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Upcoming Events

- Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booth:** March 10 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Newcomer's Orientation, Pearl Harbor Chapel, 1601 Frederick St., from 1-1:30 p.m.*; March 25 at Kapilina Beach Homes Night Market, 5440 Edgewater Drive. from 4-8 p.m.

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Multi-Agency Exercise Tests Kolekole Pass Evacuation Route

The U.S. Navy, U.S. Army, state agencies and Honolulu first responders participated in a full-scale, joint exercise yesterday to test and refine emergency response plans for West Oahu through Kolekole Pass, a critical evacuation route for the area. During the tsunami warning in July 2025, more than 400 civilian vehicles evacuated the Waianae Coast via the pass. Yesterday's exercise provided an opportunity for agencies to refine evacuation plans to ensure smooth transit in case of emergencies.



Trailblazing Navy Mustang Contributes Real-World Insights to NROTC Program

Ensign Gellie Cabuyadao graduated in December from the Navy's highly competitive Seaman to Admiral-21 (STA-21) commissioning program, becoming the program's first active-duty Sailor to graduate from the University of Hawaii (UH) at Mānoa through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC). Cabuyadao, who grew up on Oahu, said the Navy enabled her to lean into the values of sacrifice, resilience, and commitment that she learned from her parents and from classmates with active-duty parents.



ASN for Energy, Installations and Environment Visits Hawaii

During a stop in Hawaii last month, the Honorable Brendan Rogers, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environmental, toured key Navy facilities including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Facility, the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, and Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands on Kauai. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment directly supports the mission, the warfighter, and their families.



PMRF Joins S.T.R.E.A.M. Night at St. Theresa's Catholic School

Sailors assigned to the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF), Barking Sands, and biologists from the natural resources team shared PMRF's mission and the wide scope of career fields at the installation with children, parents and teachers during STREAM night at St. Theresa's Catholic School in Kekaha. STREAM night offers young learners an opportunity to explore Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art and Math in a new and exciting way.



Aiea High School Students Tour Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

The Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) hosted a tour last month for Aiea High School STEM students, providing them with insight into advanced technologies and fostering engagement with skilled shipyard professionals. Students learned about shipyard operations, toured the machine shop and saw an iLab demonstration of the SPOT robot. PHNSY & IMF is the most comprehensive fleet repair and maintenance facility between the U.S. West Coast and the Far East.



This Week in History March 4, 1943

On March 4, 1943, the HMS Victorious arrived in Pearl Harbor to serve alongside the U.S. Pacific Fleet. In early 1943, the U.S. Navy faced a severe shortage in aircraft carriers following the battles of the Coral Sea, Midway and Guadalcanal. As a result, the Royal Navy sent the HMS Victorious to the Pacific Theater to begin a five-month stint of interoperability with the U.S. Pacific Fleet. Photo: HMS Victorious tied up at Pearl Harbor.



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