



Below, guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) joins international navy ships and submarines in a group sail during the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise off the coast of Hawaii, July 26.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Ignacio D. Perez

# RIMPAC 2018 concludes

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## Korean War remains returned

Vice President Mike Pence, Indo-Pacific Commander U.S. Navy Adm. Phil Davidson and Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) deputy director Rear Adm. Jon Kreitz render salutes during an honorable carry ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), Aug. 1. Carry teams moved 55 transfer cases, containing what are believed to be the remains of American service members lost in the Korean War, to the DPAA facility at JBPHH for identification. North Korea recently turned over the remains to the U.S. This is the first mass turnover of remains since the early '90s.

U.S. Air Force photo by SrA Apryl Hall

## Brown assumes command of PACAF

### PACAF Public Affairs

Joining a proud legacy of leaders, Gen. C.Q. Brown Jr. assumed command of Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) during a ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 26.

Presiding over the ceremony, Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Stephen W. Wilson expressed confidence in Brown and his abilities to lead those within his area of responsibility.

"When it came time to pick the new PACAF commander (COMPACAF), Gen. Brown was the obvious choice," Wilson said. "He's steeped in the critical role of strengthening our alliances and partnerships in order to deter aggression, maintain stability, and ensure free access to global domains. He is a combat-proven leader, supporting multiple operations. He's gained a tremendous perspective of the Air Force through his operational warfighting experiences and lenses."

Wilson described one of Brown's recent roles was as the "operational architect, leading and managing the air war that decimated the Islamic state. As then-Gen. Mattis once stated, 'Put C.Q.



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jack Sanders

Gen. C.Q. Brown Jr. gives his remarks during the PACAF assumption of command ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 26.

in the war, and the enemy will pay." Wilson went on further to describe Brown's role at U.S. Central Command, where he strengthened political-military ties and helped shape issues for key decision makers.

"In your new command, PACAF has a joint Airman who is recognized as one of the top team builders, warfighting experts, and leaders, not

only in the Air Force but in the entire U.S. military. That's why he is the right person at the right time," Wilson said.

As the 35th COMPACAF, Brown now leads 46,000 Airmen throughout an area of responsibility that covers more than 100 million square miles and extends from the west coast of the United States to the east coast of

Africa and from the Arctic to the Antarctic.

"Pacific Airmen serve as our nation's ambassadors in an area larger than all, and as complicated as any," Wilson said. "As a component commander, the Airmen here must be ready to employ with the lethality our joint force and our nation depends on ... and the level of readiness our diplomats expect."

Adm. Phil Davidson, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM) commander, welcomed Brown to the Indo-Pacific.

"Leading a component command and integrating the air component in joint warfare is not a new concept for Gen. C.Q. Brown," Davidson said.

"He has passed the test of leadership multiple times, commanding forces both forward deployed and back home. I know C.Q. to be a man of integrity, and a man with extraordinary leadership skills ... I know you are the right leader for PACAF and I am honored to have you as part of the team."

Upon accepting the PACAF flag from Wilson, Brown conveyed his readiness to take on the challenges presented in this complex region.

"I have no doubt the Indo-Pacific will continue to have its share of challenges," Brown said. "But every challenge provides an opportunity to demonstrate success or to strengthen a relationship. As INDOPACOM takes steps to implement the National Defense Strategy, PACAF, with its sister components, will have to continue to rethink how we think about the In-

do-Pacific region. We will build upon a mature, agile combat employment and strategic shaping concepts so that PACAF can provide combat-ready Airmen that contribute to a more lethal, more resilient, and more rapidly innovative joint and combined force."

Brown closed by communicating his core principles and commitment to the continued advancement of PACAF's mission before receiving his first salute as the new COMPACAF.

"No matter the challenges and opportunities that come our way, I will lead using four tenants that I have operated with throughout my career: execute a high standard, be disciplined in execution, pay attention to detail, and have fun," Brown said.

"I look forward to working together to employ the resources provided by our Chief of Staff Gen. David Goldfein and our Air Force to deliver the air, space and cyberspace capabilities Adm. Davidson, INDOPACOM and our nation require, to promote security cooperation, encourage peaceful development, respond to contingencies, deter aggression and, when necessary, fight to win."

## HURRICANE HECTOR APPROACHING

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/#Hector>

Photo courtesy of NASA

# Hawaiian Raptors, Marine F-35s mark first integration

Senior Airman  
Orlando Corpuz

154th Wing Public Affairs

While stealth technology on fifth-generation fighter aircraft make it “uncommon” to see on radar, it’s common to see a fifth-generation F-22 Raptor take off and land at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH).

What is uncommon to see, however, is the pairing of the Raptor with the latest aircraft to join the fifth-generation ranks, the F-35 Lightning II, joint strike fighter (JSF).

For a brief period in late July, the two advance fighters could be seen together as the Hawaiian Raptors took to the skies with F-35s assigned to Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 211.

