

Remembering the fallen



A visitor to the Pacific Aviation Museum observes military boots displayed in memory of fallen service members during the 5th Annual Biggest Little Airshow on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

U.S. Navy photos by MC2 Daniel Barker



University of Hawaii Warriors honor those lost on USS Arizona

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The University of Hawaii Warrior football team took some time out from their practice sessions at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to honor those who were lost on the USS Arizona in the attack of Dec. 7, 1941.

The Warriors took a break from training camp and participated in a private boat tour Aug. 15 around Pearl Harbor and Ford Island, then visited the USS Arizona Memorial. Many of the players are from the

continental United States, and many had never visited the Arizona Memorial.

“I’m sure everybody’s lives have been touched by what went on 1941,” said head coach Norm Chow. “I grew up here, my father always told me the story of an uncle that I didn’t know that was lost in a war here, so it’s just the significance I think is overwhelming. I’m glad our guys had a chance to experience that,” said Chow.

During their visit to various historical sites in and around Pearl Harbor, the players learned not only the importance of Pearl Harbor but also the history behind



the events that took place on Dec. 7, 1941 and the numbers of lives lost.

“It’s just been very humbling. What a tremendous experience it is for these young people and makes you realize there’s a lot more to life than the game of football,” Chow said.

The team’s first game is Sept. 1 at University of Southern California. They have a special Military Appreciation Night scheduled for Nov. 24 at Aloha Stadium.

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

UH Warriors visit the USS Arizona Memorial

Military children ‘get ready’ at Operation ‘Hele On’

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Children of active duty and retired service members participated in the 9th annual Operation “Hele On” held Aug. 17 at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The mission of Operation “Hele On,” which translates from Hawaiian to “ready go,” is to acclimate military youth to some of the day-to-day activities their parents go through while on deployment in hopes of helping them better cope with the separation from their parents.



Senior Master Sgt. Darius Drummond teaches military maneuvers to children of active duty and retired service members during the 9th annual Operation “Hele On.”

Since 2004, Operation “Hele On” has given children of service members a chance to experience mock deployments.

“That’s the whole idea to this event. It gives you an opportunity to kind of see what it is your parents go through on a daily basis, what they went through a little bit in training,” said Col. Dann Carlson, deputy commander at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

“What a great opportunity for us to be able to share that with you, to give you a glimpse into what it is we do when we deploy down range.”

The children were split into nine groups and led through various exercises such as an intelligence brief, a visit to an Air Force C-17, an obstacle course and a drill competition among others.

“Operation ‘Hele On’ is basically preparing kids for deployments. Like what our spouses do when they leave, it kind of gives them a scenario of what they do on the other side instead of what we do at home,” said Cori Shields, a military spouse and Fleet and Family Services representative. “They go through the whole boot camp scenario. They’ll do some drills and get the basic overall feel of what it’s like when their mom or dad leaves for deployment.”



The children of active duty and retired service members tour an Air Force C-17 during the 9th annual Operation “Hele On.”

Community meetings scheduled Sept. 6 and 13

Military housing residents can meet with Navy leadership and Forest City representa-

tives at upcoming community meetings scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Sept. 6 and Sept. 13, both

at Moanalua Community Center. Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions

and address concerns. Information will also be provided on the Resident Energy

Conservation Program which will implement a 10 percent buffer beginning Oct. 1.



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USS O’Kane Sailors offer assistance to Porter

MC2 Alex R. Forster

Enterprise Carrier Strike Group Public Affairs

USS O’KANE, At Sea (NNS) – Sailors from guided-missile destroyer USS O’Kane (DDG 77), homeported at Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, are assisting the crew of guided-missile destroyer USS Porter (DDG 78) to recover from damage sustained in a collision Aug. 12 with a large Japanese-owned merchant vessel near the Strait of Hormuz.

Porter transited under its own power to Jebel Ali, United Arab Emirates, and is now pier-side for assessment and repair. O’Kane, moored nearby, is offering meals, showers and temporary berthing to Porter Sailors while they conduct repairs.

“When we were escorted into port and moored, some of my first questions had to do with where we [the crew] were going to sleep and eat,” said Fire Controlman 2nd Class



U.S. Navy photo by courtesy of USS O’Kane

One of the many deck landing qualifications conducted on board the USS O’Kane in the Arabian Gulf.

Nick Anderson, a tomahawk missile technician aboard Porter. “Within

hours of being pier-side, O’Kane opened her doors to us for assistance. I

think all of us here were visibly relieved.”

also volunteered their time and assistance to Porter, whether it be tak-

ing ammunition magazine temperatures, or simply lending a hand to help bring ship systems back online.

“When we hear of others in need, I think we feel a natural human desire to assist,” said Cmdr. Michael Ray, O’Kane’s commanding officer. “The opportunity to lend a hand to fellow Sailors has given my crew a chance to proudly help their ship-mates.”

For the duration of their stay pier-side, O’Kane and its Sailors will be ready to help, Ray said.

“Porter’s crew has shown remarkable resilience and commitment—to their ship and each other. O’Kane will gladly assist in any way we can until we are no longer needed,” said Ray.

Porter and O’Kane are on scheduled deployments to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility conducting maritime security operations and theater security cooperation efforts.

JBP HH celebrates Women’s Equality Day, seminar planned Aug. 28

1st Lt. Kathleen Eisenbrey

15th Medical Group

The Federal Women’s Program (FWP) at Pearl Harbor-Hickam celebrated Women’s Equality Day on Aug. 14 with a brown bag luncheon highlighting the history of voting rights and the voter registration process.

Col. Eva Jenkins, commander of the 692d Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) Group, was the keynote speaker for the event. Capt. Eric Ziessler of the 735th Airlift Squadron, the installation assistant voting action officer at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, provided integral advice related to voting at the upcoming national elections.

“We are fortunate to live in the greatest nation in the world,” Jenkins said. “It is our responsibility as daughters, mothers, sisters, mentors and

leaders to ensure that the United States of America remains strong, democratic and free ... and that it upholds the ideals of equality for all. Exercising our right to vote is one way in which we can make our voices heard.”

Women’s Equality Day was established to commemorate the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote in 1920. It is federally celebrated on Aug. 26.

According to Jenny Crippen, the special events coordinator for FWP, “Every president has published a proclamation for Women’s Equality Day ... since legislation was first introduced in Congress by Bella Abzug [in 1971].”

In an effort to honor and embrace women’s equality as it relates to the federal workplace, Jenkins will sponsor a Professional Development Seminar for women titled “How to Reach Your Highest



Photo courtesy of Col. Eva Jenkins

Col. Eva Jenkins, commander of the 692d Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) Group at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Potential ... and Help Others Reach Theirs.”

The seminar will focus on topics to promote empowerment in the workplace, including 10 activities to maximize one’s potential for success, synergistic success effects employed by successful leaders, tips for implementing a goal setting action plan, and exploring the female factor with questions such as, “do women lead differently?”

The Professional Development Seminar for Women will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Aug. 28 in the Aloha Conference Center on Hickam. The seminar is open to all people, regardless of gender, rank or military/civilian status. Seating is limited to 86 persons.

To register for the seminar, call (808) 448-1400 or email eva.jenkins@us.af.mil.

“We have a responsibility to mentor and inspire each other to achieve more than we had ever imagined,” Jenkins said.

USS Crommelin Sailors build homes on Kauai

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Pacific Missile Range Facility Public Affairs

PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE FACILITY – USS Crommelin (FFG 37) Sailors partnered Aug. 19 with Kauai Habitat for Humanity in building houses on Hawaiian Homelands in Anahola, Kauai, Hawaii.

Throughout the day-long event, 12 Sailors assisted the Habitat for Humanity team by preparing a carport to be poured with concrete and raising wood framed walls into place.

“This is what I love doing. Giving back to the community is one of the things I really enjoy,” said Operations Specialist Seaman T.J. Purcell from Chicago, Ill. “I was a carpenter by trade before I joined the Navy, so I try to take advantage of any opportunity I have to get back to it.”

Kauai Habitat for Humanity is a local affiliate of the non-profit Habitat for Humanity International. Kauai Habitat seeks to alleviate poverty and homelessness around the world, starting here on Kauai, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action.

“Our mission is to provide safe and affordable housing and the opportunity for home ownership,” said Jessica Clabo, Kauai Habitat for Humanity volunteer program coordinator. “All of the homes are built by volunteers except for where we need a con-



(Top left) Culinary Specialist 2nd Class Joey Mangahis from Harmon, Guam, assigned to the guided missile frigate USS Crommelin (FFG 37), hammers a board into place during a volunteer project Aug. 19 with Kauai Habitat for Humanity. (Top right) Logistics Specialist 1st Class Keshawn Spence (left) from Berlin, Md., assigned to the guided missile frigate USS Crommelin (FFG 37), moves gravel during a volunteer project with Kauai Habitat for Humanity. Twelve Sailors from Crommelin assisted the Kauai Habitat team in constructing one of five homes built in cooperation with the Department of Hawaiian Homelands. (Bottom) The guided missile frigate USS Crommelin (FFG 37) pulls into Nawiliwili port in Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii on Aug. 18.

tractor by law, such as plumbing and electrical work.”

