

# PMRF, Lake Erie conduct operational flight tests

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On Oct. 3, the Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kauai and the USS Lake Erie (CG 70), participated in the second successful operational flight test of the Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) system in 15 days.

The tests, called Flight Test Standard Missile (FTM), were conducted with the U.S. Navy Sailors of the USS Lake Erie, in conjunction with the Missile Defense Agency and the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

“FTM-22 was unique because of the little amount of time we had to prepare for the mission, but the pride we can now take from a job well done was well worth the effort. It would not have been possible without the highly skilled Sailors I had the honor of working with,” said Lt. j.g. “Billy”

Goodyear, Lake Erie’s fire control officer.

USS Lake Erie, with a crew of 351 Sailors, is commanded by Capt. John S. Banigan.

The result was the successful intercept of a medium-range ballistic missile target over the Pacific Ocean by the Aegis BMD 4.0 Weapon System and a Standard Missile-3 (SM-3) Block IB guided missile.

“Two intercept tests conducted in 15 days is a testament to the dedication of MDA, U.S. Navy and PMRF to the mission,” said Cmdr. Juan Garcia, PMRF range operations officer. “Where usually we have about a month prep time to conduct one ballistic missile test, we prepped and conducted two intercepts.” The primary objective of FTM-21 was to conduct a lethal engagement of an unguided short range ballistic missile target with the Aegis BMD Weapon System and an SM-3 Block IB missile. FTM-22’s objective was to engage an unguided medium range ballistic missile target.

FTM-22 began with an Aegis BMD ship,

in this case the Lake Erie, receiving operational intelligence that simulated hostile forces are making preparations to take aggressive action against a friendly nation. The ship’s mission is to protect a defended area or deployed forces from ballistic missile attacks.

The ship’s crew uses this intelligence information with the Aegis BMD mission planner to determine an acceptable ship patrol area (ship operating area) along with recommended search sectors for the radar. The timing of the threat target launch is not revealed to any of the participants.

The target is launched from PMRF and the SPY-1 radar searches and detects the target as it enters the radar

search sector. Shortly after the target is detected and declared engageable by the weapon system, a fire control solution is calculated and the ship’s crew fires the SM-3 Block IB missile.

The system tracks the SM-3 missile throughout the remainder of its flight, while also transmitting track data to the Aegis BMD laboratory at Space and Naval Warfare Center (SPAWAR).

The two tests exercised the latest version of the second-generation Aegis BMD Weapon System, capable of engaging longer range and more sophisticated ballistic missiles.

“PMRF is a national treasure,” Garcia said. “Nowhere else in the world, can you

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A medium range ballistic missile target is launched from the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) in Kekaha, Kauai on Oct. 3. The target flew northwest towards a broad ocean area of the Pacific Ocean. Following target launch, the USS Lake Erie (CG 70) detected and tracked the missile with its onboard AN/SPY-1 radar. The ship equipped with the second-generation Aegis BMD weapon system, developed a fire control solution and launched a SM-3 Block IB guided missile to engage the target.



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Dustin W. Sisco  
This photo shows the guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) as it departed Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a scheduled western Pacific deployment last April.

## Chosin unites with world navies for an international exercise

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JERVIS BAY, Australia (NNS) -- An exercise scheduled to run through Oct. 18, dubbed ASEAN Defense Ministers Meeting Plus (ADMM+) brought together Navy personnel and ships from a number of Indo-Asian-Pacific countries and global partners.

“The aim of the exercise is to promote training and information sharing among participating countries and build a common understanding of procedures pertaining to

maritime security matters,” said Lt. Cmdr. Brandon Booher, operations officer of USS Chosin (CG 65).

Key naval staff were ferried from their mother ships anchored in Jervis Bay by a small personnel boat. The vessel was filled with a diverse blend of military dress and camouflage uniforms, each with their unique design and color as the cultures they came from.

Participants included staff from: Australia, Brunei, China, France,

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## Homecoming Memorial rededicated

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A rededication of the Operation Homecoming memorial took place at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oct. 7.

The ceremony was held near the original site the where first 20 prisoners of war (POWs) from Vietnam returned. Former POW retired Capt. Jerry Coffee, was guest speaker for the occasion.

Coffee, who was a POW for seven years and nine days, spoke about his time in prison and encouraged the ceremony’s attendees to never forget the contributions of the Vietnam veterans.

“This event was to commemorate and pay tribute to the American spirit, teamwork, optimism, courage and sacrifice of those held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam Conflict,” said Capt. Bryan Ewing Sr. of the 647th Contracting Squadron.

Between Feb. 12 to April 1, 1974, 591 POWs were released from captivity by the North Vietnam government and flown from Southeast Asia to Clark Air Base in the Philippines to Hickam Field. This was known as Operation Homecoming and marked the end of Vietnam War. On Feb. 12, 1974, the first POWs to return from the war landed at Hickam Air Force Base’s

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U.S. Air Force photo by Wiley Moore  
Members of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 907 salute the newly dedicated Operation Homecoming memorial at the rededication ceremony held Oct. 7 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

## Deadline for joint base healthy recipe cooking contest is Oct. 15

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

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam will host an “Operation Live Well” Healthy Base Kick Off event from 2 to 6 p.m. Oct.18 at Ward Field.

This free event will focus on new and ongoing programs to help people make healthy choices.

Activities will include a healthy recipe cooking contest.

Home chefs, culinary specialists and professional chefs are invited to bring their tastiest and healthiest dishes to showcase and share

with the community. Prizes range from private cooking demonstrations with nutrition/fitness experts to honorable mention in the four categories:

- Main dish — culinary specialist (CS) or professional chef.
- Dessert — culinary specialist (CS) or professional chef.
- Main dish —home chef.
- Dessert — home chef.

“Culinary specialist” or “professional chef” is defined as any individual who is paid or employed for their culinary services/skills, including active duty or Department of Defense personnel who work in food service of any

kind. “Home chef” is any individual who does not receive a salary or get paid for their cooking services.

Participants in the healthy recipe cooking contest must register by noon Oct. 15. All dishes must be delivered to Ward Field at the Healthy Base Initiative Kick Off event to the judging table between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. Oct. 18.

Judging criteria includes flavor and visual appeal, feasibility and creativity, and nutrient content and health appeal.

The Healthy Base Kick Off event will also include live music from the Pacific Fleet Brass Band, bounce houses and

adult obstacle courses.

There will be fitness demonstrations and workouts, including Navy Operation Fueling Fitness (NOFFS). Attendees can get body fat measurements, nutritional and fitness guides and tips.

In addition, there will be 15-minute informational sessions on topics such as:

- Zinc – Fact or Fiction?
- How to Rock Out Without Losing Your Hearing.
- Running Shoe Selection Based on Human Movement.
- Bug Off! Good Repellants that are Safe for Your Family.
- Timing of Fueling – Nutrition

Tips for Optimal Workouts.

- The Art of Managing Stress.

The film “Hotel Transylvania” will be shown at 6:15 p.m. Attendees can bring their own beach chairs, blanket and snacks.


Food will be available for purchase.

Contest rules, guidelines and how to enter are available at <http://ow.ly/pF9Og> or [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com)


For more information about how to register for the healthy recipe cooking contest, email [Mary.meyers@navy.mil](mailto:Mary.meyers@navy.mil), call 473-2431 or fax to the attention of Erica Meyers at (808) 422-1016.

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Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer. After each load, clean the filter to keep the dryer running efficiently. Also, periodically check the air vent and hose for clogging. Keeping the air vent and hose free of lint prevents a fire hazard.




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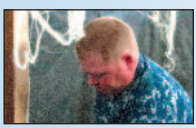
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# Bells ring at joint base for Navy’s 238th birthday

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Sailors participated in a bell-ringing ceremony at the Lockwood Hall lanai at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oct. 8 to recognize and celebrate the U.S. Navy’s 238th birthday.

Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, spoke about the Navy’s historical significance, placing special emphasis on the importance of each Sailor to the overall mission.

“Since the birth of our Navy, we have embraced war-fighting readiness with heroes like John Paul Jones, Edward Preble, Oliver Hazard Perry, David Farragut, Chester Nimitz, Doris Miller, Michael Murphy and hundreds more,” Williams said.

“Today we reflect on this honorable and glorious history, and we take this opportunity to thank our Sailors of yesterday and today for



Logistics Specialist 1st Class Marcus Burdios rings a ceremonial bell during a ceremony at Lockwood Hall lanai at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

their service. We have an amazing and talented team, capable and proven ready.”

The significance of the world’s oceans and the international role

of the Navy were highlighted during the ceremony.

"The CNO's second tenet is 'Operate Forward.' From the moment we became a nation we

proved our mettle on the high seas and then with United States Marines to the shores of Tripoli. We operate forward in the Pacific, especially in the previous century, and now obviously in this one," said Williams.

“Seventy percent of the earth's surface is covered by water, 80 percent of the world's population lives near the ocean, and 90 percent of international trade travels by the sea. So, we have to be ready 100 percent of the time on, above and under the seas – protecting the freedom earned 238 years ago.”

Logistics Specialist 1st Class Marcus Burdios rang a ceremonial bell eight times, signifying the end of the current birthday year and the end of the watch.

