimichangas, or a taco plate with three tacos, hard or soft, chicken or beef served with refried beans and rice for \$10. The catch? If your meal isn’t out to you in 10 minutes, it’s free.

“We have had an overwhelming change in our lunch crowd since we added the 10-minute lunch menu. Word of mouth has been key,” Aguila said.

Customers can eat inside or outside overlooking the golf course and can choose from a plentiful menu for lunch or dinner.

“We are thrilled to get the menu boards up in La Familia, and the food is excellent. We hope to see more patrons frequenting La Familia for the special 10-minute menu,” said Jeffrey Harris, MWR marketing director.



Justin Hirai from MWR Marketing stands next to Blanca Aguila, co-owner of La Familia, in front of her new digital menu boards.

Coalition for Sailors Against Destructive Decisions holds freeze mob event

Story and photo by MC1
(SW) Cynthia Clark

AFN-Pacific Hawaii News Bureau

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam’s (JBPHH) Coalition for Sailors Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD) held a freeze mob event at the Fleet Store on May 24.

“We chose a freeze mob because we know it’s attention grabbing,” said Boatswain’s Mate 2nd Class Bryant McNeill, JBPHH Port Operations.

“We figured it would be an unorthodox and great way to get a great message out about suicide prevention, sexual assault awareness, and the overall mission of CSADD for the Memorial Day weekend.”

According to McNeill, the CSADD group chose the start to the holiday weekend to hold this event as preventative maintenance. They also want Sailors to know their shipmates care, and there are many

options available when it comes to liberty.

“We’re a group of Sailors that care about other shipmates, and we’re just trying to spread the word on suicide prevention, sexual assault awareness, non-alcoholic holiday liberty events – to put out a good message to the Navy,” he said.

Many of the Sailors who participated had a four-day weekend for the holiday, but they wanted to take the time out of their liberty to spread the important message.

“It’s for a good cause,” said Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Tiffany Johns. “My mom’s best friend was killed by a drunk driver. That kind of thing affects everyone. It’s definitely something we all need to be aware of. “Too many times a Sailor gets swept under a rug, just because no one was paying attention, so I think we really need to get it out there that there are ways to help. There are people out there willing to help. You’re not going to do it alone,” Johns said.



Mater-at-Arms 3rd Class Tiffany Johns, a member of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam’s Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions participates in a freeze mob at the Fleet Store on May 24.

Air Force, Navy, Marine bands to make sweet music this summer

A free summer concert series will feature the Pacific Fleet Band, Air Force Band of the Pacific, and the Marine Forces Pacific Concert Band. It will be held in partnership with Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

Authorized patrons are invited to bring a beach chair, blanket and their favorite treats and beverages to the concerts. All the concerts start at 5:30 p.m.

Events at Hickam Harbor are as follows:

- June 21, the Pacific Fleet Band popular music group will perform tunes from all mainstream genres including rock, pop, hip-hop, country and rhythm-and-blues.
- July 26, Hana Hou — the rock band of the United States Air Force Band — and the Pacific Fleet Band popular music group will perform classic rock, rhythm-and-blues, top 40 and Hawaiian favorites.

Events at the grassy area between the

Fleet Store and Scott Pool are as follows:

- Aug. 23, the Air Force Band of the Pacific’s “Papana” group and the Pacific Fleet VIP Combo band will perform a diverse repertoire including classic and contemporary jazz, Latin, bebop and original arrangements.
- Sept. 13, pops in the park will take place with Marine Forces Pacific Concert Band performing music from stage and screen, light classics and patriotic favorites. There may also be some surprises at this Friday the 13th concert.

The concerts are open to all military-affiliated personnel and Department of Defense ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. No pets, umbrellas or tents are allowed. The schedule is subject to change without notice.

For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or [Facebook.com/greatlife.hawaii](https://www.facebook.com/greatlife.hawaii).