Kauai Habitat is currently building homes on various sites throughout the island. The site the

Sailors assisted with is part of a build with the Department of Hawaiian Homelands. A total of five homes are being built in Anahola.

“It’s always good to get

off the ship and come out to help and give back to the community,” said Logistics Specialist 1st Class Keshawn Spence from Berlin, Md. “We try to stay involved and do our part in

our off-time to help the community.”

Kauai Habitat was founded in 1993, a year after Hurricane Iniki devastated much of the island. Since then it has built 106

houses, providing 550 people with safe, decent, affordable homes.

Kauai is the last port of call for Crommelin. The ship is scheduled to be decommissioned Oct. 31.

Olympia visits Yokosuka during western Pacific deployment

Lt. Lara Bollinger

Submarine Group 7 Public Affairs

YOKOSUKA, Japan (NNS) – The Los Angeles class fast attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717), homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, arrived Aug. 20 at Fleet Activities Yokosuka for a visit as part of its deployment to the western Pacific.

With a crew of approximately 140 Sailors, Olympia will conduct a multitude of missions and showcase the latest capabilities of the U.S. submarine force.

“Olympia’s crew is enthusiastic and ready to conduct deployed operations,” said Cmdr. Michael Boone, Olympia’s commanding officer. “Our Sailors are excited to enjoy the unique culture and hospitality of the Japanese people and are especially pleased to have an opportunity to climb to the summit of Mt. Fuji, an experience I was able to enjoy more than 17 years ago on my first visit to Japan.”

Measuring more than 370 feet long and weighing more than 9,600 tons when sub-



U.S. Navy photo by MCI David Mercil

The Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) is moored at Fleet Activities Yokosuka as part of its deployment to the western Pacific region.

merged, Olympia is one of the stealthiest submarines in the world. The submarine is capable of supporting a multitude of missions, including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface ship warfare, strike, naval special warfare involving special operations forces, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, irregular warfare and mine warfare.

“The Sailors aboard this fine submarine have worked hard to take on the

task of embarking on this six-month deployment,” said Master Chief Machinist’s Mate Richard J. Salisbury, chief of the boat.

“Japan is a magnificent country to visit, full of unique traditions and so much history. The crew is excited and eager to visit all the local popular cultural sites. We are so grateful for this opportunity to explore Japan and strengthen the military ties between our countries,” Salisbury said.

For many of the crew members, this is their first time visiting Japan.

“One of the reasons I love the Navy so much is because they give you a chance to see the world,” said Yeoman 2nd Class Victor Diaz-Incle. “I’ve been places many people would only dream of going, and now I get to add Japan to my list of experiences.”

The submarine is named for the city of Olympia, Wash..

PMRF assists with Kokee wildfire

Pacific Missile Range Facility Public Affairs

PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE FACILITY, Kauai – The Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) at Barking Sands, Kauai assisted the County of Kauai’s fire department and the Department of Land and Natural Resources with efforts to extinguish a wildfire that endangered the area above the town of Kekaha.

At approximately 6:54 a.m. Aug. 18, PMRF received a request from the County of Kauai emergency services to help combat a wildfire that originated in Kokee. PMRF immediately dispatched a fire truck, a fire command unit and four civilian firefighters from Manu Kai, PMRF’s contract fire department, to

assist with the blaze.

The trucks and crew were used for boundary firefighting and the direct defense of the residents and property in the town of Kekaha. According to Sarah Blane, the County of Kauai’s public information assistant, there was no immediate threat to the people and the homes of Kekaha.

PMRF’s airfield was also opened for the refueling support for the county’s firefighting helicopters. PMRF’s contract helicopter company, Croman Corp., has two helicopters with firefighting capabilities and was standing by to provide assistance if requested.

PMRF maintains a Memorandum of Understanding with the county to render emergency assistance when called upon.



Diverse Views



“Why is it important to vote?”

Airman 1st Class Christopher Austin
8th Intelligence Squadron



“As members of this great democratic society, it is our right and privilege to choose our representatives in government. Voting is the power of uniting as one and voicing our opinion on how we want our nation to move forward. To not vote is to surrender this gift and subsequently leave our fate in the hands of the inept.”



Maureen Angelico

Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange Mall

“Every vote counts. You have to vote to have a say or make changes. It’s like the bumper sticker on my car: No Vote, No Grumble.”

Lt. Col. John Waite

13th Air Force



“The country was founded on the theory that it would be governed by the people. As a representative democracy, voting is the opportunity for the people to choose the government that speaks for them.”



Batswain's Mate 1st Class
Andrea Guerra

U.S. Pacific Fleet

“It’s especially important for those in the military to vote since politicians make decisions about us. You can’t complain if you don’t take an active part.”

Master Sgt. Terry Miller

647th Security Forces Squadron



“To do your part in order to make a difference. If you want to complain in your daily life, you should take the opportunity to voice your choices and opinions and take advantage of something so many others are not allowed to.”



Electrician's Mate 1st Class
Matthew Lyons

Pearl Harbor Navy Shipyard

“It is important to vote because voting allows the democratic process to function as intended.”

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and David Underwood Jr.)

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Ground personnel work on ‘Key to the Pacific’



Photo courtesy of T. Merrill

This 1948 photo shows ground personnel at the former Hickam Air Force Base working on a 199th Fighter Squadron F-47N “Thunderbolt” fighter assigned to the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG). The photo shows the distinctive “Key to the Pacific” logo that was used on 199th FS aircraft for a brief period after the inception of the HIANG, until the familiar “star and bars” emblem became standard on all ANG aircraft in the late 1940s.



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Hawaii Warriors get the ball rolling at JBPHH

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Loud music boomed across the practice field. High-pitched whistles blasted. The distinctive smack of helmet-on-helmet collisions popped between the whistle blasts, which were followed by shouts of frustration or maybe elation. The sound of jet engines momentarily drowned all of it out.

While the University of Hawaii dormitories were being cleaned and prepared for the start of the fall season, the Warriors had to seek accommodations elsewhere to continue their training camp Aug. 13-17. They found a new home for a week at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"This is a humbling experience," said Mike Edwards, junior defensive back. "We are very lucky and very blessed to be here around this live base and be around guys (who live) this life."

Earhart Field, the same piece of grass the NFL's Pro Bowl practiced on in January, overlooks the Hickam flight line where active military jets and commercial aircraft are constantly on the move.

Edwards said he couldn't stop looking back at the military aircraft sitting only a few yards away from the practice field. He believes there are a lot of correlations between football life and military life, just different playing fields.

"We do have a lot of similarities," Edwards said. "We take our hats off to you guys. This is y'all's life and y'all lay it down for us. Though there are some



(Above) University of Hawaii football players run drills during the Warriors' practice Aug. 13 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. (Right) University of Hawaii head football coach Norm Chow directs the Warriors' practice.

similarities, we're just playing football and having fun. The discipline, leadership and integrity is all the same."

Coaches pointed out the military dormitories during the end-of-practice huddle, explaining that Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines all over the country live in buildings similar to the ones next to the field. They leave their friends and families behind to go to war, serving their country.

"It's humbling, to say the least," said Sean Schroeder, junior starting quarterback. "We have so

much respect for all of our armed forces, here and across the world. You guys allow us to have fun out here and play this great game."

The team's players are from as far as Florida and Australia, a mixed company similar to that of the military way of life. The coach's goal was to bring them together as a team.

"(The joint base) is treating us so well. I wanted a tough Spartan-like camp, but this is like the Ritz-Carlton," joked Norm Chow, Warriors' head coach. "We want to come



together as a team. We are a diverse group. We've had a couple of exercises to help bond as a football team,

and we are going continue to do that as we go along."

The UH football team is scheduled to be on the road

for their opener Sept. 1 in Los Angeles against the University of Southern California Trojans.

Warriors get 'boot camp' wake-up call

Story and photo by
Staff Sgt. Mike Meares

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-
Hickam Public Affairs

The quiet Hawaii morning was interrupted by the sound of shouting and the constant boom of someone banging on doors for a very surprised group of Warriors.

Former Air Force and Navy basic military training instructors gave a very special wake-up call to the University of Hawaii football team shortly after 5 a.m. Aug. 14 during day two of the team's stay at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"I was just lying in bed, and I heard pounding and thought it was a joke," said senior defensive end Paipai Falemalu. "Then I heard all the people yelling and I thought, 'This is gonna be fun.'"