Following the ceremony, at Lockwood Hall, participants were invited to the Silver Dolphin Bistro for a special meal and cake cutting with Williams. Following tradition, the most senior officer and youngest active duty Sailor cut the Navy birthday cake.

Sonar Technician Submarine

Seaman Shyler Brown, at 19 years old, was determined to be the youngest active duty Sailor present and joined Williams in using a ceremonial cutlass for the cake cutting.

“I didn’t see that coming. It was an awesome experience,” Brown said. “It was an honor to cut the cake with the rear admiral.”

Master Chief Master-at-Arms David Aguilera, the event coordinator, said he was glad to see such a turn out at the event.

“It’s nice to see so many Sailors come out from the afloat and ashore commands to take time out of their busy schedules and come celebrate our birthday,” Aguilera said.

The U.S. Navy traces its origins to the Continental Navy, which the Continental Congress established on Oct. 13, 1775. In 1972, then Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Elmo Zumwalt authorized recognition of Oct. 13 as the official Navy birthday. This year’s theme for the Navy birthday is “Defending America with Pride Since 1775.”

## Commander Submarine Squadron One holds change of command ceremony

MC2 Steven Khor

*COMSUBPAC Public Affairs*

Commander, Submarine Squadron One held a change of command ceremony Oct. 4 at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Capt. James Childs, commanding officer of Squadron One, was relieved by Capt. Harry Ganteaume.

The ceremony’s guest speaker, Rear Adm. Phillip Sawyer, commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, praised Childs for his exceptional performance while in command of Squadron One.

“A trademark of a top performing command is leadership with the right vision combined with the skill and tenacity to execute it,” Sawyer said.

“It is very clear to me that Squadron One, under Commodore Childs’ leadership, had both the right vision and the ability to execute it. I am very appreciative of all

that you have done for Squadron One, the Pacific Submarine Force and our future submarine force.”

Childs said he is proud of having had the opportunity to be in command of Squadron One and working with a fantastic team of Sailors.

“If there is anything that has been impressed upon me here in Pearl Harbor, it is that the Pacific Fleet submarine commanding officers and crews and the professionals who support those national treasures, are up to the task,” he said.

“I could not have asked for a better group of submarine professionals, and I thank you for your service and willingness to go the extra mile for your shipmates at sea.”

Childs assumed command of Squadron One in June 2011. During his tenure, he successfully managed the merger of Squadrons One and Three upon Squadron Three’s inactivation in 2012. Eight submarines conducted deployments to the western Pacific and the Central Command area of oper-



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Jason C. Swink

Capt. James Childs passes through side boys at the conclusion of his change of command ceremony for Submarine Squadron One held aboard the Virginia-class fast attack submarine USS Hawaii (SSN 776).

ations and he managed the transition of six different ships from or through modernizations or ship-

yard availabilities, including three homeport shifts.

Saying that he was appreciative

of Childs’ “magnificent” work at the helm of Squadron One, Sawyer told the collective audience that Childs’ true legacy would be in the submarine officers that he mentored and trained as commodore.

“Your legacy is the officers you have nurtured and trained,” Sawyer said. “You have groomed a generation of submarine force leaders that will carry us into an uncertain future.”

During the ceremony, Childs received the Legion of Merit for his performance.

As Ganteaume assumed command of Squadron One, he congratulated Childs for a highly successful major command tour and thanked him for passing on such an effective squadron.

“It is an exciting time to be in the fleet submarine force. As I take command, I am confident we will sustain our squadron’s proud tradition and effectiveness in providing forward-deployed fleet commanders with mission-ready submarines,” Ganteaume said.



Commentary

# Navy in Hawaii – Inspiring namesakes, historic installations

**Rear Adm. Rick Williams**

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

This weekend we celebrate the birth of our Navy – Oct. 13, 1775.

The Continental Congress called for two ships to be built, under the control of Gen. George Washington. Soon other ships would be built and would fight in the name of independence and freedom from tyranny.

It's been said that the United States Army—with its citizen soldier militia—was born from the land. Similarly, the Navy was born from the sea, as privateers and merchants banded together to fight for freedom of commerce.

We've been defending the



Rear Adm. Rick Williams

seas ever since.

### Inspiring namesakes

Here in Hawaii our ships of MIDPAC show how that history has evolved.

Consider these namesakes:

USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) – Paul Hamilton fought in the American Revolution.

He became Secretary of the Navy, including in the first months of the War of 1812.

USS Lake Erie (CG 70) – One year into the War of 1812, the U.S. Navy achieved victory in the Battle of Lake Erie, whose bicentennial was commemorated last month.

USS Port Royal (CG 73) – One of the earliest amphibious operations of the Civil War was the Battle of Port Royal in South Carolina, a victory for President Lincoln.

USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) – Rear Adm. Gordon Pai'ea Chung-Hoon commanded USS Sigsbee in WWII and received the Navy Cross and Silver Star for conspicuous gallantry and extraordinary heroism.

USS Halsey (DDG 97) – One hundred years ago, 1913, William "Bull" Halsey commanded a torpedo flotilla. He earned a Navy Cross in the First World War and 71 years ago this month, he took command in the South Pacific during the Guadalcanal Campaign in

WWII under Fleet Adm. Nimitz.

USS O'Kane (DDG 77) – Submarine commander, prisoner of war and Medal of Honor recipient Rear Adm. Richard H. O'Kane was officially recognized for sinking 24 enemy ships in WWII.

USS Chosin (CG 65) – Marines of the First Marine Division fought one of the most renowned battles in modern warfare in the Battle of Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War in the winter of 1950.

USS Chafee (DDG 90) – Marine veteran of Guadalcanal and the Battle of Okinawa, John L. H. Chafee, was also governor and senator from Rhode Island. He served as Secretary of the Navy in the late '60s, appointing Adm. Elmo Zumwalt as CNO during Vietnam.

USS Hopper (DDG 70) – Rear Adm. "Amazing" Grace Hopper was a pioneer in computer languages who, through her work, helped us

win the Cold War and provide a cyber advantage for our country.

USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) – Faced with a moral dilemma while on patrol in Afghanistan, Lt. Michael Murphy, with ties to 9/11, showed honor, courage and commitment, putting himself at risk to try to save his fellow SEALs. He was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously.

### Historic installations

These ships are homeported at historic Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Hundreds of other operational and support commands, headquarters and tenants are homeported here in Hawaii, too. We salute their achievements during this Navy birthday celebration.

Our installations continue to make history in this decade. In 2010, Hickam Air Force Base joined with Naval Station Pearl Harbor to become JBPHH, forming a truly historic air-sea team here on Oahu. This year,

promoting fitness and readiness, the joint base achieved a tremendous milestone as one of a handful of installations chosen for the DOD Healthy Base Initiative.

The Pacific Missile Range Facility at Barking Sands, Kauai began as Army's Mana Airport in 1940 and became an Air Force base in the '50s, gradually transitioning to the Navy.

Today, PMRF, in partnership with local residents, farmers and fishermen, has built a model of operational readiness and environmental stewardship. We continue to provide state-of-the-art testing and training there and, with the Missile Defense Agency, we continue making history.

The strategic rebalancing of forces and resources to Indo-Asia-Pacific is part of our unfolding history. Region and MIDPAC remain invested in defending freedom here, and our readiness is the testament of that commitment. Happy birthday, Navy!

## Diverse Views



### What is your favorite comic strip?



CSC Sarmaine Johnson  
USS Chafee

"Dennis the Menace. He was always clever, always getting into trouble, which always involved the neighbor getting into a jam. I could identify with that."

Senior Airman Ian McCandless  
15th Wing

"Calvin and Hobbes is by far my favorite comic. My dad and I always used to read them when I was growing up. They are the funniest and I have the entire collection."



YNSA Daniel Martin Ordonio  
PACOM JIOC

"Garfield. It's the only one I remember."

Staff Sgt. Shaun Bustillos  
15th Wing

"I would say X-Men is my favorite comic, because they are all essentially a bunch of bad-(expletive deleted). It was always cool to see their origin stories of all of the characters."



ETSN Reese Hand  
USS Columbus

"Zits. A lot of what happens to him is close to what happened to me growing up."

Tech Sgt. Michael Smart  
15th Wing

"My favorite comic would have to be Garfield. I actually grew up watching the cartoons so I would read them whenever I saw them in the paper."



Lt. Rick Williams (U.S. Navy)  
2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines (Kaneohe Bay)

"The Far Side. It's crazy, goofy, and real. It really touched a side of humor I have."

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Commentary

# Hope in the darkest hour - life worth living

**Chief Master Sgt. Steve K. McDonald**

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I recently heard a story of a young man who woke up every day and asked himself what he had to live for. Most would think that was a fairly common question.

For this young man however, the difference was the number of reasons he could come up with to live for determined the number of bullets he would put into the clip of his handgun.

If he could think of 15 reasons to live, no bullets would make it into the clip. This was his way of deciding if life was worth living.

When I was 16 years old, my older brother was faced with that thought and however he looked at it, he decided life wasn't worth it.

My brother hung himself and took his life. He took away his future. He took away the possibility of growing up and meeting his wife and having a wonderful family. He took away my older brother and I have often asked why.