“This training was significant as it marked the



U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Aaron S. Patterson

A U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Lightning II assigned to Marine Fighter Attack Detachment 211, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), is displayed during a media day at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, July 21.

first integration with the Marine version of the F-35,” said a pilot with the Hawaiian Raptors. “We previously integrated with

F-35s at Hill Air Force Base at home and on the road, but this marked the first integration with ship-based F-35s.”

The JSFs stopped at JBPHH for training with the Hawaiian Raptors on their way to a regularly scheduled deployment

with the Essex Amphibious Ready Group and 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

While in Hawaii the

stealth fighters practiced fighter integration.

“The training was extremely successful,” a Hawaiian Raptor pilot said. “We flew fifth-gen fighter integration sorties outnumbered against a higher-tier threat and all mission objectives were met.”

With the Hawaiian Raptors being a total force integration unit comprised of the Hawaii Air National Guard 199th Fighter Squadron and the active-duty 19th Fighter Squadron, integration was already part of the culture. This latest training took integration another step forward.

“The integration between two fifth-generation platforms was outstanding, and contributed significantly to our readiness training for any future conflicts,” said a Hawaiian Raptors pilot.

## Diverse VIEWS



Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and Ensign Heather Hill

### Who is your favorite Star Wars character and why?



**Electronics Technician Chief Kelly Schwab**  
COMSUBPAC

“Chewbacca because he doesn’t say much but you always know his implications just by the simple noise he makes. Plus, he is fuzzy and looks very huggable!”



**Sonar Technician 2nd Class John Lawson**  
Naval Health Clinic Hawaii

“Obi Wan because he is the most consistent and decisive throughout the whole series. He stays true to himself. I think that is something you’d want from a science fiction character!”



**Wayne Harrell**  
Contractor, MSC

“I don’t really have a favorite, but Luke Skywalker is the first character that comes to mind.”



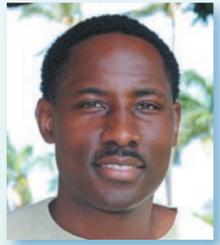
**Master Sgt. Gary Won**  
169th Air Defense Squadron

“Yoda, Jedi Master. Stood 4 feet 2 inches tall and kicked some butt!”



**Airman 1st Class Jude Laguana**  
154th Operations Support Squadron

“Han Solo. He’s a really cool character and makes an awesome pilot! Plus, he’s always with Chewbacca. Chewy’s cool, too, I guess.”



**Tech. Sgt. Roy Jackson**  
647th Civil Engineer Squadron

“Mace Windu. He was a champion of the Jedi Order and had no tolerance for anything. Kind of like Samuel Jackson is in real life.”

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# 'A HUI HOU' RIMPAC

**T**wenty-five nations, 46 ships, five submarines, 200 aircraft and 25,000 people came from all over the Pacific region to conduct the 2018 Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise.

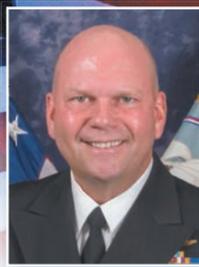
There were a lot of "firsts" this time around. We've had an innovation fair, which was a first. We also had Israel, Sri Lanka and Vietnam as first-time participants. It's (also) the first time for Malaysia and Philippines to bring ships (to RIMPAC).

The Hawaiian operational area is really worldwide known: Pohakuloa



## COMMENTARY

Vice Adm. John D. Alexander  
Commander, U.S. 3rd Fleet



Training Area on the Big Island, K-Bay, Hickam Airfield, Wheeler Army Airfield – we have aircraft at all of those right now – and

the Pacific Missile Range Facility up north at Kauai really is the best instrumented range we have right now.

RIMPAC is all about prosperity.

United States is a maritime nation, our allies, partners and friends are maritime nations, and 90 percent of the trade goes by sea.

To build peace and stability in the region, we work with our partners in RIMPAC so we can further that prosperity.

I want to thank the people of Hawaii for having us here. The state of Hawaii (and) the people of the islands have opened their doors to us and continue to welcome us.

We have a great partnership with the state of Hawaii and RIMPAC and we want to continue that.

Thank you very much.

## Exercise Rim of the Pacific 2018 concludes

### RIMPAC Public Affairs

The world's largest international maritime exercise concluded Aug. 2 following more than a month of training events conducted in and around the Hawaiian Islands and Southern California.

Twenty-five nations, 46 surface ships, five submarines, 17 land forces, and more than 200 aircraft and 25,000 personnel participated in Rim of the Pacific 2018. This year's RIMPAC iteration marked the 26th in the series that began in 1971 and is now held every two years.

Hosted by U.S. Pacific Fleet, RIMPAC 2018 was led by U.S. Vice Adm. John D. Alexander, commander of the U.S. 3rd Fleet, who served as the combined task force (CTF) commander. Royal Canadian Navy Rear Adm. Bob Auchterlonie served as deputy commander of the CTF, and Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Rear Adm. Hideyuki Oban was the vice commander. Fleet Marine Force was led by U.S. Marine Corps Brig. Gen. Mark Hashimoto. Other key leaders of the multinational force included Commodore Pablo Niemann of Armada de Chile, who commanded the maritime component, and Air Commodore Craig Heap of the Royal Australian Air Force, who commanded the air component.