In a scene that made the members of the football team feel like they joined the military versus a football team, most of the players didn't know which voice to listen to as shouting men in uniforms ran up and down the halls waking up the players.

"Get up, get up, get up and get outside this room and stand against this wall," repeatedly yelled Master Sgt. John Mascolo, 647th Security Forces Squadron. "Do you not understand my instructions? Huh! Do you not understand 'get up against this wall?'"

Players sprang from beds and tried to get their bearings, stumbling bleary-eyed into the lit hallway. Most



Senior Master Guillory, 56th Air and Space Communications Squadron and former military training instructor, motivates Tony Grimes, University of Hawaii junior defensive back, during the physical training session after their 5 a.m. basic training style wake-up call Aug. 14, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. (See additional photos on page A-5.)

players emerged with no socks, no shoes or no shirts, which gave the military training instructors more reason to spit fire.

"We got them up this morning military style, basic training style, got 'em up and got 'em motivated, got 'em fired up and ready to start a brand new season," Mascolo said. "We wanted them to start off right and give 'em a little taste of the military. They've never seen anything like this."

The Warriors were rallied outside the dormitory in a pair of lines facing each other. The military training instructors walked up and down the lines taking inventory of the team's

workout uniforms, stopping and confronting players who were still without socks or shoes. Several were sent back to their rooms. The rest of the team performed pushups while waiting for those who lagged behind.

"I ran outside (my door) and saw all the guys in uniform and the guys with those hats on yelling at us," said Kamalani Alo, junior linebacker. "They told me, 'Go back in, get a shirt and put on shoes.' It was a big surprise. I felt like it was something on TV. I didn't really think that was what the military is all about, but I guess it's true."

With many voices yelling at once, the confusion con-

tinued for the players. But this is nothing new to the military members who were present as they have lived it on a daily basis for as many as eight straight weeks.

"This wake-up call is just a couple-hour taste of what service members actually go through during basic military training," said Senior Master Sgt. Theodore Guillory, 56th Air and Space Communications Squadron. "Day-in and day-out, most are pushed to the limit to get them ready to serve their country."

The former military training instructor explained that, similar to zero-week at the beginning of basic training, the team

starts out as a bunch of individuals with very little team spirit. But as time marches on, the individuals become a team.

"They need that discipline and teamwork to come together, just like it is in basic training," Mascolo said. "We start building upon that in the beginning. It's the same thing with a football team. They don't have that teamwork to begin with. We're trying to get that teamwork together to get 'em all fired up and motivated and ready for the season, just like we prepare our (Air Force) trainees to go to tech school and then go on and fight the war."

It was obvious the play-

ers didn't like being yelled at, especially before the sun woke up this side of the world.

"I'm not going to say it was fun, but it was different," Falemalu said. "It was a lot of hard work and took a little getting used to, but at the end it was good."

But the Warriors fell in line and after a few minutes understood what was going on. They were marched, to a marching cadence, across the street to a field where they were put to the test physically for an hour.

"I think it's going to make us work as a unit," Falemalu said. "When we first got started, they were yelling at us because we weren't doing anything in sync. I think it's only going to make us better. We're going to be one team and work to a common goal."

The coaches stood in the background, watching the reaction and evaluating the attitudes and commitment of the players.

"We understand the discipline that's necessary, just as our military does," said Warrior head coach Norm Chow. "We understand the teamwork. We understand all those characteristics that go along with being successful."

It was working to obtain team unity that caused the coaches to originally come up with the idea of involving Airmen and Sailors in the physical training session.

"I have a hard time containing myself. What a great idea we had," Chow said. "It's a real honor. Hopefully these young men will appreciate the lessons they are learning here."



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Pearl Harbor-Hickam*Highlights*



(Left) Sean Schroeder, University of Hawaii junior quarterback, signs an autograph for John, 7, son of Staff Sgt. Tommy Hazlewood, after a Warriors practice Aug. 16 at Earhart Field, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

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

(Below) University of Hawaii Warriors football team performs a *haka* for the Air Force and Navy members who gave them a early morning basic training style wake-up call Aug. 14 at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

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



Former military training instructors Master Sgt. Gregory Wasson (left), Senior Master Sgt. Theodore Guillory and Master Sgt. John Mascolo (right) motivate a University of Hawaii football player during the physical training session after their 5 a.m. basic training style wake-up call.

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

(Right) Japanese guests wait to board a C-17 Globemaster III static display at Yokota Air Base, Japan, during the Japanese-American Friendship Festival, held Aug. 18-19.

U.S. Air Force photo by Sr. Airman Lauren Main

(Below) The children of active duty and retired service members try on military gear during the 9th annual Operation "Hele On."

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Sean Furey



(Right) The children of active duty and retired service members get a hands-on look at military life during the 9th annual Operation "Hele On." The mission of Operation "Hele On," which means "ready go" in Hawaiian, is to acclimate military youth to some of the day-to-day activities their parents go through while on deployment to help them better cope with the separation from their parents.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Sean Furey



PACAF demo team participates at Yokota Friendship Festival, Japan

Story and photos by
Sr Airman Lauren Main

15th Wing Public Affairs

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan – Crowds of Japanese citizens and aviation enthusiasts flooded the flightline of Yokota Air Base, Japan to partake in the annual Japanese-American Friendship Festival from Aug. 18 to 19.

More than 200,000 people enjoyed the festival held at the Yokota Air Base flightline.

Thousands of people passed through the static display of the C-17 Globemaster III Pacific Air Forces demonstration aircraft, based at the 535th Airlift Squadron (AS) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii.

An elite selection of pilots and loadmasters from the 535th AS were selected to demonstrate the capabilities of the 15th Wing's primary aircraft as the only C-17 demonstration team in the Pacific Air Forces.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the team was unable to perform the aerial demonstration which was initially planned. However, that gave people more time to view the aircraft and appreciate firsthand its size and power as



The Pacific Air Forces C-17 demonstration team touches down at Yokota Air Base, Japan, after performing a practice-run of the aerial demonstration Aug. 18-19 in preparation for the Japanese-American Friendship Festival at Yokota Air Base, Japan. (Inset) Capt. Chris Ross and Capt. Adrian Martin, Pacific Air Forces C-17 Demonstration Team pilots, fly over Tokyo, Japan following the Japanese-American Friendship Festival at Yokota Air Base, Japan.

well as the Airmen who support it.

"I had a lot of people ask about Operation Tomodachi," said Capt. Brian Carran, C-17 pilot and demonstration team lead. "They wanted to know if I flew during Operation

Tomodachi, which I did, and they were very grateful. I must have taken hundreds of photos with people."

All of the pilots and crew members were eagerly welcomed by the Japanese public, who were both hos-

pitable and curious.

"I got a lot of questions about the capabilities of the aircraft," said Capt. Brandon Dewey, C-17 pilot and demonstration team videographer. "They asked about the squadron motto, 'Go for Broke,' and about

our airdrop capabilities. I even had one guy who wanted to take a picture with me while shaking my hand as a sign of friendship."

Despite the pressure from the large crowds, the team maintained their cool

in the 95-degree weather and ensured that the people were able to experience the C-17 Globemaster III as much as possible.

"Even though we didn't get to fly, I think overall the experience was very positive," said Dewey.

Pacific Partnership arrives in Guam, headed for Hawaii

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GUAM (NNS) – Pacific Partnership 2012 (PP12), embarked aboard Military Sealift Command's hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19), arrived in Apra Harbor on Aug. 20 as it nears the completion of its nearly five-month deployment on the largest annual humanitarian civic assistance (HCA) mission in the Asia Pacific.

The ship is scheduled to spend four days in Guam, then head to Hawaii before it reaches its homeport of San Diego in mid-September.

While in Guam, the Mercy will detach personnel and unload equipment that played a critical role in providing medical, dental, engineering and veterinary services to the four host nations of Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam and Cambodia during PP12.

As a former resident of Guam, Capt. Timothy Hinman, the commanding officer of the hospital or medical treatment facility aboard Mercy, said he enjoyed seeing the reunions that took place on the pier with family members, but will also miss the camaraderie of the many medical staff taking flights back home.

"This mission has accomplished a lot in a short amount of time. We



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Michael Feddersen



Photo by Kristopher Berlin

(Top left) World Vets volunteer Helle Hydeskov inspects a local Cambodian boy's dog at a veterinary civic action project (VETCAP) Aug. 9 (Top right) HOPE Worldwide volunteer Dr. Cornelia Haner (left) and Capt. William Brunner (right) perform surgery together as an informational exchange aboard the Military Sealift Command hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19) during Pacific Partnership 2012. (Below) The Military Sealift Command hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19) sits off the coast of Sihanoukville following the ship's arrival to commence its two-week humanitarian civic assistance mission.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Stephen Votaw

built up some very strong bonds with each other and our counterparts in the host nations and with our foreign military and NGO partners," said Hinman. "Everyone welcoming

home their service member or loved one from Pacific Partnership 2012 can be tremendously proud of what they achieved during this mission."