I could probably think of



Chief Master Sgt. Steve K. McDonald

a few things that contributed to him getting to that point in his life. There were some life experiences that probably left him a little confused. Unfortunately, I wasn't there with him so I will only say what I know to be true: that my 18-year-old brother had a moment on a Sunday morning in Columbus, Georgia where he made the decision that life wasn't worth living.

I have often thought about what my darkest hour would look like. Would it be when I couldn't think of a single reason to continue living? Would it be

when all that I hold dear is snatched away or if there was a tragic accident and I lost my family?

What if something happened to me and I was unable to provide for my family? What if I messed up very badly and was faced with legal problems? What if I did something that would cause extreme public humiliation for me and my family?

The honest truth is I don't know what my darkest hour will be but I do know that I had better be prepared for and ready to deal with it. Therein lies the dilemma. How do I prepare for something when I don't know what it is?

My answer is: "hope." I am not talking about wishing your life will never have serious, life-altering issues. I am talking about having hope.

Ask yourself the question: "What in life is worth living for no matter what else happens?" What can you believe in that can't be taken away by circumstances? What purpose can you hold on to no matter life's circumstances? This is definitely an individual

question with an individual answer. I can't answer the question for you. I can only answer it for me. I have hope. Even though I don't know what my darkest hour would be, I know that I have hope in life that there is something worth living for.

The Air Force has made great strides in the area of resiliency and expressing the importance of being able to deal with life's stressors and setbacks. Being emotionally, physically, socially and spiritually fit are essential to a healthy and stable life. Air Force resiliency can even help you identify the good things you have in life.

I thought my brother had a lot going for him in life. From all outward appearances, he seemed like a pretty resilient young man. But in his darkest hour, he ran out of reasons for living. He did not have a purpose. He did not have a source of hope.

Hope is generally not a good strategy but at our darkest times, it might be the only strategy. Please think about what your hope is before your darkest hour. Think about it today.

## Australian ace lands at Wheeler Field

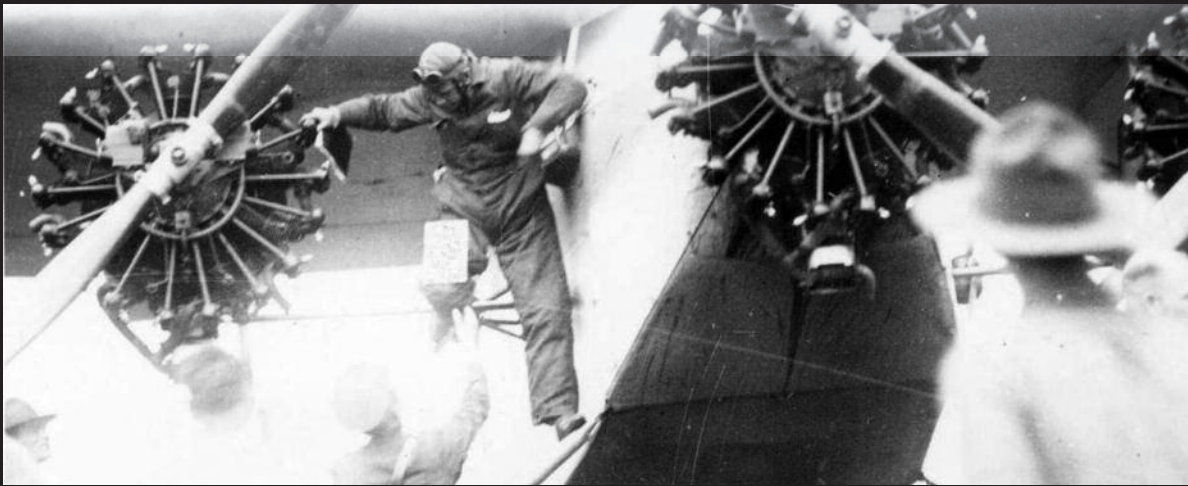


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Australian flying ace Sir Charles Kingsford Smith disembarks from the Lockheed Altair airplane named Lady Southern Cross at Wheeler Field, Oahu on Oct. 29, 1934. Smith's feat was the world's first west-east trans-Pacific flight, which took place 79 years ago this month.



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# Federal firefighters receive awards for saving life of service member

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Firefighters assigned to the Federal Fire Department, Station One, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam were honored during a life saving awards presentation on Oct. 4.

Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, presented Navy Fire and Emergency Service Life Saving Awards to six firefighters and emergency medical technicians (EMT) for successfully resuscitating a 45-year-old active duty military member who suffered a cardiac arrest.

“In the Navy, I think, we are supposed to be firefighters first,” said Williams, addressing the firefighters. “This is how I was raised as a young officer, and it really paid off on several occasions in my career.

You are the first responders, the first to go in harm’s way and not only do you have to save yourself but save others. That has got to be extremely rewarding to you – personally and professionally.”

Williams added that we should never take emergency personnel for granted.



Jarett Martin, firefighter/emergency medical technician (EMT) paramedic, receives a life saving award pin during an awards presentation at the Federal Fire Department, Station One, at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

“We cannot live without you; you are our insurance policy, our rescue policy,” Williams added. “You make a lot of personal sacri-

fices not only through your training and family separation, but also by going into harm’s way. First responders, to me, are some

of the most important people in our country, and you are some of the most important people to our military. I appreciate the opportunity to be here today and be part of this. It means a lot to me.”

In May 2013, medic 2 (M-2), an advance life support transport ambulance, staffed by Firefighter/EMT-Paramedics Aaron Pitt and Jarett Martin responded to a medical emergency along with engine 102, staffed by Fire Lt./EMT-I Shane Furuta, driver operator/ EMT-I Jason Choi and Firefighter/EMT’s Dennis Nardo and Harry Lyons. A call to 911 was for an active duty Coast Guard member who was complaining of chest pains. He was transported by ambulance when he experienced a cardiac arrest.

Basic and advanced life support medical treatments were performed by personnel from M-2 and engine 102. The CPR treatment included an intravenous line, two rounds of cardiac medications and manual defibrillations.

Working as a team, both crews were able to provide proper patient care and were able to safely transport the patient to the Tripler Army Medical Center Emergency Department.

“In Navy fire and emergency services we have what is called the life saving or the significant achievement award program,”

said Fletcher Dahman, regional fire chief, fire and emergency services.

“An award is given when individuals perform an act above and beyond the normal firefighting duties.”

Award recipients were presented with a written award certificate, a Commander Navy Installations command coin, and a uniform pin with a number in the center that signifies how many lives a firefighter has been responsible for saving. For Choi, Nardo and Martin, this was the first time receiving a lifesaving award.

“A lot of people go through their whole carrier without receiving an award,” Nardo said.

“I have been with the department just one year now. There are guys who go 10, 15, 20 years and they don’t even have the life saving award. For me it is humbling, I am enthusiastic about what’s next.”

The Federal Fire Department, whose motto is “Protecting Those Who Defend America,” provides fire protection and emergency medical services to Department of Defense installations. It also provides mutual aid to the City and County of Honolulu. The department includes 242 trained civilian personnel, 13 stations, 28 firefighting apparatus and 13 specialized response vehicles.

## USS Charlotte returns to Pearl Harbor after completing deployment

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Friends and families of the crew of USS Charlotte (SSN 766) gathered at the submarine piers to welcome back the Los Angeles-class submarine as it returned Oct. 2 to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam after completing a deployment to the western Pacific.

“I am very pleased with our crew’s performance during the deployment and our ability to contribute to the overall effort of the [U.S.] 7th Fleet and Submarine Group Seven Commanders,” said Cmdr. Drew Miller, Charlotte’s commanding officer.

“Each crew member made full use of the deployment period to enhance his personal level of knowledge while assisting in improving our teams’ professional competency, a hallmark of the submarine force.”

During the deployment, 12 Sailors and four officers earned

their designation as qualified in submarines and now wear their dolphin warfare insignia.

Along with this accomplishment, 15 Sailors advanced in rank and three Sailors were initiated into the Chiefs’ Mess.

With this being the first deployment for more than a third of the crew, Miller said one of the keys to the mission’s success was how well new Sailors were welcomed into the Charlotte family.

“Our new Sailors have been able to quickly acclimate to the high paced life aboard our fast attack submarine and experienced tremendous professional growth,” said Miller.

“For the officers and enlisted who completed their first deployment, they were able to gain real-world experience of how to successfully execute a wide-array of submarine missions important to theater and national security.”

During the six-month deployment, Charlotte took part in Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training 2013 (CARAT) and a theater security cooperation port visit to Singapore.



Electronics Technician 2nd Class Michael Wilson embraces his wife and son with the traditional first hug as the Los Angeles-class attack submarine USS Charlotte (SSN 766) returns home.

Charlotte’s crew also hosted distinguished visitors and enjoyed liberty in Yokosuka, Japan.

“I developed an appreciation for different cultures in Singapore and Japan,” said

Yeoman 3rd Class Bryan Means.

“I realized that when visiting other countries, it’s really important to respect the way the nationals in those countries live, as they’ve honored us by allowing

us to visit.”

Friends and families crowded the pier to welcome them home as they arrived at join base.