"I couldn't be more proud of our international team's ability to successfully complete an exercise of this nature," said Alexander. "Most importantly, we completed the exercise safely while still achieving national training objectives. This is a true testament to the talent and lasting partner-



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Omar Powell

Joint military personnel from Chile, Philippines, South Korea and the U.S. run to search the area as a training improvised explosive device explodes at PMRF as part of an airfield raid during RIMPAC, July 27.

ships we built through RIMPACs past and present, and will continue to build for the foreseeable future."

Alexander said the involvement of so many different countries working together to successfully accomplish RIMPAC was a strong reminder of the unity coalition forces can exhibit in a real-world situation.

"Multinational operations are complicated," he said. "It takes skill to assemble an international

team and have it be successful. Throughout the duration of the exercise, from the planning conferences to the ships returning to port, this team proved they work great together and can adapt quickly to a dynamic environment."

This year's exercise included forces from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Colombia, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Peru, Re-

public of Korea, Republic of the Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, United Kingdom, United States, and Vietnam.

Additionally, for the first time since RIMPAC 2002, U.S. 3rd Fleet's Command Center relocated from San Diego to Pearl Harbor to support command and control of all 3rd Fleet forces in 3rd Fleet's area of responsibility, to include forces operating forward in the Western Pacific. The

Fleet Command Center established at a Deployable Joint Command and Control on Hospital Point, Pearl Harbor, for the first part of the exercise and then transitioned to amphibious transport dock ship USS Portland (LPD 27) for the remainder of the exercise.

Auchterlonie said all participating nations worked together incredibly well to overcome various challenges and meet mission objectives.

"We had some weather

systems and other realities, such as the second SINKEX target ship being sunk earlier than expected, that impacted our ability to complete all our training according to the plan, but that is also the great part about RIMPAC," Auchterlonie said. "Our motto is 'Capable, Adaptive, Partners' and all the participating nations demonstrated this. We adjusted plans and drafted new ones in order to ensure each nation got the training value they expected from RIMPAC 2018."

Participating nations and forces exercised a wide range of capabilities and demonstrated the inherent flexibility of maritime forces. These capabilities ranged from disaster relief and maritime security operations to sea control and complex war-fighting. The relevant, realistic training program included amphibious operations, gunnery, missile, anti-submarine and air defense exercises, as well as counter-piracy operations, mine clearance operations, explosive ordnance disposal, and diving and salvage operations.

This robust constellation of allies and partners support sustained and favorable regional balances of power that safeguard security, prosperity, and the free and open international order. RIMPAC 2018 contributes to the increased lethality, resiliency and agility needed by the Joint and Combined Force to deter and defeat aggression by major powers across all domains and levels of conflict.

For more information about RIMPAC 2018, visit: <http://www.cpf.navy.mil/rimpac/>.

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## USS O'Callahan underway

The USS O'Callahan is underway off Oahu, Sept. 6, 1972, during anti-submarine exercise "RIMPAC-1972." Ships of the U.S., Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand navies took part in this exercise.  
Photo courtesy of National Archives



# RIMPAC 2018

## Pearl Harbor - Hickam *Highlights*



Navy ships assemble to form the multinational fleet for a photo exercise off the coast of Hawaii, July 26.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Dylan M. Kinee



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Samantha Mathison

Two 154th Wing Hawaii Air National Guard F-22 Raptors fly behind a 434th Air Refueling Wing KC-135 Stratotanker from Grissom Air Reserve Base, Indiana, after refueling near Hawaii, July 17.



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Arthurgwain L. Marquez

Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Lucas Jackson, assigned to Underwater Construction Team (UCT) 2, places an explosive charge on the sea floor during underwater demolition training in Mamala Bay, July 19.



Sailors load a Harpoon anti-ship cruise missile on to the Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN-717), July 3.

U.S. Navy photo



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Redman

Airmen from the 15th Medical Group, work together to load mock casualties into a medical evacuation bus during a mass-casualty scenario, July 12.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Ethan T. Miller

Gunner's Mates 2nd Class Kyle Bonserio, left, and Cameron Nicoletti participate in a weapons qualification aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Preble (DDG 88), July 21.



# FACES OF RIMPAC



*A campaign to highlight the diversity of participating nations.*

U.S. Navy photos by MC2 Kory Alsberry and MC1 Holly Herline



**Lt. Cmdr. Le Thanh Binh**  
*HADR Headquarters*

"This is my first time in RIMPAC and I have been playing the role as the battle watch captain in the humanitarian assistance and disaster relief headquarters. Coming to RIMPAC, we would like to also to share our experience, our expertise in terms of disaster response."



**Lt. j.g. Najihah Hisab**  
*Pacific Warfighting Center*

"What I'm expecting to take away from RIMPAC is a lot of enhancement in professional knowledge ... also to make new friends from officers from different navies."