At the invitation of the host nations, PP12 brought the expertise of U.S. service members and personnel from 13 partner nation militaries and 23 non-governmental organi-

zations (NGO) to treat and evaluate more than 49,000 people.

Numerous academic and professional subject matter expert exchanges took place this year from surgeries, to

veterinary care, to culinary and cultural learning. Additionally, 887 surgeries were performed on board Mercy or ashore in host nation hospitals, approximately 7,000 animals were treated, 13 buildings were built or refurbished and 104 community service projects were completed, including donations of 244 pallets of supplies requested by the host nations.

Capt. Jim Morgan PP12 mission commander, said during the closing ceremony in Cambodia that the really important parts about this mission are the professional and cultural exchanges that go on between militaries, governments, health departments, medical practitioners, engineers, non-government organizations and volunteers, as well as the local populations.

"It's through increased understanding and trust that we will all work better and more efficiently together – not if, but when – a natural disaster strikes," said Morgan.

Pacific Partnership, an annual U.S. Pacific Fleet sponsored humanitarian and civic assistance mission now in its seventh year, brings together U.S. military personnel, host and partner nations, non-government organizations and international agencies to build stronger relationships and develop disaster response capabilities throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

Hispanic Heritage Month celebration planned for Sept. 21

A Hispanic Heritage Month celebration will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sept. 21 at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel.

Planned activities include a speech by the keynote speaker, Capt. Robert A. Espinosa, chief of staff, Navy Region Hawaii.

The national anthem will be performed by vocalist Sr. Airman Letha Brown.

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam ceremonial guard will parade and retire the colors.

Capt. Sal Aguilera will perform the invocation and benediction. Following the official ceremony, refreshments and a dance exhibition will take place at the chapel lanai.

For more information and to participate, call committee chairman QM1 (SW) Julian Pardal at 474-0302 or email julian.pardal1@navy.mil.

New facilities service desk to open Aug. 27

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii

The new 24/7/365 Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Facilities Service Desk will open for business at 7 a.m. Aug. 27.

In line with transitioning into a more efficient joint installation, the Navy and Air Force individual emergency service desks will combine into one.

The consolidated operations will operate from building 1202 located on the Hickam side of the joint base.

Other than work deemed an emergency, the new joint base facilities service desk will only accept requests from assigned primary or alternate building managers.

The new number for the service desk is 449-3100.

Directions to building 1202 are:

- From Hickam main gate: merge onto Vandenberg Boulevard, keep left onto Fox Boulevard, keep left onto Vickers Avenue, and turn left onto H Street to arrive at destination.
- From Porter Avenue Gate: Head southeast on 11th Street, at traffic circle continue straight on 11th Street, turn left on Vickers Avenue, take the second right on H Street to Arrive at destination.

For more information, contact Lt. Cmdr. Mike O'Donnell, mike.o'donnell@navy.mil, or call 449-3122.

Pearl Harbor shipyard trades workers advance careers through apprentice to engineer program

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Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs

A college classroom has replaced a ship in dry dock as the regular job site for a trio of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) craftsmen. Starting Aug. 20, Sheet Metal Mechanic Travis Miwa, Electrician Alike Spahn Naihe and Electronic Measurement Equipment Mechanic Michael Fitzgerald began their pursuit of engineering degrees by taking classes full-time at University of Hawaii (UH) campuses.

The three trades workers are the most recent participants in the shipyard-sponsored apprentice to engineer (A2E) program. The program pays for their tuition, books, students and lab fees, and other education-related expenses.

Miwa and Spahn Naihe just graduated from the apprentice program Aug. 10. Miwa is attending UH Manoa and plans to earn a degree in civil engineering. "My motivation to apply for A2E was knowing that it's a great opportunity to advance myself professionally while still earning a living to support my family," he said.

Spahn Naihe, enrolled at Kapiolani Community College, intends to become an electrical engineer. He hopes his experience as a production worker will enhance his engineering skills and the work flow between planning and production.



Travis Miwa of Aiea (left), Michael Fitzgerald of Kaneohe and Alike Spahn Naihe of Kalihi, trades workers at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF), are the 2012 Apprentice to Engineer (A2E) program participants.

Fitzgerald is taking pre-engineering courses at Leeward Community College and will transfer later to UH Manoa to finish up his courses in electrical engineering. When asked why he applied for the A2E program, Fitzgerald replied, "I want to gain more knowl-

edge and then be able to contribute what I know to help improve the shipyard." The A2E program started in 2009 and produced its first graduate last May. There are currently 11 participants, including Miwa, Spahn Naihe and Fitzgerald. Upon comple-

tion of the program, A2E graduates transition to engineering positions at the shipyard, furthering the command's production engineering or "production-eering" construct designed to maximize efficiency and minimize seams between planning and execution.

Refueling crew brings spirit of *aloha*, fuel to fight

**Staff Sgt.
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*Air Forces Central Public
Affairs*

TRANSIT CENTER AT MANAS, Kyrgyzstan – Being from Hawaii, the three-man refueling crew likes to bring the spirit of *aloha* with them on each deployment. On a previous deployment to Turkey, the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron members from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii brought crates of fresh pineapple to give out.

On this deployment with the 22nd Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron (EARS), they brought another Hawaiian tradition-chocolate-covered macadamia nuts.

“Wherever we go, we always want to have something to give,” said Capt. Michael Curtis, aircraft commander. “Our guys always get to know everybody, and I don’t know if it’s because we are from Hawaii, but we are pretty laid back and easy going. We just want to show those who are helping us out that we appreciate them. It is as simple as the Airman who gave us a ride to the flightline. Eric ran back and gave her the box of candies.”

However, it is not just random acts of Hawaii kindness the Airmen are performing on their deployment.

1st Lt. Josh Ishiki, co-pilot, and Master Sgt. Eric Faurott, boom operator, are all members of the Hawaii Air National Guard (ANG) who work together to fuel the fight for Operation Enduring Freedom. The group is one of the many 22nd EARS crews who fly the KC-135 Stratotanker over Afghanistan to provide aerial refueling support to Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and allied



(Above) A U.S. Air Force 22nd Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron KC-135 Stratotanker refuels a U.S. Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt over Afghanistan on Aug 2.

(Below) A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon (Viper) is refueled over Afghanistan during over-seas contingency operations.



U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Alexandria Mosness

nation aircraft.

“Basically, we take off over the country, and we have certain refueling areas,” Curtis said. “We provide fuel to the aircraft that are in those areas.”

It starts with the troops with the boots on the ground. If they are having a bad day, the joint terminal

attack controller coordinates with the fighter pilots who provide armed overwatch or strikes if needed.

“But those planes burn fuel fast and in order to stay in the air, they need more fuel. And that is where we come in,” the aircraft commander added.

On this deployment, they

have flown 43 sorties in 60 days and logged nearly 300 flying hours, Faurott said.

Curtis has worked with Faurott for seven years and Ishiki for one.

While the three all joined the military for different reasons, one common theme led them to the Hawaii ANG: their families.

Curtis joined the military because it was always in his family.

“From all the way back to the Revolutionary War, a member of my family has served in every war,” the Fayetteville, Ark. native said.

Curtis has an extensive military resume. He was in the Navy for six years, the Air Force Reserves for three and has currently served 11 years in the Air National Guard.

He ended up becoming a permanent resident of Hawaii after he met his wife and couldn’t convince her to move to Arkansas.

“Snakes, swamps and hunting just didn’t do it for her,” he said with a laugh.

Ishiki joined the military to go to college. He was active duty for six years as a jet mechanic, but he always wanted to fly.

“I received my wings in October 2010, and it has been awesome,” said Ishiki who is on his third deployment.

The co-pilot said he also knew he would always return home to his family in Hawaii.

“We are real family-oriented,” said Ishiki, a Kaneohe, Hawaii native. “I actually live on the same street as my grandpa, mom and sister.

Faurott joined the military because it was in his family to serve, he said.

“My father was infantry in the Marines, and I followed him in his footsteps and joined the Army as infantry at the beginning of my military career.”

Faurott has been a boom operator since 1996.

“As a flying line boom, my job is to give the other aircraft gas—one contact and one offload,” he said. “It has to be simple and fast in the combat support role. What people don’t realize is the tanker’s weapon is fuel.

What we bring to our fight is our fuel.”

The crew not only brings the fuel but their positive attitude as well.

“The 203rd ARS crew has the Hawaiian spirit,” said Lt. Col. Russell Davis, 22nd EARS commander.

