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Upcoming Events

- **Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths:** June 10, JBPHH Newcomers Fair*, Hickam Chapel, 180 Kuntz Ave., from 1 – 1:30 p.m.*; June 12, Navy Exchange Mall, 4725 Bougainville Drive, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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Gov. Josh Green Visits Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

Gov. Josh Green last week paid his first visit to the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Facility (PHNSY & IMF), Hawaii's largest industrial employer. PHNSY & IMF's mission is to keep the Navy's fleet "Fit to Fight" by repairing, maintaining, and modernizing the Navy's fast-attack submarines and surface ships. Strategically located in the heart of the Pacific, PHNSY & IMF is the most comprehensive fleet repair and maintenance facility between the U.S. West Coast and the Far East.



NCTF-RH Engages with Community Members at Quarterly Open House

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill (NCTF-RH) hosted an open house on May 21 at Hokuani Community Center for community members to learn more about current environmental efforts at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (RHBFSF) as well as long-term intentions to increase redundancy, resiliency, and security of the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam drinking water distribution system. NCTF-RH continues to engage with residents, regulatory agencies, and other stakeholders as it works to safely and deliberately decommission the RHBFSF.



Navy Divers Collect USS Arizona Platform Samples

U.S. Navy divers collected samples of concrete last week from one of the mooring platforms attached to the hull of the USS Arizona in Pearl Harbor. The samples will be tested for potential hazardous material. The Navy plans to remove the deteriorating platforms later this year to prevent possible damage to the USS Arizona, its memorial and the environment. The platforms were attached to the ship following the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor and used to facilitate salvage operations.



U.S. Pacific Fleet Band Performs at Salt Lake-Moanalua Public Library

On Saturday, the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band Woodwind Quintet performed at Salt Lake-Moanalua Public Library to help kickoff Hawaii State Public Library System's Summer Reading Challenge. Participants complete the challenge by reading 800 minutes or more between June 1 and July 31. This year's theme, "E Heluhelu Kākou – Mele," invites readers to feel the rhythm of reading through poetry, chants, and music. Band performances promote engagement with community and highlight the Navy's presence and professionalism through music.



UH Students Commissioned as Navy, Marine Corps Officers

In a significant milestone for the University of Hawaii at Manoa's Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps, four newly graduated students commissioned as officers in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps. The ceremony aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial included the oath of office, pinning of insignia, and the first salute. Among those commissioned were U.S. Marine Corps 2nd Lt. Abraham Palacios, 2nd Lt. Dylan Kealohamauloa Yamaguchi, 2nd Lt. Anthony Venancio Tirao, and U.S. Navy Ensign Robert Regan Nelson.



This Week in History: June 3-7, 1942

This year marks the 83rd anniversary of the pivotal Battle of Midway, where American naval and air forces defeated a powerful Imperial Japanese fleet intent on invading Midway Atoll. The battle, occurred June 3 – 7, 1942, turned the tide of war in the Pacific and prevented the Empire of Japan from threatening the Hawaiian Islands from the air base on Midway. Photo: Admiral Nimitz and staff await the arrival of American forces to Pearl Harbor following the Battle of Midway.



Laulima Navy underscores our responsibility to the community and the ways we work alongside partners to help and support our neighbors. Service to others and a commitment to the greater good are values we hold in high regard. It is a privilege for all of us to call Hawaii home and we seek every opportunity we can to show how much we treasure this place. Scan the QR code to learn more about Laulima Navy.



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