“I can hardly stand it. I want to cry, laugh and jump up and down,” said Gerri Bosch while waiting for the submarine’s arrival. She traveled from Jenison, Mich. with her husband to welcome home their son, Fire Control Technician 3rd Class Tyler Bosch, from his first deployment. “I am so proud of him. This has been a really positive experience.”

“I am looking forward to spending time with my family in Oahu,” said Culinary Specialist 1st Class Samuel Villarreal. “Six months is a long time to be away from your family, and it feels good to be welcomed home by loved ones.”

Charlotte is the fourth U.S. Navy ship to bear the name of the North Carolina city. Commissioned on Sept. 16, 1994 at Norfolk, Va., the submarine is 360-feet long and 6,900 tons displacement. It arrived at its new homeport, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on Nov. 17, 1995.



# Pearl Harbor-Hickam Highlights

Kodey Deuz, (center), operates a bomb robot with the help of Senior Airman Ben Hancock, 647th Civil Engineer Squadron munitions journeyman, (right), as his mother Alicia and sister Kelci, (left), look on, as part of the Pilot for a Day program at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oct. 4. (See story and additional photos on page B-1.)

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



(Right) Search and recovery team members discover a simulated "leg" during a recent training exercise held Sept. 26 on Hickam Beach. The purpose of the search and recovery team is to respond to military-related incidents on base, including military vehicle, aircraft mishap and mass casualty incidents, if and when they occur.

U.S. Air Force photo by SrA Christopher Stoltz



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Gary Granger Jr.

(Above) Marines from the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit mobilize a light armored vehicle from a landing craft air cushion from Assault Craft Unit 5 embarked aboard the amphibious transport dock ship USS New Orleans (LPD 18) for a mock beach raid at Marine Corps Base Hawaii. New Orleans is underway for deployment as part of the Boxer Amphibious Ready Group.



(Left) Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, addresses firefighters during an awards presentation at the Federal Fire Department, Station One, Oct. 4 on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Williams presented six firefighters/EMTs with a lifesaving award for successfully resuscitating an active duty military member who suffered a cardiac arrest. (See story and additional photo on page A-4.)

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Diana Quinlan

(Right) Volunteers (left to right) Fred Ferrell, U.S. Marines (retired), Randy Gratz, a retired police officer and Cal Evans, U.S. Navy (retired), work on a Douglas C-47 Skytrain at hangar 79 of the Pacific Aviation Museum (PAM) Pearl Harbor, on Ford Island. The museum's staff is in the process of restoring the C-47 to be a part of the exhibit depicting World War II paratrooper designated aircraft, slated to go on display by spring of 2014.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Diana Quinlan





# Joint base hosts 2013 Surface Force Women’s Waterfront Symposium

Story and photo by  
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Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam held the 2013 Surface Force Women’s Waterfront Symposium on Oct. 3 at Lockwood Hall lanai.

The event was hosted by Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. The symposium featured workshops on stress management, financial management, new parent and youth services, nutrition, fitness and education services. Additionally, there were interactive open forum discussions on leadership and life-work balance.

“The main goal of the symposium is to foster a conversation about how to incorporate a successful work/life balance into a surface warfare career path,” said Lt. Erika Betancourt, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

“Participants directly interacted with successful and knowledgeable women in surface warfare leadership and were able to network with other women. The symposium also focused on professional development of women serving at sea,” Betancourt said.

Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii



Rear Adm. Rick Williams commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, gives opening remarks at 2013 Surface Force Women’s Waterfront Symposium.

and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, gave the opening remarks. He spoke of his own experiences as both a leader and a

father, trying to balance his professional goals with his personal life.

“Having a quality of life con-

tributes to quality of service,” he said.

Williams stressed how important planning was to maintaining

work/life balance.

“Planning is the art of the deal,” he said. “There is nothing I do without a plan. Life is a mission.”

Rear Adm. Nancy Norton, director of the command, control, communications and cyber directorate, U.S. Pacific Command, also spoke.

Among those participating in the panel discussions were Chief Warrant Officer 3 Vanderla Akaka, Afloat Training Group Middle Pacific, and Command Master Chief (SW) Patricia Roebuck, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

Betancourt said she considered the symposium “a great success.”

“There was a lot of networking during the breaks and after the event,” she said. “There was a lot of positive feedback, and the biggest complaint was that the word did not get out to enough people. We will do better next year to make sure this gets widest dissemination.”

It wasn’t just women who benefited from the symposium. “Even though this was geared toward surface women, we had a few males that attended the event,” said Betancourt.

“Overall, the information was relevant to anyone in the service. We had some Coast Guard representation as well. We hope to have more diversity next year,” she said.

## Two intercepts in 15 days

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perform this type of testing and training.” Garcia added that other ranges have to compete with much higher levels of commercial aviation and water traffic. “We don’t have the same issues as other training ranges because we are so remote.”

PMRF is the world’s largest instrumented multi-environment range capable of supporting surface, subsurface, air, and space operations

simultaneously.

There are more than 1,100 square miles of instrumented underwater range and more than 42,000 square miles of controlled airspace — and when needed, up to 2.1 million square miles of temporary range space.

FTM-22 was the fifth consecutive successful intercept test of the SM-3 Block IB guided missile with the Aegis BMD 4.0 Weapon System. Findings of operational tests, FTM-21 and 22, will support fol-

low-on production decisions for the SM-3 Block IB guided missile.

FTM-22 is the 28th successful intercept in 34 flight test attempts for the Aegis BMD program since flight-testing began in 2002. Across all Ballistic Missile Defense System programs, this is the 64th successful hit-to-kill intercept in 80 flight test attempts since 2001.

Aegis BMD is the naval component of the MDA’s Ballistic Missile Defense System.

## Exercise is learning opportunity

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FS Micronesia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Jebat, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Singapore, Spain, Tonga, Thailand, Vietnam and the United States.

As part of the exercise, some military leaders exchanged views while living aboard partner ships. Three Vietnamese officers joined the crew of Chosin.

“This is a great learning opportunity for all involved,” said Sr. Capt. Mai Duc Tran of the Vietnam navy.

The three-day exercise included ship boarding and security exercises, flight operations and fleet movements. It will culminate with an international fleet review including public ship tours, pyrotechnic lightshow and parade to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the entry of the Royal Australian navy’s fleet into Sydney.

Chosin is currently operating in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility to enhance maritime partnerships and promote peace and stability in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.



# NAVFAC Hawaii helps promote energy-conscious culture at JBPHH

Story and photo by  
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October is Energy Awareness Month, and the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii Energy Team at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam is emphasizing how shifting daily routines at work and at home regarding energy use is essential to energy conservation.

“Our goal is to get individuals to stop and think about how they use energy, to change their habits and to start turning equipment and appliances off when they don’t need them,” said Kathleen Ramirez, NAVFAC Hawaii energy team member and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) installation energy manager.

“We also want to increase awareness about user friendly tools that can help them [consumers] reduce energy consumption.”

One such energy conservation tool is a plug-in appliance timer. These devices are being introduced by NAVFAC Hawaii specifically to control water coolers, but these timers can be used on other appliances too. They are seven-day-timers and can be calibrated to fit the user’s schedule.

NAVFAC Hawaii expects the electrical timers will be more in



One energy conservation tool, a plug-in appliance timer, can be used on various equipment and is expected to be in demand by Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii personnel once they are distributed and put into use in command office buildings.

demand once they are distributed and put into use in command office buildings. The timer will allow water coolers to be turned off during evenings and weekends when no one is in the facility, saving the cost of cooling water that doesn’t need to be cooled.

“With the new FY14 electri-

cal rate of \$0.58 per kilowatt-hour, one timer on one drinking fountain can save a command \$300/year,” Ramirez said. “Multiply that times every drinking fountain in every building and it adds up to some real savings for the Navy. The best part is these timers were given to the Navy for free through the Hawaii Energy rebate program.”

A surge protector or power strip is another useful device to assist employees and families in offsetting electricity costs. The surge protectors are used to control phantom loads. Phantom loads refer to devices that continue to draw power when supposedly “off,” such as a battery charger, coffee maker, copy machine or printer.

According to Ramirez, “In a recent research and development project, we were able to reduce one building’s energy consumption by 8 percent just by installing smart power strips and timers to control plug loads.”

Smart power strips are available at hardware/computer stores or online and generally cost less than \$20. The strips are particularly useful for most frequently used equipment and appliances, including desktop computer systems.

Some are even equipped with occupancy sensors or a wireless switch that can be mounted on the wall, enabling users to con-

veniently cut power off from their appliances when needed.

According to the Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO), the majority of a typical office building’s energy usage is derived from air conditioning and light fixtures.

One way to have a big impact on energy consumption is to reduce the number of fluorescent lamps in light fixtures in hallways between office spaces, providing the brightest light only in spaces used most frequently by employees.

Most fluorescent fixtures have anywhere from two to four lamps in them. Removing one or two fluorescent lamps from overhead fixtures is called “de-lamping,” and it can reduce your energy consumption from 25-50 percent.

In addition to the number of light fixtures, the type of light bulbs used can greatly impact energy bill expenses.

NAVFAC Hawaii’s energy team is currently conducting a pilot project to measure the effectiveness of more energy efficient light bulbs in a representative office building.