**Master Chief Petty Officer Yusmiyantu**  
*KRI Makassar*

"To join international RIMPAC task groups makes me proud of myself. I have an opportunity to see other navies around other Pacific countries and make friends with other sailors. I can share experiences with other sailors since we have the same life to live far away from home and my family."



**Cmdr. German Castro**  
*Almirante Padilla*

"This is my third participation in the RIMPAC exercise, in this opportunity I'm a member of the maritime component staff; meeting all these shipmates and colleagues will allow me to fulfill and meet my individual and national training objectives for Colombia as a country with borders in the Pacific Ocean."



**Lt. Cmdr. Ran Shtaygman**  
*Maritime Operation Center*

"It is the first time for Israel to join RIMPAC. I am in the maritime operation center in current operations. I want to bring to

RIMPAC my operational experience in the maritime domain to the planning forces. I am taking from RIMPAC a lot of good friends and partners, and also the understanding of the importance of cooperation between navies all around the world."



**Lt. Cmdr. Marcela Vergara**  
*Pacific Warfighting Center*

"This is my second RIMPAC. I am lucky enough I was here for 2016 also. What I expect from RIMPAC is now being the lead for the CFMCC JAG. It is really an important thing for me."



**Leading Seaman Jake Blowers**  
*HMAS Success*

"What I hope to take away from RIMPAC is definitely some new experiences, some new friends and definitely some new capabilities for the way other countries do their missions."



**Leading Diver William Bowman**  
*Fleet Diving Unit 2*

"I'm enjoying working with the different nations. That's something I didn't really do in the counter-terrorism environment. We all bring something different and unique to the party. And it's good to sort of share them ideas and bounce them off one another, so we're all progressing."

## US Navy rescues mariners off Hawaiian coast

**USS Carl Vinson**  
*Public Affairs*

Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) rescued five mariners in distress July 27 near Hawaii's westernmost-inhabited island.

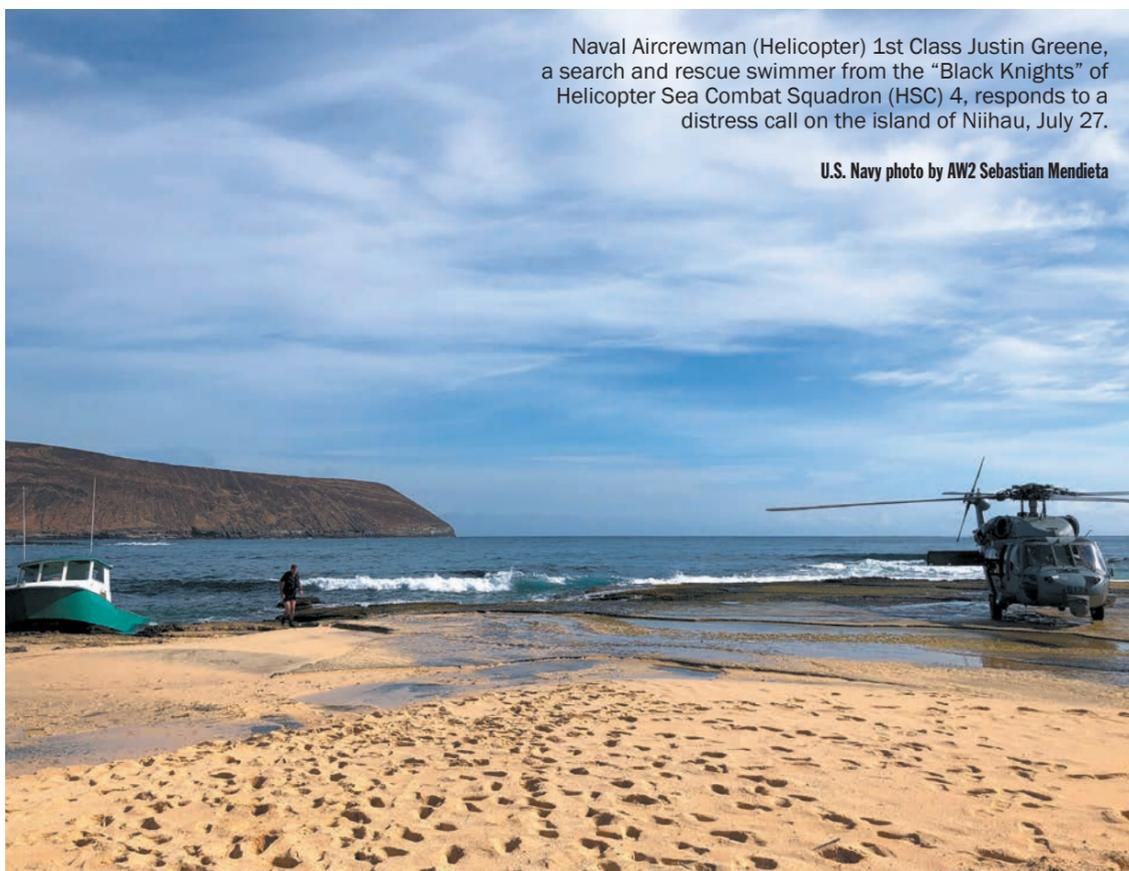
The mariners issued a distress call after their 35-foot vessel ran aground in shallow water near the island of Niihau.