“But most importantly they bring an atmosphere of *ohana*, which means family in Hawaiian,” he continued. “You can tell they are all family. Showing up for a flight, they always warmly greet their maintainers and have a short conversation.”

There is always a handshake or shoulder bump, which is unique to a Hawaii unit. A lot of my crews have that teamwork, but the Hawaii crew has a high level of cohesion and teamwork that you don’t see in most units. They are family and are connected,” David said.

The same connection is what keeps them safe on their flying missions.

“We have flown together for a while, and you are able to know the guy next to you’s limits and capabilities,” Curtis said.

Curtis relies on Faurott’s expertise on hazmat and cargo and his 16 years of experience as an integral part of the safety on missions, he said.

The team always has to keep talking to each other to keep everyone on the same page.

“We all have to work together,” Ishiki said. “Everyone has an equal setting. There is no rank per-se. We each have our specific jobs, and we always have a line of communication.”

It is the same family mentality that helps keeps each other motivated.

“I look to my crew to bring me up and for me to bring them up when they need it,” Faurott said. “If we work as a crew, not as an individual, there is nothing we can’t overcome.”

Warrior football touches down at Earhart Field

Story and photos by
Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

In an exchange of cultural customs and lifestyles, the University of Hawaii Warrior football program and military members at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) shared glimpses of what it's like on the other side of the fence as the civilian Division I football players got a unique look at life in the armed forces.

Last week, the Warriors, in preparation for their upcoming inaugural season in the Mountain West Conference, took full advantage of the opportunity to dorm and practice at joint base and, according to head coach Norm Chow, the arrangement couldn't have worked out better.

Besides the usual Xs and Os of daily practice sessions at Earhart Field, Chow said that the on-base experience provided his players a great chance to learn about the military and life.

"I think our job is, number one, to graduate student athletes and, number two, to teach life lessons," he said. "Football is a great tool to teach life lessons – discipline, teamwork and all that kind of stuff. To see it happening in the military, that's not lost on our guys and that's critical."

The team had the chance to come to JBPHH after the university closed its dorms for a week in order to spruce things up for the coming school year.

With no place to stay and its show-down with No. 1 ranked USC looming around the corner, Chow said he recalled how a similar situation was remedied while he was a member of the Tennessee Titans coaching staff.

"When I was in the NFL, we stayed in a kind of similar spot," he noted. "So we had a guy that knew a guy and this worked out terrific."

Chow said he also liked the fact that his players were shown a great example of what it means for people from all backgrounds to work together – something he notes that the military does very well.

"We are

the most diverse team in the country," said Chow, who is the first Asian-American head coach of a major college football program. "We go from Florida to Australia. That's why it's important for us to bond together as a team."

For UH receiver senior Jeremiah (Miah) Ostrowski, the stay at JBPHH was a great experience that will not only help him on the field, but also in life.

Although Ostrowski lives in Aiea, he said that this was only his second time on base, but first real interaction with life in the military.

"The number-one thing we learned was the discipline," said Ostrowski, who hauled in 65 passes for 687 yards in 2011 and is also the starting point guard on the school's basketball squad. "When we started, everybody was out of order, but after awhile, we picked it up. Everything we do is as a team, and that's how we want to go out there and perform."

One incident that Ostrowski said he'd never forget happened on the morning of Aug. 14 when both Navy and Air Force personnel joined forces to serve as training instructors in a commando-style drill that jolted the players out of the barracks at 5 a.m.

At first, Chow said that the players thought it was a joke, but Ostrowski stated that they were in shock.

"It was crazy. We never experienced something like that before," he admitted. "We're Division I athletes, but I think every single one of us was dying out there. They were doing all these high knees, running, that's really being in shape."

Meanwhile, for 6-foot-3-inch senior defensive lineman Paipai Falemalu, the week spent at JBPHH was far different from practices at the school's Manoa campus, but he said that he enjoyed the boot-camp-like experience.

"I think just being here on base was a real great experience for us because we couldn't go anywhere," he said. "We're just here on base and everything is just football. Don't have to worry about school; we're treated really good here. Everyone was very hospitable."

Chow, Falemalu and Ostrowski agreed that the week-long stay at JBPHH also served as an outreach for the university to connect with, and hopefully extend, its military fan base.

For years, the team has held a military appreciation night game at Aloha Stadium. The camp, Ostrowski said, should also help better the relationship between UH and the armed forces.

"It's big because they (military) are as local as we are," he said. "They represent Hawaii just like any other player on this team. So we've got to take them in and make them feel welcomed. They live here, fight for our freedom, so we've got to make sure that we make them feel at home."



Photo illustration

Pacific Aviation Museum hosts ‘Biggest Little Airshow’

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The Pacific Aviation Museum on Aug. 18 and 19 served as the site of the “Biggest, Little Airshow” at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. More than 11,000 people attended the free event, which celebrated the Centennial of Marine Aviation and the Centennial of Women in Aviation. Visitors observed more than 100 historic original aircraft and remote control aircraft on the tarmac, in the hangars and in the air. Remote control planes and helicopters participated in a “candy bombing” in which they dropped candy onto a field and children ran out to gather what they could. Hangar 79 was open for visitors to see historic aircraft the museum has recently acquired. There were also sponsor booths and museum education booths including places for children to dress like a pilot, fly in flight simulators, play ball with robotics, look inside the cockpit, and make a model plane to take home. Local Hawaii band Loaded Dice performed live classic rock and metal during the two-day

air show. The presenting local remote control organization, the Birds of Paradise, and pilots from the continental U.S. from the Academy of Model Aeronautics piloted their scale remote controlled planes in the skies next to the museum. “Today is the remote control plane air show,” said Navy Sea Cadet Matt Bowler. “It was pretty cool. I didn’t know some of the planes go really fast. I heard that some go like 200 miles per hou. That’s really cool.” Military vehicles and equipment were displayed as well as a special memorial to fallen service members. Originally part of the 2012 Fisher House Hero and Remembrance Run, Walk or Roll, more than a thousand donated military boots were displayed near the Ford Island Control Tower with American flags and photographs of fallen service members. Navy Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Luke Ross and Seaman Conrad Sconacher performed a popular demonstration with their military working dog Riki on Saturday, and Air Force and civilian personnel showed their working K-9s Sunday. The Pacific Aviation Museum is currently planning on holding the sixth “Biggest Little Airshow” next year in August 2013.



Photos by MC2 Daniel Barker and courtesy of Pacific Aviation Museum
Photo illustration

Got Five overwhelms Hit Faced in volleyball final

Story and photo by
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Sports Editor

After years of competing under the name of Wotevaz, the ladies of the newly named Got Five volleyball squad proved that while the team's title has changed, the results are still the same.

This year, Got Five continued its domination of the base's Women's Volleyball League (WVL) by vanquishing Hit Faced in straight sets, 25-9 and 25-9, Aug. 18, to capture the 2012 WVL championship at Naval Station Gym, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

By winning the league's crown, the women have now collected the top prize in four consecutive years.

The WVL is a pay-to-play league that is open to women who are at least 18 years old and are active-duty military and family members or Department of Defense employees.

"We always came with five, so we were always short a player," said Got Five hitter Edna Walker about the team's name change from Wotevaz to Got Five.

Teams in the WVL compete six-on-six, but allow a squad to play with a minimum of five players.

While Got Five's official regular-season record was 7-2, both of the team's defeats were forfeits due to insufficient players.

In the playoffs however, Got Five competed at full strength with six players and it showed.

Against Hit Faced, a well-rested Got Five opened the first set with a bang and raced out to a 10-0 lead behind the well-placed, overhand serves of Department of Defense civilian and team veteran Cheri Akana.

During the fast start, Akana picked up two service aces and received outstanding frontline support from DoD Joanie Lilio, who slammed two kills, and Brenda Walker, Edna's daughter.

The teams split the next 10 points, but with Got Five holding a 15-5 advantage, the ladies put together another long run to gain an overwhelming lead.

Back-to-back kills by Army Chief Warrant Officer 2 Sorepa Thomas and an ace from server Yeoman 1st Class Maryanne Elisara completed a seven-point run that put Got Five out in front at 22-5.

A service error and kills by Lilio and Brenda Walker put the finishing touches on the team's



Got Five outside hitter Joanie Lilio puts the hit on one of her nine kills in the second set of the team's Women's Volleyball League championship game versus Hit Faced.

first set victory.

In the second set, it was more of the same as Lilio and her teammates continued to dominate from service and at the net.

Three kills and a service ace by Lilio helped Got Five take a 6-2 lead before Elisara recorded three service aces in a five-point run that put her team ahead by a score of 14-6.

From that point on, the set was taken over by the hard-hitting Lilio who, after a miss hit by Hit Faced, slammed down six of the Got Five's next seven points for a 22-8 advantage.