The 6-month long energy demonstration project began Sept. 23 in NAVFAC Hawaii’s main compound in building A-4. The energy team and contractor, Pacific Power, replaced standard fluorescent fixtures with light emitting diodes (LED) fixtures equipped with occupancy sensors.

The traditional fluorescent fixture costs 1.4 cents/hour to run compared to the new LED fixture which costs ¾ of a cent/hour to operate. The occupancy sensors help save even more by turning off the lights over a single individual cubicle when the employee leaves.

LED bulbs are also available as alternatives to standard incandescent light bulbs to use in homes. They are more energy efficient even than compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) bulbs. LEDs are available at most hardware stores and online for as low as \$20 and the customer may apply for rebates from Hawaii Energy.

“Here in Hawaii, the NAVFAC electrical rate will more than double in fiscal year 2014, from 26 cents/kWh to 58 cents/per kWh,” Ramirez said.

“That is 123 percent from the last fiscal year’s rate. I anticipate government employees and base residents will have a lot of questions on how to save, and these tools and technologies are some of the cheapest and easiest means to reduce energy consumption quickly.”

These are a few of the various energy-saving devices available that will help users change their unproductive energy habits and help their organizations reduce energy consumption and their own households decrease energy costs.

## Operation Homecoming ceremony pays tribute to veterans of Vietnam War

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Military Airlift Command Terminal and stepped off the plane to more than 2,000 members of the Hickam community waiting to welcome them home.

A monument was soon built to serve as a reminder of the historical moment and was a mainstay in the parking lot of the gas station for more than 40 years before a small group of students at Hanalani High School came up with the idea to relocate it to a more peaceful location.

According to Jessie Higa, volunteer base historian, the new memorial, com-

plete with benches, a small flower garden and walk path, is now a place where veterans can come for reflection, fellowship and inspiration away from the hustle and bustle of the gas station customers.

“We needed to do a community project and decided to do this as a way to commemorate the service and sacrifice that the men of the Vietnam War gave us,” said Bryan Ewing Jr., a junior at Hanalani High School and project participant.

“This took a lot of time and effort but was a big deal for us. I’m very honored and glad that we chose

this. We did great work and I’m really very proud.”

Higa said the project, which originated during a base tour she was giving, was a good way to get younger members of the community involved in the history of the base.

“This ceremony not only acknowledges that our base doesn’t forget the contributions these men made to our history, but it is a teaching opportunity for the next generation,” she said.

“They have to get involved. They have to get personally invested in history and make a contribution in order to make it more valuable to them and make

them want to pass it on. Patriotism is not something you teach. It’s something you have to experience and that’s where true loyalty is formed. That’s how you build an appreciation for legacy and honor.” Higa said.

Higa said though the previous memorial was built with good intentions, being in an obscure location resulted in years of neglect. However, thanks to the

school donating a grant from the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, as well as donations from the Hickam Chiefs’ Group and Top Three, the new memorial is now under contract and will be maintained year round for vets who want to visit it.

“That’s the unfortunate state of the economy right now,” she said. “Everyone is doing more with less. With the state of money and manpower things like this truly

would not happen without volunteers and donations. Everyone has to do their part to help out. It really is about partnership and serving where we can to fill in the gaps.”

The new Operation Homecoming Memorial is located on the corner of Freedom Avenue next to the skate park and is accessible 24 hours a day, seven-days-a-week to those with a military ID.



# Life&Leisure

## Pilot For a Day: Kodey Deuz visits JBPHH

Story and photos by  
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15th Wing Public Affairs

Imagine being born with your heart, one of the most vital organs in your body, being defective. Next imagine having to endure open-heart surgery at the tender age of 4 months old.

Kodey Deuz, 6, was born with a ventricular septal defect (VSD) in his heart, a condition in which there is one or more holes in the wall that separates the right and left ventricles of the heart.

Though currently free of VSD, Kodey still suffers from other heart-related life-threatening heart issues.

However, none of that stops this golden heart boy who dreams of one day becoming a firefighter and helping his fellow man.

"We are closely monitoring how he handles physical activities because if he starts to dwindle down, they will need to replace his aortic valve," said Alicia, Kodey's mother.

The Pilot for a Day program gives children with serious or chronic conditions a special day and a break from whatever challenges they may face.

Kodey was selected for the Pilot for the Day program at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) after he contracted blood infection during a visit to the dentist.

For most people who get their gums scratched during a dental visit it heals. But for him the bacteria quickly spread to his blood stream and then directly to his heart.

This happened recently when one of his fillings fell out and he had to have it replaced. The bacteria got into his blood stream, and he had to be hospitalized for two months. During that time the doctors were waiting to see if he would need open-heart surgery again, but he eventually recovered.

Kodey, his mother, father, and sister, toured different areas of JBPHH on Oct. 4 as guests of the "Pilot for a Day" program hosted by the 96th Airlift Squadron.

During his visit, Kodey was able to "fly" in a KC-135 simulator, operate a bomb disposal robot, learn about aircrew flight equipment, and receive a first-hand tour of a KC-135.

"One of the activities that Kodey enjoyed the most was a 20-man inflatable life raft. He bounced around in it as if it were his own private little bounce house," said Alicia.

"Our family has never toured any military bases, and we never got to see all the things military members do," she said. "We learned a lot about the KC-135 Stratotanker, the flight crew and the boom. Typically we only see stuff like that in the movies. It was good to be able to see all the equipment and the people who maintain it first-hand."

"I really appreciate all they have done for him. Not many people receive opportunities like this. He was very excited about the day, and it ended up being a great opportunity for him," Alicia said.

"It was an honor to host Kodey and his family and show them the mission of the 15th Wing. Seeing the smile on Kodey's face as he flew the KC-135 simulator truly validated the mission of the Pilot for a Day program. I think he had a great time," said 1st Lt. Matt Savage, the vice president of the 15th Wing's Pilot for a Day program.



Kodey Deuz, a child battling life-threatening health issues, tries on a bomb suit helmet with the help of Staff Sgt. Allen Middaugh, a 647th Civil Engineer Squadron explosives ordnance craftsman.



(Above): Kodey hops into an up-armored HUMVEE during a tour of the explosive ordnance disposal work center facility.

Kodey, (Left), and his sister Kelci, pose for a photo from the cockpit of a KC-135 Stratotanker on the flightline at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oct. 4.

(Below left): Kodey sits in the pilot seat of the KC-135 aircraft simulator.

(Below): An "honorary squadron membership" certificate, flight patch and aviator scarf were presented to Kodey by Col. Mike Merritt, (left), 15th Operations Group commander, at the KC-135 Squadron building.





# USS O’Kane scores more points, but loses playoff game

Story and photo by  
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It’s not often that the team loses the game while ahead in points, but that’s exactly what happened when USS O’Kane (DDG 77) was forced to forfeit a playoff showdown with USS Lake Erie (CG 70) “B” after officials were notified about an ineligible player.

The first-round Summer Basketball League playoff game was held Oct. 5 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

The player in question was seen playing on another team in an earlier postseason contest.

Morale, Welfare and Recreation rules prohibit players from participating on more than one team.

Chief Damage Controlman Luis Garcia, a guard for O’Kane, said that while a win is a win, this was not the way that the team wanted to advance to its semifinal matchup against regular-season champs USS Port Royal (CG 73) Hoyas on Oct. 12 at JBPHH Fitness Center.

“We were looking forward to keep on playing, but rules are rules and they called it,” Garcia said. “We were coming back. Our guys were ready after the half.”

In the first half, Garcia helped Lake Erie stay within striking range by zeroing in on a couple of shots from the perimeter.

O’Kane pulled ahead in the first half by a score of 16-7



on the strength of Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) 3rd Class Alex Jiles, who scored seven of the team’s points on a three-point shot, a basket and two free throws.

However, with time running down in the half, Garcia pulled up and popped in a trey to cut the lead down to six going into intermission.

At halftime, officials were notified about the ineligible player and after a brief discussion, the game was called in favor of Lake Erie.

Players from the O’Kane protested the decision immediately, saying that they did nothing wrong, but

“He played for a team earlier today, but he is not on their roster. He’s on our roster. I tried to pull out our roster, but they didn’t want to hear that.”

— ET3 Kevin Shields

league officials refused to budge.

O’Kane guard Electronics Technician 3rd Class Kevin Shields did not dispute that the player in question did participate in an earlier game, but cited his understanding of the rules as a reason to object to the forfeit.

“The rule is you can play for one

Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) 3rd Class Jermaine Williams goes up to score a basket for USS O’Kane (DDG 77).

team – the team that you’re on the roster for,” he stated. “He played for a team earlier today, but he is not on their roster. He’s on our roster. I tried to pull out our roster, but they didn’t want to hear that.”

If anything, Shields argued, the earlier game should have been suspended, not the team’s game against Lake Erie.

“Technically, that (earlier) game should have been invoked,” Shields said. “He was illegally on their team. He’s now on our roster.”

A call to MWR sports department on Oct. 7 confirmed the forfeit and upheld the game-time decision made by officials.

Shields said that while it’s disappointing, the team would abide by the ruling and move on.

“It is disappointing, but it’s all for the fun of the game,” he said. “We’re not going to let it beat us up because it’s all for fun.”