Two MH-60S Sea Hawk helicopters assigned to the "Black Knights" of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 4 airlifted the mariners from their vessel to shore at approximately 8:30 a.m. local time.

Carl Vinson was operating 7 miles from the vessel when bridge watchstanders heard the distress call and offered assistance.

HSC-4 transported four of the mariners to the Pacific Missile Range Facility on the island of Kauai. The fifth mariner was flown to a local medical facility for evaluation.

"We were ready," said Capt. Matt Paradise, Carl



Naval Aircrewman (Helicopter) 1st Class Justin Greene, a search and rescue swimmer from the "Black Knights" of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 4, responds to a distress call on the island of Niihau, July 27.

U.S. Navy photo by AW2 Sebastian Mendieta

Vinson's commanding officer. "When nearby mariners needed assistance, we

stepped up immediately and helped. That is what we are trained to do, and

I'm proud of our team." A Coast Guard MH-65 Dolphin helicopter

crew from Coast Guard Air Station Barbers Point and a 45-foot

Response Boat-Medium crew from Coast Guard Station Kauai deployed to assess the scene. The Coast Guard is working to determine the best way to refloat the vessel.

"This case illustrates the partnerships we enjoy in Hawaii as the Navy was quick to respond and get this mariner to a higher level of medical care," said Ensign Seth Gross, command duty officer with Coast Guard Sector Honolulu.

"The Coast Guard's role now is to assess the vessel and work with the owner as available to mitigate any impact to the environment from the fuel and batteries aboard."

Carl Vinson was conducting training missions in the Pacific Ocean as part of the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise.

The carrier supports more than 5,000 Sailors and 70 aircraft from Carrier Air Wing 2. Carl Vinson also serves as the flagship for Commander, Carrier Strike Group 1.

## Military Sealift Command ships support during RIMPAC

**Sarah Burford**

*Military Sealift Command Pacific*

Since June 26, four Military Sealift Command (MSC) combat logistic fleet ships have been on station, by providing logistical support to the 25 nations and 45 surface ships participating in Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2018, the world's largest, biennial international maritime exercise in Hawaii.

USNS Henry J. Kaiser (T-AO 187), USNS Rappahannock (T-AO 204), USNS Carl Brashear (T-AKE 7) and USNS Charles Drew (T-AKE 10) have been delivering the fuel to power the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard, and foreign navies surface and aviation forces, as well as the groceries that sustained the ships' crews during the exercise's underway periods.

MSC is known for its logistics support to ships at sea, but what makes RIMPAC significant is the sheer volume of the support provided. According to the Military Sealift Command Pacific Logistics and Operations departments, over the course of the exercise, MSC delivered over 8 mil-



U.S. Navy photo by Bill Mesta

Mission-critical equipment is delivered from the dry cargo ammunition ship USNS Carl Brashear (T-AKE 7) to the guided missile destroyer USS Preble (DDG 88) during an underway replenishment-at-sea, July 17.

lion gallons of diesel ship fuel, 4 million gallons of JP5 aviation fuel and 1,130 pallets of food and supplies during 101 resupply evolutions at sea.

"By providing underway replenishment-at-sea we enable the combatant ship to stay on station at sea longer without having to pull into port for resupply," explained Capt. Stephen Scott, one of two civil service masters who commanded Brashear during RIMPAC.

"During our first evolution we provided replen-

ishment services to seven different ships at once. Five of the ships were U.S. Navy ships and two of the ships were international partners. The partner ships leapfrogged into the formation, came alongside USNS Carl Brashear, thus demonstrating their ability to maintain the position required to perform underway replenishments at sea."

One of the unique aspects of RIMPAC is the number of countries participating, and the interaction between them and

the U.S. Navy. MSC ships provided logistics services to foreign navy ships 61 times during the exercise. Looking forward, Capt. Mike Grogan, Brashear's second master participating in RIMPAC, can see the benefits of lessons learned in this training environment and how they will impact his future missions.

"RIMPAC provides CLF assets like Carl Brashear the experience in interoperability with foreign navies. There are few opportunities for us to work

with the Indians, French, Japanese, etc. in Commander, U.S. 3rd Fleet's area of operation. Operations with the foreign navies, like the ones at RIMPAC, allow us to better understand how they operate, and how they will operate with us when we are in and an area like that of Commander 5th Fleet or other multinational exercises."

The MSC logistics piece of RIMPAC isn't limited to the ships at sea. On the ground, the MSC Pacific Combat Logistic Office

(CLO) coordinated the acquisition and movement of all the cargo needs for the entire exercise.

Working in concert with directly with C3F and Commander Task Force 173, the MSC PAC CLO coordinated not only the delivery of food and stores, but also the pier-side time at the correct pier for the loadouts of cargo to the specific ships scheduled for later RAS.

