

# THE WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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## Upcoming Events

- **Drinking Water Info Booth:** June 24 at Kapilina Beach Homes Night Market, Piikahi Beach Park, 5440 Edgewater Dr., from 4 - 8 p.m.
- **RIMPAC 2026 Open Ship Day:** June 27 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Open to all U.S. military ID holders.



## Public Invited to Participate in LSM Hawaii Homeporting EIS Process

The Navy is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental effects associated with the proposed homeporting of Medium Landing Ship (LSM) class ships at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The Navy is holding an open-house public meeting on July 13 at the Oahu Veterans Center to answer questions and share information about the Proposed Action. The Navy welcomes and values substantive public comments during the public comment period from June 24 through July 24, 2026.



## Tropic Care 2026 Delivers No-Cost Healthcare Services to Hawaii Island

Uniformed service members are on Hawaii Island until June 28 to deliver no-cost medical, dental and optometry care to residents in Kea'au, Kailua-Kona and Ocean View. Tropic Care 2026 is joint-service Innovative Readiness Training mission that brings essential health services directly to communities while enhancing military readiness through real-world training. Health services are available at multiple primary sites and outreach locations to all residents, with no health insurance, identification, or proof of citizenship required to receive care.



## PMRF Hosts Summer Solstice Ceremony Honoring Lineal Descendants

Leaders from Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands (PMRF) on Kauai joined lineal descendants of Na 'Ohana Papa O Mānā on Saturday to observe the Summer Solstice in a reverent and unifying ceremony at Lua Kupapa'u 'O Nohili (Nohili crypt) on the installation. The ceremony honored the history of the land, paid respects to those who came before us and reinforced the partnership between the U.S. Navy, Na 'Ohana Papa O Mānā and the host cultural protocol.



## Dept. of War Restores U.S. Pacific Command Designation

The Dept. of War announced last week that U.S. Indo-Pacific Command will officially restore its name to U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM). Originally established on Jan. 1, 1947, the command operated under the USPACOM banner for over 70 years, standing as the oldest and largest of the United States' unified combatant commands. Restoring the legacy USPACOM designation honors the command's deep historical roots, fostering a sense of pride and collective spirit among all who serve in the Pacific.



## Adm. Paparo Delivers Keynote at Pacific Amphibious Leaders Symposium

Adm. Samuel Paparo, commander of U.S. Pacific Command, delivered the keynote address last week at the Pacific Amphibious Leaders Symposium (PALS) in Honolulu. The symposium brought together military leaders from 25 allied and partner nations to strengthen relationships, share expertise, and advance cooperation in support of a free and open Indo-Pacific. Guided by the motto, "Stronger Together," PALS 26 provided a forum for face-to-face engagement among leaders navigating an increasingly complex maritime environment.



## This Week in History June 28, 1958

On June 28, 1958, USS Nautilus (SSN-571), the world's first operational nuclear-powered submarine, arrived in Pearl Harbor. The Nautilus departed a few weeks later on July 23 to conduct Operation Sunshine, the first undersea transit of the North Pole. The Nautilus successfully submerged in the Barrow Sea on Aug. 1 and transited the geographic North Pole at 11:15 pm on Aug. 3.



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