While Lake Erie “B” may have dodged a bullet against the O’Kane, the “B” team will have to bring its “A” game to go head-to-head with Port Royal.

The Hoyas finished up the regular season with a perfect 8-0 record and although they will be without the services of All-Air Force selectee Airman 1st Class Lortavius Smith, Port Royal is still the team to beat.

“That’s a tough team,” Garcia admitted. “We’ll have to see if we can get together during the week with the ship’s schedule to see if we can practice. Hopefully, we’ll get a big ‘W’ but we’ll see.”

## Holiday commissary hours set

Defense Commissionary Agency  
Public Affairs Division

In observance of the Columbus Day/Discoverer’s Day holiday on Oct. 14, the Pearl Harbor Commissary store hours will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Hickam Commissary will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, call the Pearl Harbor Commissary at 471-8402, ext. 101 or the Hickam Commissary at 449-1363.

Military commissaries worldwide, including in Hawaii, returned to normal operating schedules effective Oct. 7, said Joseph H. Jeu, the direc-

tor and CEO of the Defense Commissary Agency. Most stateside stores had previously closed Oct. 2 as part of the government shutdown.

With all commissaries open, Jeu asked that patrons be patient as product delivery schedules return to normal.

“We will do everything possible to ensure that our shelves are properly stocked with the products our customers want when they shop,” he said. “However, there will be a short adjustment period as our stores settle back into their pre-shutdown operating and delivery routines.”

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

## TRICARE releases government shutdown statement

On Oct. 9, the Defense Health Agency updated their statement about the government shutdown:

The agency stated, “We know that those who rely on the Military Health System (MHS) are concerned about how the government shutdown might impact their health care and are taking

appropriate actions to assure that our beneficiaries are cared for. TRICARE beneficiaries using providers in the private sector should feel no effects at this time.”

To read the rest of the updated statement, [www.tricare.mil/Welcome/MediaCenter/News/Archives/10\\_9\\_13\\_Shutdown](http://www.tricare.mil/Welcome/MediaCenter/News/Archives/10_9_13_Shutdown).



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# HIANG racks up another volleyball championship

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After failing to reach the championship final last year for the first time in 10 seasons, the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) returned with a vengeance in 2013.

Sweeping through the regular season with a perfect 10-0 record in the Gold Division, the HIANG won their 11th intramural volleyball title out of 12 years with a dominating straight-set, 25-18 and 25-10, victory over the 324th/392D Intelligence Squadron (324/392 IS) Tiger-Hawks in the championship match Oct. 4 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

"It's been a lot of fun," said Lt. Col. Rick Cox, HIANG team captain.

"We had a really strong team. We have a lot of the same players that we had over the last few years. One of our strengths is the fact that we've played together for so many years."

HIANG took control early in the first set before the Tiger-Hawks rallied at the end to gain some momentum going into the second set.

Matching the HIANG point-for-point and tied at 8-8 in set two, things quickly took a turn for the worst for the Tiger-Hawks.

Starting with a block and kill from middle hitter Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo, the HIANG, behind the service of Staff Sgt. AlanMichael Warner, ran off seven consecutive points to take a commanding 15-8 lead.

Besides getting the ball rolling with a block and kill, Lorenzo added



two more blocks, while Master Sgt. Chad Thompson slammed down a kill and Warner recorded an ace during the seven-point rally.

"It was just good teamwork and

communication," said Lorenzo about his commanding performance at the net. "We let everybody know when to help. Everybody knows what their duties are, so we can

push it."

A miss hit scored a point and side-out for the Tiger-Hawks, but the HIANG picked up the next two points on kills by Lorenzo and Tech. Sgt. David Lopes.

Tech. Sgt. Tim Harris picked up the Tiger-Hawks' 10th point of the game, but it would be the last point that the team would ever score again this season.

On the very next service, back-to-back kills by Lopes put the HIANG on a roll all the way to the end, as Lorenzo finished off the Tiger-Hawks with a service ace.

While title seemed to redeem the HIANG after being ousted in the semifinals last year, Lorenzo said that the effort this season was no less than what the team strives for every season.

"Honestly, we come out focused every year," said Lorenzo, who is a graduate of Waianae High School. "It's not like we were any more focused than before. It's just concentrating on our defense, picking up on our passing and playing the fundamentals of volleyball. That's what we always push."

Although the team was led by

Middle hitter Tech. Sgt. Stephen Lorenzo goes up for a kill to lead the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) over the 324th/392D Intelligence Squadron (324/392 IS) Tiger-Hawks and win the 2013 intramural volleyball championship.

familiar faces, Cox pointed out that the past season was made even better by the addition of new players.

Cox, who was among the veter-

ans on the team, said that with many players looking to step away from the court in the next couple of years, it's good to know that the HIANG's future in intramural volleyball will be taken care of with the next generation of players.

"What's really nice is that this year we brought up some guys, so we're starting to build for the next generation," Cox said. "We're starting to see guys that are aging out, so hopefully we'll have a strong team for the future."

While Harris admitted that it's disappointing to be on the runner-up team for the second season in a row, he is still proud of the Tiger-Hawks' year.

An injury to one of the team's setters, Harris said, put the Tiger-Hawks at a disadvantage, but he pointed out that the HIANG had too much firepower.

"They had a lot of good hitters," Harris said about the HIANG. "Once we didn't have the two setters, they could read what was about to happen, so they were already set up and ready to block. We're still happy about our season. That was pretty much the only loss we had."

As for Lorenzo, he said that while he has been a part of many HIANG championship volleyball teams, standing in the winner's circle at the end of the season is always a great feeling.

"It's always special," he acknowledged. "I'm about the only one that has been here from beginning. So it's always special because the new people have to work with others and that's how it's always been."

## Bushmasters hand first defeat to Mean Machine

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The 25th Air Support Operation Squadron (25 ASOS) Bushmasters scored three touchdowns in the first half and then held on for a 21-18 win over the previously unbeaten Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Security Mean Machine in a Red Division intramural flag football game Oct. 8 at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Up by only a point at 13-12 with a minute remaining before halftime, Bushmasters' quarterback Capt. Christopher Curtis heaved a long bomb to wide receiver Senior Airman Graig Gabrielson, who made an over-the-head catch down the left sideline and raced into the end zone for a touchdown.

The play covered 61 yards and, with a converted two-point attempt, gave the Bushmasters all they would need to win and raise their divisional record to 2-1, which now equals the mark of the Mean Machine.

"We had the lead and we were comfortable with it," Curtis said. "So we sat on it

and tried not to do things too dangerous. We hung in there and got the win."

Curtis, who had a spectacular first half, didn't start things off too well after getting picked off by Mean Machine defensive back Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Tyler Camden on the first play of the game.

Working with a short field from the 24, Mean Machine quarterback Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Tanner Arcement took advantage of the situation and, after completing his first pass to the 16, went to Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Chase Jones for eight yards and a touchdown to take an early lead at 6-0.

While Arcement needed only two plays to cover 24 yards, Curtis on the Bushmasters' next possession was even more impressive, traveling 65 yards on only three plays for a score.

The final toss was an over-the-top bomb that covered 53 yards from Curtis to Gabrielson for six points and a tie.

The Bushmasters then went out in front by a point at 7-6 after converting their point after touchdown attempt.

With two touchdowns already on the scoreboard, the



Senior Airman Graig Gabrielson, wide receiver for 25th Air Support Operation Squadron (25 ASOS) Bushmasters, is about to make an over-the-head grab after beating Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Security Mean Machine defensive back Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Tyler Camden.

game really began to look like a shootout when Arcement staged a four-play, 65-yard drive that ended on a five-yard completion for a touchdown to Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Paul Tisdale and a 12-7 lead.

Down by five points, Curtis answered the call once again by directing a five-play drive to pay dirt.

This time, Curtis took it in himself to retake the lead at 13-12.

Then with a few minutes remaining on the clock before intermission, the Mean Machine appeared to be headed for their third lead of the game when Arcement, on first and seven from his own 13, connected with Jones with a long toss for a first

down at the Bushmasters' 19.

However, the Bushmasters' defense stiffened and forced the Mean Machine to hand the ball over on downs at the 19.

After misfiring on his first pass, Curtis hoisted the long bomb to Gabrielson, which led to the 21-12 lead at half-time.

"It was a big lift for us and

me," Curtis said.

"Obviously, it put us in a position to win. I had that interception to start the game, but throwing that and connecting on some other ones before that, OK, no big deal."

Following the break, Arcement would take the first snaps and used the opportunity to strike for another touchdown to make it 21-18.

From that point on, however, neither team would score again as the Bushmasters secured the victory.

"We were missing half of our team," Arcement remarked following the game. "But it was just the deep balls that got us."

"We were undefeated and thought we were sitting pretty good, but we just got to go to the next week and fix what we did wrong here," Arcement said.

Meanwhile, Curtis explained that after losing their first game of the season, things are looking up for the Bushmasters.

"It feels really good," he said. "This team is a lot better than the last team we played, so this shows that we can go out and play ball with anybody."