Six MSC ships, as well as MSC reservists from Military Sealift Command Pacific's Headquarters Unit, MSC PAC's Hawaii Detachment, and Expeditionary Port Unit 114, are supporting RIMPAC 2018.

"RIMPAC has continued to grow – more participants, more ships, more evolutions – all requiring logistics support in order to remain at sea and maximize opportunities to train and operate together," said Capt. Brett Hershman, commander, MSC PAC and CTF 173.

"Increased exercise tempo means a greater customer demand signal on MSC. Our CTF 173 operations are more complex this year than ever, with over one hundred RAS events providing fuel, food, repair parts and ammunition to everyone out there."

# NHCH holds change of command, celebrates retirement

Susan Schultz

Naval Health Clinic  
Hawaii Public Affairs

Capt. Lynn Wheeler transferred command of Naval Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) to Capt. Kimberly Zuzelski during a change of command ceremony at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club, July 20.

Wheeler also retired after 29 years of military service during a retirement ceremony following the change of command.

Rear Adm. Paul Pearigen, commander, Navy Medicine West/12th Chief of the Navy Medical Corps, served as the presiding officer for the ceremony and Capt. Kevin Prince, executive officer, NHCH, was the master of ceremonies.

"It takes a unique individual to take charge of a command, whether it is a warship, a squadron, a battalion, or a health clinic," Pearigen said.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Armando Velez

Capt. Lynn Wheeler (right) passes the command ashore device to Capt. Kimberly Zuzelski (left) signifying her transfer of command of Naval Health Clinic Hawaii as Rear Adm. Pearigen, commander, Navy Medicine West and presiding officer, looks on.

"(It takes) someone with credibility, confidence, passion and courage – with a touch of humility – and a lot of concern for their people (to

command). Capt. Lynn Wheeler clearly brought those traits to NHCH as commanding officer."

Pearigen spoke of the breadth of accomplish-

ments and successes achieved over Wheeler's nearly three years in command.

Wheeler, who has commanded since October

2015, led more than 650 Sailors and civilians in providing medical care from the heart of the Pacific.

"It has been my honor and privilege to command such an amazing team of Sailors and civilians," Wheeler said. "You have truly set the bar for excellence."

Wheeler's leadership resulted in accomplishments such as the NHCH Joint Commission Accreditation in 2016 and a successful Medical Inspector General Inspection, Level III recognition by the National Committee for Quality Assurance for Patient-Centered Home at the Kaneohe Bay and Makalapa Clinics.

Zuzelski served most recently as executive officer, Naval Hospital Bremerton before taking command of NHCH.

Zuzelski thanked Wheeler for turning over a great command.

"Over the next year, we

will continue to prioritize our commitment to ensure a ready medical force that delivers highly reliable, patient-centered care to our warfighters and their ohana with excellence," Zuzelski said.

"The next couple of years will be a period of transformational change that will expand and strengthen our partnerships with our sister services, and provide numerous opportunities to optimize our primary mission of readiness."

"Capt. Zuzelski will bring unmatched experience that will serve her well as she leads the NHCH team and collaborates with the many partners on the island and beyond," Pearigen said.

"She will also be helping Sailors, Marines and their families, and other beneficiaries in the region while ensuring the readiness of the NHCH staff and the warfighters they support."

# Satellite Tracking Station recognizes Air Force civilians

Story and photo by  
Tech. Sgt. Heather  
Redman

15th Wing Public Affairs

Two members from Detachment 3, 21st Space Operations Squadron (SOPS), at the Kaena Point Satellite Tracking Station (KPSTS) received the Air Force Civilian Award for Valor, at Kaena Point, July 23.

Nearly two years ago, Jason Fukumoto and Robin Albios risked their lives to save a member of the state of Hawaii's volunteer field crew.

"Mr. Fukumoto and Mr. Albios' actions demonstrate the strength of both their mind and their spir-

its," said Lt. Col. Wade McGrew, 21st SOPS commander. "Valor means going the extra step and eliminating the 'what if' questions. Today, there are two amongst us who don't have to ask themselves 'what if.'"

On Sept. 15, 2016, three members of a volunteer field crew were clearing an area near KPSTS to prepare for game bird season at Kuaokala Game Area. While spraying herbicide, the field crew discovered a small patch of grass burning underneath their vehicle.

David Yingst, a member of the field crew, jumped out of the vehicle to extinguish the fire while the other two-crew mem-



Jason Fukumoto, Detachment 3, 21st Space Operations Squadron electrician, and Robin Albios, Det. 3, 21st SOPS heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialist, pose for a photo at the Kaena Point Satellite Tracking Station, July 23.

bers moved the vehicle to a safe area. As Yingst attempted to control the fire, the fire suppression device stopped working.

Fukumoto and Albios were driving along the perimeter of the station when they came across the field crew.

While they assisted the two state workers in the vehicle, Yingst collapsed from the smoke before he could reach the

designated rally point.

After discovering Yingst was left behind in the fire hazard, Fukumoto and Albios ran into the fire area to help Yingst.

"Our first instinct was to help someone out," Fukumoto added. "It was something I hope anyone would do."