"We were just trying to put the ball in," said Lilio about the team's high hitting percentage. "For me, I was trying to push myself, jump as high as I can, and

hopefully the ball would land inside. That's what I was going for. I'm like, I can't hold back, this is the finals and go all out."

Later, a kill by Thomas, an ace from Akana, and a final kill by Thomas locked up the set and match and delivered another championship into the hands of Got Five ladies.

Hit Faced hitter military spouse Lauren Shinego, who picked up two kills in set one and another in set two, said that while the team's 30-minute turnaround after dispatching Team Ninja in straight sets in the semifinals may have contributed to her squad's loss to Got Five, she praised the defending champs for their outstanding effort.

"They definitely know how to

put the ball away," Shinego said. "That's why they're No. 1. They are an awesome hitting team. We just lacked on the defensive side."

Shinego admitted that although she was disappointed to see her team's season come to an end, she was happy and proud of the way Hit Faced battled throughout the year.

The team finished the regular season in sixth place with a league record of 4-6, but bounced back to win quarterfinal and semifinal matches in the playoffs.

"We came in as the underdogs and came out No. 2, so it was fun," she said. "It was a good season. The ladies were awesome. I look forward to next season and seeing Got Five again."

Entering into the champi-

onship game, Lilio said that the team approached the match with a simple strategy.

"Make less mistakes and let them make all the mistakes," she stated. "That's what we planned on the whole game. And plus, we were tired so we just wanted to finish them. We're not doing a third game."

Edna, who has been one of the most dominant players in the league for years, said that this season the team was about balance.

As for whether the ladies would be back for yet another championship run, the veteran outside hitter said that she would rather keep everyone guessing.

"We'll surprise you guys," she said with a laugh.

Second-half outbreak propels Dream Chasers to win

Story and photo by
Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor

Up by only two points in the second half, the Dream Chasers scored 13 points in a row to spend the upset-minded Naval Submarine Training Center Pacific (Nasty Pac) "B" by a score of 43-28, Aug. 18 in a Summer Basketball League (SBL) game at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center gym.

The run helped the Dream Chasers outscore Nasty Pac, 25-14, in the second half and keep their unbeaten and league-leading record intact at 5-0.

"We didn't play great in the first half, but we turned on in the second half," said Dream Chasers guard Engineman 2nd Class Brandon Thomason, who scored six points. "We weren't rotating in the beginning of the game. After halftime, we adjusted and everybody started being accountable for their man."

In the first half, Nasty Pac gave the Dream Chasers all they could handle in a seesaw affair that exchanged leads three times in the first seven minutes of play.

A basket by Thomason gave the Dream Chasers their first lead at 6-5, but Nasty Pac came right back on a shot by Yeoman 2nd Class Sammel Humphries.

While the Dream Chasers, powered by back-to-back layups from Marines Staff Sgt. Julius Johnson, scored the next seven points, Nasty Pac pulled back to within one at 13-12 on a put back by Humphries.

Then, down by four at 18-



Dream Chasers point guard Intelligence Specialist 2nd Class Aaron Jackson goes up for a shot during a Summer Basketball League game versus Naval Submarine Training Center Pacific (Nasty Pac) "B" at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

14, Nasty Pac came out of halftime and scored on a basket by Electronics Technician 2nd Class Nick Morton that cut the lead down to two.

However, led by point guard Intelligence Specialist 2nd Class Aaron Jackson, the Dream Chasers went on a 13-0 run to pull away from Nasty Pac.

Held scoreless during the first half, Jackson started the second half on fire by scoring on a lay-up and dishing out an assist to Johnson, before drilling a trey from downtown – putting the Dream Chasers up by nine at 25-16 with 11:36 remaining in the game.

Another two-point shot by Johnson gave the Dream Chasers their first double-digit lead at 27-16, but Morton finally ended the run by connecting on one of two from the free-throw line.

Thomason explained that once the team settled down and began to focus on defense, scoring became a lot easier in the second half.

"This whole season we've started off sluggish," Thomason said. "Once we buckled down and started playing defense, we got turnovers and fast breaks. That's where we get most of our scoring on fast breaks."

Thomason sealed the game on a basket-and-one that raised the Dream Chasers' lead to 16 at 36-20 with 4:20 on the clock.

Johnson led the charge on offense for the Dream Chasers with his strong play inside the paint.

The Dream Chasers pivotman pumped in 14 points and was followed by nine points from Jackson, who scored all of his tallies in the second half.

Humphries led Nasty Pac with 10 points and was supported by six points each from teammates Morton, Machinist's Mate 1st Class Steven Dunbar and Fire Control Technician 1st Class Casey Pegram.

Humphries, who scored all but one of his points in the first half, said that although Nasty Pac stayed close at the start, the team began to stray from its game plan shortly after the break.

Once the team started falling behind, Humphries said, bad decisions on offense prevented Nasty Pac from coming back.

"We started off with a real quick basket at the beginning of the half but started looking ahead of us and started rushing it," Humphries said. "We should have kept to our same game plan in the first half and pass the ball around. Instead, we panicked and had to force our way back. In the end, we just ran out of gas."

Still, Humphries maintained that should the teams meet in the playoffs, Nasty Pac would be ready.

"Every game, we keep on getting better," he said. "If we see them later in the season, we'll be in better shape and communication will be better."

Meanwhile, Thomason said that the keys for continued success for the Dream Chasers are staying calm and keeping focused.

"We try not to panic because once you start to panic, you start arguing with your teammates and then you start falling apart," Thomason stated. "We all got leaders on this team, so we can all step up anytime and make shots."



Booz Allen Hamilton in conjunction with the Salute Military Golf Association (SMGA) added Honolulu to a nation-wide charity golf effort Aug. 20 that is in its third year. The goal of the events are to provide a rehabilitative golf experience while raising awareness for American combat-wounded veterans.

WOUNDED WARRIOR GOLF



Sgt. 1st Class Fetuosasae Sua from the Warrior Transition Battalion at Tripler Army Medical Center looks on as his drive travels down the 15th fairway.



Marine Corps Col. Nathan Nastase, 3rd Marine Regiment commanding officer, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, gives opening remarks to Wounded Warriors and Honolulu civilian community members.




U.S. Army Master Sgt. James Habbit from the Warrior Transition Battalion at Tripler Army Medical Center hits a drive toward the fairway.



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WHO SAID IT?


“A prudent question is one-half of wisdom.”



Last Week's
WHO SAID IT?
“Action is the foundation key to all success.”
Pablo Picasso

This Week's Trivia

What major American Navy victory at sea took place Aug. 13, 1812?



Last Issue's Question: Who served as the first chief master sergeant of the U.S. Air Force?
Answer: Paul W. Airey served as the first chief master sergeant of the U.S. Air Force.

My Favorite Photo...

As part of his recent visit to the island of Maui, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Allen Unger snapped this colorful picture along the road to Hana. Unger is employed at Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor.
Photo courtesy of Lt. Cmdr. Allen Unger



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DIVE-IN MOVIE

A free movie showing at the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific pool takes place from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. today. The movie will begin at sunset. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. FMI: 653-5306.

CHINATOWN FOOD AND HISTORIC TOUR

A tour of Honolulu’s Chinatown featuring a traditional dim sum lunch will take place 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$25 for adults, \$20 for children ages 3–11 years old, departs from Tickets & Travel-Hickam. FMI: 448-2295.

SAILING ORIENTATION

Join experienced skippers from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday and learn the basics of sailing. The sail begins at Hickam Harbor Marina and goes to Diamond Head and back, checking out Waikiki and the south shore. The cost is \$20 per hour. FMI: 449-5215.

KAYAKING HALEIWA RIVER WITH LIBERTY

A free kayaking trip to Haleiwa River with Liberty will be held Sunday. Departures are from Beeman Center at 8:15 a.m., Instant Liberty at 8:30 a.m., Makai Rec Center at 8:45 a.m., and Liberty Express at 9:30 a.m. This event is for single active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. FMI: 473-2583.

MOONLIGHT PADDLE

There will be a moonlight paddle from 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday at Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. All paddling abilities are welcome. The trip includes kayaks, gear and professional guides. Saturday is the final day to register. The cost is \$20 per person. FMI: 449-5215.

YOUTH ADVENTURE SPORTS

Young people ages 12 to 16 can experience sports such as surfing, stand-up paddleboarding, mountain biking, canoeing and kayaking. Registration is through Aug. 31, and the session runs September to November. The cost is \$120. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

BENCH PRESS CONTEST

The Pearl Harbor Fitness Center will hold a bench press contest at 10 a.m. Sept. 1. Weigh-ins begin at 9 a.m. Men will bench press 100 percent of their body weight, and women will bench press 50 percent of their body weight, as many reps as possible in good form. The entry fee is \$5. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com

Community Calendar

August

25 ~ A property sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bellows Air Force Station. The sale is open to active duty ID cardholders and their family members from 9 to 10 a.m. All other authorized ID cardholders may participate from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All property is sold “as is” and sales are final. The sale is cash only. FMI: www.bellowsafs.com.