## USS Halsey Sailors help refurbish namesake's former flagship

Story and photo by  
Ensign Joseph Quinn

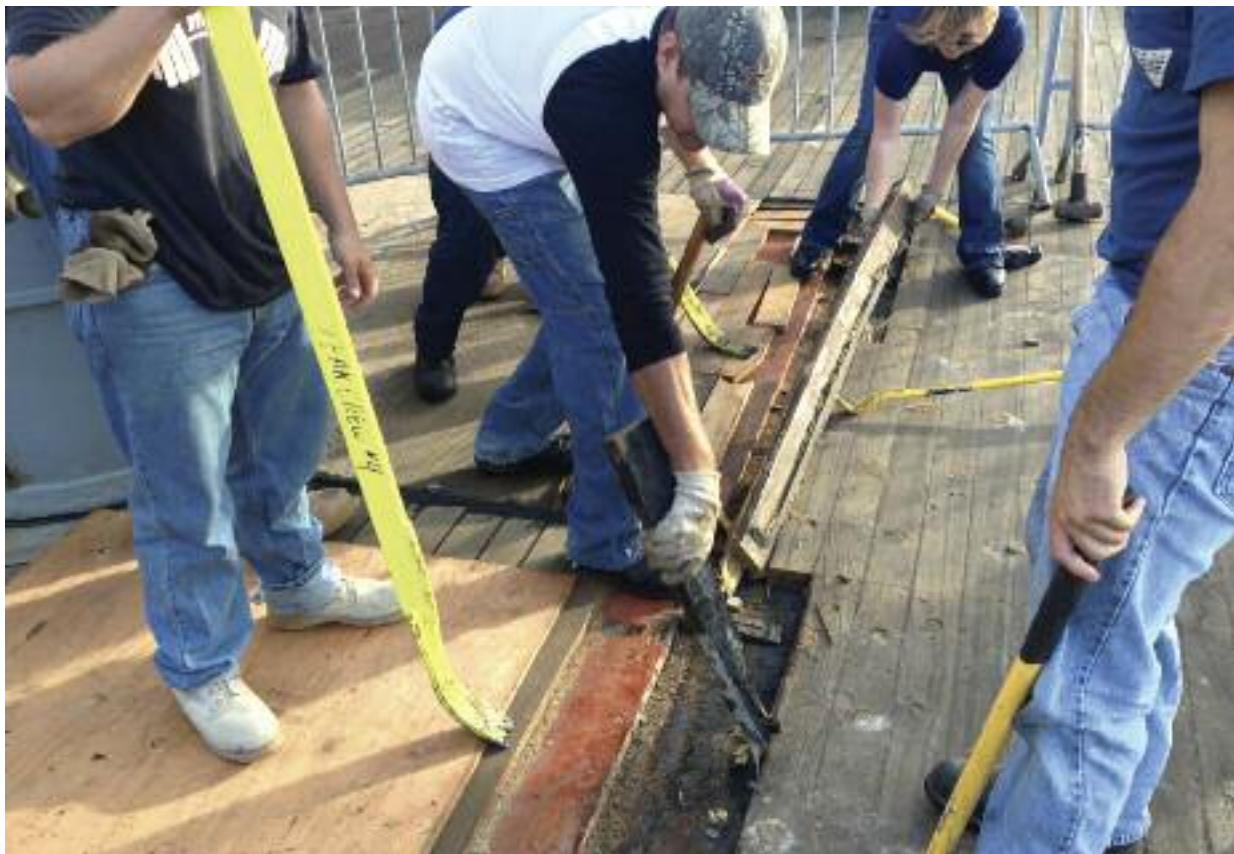
USS Halsey (DDG 97)  
Public Affairs

Sailors from USS Halsey (DDG 97) and various other waterfront commands volunteered Sept. 18 to help maintain one of Pearl Harbor's historic monuments by removing deteriorated teak from the decks of Fleet Adm. William Halsey's former flagship, USS Missouri, now the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

After a quick orientation about safety and the day's goals, all hands turned to removing old, tired teak, some of which was original to Missouri's Halsey-era.

Decks on battleships like Missouri were constructed using teak due to its excellent durability and unique ability to increase deck grip as it is exposed to water.

"The teak does a great job in preserving the metal but unfortunately this teak needs to be replaced to help keep Missouri in good shape," said Dave Hamilton, Missouri's full-



time carpenter.

Volunteers focused their efforts on the aft mid-section of the starboard side and, in all, they removed roughly a thousand square feet of

teak—a good 60 percent of which was salvageable.

The salvageable teak will find another life. After a good sanding and staining, it will be sold at the

Battleship Missouri Memorial gift shop and online as historic memorabilia. All of the profits from selling these pieces of history are used toward

covering the costs of maintaining Battleship Missouri Memorial.

"The leaders of the Missouri Association made us feel like family. They

Volunteers remove deteriorated teak from the decks of Fleet Adm. William Halsey's former flagship, USS Missouri, now the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

were also so knowledgeable in the history of the Missouri. I enjoyed learning every bit about the wood and the history. I am proud to know I helped preserve a ship with so much Naval history," said Operations Specialist 2nd Class Nicolas Scott, a Halsey volunteer.

"This is one of the most rewarding experiences I have had the privilege of doing for the community. I think every Sailor who has an opportunity to do something like this for Missouri should. Giving back and paying homage to our past reminds us of our purpose," said Fire Controlman 3rd Class Justin Orsak, another Halsey volunteer.

Along with the satisfaction of learning more about and preserving a piece of our naval history, volunteers received a badge, ice cream, and a plank of teak wood of their own.





# Live the Great Life

## Get into the ‘swing’ of things with MWR’s free golf clinics

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

Patrons who are new to the sport and need a lesson on the basics of golf can head over to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation’s golf courses to get started. Navy Marine Golf Course, Mamala Bay Golf Course and Barbers Point Golf Course offer periodic free clinics monthly to their patrons.

“Attendance can vary at these free clinics. With usually just one instructor available per site, we

like to have no more than six in a group so that all patrons get some attention from the instructor,” said Todd Nicely, golf program director.

Taking the free golf clinics through MWR has advantages because some clinics are not free elsewhere. Many of the other locations are demonstration-type clinics where golf professionals demonstrate shots, while MWR offers hands-on instruction.

The next juniors golf clinic is Oct. 16 and the next free clinic is Oct. 19, both at Barbers Point Golf Course. For more information or to register, call 682-1911.



MWR Marketing photo  
MWR patrons learn the art of golf and how to finish a hole at Barbers Point Golf Course during a free clinic.

## JR Rockers to hold Discoverers’ Day all-nighter

**Emily McNulty**

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

Tradewinds Enlisted Club and JR Rockers have been hosting all-nighters since the early 1980s.

The event started out with one DJ spinning one kind of music, then turned into four DJs spinning different music in separate rooms all connected by a door or walkway.

The next all-nighter is the Discoverers’ Day all-nighter on Oct. 13 with doors opening at 9 p.m. There are two entry points – JR Rockers and the entrance to the Hickam Enlisted Club. Heading toward JR Rockers is the Ol’Skoool room, where DJ Doc J will spin hits from the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s.

This room has an older crowd, mixed with a younger crowd, with several tables and chairs that fill up quickly by 10:30 p.m.

“One of the best things about deejaying the all-nighters is that it’s such a known event, we don’t even have to promote. It’s guaranteed fun and our patrons can’t wait to come back,” said DJ Doc J, who deejayed at the first ever all-nighter in the early 1980s.



MWR Marketing photo

DJ Joseph Henderson spins hip-hop music in the Tradewinds Enlisted Club during an all-nighter.

“No other military base on Hawaii has ever come close the JBPHH. Joint base has been my favorite place to party. It just has that ‘vibe’ about it. The military patrons really respect it and will always need a place to go and enjoy,” said Carl Ray Johnson Jr,

who is a long time DJ at the all-nighters.

For more information on the Discoverers’ Day all-nighter on Oct. 13 or the Veterans Day all-nighter on Nov. 10, visit [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com) or call 448-2271.

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**Jewelry Making 101: Basics** – will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. or 4:30 to 6 p.m. Oct. 15 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. This class will teach patrons the basic knowledge of jewelry making with a focus on simple, contemporary style. FMI: 448-9907.

**The Bead Mom Open Studio** will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Oct. 15, 22 or 29 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. FMI: 448-9907.

**“Mom & Me” Jewelry Making** will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 17 or 24 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The activity is open to participants ages 7-12 years old. A mom and child can work together as a team to make a charm bracelet or a pair of earrings. Each child must be accompanied by

mom or another responsible adult. Up to two kids per adult are allowed to participate. FMI: call 448-9907.

**Ford Island Historical Tour** will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Oct. 16 departing from Information, Tickets and Travel-Hickam. Moku’ume’ume (Island of Strife) played a significant role in the “Day of Infamy” attack on Dec. 7, 1941. Participants will meet at Rainbow Bay Marina parking lot. FMI: 448-2295.

**Gallery Showcase Opening Reception** will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Patrons can view the artwork, crafts and photography of artists in the military community.

Submissions will be on display in the gallery through Jan. 16, 2014. FMI: 448-9907.

**Crochet with Advanced Techniques** will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursdays from Oct. 17 to 31 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Participants can build on the skills learned in Crocheting Basics. Students can learn how to work in the round, increase and decrease stitches, make a granny square, and how to join pieces together to form a larger piece. Students must first complete the Crocheting Basics course. FMI: 448-9907.