The fire was contained and extinguished which resulted in no casualties or property damage.

"Two years ago they made a lifesaving decision. They didn't wear capes or an iron suit, but they did step up to help someone in need," McGrew said. "Thanks to them, loved ones are out there who don't have to ask themselves 'what if.'"

# Bug Week 2018: What's all the buzz about?

The Military Health System is celebrating its inaugural Bug Week through today, to educate beneficiaries and stakeholders about bug-borne illnesses they may encounter at home — both inside and outside, during leisure activities involving outdoor travel, and at forward-deployed military operational sites. Visit [www.health.mil/bugs](http://www.health.mil/bugs) to stay informed and join the conversation.

HO'OKOLE

# Lif & Leisure



At nightfall, families hunt for CRBs.



Photos by Michelle Poppler, Ho'okele staff

## Kapilina families chase the CRB

**Kailee Lefebvre**

*Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response*

“Chase” the coconut rhinoceros beetle (CRB) is the name of the CRB Response team’s mascot, and is also the theme of the first-ever community CRB hunt held Saturday, July 28, at Kapilina Beach Homes.

Kapilina Beach Homes, a community in Iroquois Point, has been host to a sustained population of CRB since at least 2013.

This event provided the opportunity for the Kapilina community to learn about the invasive beetle, how they can contribute to response efforts, and foster an appreciation for coconut trees and other palms.

The CRB is a large beetle native to Southeast Asia that feeds mainly on palms. Since the first detection of the beetle at the Honolulu International Airport and later at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in December 2013, there has been a collaborative effort by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Department of Agriculture, University of Hawaii, Department of the Navy, and others to eradicate CRBs from Hawaii.

Participants got to examine CRB specimens, dig for live larvae in containers of mulch, sample coconut products, make arts and crafts, practice palm weaving and learn from scientists and partner agencies about their contributions to the effort to eradicate CRB from Hawaii.

“Oriental flower beetles (OFB) are used for demos,” said Keith Weiser, CRB deputy of operations. “Usually we get calls

for them mistaken as CRBs but where you find OFBs is also a potential breeding ground for CRBs.”

At nightfall, eager families were armed with bug-hunting gear and led to an area in the community that has been a hot spot for beetle activity. Participants were encouraged to inspect all possible places beetles could be found — in the grass, on the trees, and even in the air.

Although no live CRBs were found that night, the community now has a better idea of where this elusive species lives and breeds.

Efforts to trap beetles, survey for damage and prevent CRB from breeding in the area have been ongoing since then but eradication will take the community’s cooperation and input.

The CRB Response hopes to increase community engagement through events and activities like the bug hunt in the future.

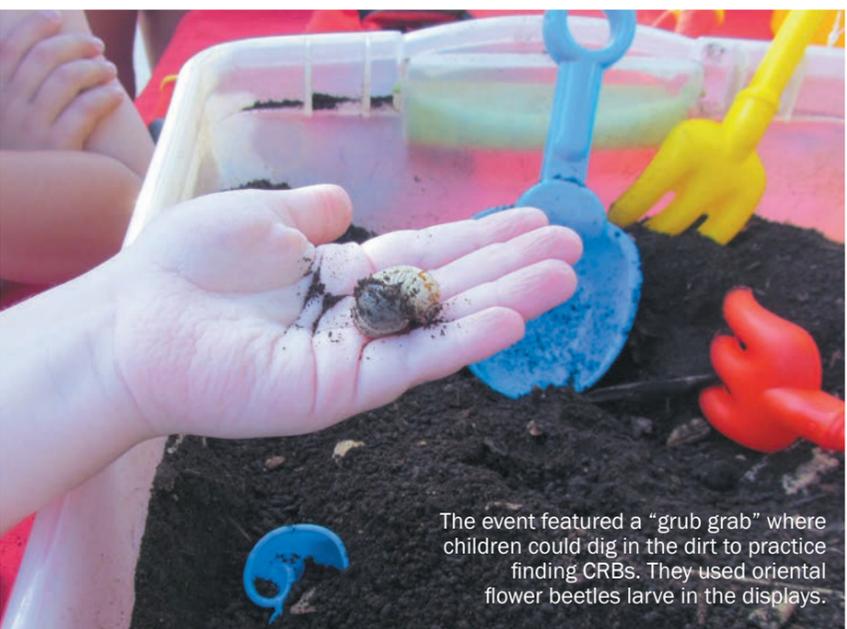
Hawaii is at risk of economic harm from losses in the tourism sector. Additionally, many Hawaiian cultural practices and native endangered palm species could be lost.

The majority of CRB populations are concentrated around Pearl Harbor. The species has never been detected on any islands besides Oahu.

The CRB Response relies on the cooperation of the public to report beetle captures, damage and fallen or broken traps.

Proper green waste management such as regular disposal and hot composting will prevent breeding sites.

For reports and inquiries, contact CRB Response at 643-PEST (7378) or [BeetleBustersHI@gmail.com](mailto:BeetleBustersHI@gmail.com). To learn more, visit: [hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/crb/](http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/crb/).



