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Upcoming Events

- **Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths:** Oct. 8, Kapilina Beach Homes Night Market, Pilikai Beach Park, 5440 Edgewater Dr., from 4 to 8 p.m.



Volunteers Complete Rock Wall to Preserve, Protect Hawaiian Burial Vault

Air Force and Navy service members joined a Native Hawaiian organization on Sunday to complete construction of the wall surrounding the Halealoha Haleamau (House of Aloha, House of Eternity) burial vault on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The vault, built in 1997, is a replica of a traditional Hawaiian burial platform and serves as a permanent repository for Native Hawaiian burials recovered on the installation. Volunteers built the lava rock wall using traditional Hawaiian building methods.



Republic of Korea Training Ship Visits Pearl Harbor

ROKS Hansando (ATH-81), a Republic of Korea navy helicopter training ship, arrived at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Thursday as part of its annual ROK Navy Cruise Training. Pearl Harbor was Hansando's second stop on its voyage across the Pacific and Indian oceans. The vessel was built specifically for training and includes classrooms for lectures and workshops. American partnership with South Korea is integral to regional peace, security and prosperity in the Pacific Fleet area of operations.



NCTF-RH Leaders to Provide Fuel Tank Decommissioning Updates

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill leaders will provide Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility updates during the Hawaii Dept. of Health's Fuel Tank Advisory Committee meeting today at the Hawaii State Capitol. The NCTF-RH presentation will focus on tank cleaning, tank cleaning verification sampling and pipeline cleaning status. Environmental updates will include monitoring and remediation, site assessment, returning to drinking water compliance monitoring, and status of the Navy Aiea-Halawa Shaft reactivation.



PMRF Leaders Honor 100th Infantry Battalion at Annual Service

Leaders from Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands participated in the annual memorial service for the 100th Infantry Battalion on Sunday at Kauai Veterans Cemetery. The memorial service honored the Kauai soldiers of Japanese ancestry who served during World War II. The 100th Infantry Battalion was the first Japanese-American force to aid in the fight on the western front in 1942. The battalion is recognized as being among the most awarded group of soldiers in U.S. history.



Cancer Survivor Finds Strength, Healing in Navy Wounded Warrior Program

Rather than let cancer consume her life, former Information Systems Technician 1st Class (IT1) Maria Edwards found strength and healing in the Navy Wounded Warrior Program. "It was helpful in my treatment because I was being social with other people and wasn't at home depressed about my condition," she said. Edwards was the guest speaker at Navy Region Hawaii's first-ever Navy Wounded Warrior Adaptive Sports Expo, which was held Sept. 23-26 on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.



This Week in History: October 5, 1939

On Oct. 5, 1939, the Hawaiian Detachment was established at Pearl Harbor. Consisting of the USS Enterprise (CV 6), two divisions of cruisers, two squadrons of destroyers and supporting ships, the detachment served as a small but effective fleet in waiting in the Hawaii operating area. The Hawaiian Detachment represented a precursor to the eventual establishment of the modern Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. Photo: USS Enterprise anchored off Ford Island in May 1942.



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