26 ~ Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel will host a Protestant ministry fair after the 11 a.m. service to provide information on upcoming events, family ministry programs, outreach opportunities, programs for mothers of preschoolers, the new mid-week Bible studies, and living-inside-out children’s hour. The ministry fair will be followed by a meal and fellowship. FMI: 473-3971.

September

1 ~ The City & County of Honolulu will conduct 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.

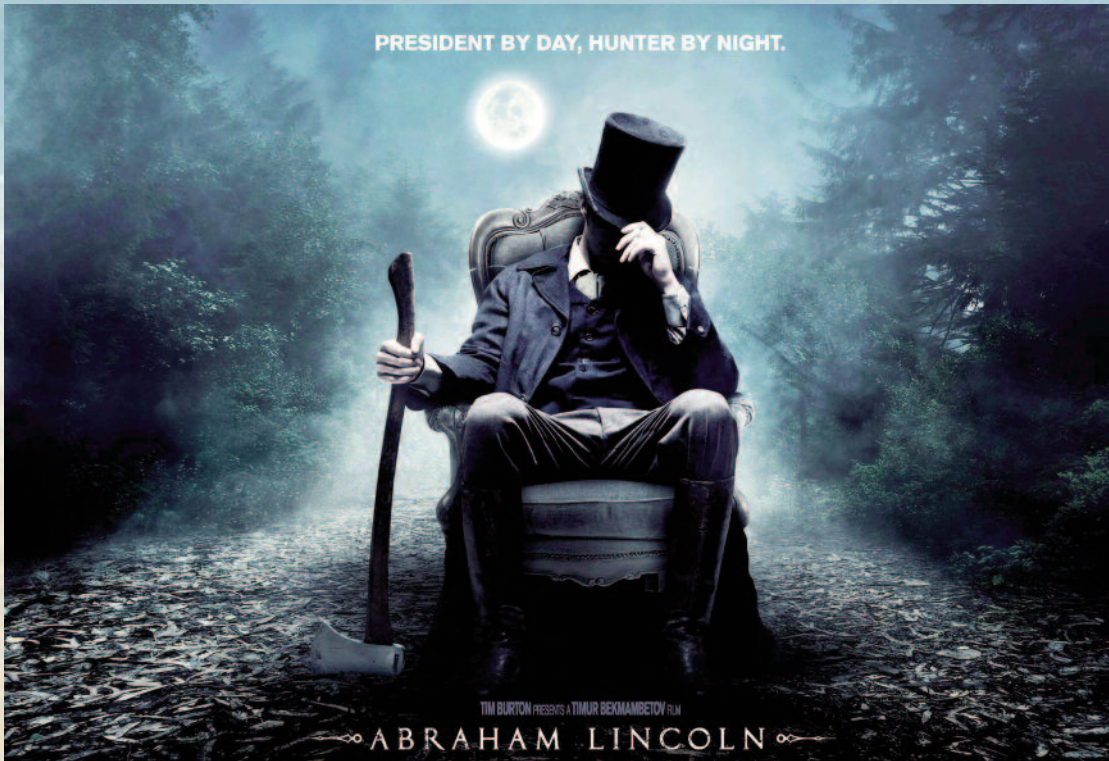
6 and 13 ~ Military housing residents can meet with Navy leadership and Forest City representatives at upcoming community meetings scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Sept. 6 and Sept. 13, both at Moanalua Community Center. Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions and address concerns. Information will also be provided on the Resident Energy Conservation Program which will implement a 10 percent buffer beginning Oct. 1.

7 ~ Military and Family Services Center will recognize 80 ombudsmen at a Navy Family Ombudsman Program appreciation dinner in the Hickam Officers’ Club at Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The \$35 tickets can be purchased through today. FMI: 474-1999.

14 ~ The Air Force Ball will be held at 6 p.m. at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. Ticket prices for the event are tiered. FMI: call a unit representative or visit [http:// www.15wing.af.mil/library/airforceball.asp](http://www.15wing.af.mil/library/airforceball.asp).

For more information on events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Movie Showtimes



Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter (R)

Visionary filmmakers Tim Burton and Timur Bekmambetov bring a fresh and visceral voice to the dark and bloodthirsty lore of the vampire, imagining the secret life of our nation's favorite president...as history's greatest hunter of the undead.

SHARKEY MOVIE THEATER

TODAY
7:00 PM The Amazing Spider-Man (PG-13)

SATURDAY
2:30 PM Brave (PG)
4:45 PM Abraham Lincoln:
Vampire Hunter (R)
7:15 PM Ted (R)

SUNDAY
2:30 PM Brave (PG)
4:45 PM The Amazing Spider-Man (PG-13)
7:15 PM Magic Mike (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY
6:00 PM Brave (PG)
8:30 PM Katy Perry: Party of Me (PG-13)

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Navy leads in history of equality

Office of Chief of Naval Operations

This Navy administration message announces the observance of Women's Equality Day on Aug. 26.

It commemorates the 1920 passage of the 19th amendment to the Constitution, granting women the right to vote.

The women's suffrage movement began in 1848 at the Seneca Falls Convention in Seneca Falls, N.Y., convened by suffragist leaders Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott.

The resulting declaration of sentiments, which outlined key social, civil and political demands for women, helped the cause of women's suffrage gain national prominence.

Nearly 72 years of ceaseless campaigning by a coalition of suffragists, temperance groups, reform-minded politicians and women's social welfare organizations led to the passage of the 19th amendment to the Constitution on Aug. 26, 1920, prohibiting state and federal agencies from placing gender-based restrictions on voting.

To honor and commemorate this historic event, in 1971 New York Congresswoman Bella Abzug introduced, and Congress signed, a resolution to designate Aug. 26 as Women's Equality Day, recognizing the anniversary of suffrage and of women's continued efforts toward equal rights.

There are nearly 65,000 women, active and reserve, serving in the Navy today, comprising more than

17 percent of the force.

Additionally, nearly 50,000 women serve across the Navy in a wide range of specialties as civilian employees. These talented female officers, Sailors and civilians are a key component of our total force, and they are an invaluable asset to the strength of the Navy.

Although women have served in and with the Navy since the American Revolution, they did not become an official part of the Navy until 1908 when Congress established the Navy Nurse Corps, 12 years before women gained the right to vote.

The Navy's first enlisted women, more commonly known as yeomen, provided clerical support during World War I, but only for the duration of the war.

Nurses remained the only women in the Navy until the service launched the women accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (WAVES) program in 1942.

During World War II, 85,000 WAVES served at naval shore establishments across the nation and overseas, including 81 nurses held as prisoners of war by the Japanese.

The contributions of these Navy women and their counterparts in the other services convinced military and congressional leaders that women should have a role in the peacetime armed forces.

With the passage of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act of 1948, women gained permanent status in the armed services.

Opportunities for women increased dramatically during the 1970s. Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Elmo Zumwalt issued a series of mandates for change known as Z-grams. In 1972, Z-gram 116 expanded the role of women in the Navy. In 1973, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of equal benefits for the dependents of military women as well as abolishing pregnancy as a reason for mandatory separation.

President Gerald Ford signed Public Law 94-106, opening the U.S. Naval Academy to women by the fall of 1976.

In 1978, the Navy started its "Women on Ships" program, assigning women to non-combatant ships.

Opportunities were later broadened to include service on combatants in 1994, following the repeal of the combat exclusion law.

Women's roles on combatant ships were further expanded in 2011 when the first group of women reported onboard submarines.

Most recently, Navy female medical officers, chaplains and chief and first class petty officer hospital corpsmen are reporting to serve at the battalion level in the Marine Corps ground combat element as part of the Department of Defense women in service review exception to policy.

More information about women's diversity conferences, events and observances is available on the office of Women's Policy N134W webpage at <http://www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/organization/bupers/womenspolicy>.

Armed services blood drive schedule updates announced

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives as part of the Armed Services Blood Donor Program (ASBP). Dates and locations are updated regularly online as new drives are scheduled. Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment online, call to make an appointment, and check www.militaryblood.dod.mil for the latest information.

Currently scheduled drives include:

- Aug. 24, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard building 2.
- Aug. 28, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., NEX, Tripler Army Medical Center.

For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

Country music star will perform at Ward Field Sept. 11

Country music superstar Mark Wills will perform a remembrance concert at 7 p.m. Sept. 11 at Ward Field, Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

With more than 15 years in the country music industry, Wills' number one singles include "Wish You Were Here," and "19 Somethin'" along with chart-topping hits such as "Jacob's Ladder," "Places I've Never Been" and "I Do (Cherish You)."