**Learn to Spearfish** will begin at 9 a.m. Oct 19 and 20 at Hickam Harbor. Participants should sign up by Oct. 16. They will learn in

the classroom on day one, and on day two learn with two ocean dives. Participants must bring a mask, fins and snorkel. Other equipment and transportation is included in the price. FMI: 449-5215.

**Moonlight Paddle: Hickam Harbor** will begin at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at Hickam Harbor. Participants should sign up by Oct. 15. FMI: 449-5215.

**Women’s Surf Class** will begin at 9 a.m. Oct. 19 at Hickam Harbor. Participants should sign up by Oct. 16. Participants will learn the history, wave science, etiquette and technique of surfing. Participants must be able to swim without a lifejacket. FMI: 449-5215.



Morale Welfare & Recreation

**PAR 3 AERATION SPECIAL**  
Half-price green fees will be in effect at Ke'alahi Par 3 Golf Course through Oct. 14. FMI: 448-2318.

**YOUTH WINTER BASEBALL REGISTRATION**  
Registration for youth baseball runs now through Nov. 8. The season runs from December to March 2014. Registration is open to youth ages 5-14. FMI: [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com) or 473-0789.

**MOONLIGHT HIKE**  
The Outdoor Adventure Center-Fleet Store will host a moonlight hike to the Lanikai Pillboxes in Kailua at 7 p.m. Oct. 18. In case of inclement weather, the location may be changed. The last day to register is Oct. 16. FMI: 473-1198.

**WOMEN'S SURF CLASSES**  
The Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor will offer women's surf lessons at 9 a.m. Oct. 19. Students can 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 Oct. 16. FMI: 449-5215.

**UFC 166 IN HD**  
Current champion Cain Velasquez can be seen versus top contender Junior Dos Santos can be seen in high-def at 3 p.m. Oct. 19 at J.R. Rockers. Doors open at 2 p.m. for preliminaries. FMI: 448-2271.

**PRESCHOOL STORY TIME**  
Preschool story time will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Oct. 23 at the Hickam Library. The theme will be "Halloween." 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. Oct. 23 at JR Rockers Sports Cafe. This event features lunch, MWR information booths, sponsor tables and activities for kids. This event is open to all military-affiliated personnel. FMI: [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).

**HALLOWEEN 5K**  
The Hickam Fitness Center will hold its free Halloween 5k beginning at 8 a.m. Oct. 26. Costumes are optional. FMI: 448-2214.

**CHINATOWN FOOD, HISTORIC TOUR**  
A tour of Honolulu's Chinatown featuring a traditional dim sum lunch will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Oct. 26. The tour departs from Information, Tickets & Travel-Hickam. FMI: 448-2295.

Community Calendar

**OCTOBER**

**12** — The 2013 Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk will take place from 7 to 11 a.m., beginning at Richardson Field and proceeding to Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The Ford Island Bridge will not be closed but traffic lanes will be limited for a short period of time. FMI: visit the website [www.MakingStridesHonolulu.org](http://www.MakingStridesHonolulu.org) or email [honolulustrides@cancer.org](mailto:honolulustrides@cancer.org).

**16, 19** — Child and Youth Program Job Fair will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 16 and 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 19 at Pearl Harbor Kai Elementary School. More than 200 full time, part time and flex jobs will be available. FMI and to register visit [www.greatlifehawaii.com/index/cyp.html](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com/index/cyp.html)

**17, 18, 19, 25, 26** — The Seabee Ball Committee will hold "The Warehouse of Terror" on the Pearl Harbor side of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The event will be from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor self help, building 292. From Nimitz Gate, turn left on South Avenue and stay in the left lane. Then turn right on Fuller Way. From Makalapa Gate, turn left on North Road, continue to South Avenue and turn right on Fuller Way. Parking is next to the warehouse. Admission for adults is \$5 and for children is \$3. FMI: UT2 Daniel Rhine at 474-0890.

**18** — A National Disability Employment Awareness Month event will be held from 11 a.m. to noon at the Hickam Makai Recreation Center. The event will include a discussion about employment of the disabled from a panel of speakers including Duane Keys, Pacific Air Forces Equal Opportunity Office, State Division of Vocational Rehabilitation counselors, and Air Force and Navy civilian employees. FMI: Val Nomura at 471-0275 or email [Valetta.nomura@navy.mil](mailto:Valetta.nomura@navy.mil).

**18** — The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Healthy Base Initiative/Operation Live Well kickoff event will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. at Ward Field. The event will include a healthy cooking contest. The deadline to enter the contest is noon on Oct. 15. The event will also include informational booths from vendors, talks on health and fitness subjects, demonstrations, a Zumba class, youth and adult obstacle courses, bounce houses, food trucks and prizes. The event is open to everyone with base access. Families are invited. FMI: [www.greatlifehawaii.com](http://www.greatlifehawaii.com).



GETAWAY PG-13

"Getaway" is the action thriller from Warner Brothers in which former race car driver Brent Magna is pitted against the clock as he commandeers a custom Shelby Super Snake Mustang. He takes it and its unwitting owner on a high-speed adventure at the command of a mysterious villain on a race against time to save the life of his kidnapped wife.

SHARKEY THEATER

**TODAY 10/11**  
2:30 PM You're Next (R)

**SATURDAY 10/12**  
2:30 PM (3D) One Direction: This is Us (PG)  
4:40 PM Lee Daniels' the Butler (PG-13)  
7:00 PM The World's End (R)

**SUNDAY 10/13**  
2:30 PM (3D) One Direction: This is Us (PG)  
4:40 pm Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG-13)  
7:10 pm Getaway (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

**TODAY 10/11**  
6:00 PM The Smurfs 2 (PG)

**SATURDAY 10/12**  
4:00 PM The Smurfs 2 (PG)

**SUNDAY 10/13**  
2:00 PM The Smurfs 2 (PG)

**THURSDAY 10/17**  
7:00 PM Elysium (R)

Movie Showtimes





# Forest City plans Halloween-themed events

**Forest City Residential Management**

There are several events taking place in Forest City communities throughout October.

- Pumpkin Carving Contest, 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 16, Moanalua Community Center. Open to west community residents. Residents are invited to bring in pumpkins for the contest. For more information, call 839-8640.
- Craft and Play Day, 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 23, Hukulani Community Center. Open to west community residents. Residents are invited to come down and make crafts for the fall season. For more information, call 839-8640.
- Trick or Treat and Show Off Your


Costume. Residents can attend these events wearing a costume and enter to win a prize. Candy and refreshments will be provided while supplies last.

- 1 to 2 p.m. Oct. 30, at Camp Stover Community Center. Open to central community residents. For more information, call 839-8670.
- 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Oct. 30, at Hale Mai Pavilion at the corner of Savo/Leyte. For more information, call 839-8670.
- 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 31, Pearl City Peninsula office. Open to central community residents. For more information, call 839-8670.
- Dress up Your Doggie, 3 to 4 p.m. Oct. 30, Moanalua Dog Park. Open to

west community residents. Dress up your doggie in the spirit of Halloween. Forest City will be passing out dog treats. For more information, call 839-8640.

- Halloween Trick or Treat, 3 to 5 p.m. Oct. 31, Ford Island Community Center and Moanalua Community Center. Open to west community residents. Show off your costumes and receive a free Halloween goodie bag. For more information, call 839-8640.
- Halloween Block Party, 3 to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 31, Halsey Community Center. Open to east community residents. The event will feature a costume contest, a pumpkin carving contest, a bounce house and more. For more information, call 839-8620.

**‘Navigate’to Ho’okele website**

 [www.hookele.com](http://www.hookele.com) or [www.cnhc.navy.mil/hawaii](http://www.cnhc.navy.mil/hawaii)



# Sailors build ‘Warehouse of Terror’

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Sailors from various commands have constructed a haunted house at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH).

Service members, families and friends will be able to enjoy the haunted house located at the Pearl Harbor Self Help, building 292 from 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 17, 18, 19, 25 and 26. This year's theme is the "Warehouse of Terror."

The project is headed by the Seabee Second Class Association, which is a combination of Sailors from Navy Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Self Help and Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit (CBMU) 303.

"My main goal is to bring the military and their families together and get everyone out to have a good time before Halloween starts," said Utilitiesman 2nd

Class Daniel Rhine from NAVFAC Self Help.

"We hope everyone comes out to support us. If Sailors want to come and help, they are more than welcome. We need volunteers; the more that come out, the better the experience will be for everybody."

Equipment Operator 2nd Class James Figueroa from NAVFAC Self Help has been involved in previous years' haunted houses and has high hopes for this year.

"This is my third year involved with the haunted house. I designed the last two with help from my fellow Seabees," Figueroa said.

"NAVFAC Self Help, CBMU303, Transient Personnel Unit (TPU) and the 1st Lt. Division have been helping out with personnel for the build, but we are open to all commands to come volunteer and enjoy the festivities."

"This helps build up morale," Figueroa said. "You are helping your fellow Sailors and their families out for a good cause. It's all about fun and family," he said.



Hull Technician 1st Class James McElhaney works on this year's Seabee haunted house, presented by the Seabee 2nd Class Association at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.