Gates open at 5 p.m. The event is open to military-affiliated personnel and their sponsored guests. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. No pets, glass, tents or outside food and beverages will be allowed. Large bags and backpacks will be subject to search.

For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Siller Tunnel to Towers Pearl Harbor run to take place Sept. 8

Don Robbins

Assistant Editor

This year's second annual Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Pearl Harbor 5K run will take place at 7 a.m. Sept. 8 across the Ford Island Bridge at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The race is affiliated with the national Tunnel to Towers Foundation, created in honor of New York Fire Department fire-

fighter Stephen Siller, who lost his life on Sept. 11, 2001.

Siller had just gotten off work when the first plane crashed into the World Trade Center. Siller parked his truck, put on all of his gear (about 65-75 pounds) and ran through the tunnel and was picked up somewhere on the other side by Squad 1.

He was last seen in that general vicinity. In all, the New York Fire Department lost 343 firefighters that day.

Last year was the inception of nationwide

Tunnel to Towers events. Pearl Harbor became one of 30 races outside New York City and the third largest with more than 1,000 runners and walkers participating.

The cost for the race is \$35 until the beginning of September and \$50 cash on race day. Free running shirts are available for all adult registrations. Children under age 12 may participate free of charge, but will not be given a T-shirt. Prizes will be available to participants age 18 or older.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit the

Hawaii Fire Chiefs Association and Building for America's Bravest, according to Leigh Anne Wilson, regional director for the Tunnel to Towers national race.

She explained that the Tunnel to Towers Foundation is now partnered with the Gary Sinese Foundation in Building for America's Bravest, building smart homes for triple and quadruple amputees.

For more information and to register for the race, visit the website at www.t2trun.org/pearlharbor.

Bellows to hold its first Keiki Bodyboard Contest

Bellows Air Force Station will hold its first *Keiki* (children's) Bodyboard Contest, starting at 10 a.m. Sept. 22.

Entry Fees are \$10 if postmarked by Sept. 2, \$15 if postmarked by Sept. 3-9, and \$20 after Sept. 10.

No T-shirt is guaranteed after Sept. 9. No refund will be given.

Individual contest age groups are 7-9, 10-12, 13-15 and 16-17. Tandem competitors must be at least 18 years old to compete with a child age 6 and under.

All participants must be able to swim. Awards for the top three in each age group and top three in tandem group will be awarded.

For more information and registration forms visit www.bellowsafs.com or call Turtle Cove at 808-259-4136/4137.

Well-baby doctor visits: Why they're so important

TriWest Healthcare Alliance

You've missed your baby's scheduled well-baby doctor exam. Should you be concerned? Your baby isn't sick, so it's not that important ... is it?

Because babies grow so quickly, regular well-baby doctor visits help keep them happy and healthy.

Your son or daughter should have six well-child doctor visits during their first 15 months of life. These regular doctor visits allow the pediatrician to check your baby's growth and development.

They also give you, as the parent, important information about what to expect as your child grows up.

During a well-baby visit,

your child will also receive any vaccinations that are due. Vaccinations are a big part of protecting your child from disease.

If your baby isn't vaccinated, these diseases could make your child very sick or even cause death.

Make the most during your regular well-child doctor visit. Write down any questions or concerns you

may have about your child's development and bring them with you. This way you won't forget to ask the pediatrician during the exam.

Well-baby doctor visits are a TRICARE-covered benefit with no authorizations, cost-shares, co-payments, or deductibles for those eligible.

For more information on well-child doctor visits, visit TriWest.com/parenting.

Hawaii-based Airmen will run 200 miles for Wounded Warriors Project this weekend

Story and photo by
Paul Koenig

A group of Airmen stationed at Joint Base Pearl Harbor – Hickam and one civilian will be running in the “Hood to Coast” Relay Race in Oregon this weekend to generate interest and donations for the Wounded Warriors Project (WWP).

“With 12,600 runners, 3,600 volunteers, tens of thousands of fans and broad media coverage, the opportunity to raise awareness for support of our wounded brothers and sisters seems too good to pass up” said Sr. Airman Chris Perez, team captain.

The race, which takes place today and Saturday, starts at the top of Mount Hood, runs through scenery of the Cascade Range past Portland on its way to Seaside, a coastal vacation spot in Northwest Oregon.

The grueling event is run continuously until completion, with no team stops or breaks, Perez explained. “This makes it an even tougher challenge for our team, since most of the other teams will have 12



Team R.I.S.E. Above finishes a recent 139-mile Oahu race.

members compared to our eight,” Perez said.

As a group committed to the WWP, the team has already paid for their own airfare and startup costs. Their team name, R.I.S.E. Above, is rooted in their committed approach: Remember integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all you do and

wanted to keep the focus of contributions on the Wounded Warriors Project, insuring all donations go directly to WWP.”

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you will rise above.”

The Airmen runners include Perez, Rippeth, Jimmy Wilbourn, Joey Garcia, Greg Lishman, Adam Easton, Tony Oakley and Henry Flores, a civilian. For more information, visit the team’s site at <http://wwpproudsupporter.kintera.org/riseabove>.

JEMS Job Fair set for next month

Job applicants will have an opportunity to meet with more than 100 prospective employers when the 25th annual Joint Employment Management System (JEMS) Job Fair convenes from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 26 at Club Pearl at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Hawaii, mainland and international companies will be represented at the fair.

Those who plan to attend the job fair should be dressed for potential interviews, bring resumes, have business cards available, and bring a pen. The event is open to members of the military community with base access. Even before job seekers meet face-

to-face with employers, they will have a chance to hone their resumes and job-seeking skills at preparation classes that are being hosted by staff at the Military and Family Support Center (MFSC).

The preparatory classes will be offered in late August and early September. Information on how to write a resume, how to dress for interviews, and other job-hunting skills will be presented at the classes. Classes include:

Job fair success

- Aug. 28, 10 a.m. to noon at MFSC Hickam.
- Sept. 10 and 11, 5 to 7 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor.

Writing your best resume

- Sept. 6, 1 to 3 p.m., MFSC Hickam.

Career choices

- Sept. 12, 5 to 7 p.m., MFSC Pearl Harbor.

Acing the interview

- Sept. 24, 1 to 3 p.m., MFSC Pearl Harbor.

At www.jemsjobs.com, JEMS also offers a comprehensive job bank of approximately 1,600 to 1,900 Hawaii job listings with 600 to 900 new jobs added monthly.

Positions range from entry level to professional jobs. Job seekers can create and post resumes on the job site.

For more information, call 474-1999 or 449-0300.

Women’s professional development seminar to be held Aug. 28

A women’s professional development seminar in honor of Women’s Equality Day will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Aug. 28 at the Aloha Conference Center auditorium at Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Air Force Col. Eva S. Jenkins, commander 692d Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group will serve as facilitator.

The theme of the seminar is “How You Can Reach Your Highest Potential ... and Help Others Reach Theirs.”

Spotlight topics will include:

- Terrific 10: things you can do to maximize your potential for success.
- The female factor: explore the question, “Do women lead differently?”
- Synergistic success effect: what the most successful people do.
- Create a life goal setting action plan: walk through steps to develop your vision and purpose, create action goals, discuss ways to do the research, make a contract with yourself and plan to assess your progress.

Call 448-1400 or email Eva Jenkins at eva.jenkins@us.af.mil to sign up. Seating is limited to 86 people.

NEX plans series of Labor Day weekend activities

Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) has announced its Labor Day weekend schedule of activities. They include:

- A military appreciation event will take place from Aug. 29 to Sept. 3 in the NEX parking lot. There will be a tent sale, food booths by local family readiness and ombudsmen groups, Morale, Welfare and Recreation bounce houses, an exotic car show, games and a Taste of NEX event.

- A Honolulu Police Department/*keiki* (child) ID night will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Aug. 31 in the NEX mall. Free IDs for children will consist of a picture, finger printing and descriptive information about a child in case of emergencies.

- Authorized patrons are invited to a free movie night featuring the movies “The Lorax” and “Tin Tin” Aug. 31 in the NEX parking lot. Seating is at 5:30 p.m. and

the movies start at 7 p.m.

Due to limited seating, tickets to the show can be picked up at the Aloha Center on a first-come, first-served basis. Patrons are responsible for their own chair, beach mat, etc. for seating. Those with higher chairs will be asked to sit further back from the screen so patrons with beach towels and mats will be able to view the screen.

- Ukulele performer Kalei Gamiao will play at a free performance 6 p.m. Sept. 1 on the NEX parking lot stage.

- Rock guitarist Michael Angelo Batio, voted the “number one shredder of all time by Guitar One magazine,” will perform at a free concert at 7 p.m. Sept. 1 at the NEX parking lot stage.

For more information, contact Stephanie Lau, NEX customer service manager at 423-3287 or email stephanie.lau@nexweb.org.