The event featured a “grub grab” where children could dig in the dirt to practice finding CRBs. They used oriental flower beetles larvae in the displays.



Above, volunteers go over CRB display items with children.

At left is a fungus native to Oahu that researchers are studying to create natural biocontrol, a chemical free pesticide.



At left, Chase the CRB poses for photos with children. Above, children participate in CRB educational activities



Master Sgt. Michael Wiest of the 324 IS tries to block a kill by Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Adam Larson of NHCH.

## NHCH comes back to win in three sets

Story and photo by  
**Randy Dela Cruz**

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

In a battle of two evenly matched volleyball teams, Naval Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) took two out of three sets, 25-19, 19-25 and 16-14, to edge past the 324th Intelligence Squadron (324 IS) on July 25 in a Blue Division intramural volleyball matchup at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center.

The win was the fourth of the season for NHCH against two defeats, while the 324 IS fell to 1-1 with its first loss of the season.

"It was teamwork," Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Adam

Larson said. "We've been working a lot on playing better as a team. We have a lot of good individual players, but when we first started, it was hard to get us to work together as a team, and that's what we're focused on now."

Up by only two points in the first set, Larson kick-started NHCH's attack, when he took over service and helped rally the team to five straight points and take a 9-2 lead.

"It sounds mean, but usually you aim for someone you see as a weaker player, or a gap," Larson explained about how he was able to control the set from service.

The lead grew to as much as eight points, when a kill by Larson made it 20-12, before the

set was finally put to rest on a smashing kill by Hospitalman Ronnie Dela Cruz.

While NHCH seemed to have its way with the 324 IS in the first set, things changed immediately in the second set.

The 324 IS came out on fire and after leading by a score of 8-5, Master Sgt. Erik Farley led a seven-point rally from service, which included a solid kill by Master Sgt. Michael Wiest.

Later, an ace by Larson helped NHCH pick up three straight points to tie the game up at 18-18.

However, after a side-out, the 324 IS got three straight aces from Staff Sgt. Devin Mascro for a 22-18 lead and never looked back.

"Usually for us, it was over-

confidence," said Larson about the team dropping the second set after looking so good in the first. "You get that high over a win and then you get overconfident."

In the third and final set, it appeared as though the 324 IS had all the momentum it needed and used it to take a 12-9 lead – needing only three more points for the win.

Instead, a kill by Larson for a side-out point led to back-to-back aces by Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Chris Zunker that tied the score at 12-12.

A kill by Tech. Sgt. Edmond Gray gave the lead back to the 324 IS, but after a side-out tied the score at 13-13, Larson was back at service and delivered an ace to put NHCH back out on top at 14-13.

A clutch kill by Farley retied the game at 14-14, but after another side-out, Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Alayon Augusta put the game away for good with a service ace.

Larson, who along with Dela Cruz and Zunker gave NHCH the firepower it needed to keep up and then surpass the 324 IS, said that while, overall, it was a very good win, the game wasn't the team's best to date.

With the playoffs just around the corner, Larson said that in order to get to where the team needs to be, it must work on its basics.

"Basically, a lot of it is all fundamental stuff," he said. "We like to point out our weaknesses and try to work on it throughout the week."

## AAFES assists AER, AFAF

Army & Air Force  
Exchange Service  
Public Affairs

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Exchange is making it easy for shoppers to help service members and military families in need during the second of three "Give and Get Back" donation periods.

From Aug. 1-5, Army & Air Force Exchange Service shoppers can donate to Army Emergency Relief (AER) and Air Force Assistance Fund (AFAF).

Both funds provide emergency assistance, sponsor educational programs and offer community programs that improve the quality of life for service members and their families.

During the donation period, for every \$5 donated at the register, shoppers will receive a coupon for \$5 off a \$25 purchase at the exchange.

This is the second year

the Department of Defense's largest retailer has partnered with the military support funds.

The first donation period in May brought in more than \$136,000 for the funds, which provide emergency assistance, sponsor educational programs and offer community programs that improve the quality of life for service members and their families.

In just this first donation period, Exchange shoppers donated more than half of last year's total of \$258,000.

This year, the exchange is increasing the number of donation periods from two to three.

In addition, shoppers can donate from Nov. 30 to Dec. 5.

"The (JBPHH) Exchange is honored once again to support these two vitally important organizations," said Exchange General Manager Chris Holifield.

"We know how much Army Emergency Relief and the Air Force Assistance Fund means to our warfighters and their families during difficult times."

There is no limit to the number of coupons shoppers can earn, and the coupons can be redeemed in stores or online at shopmyexchange.com.

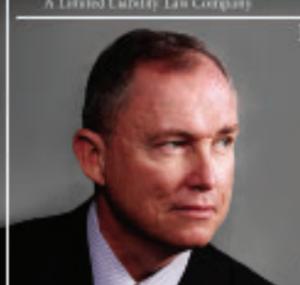
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# Teen Center member represents JBPHH at regional competition



Hannah Bethard, the Boys and Girls Club of America Military State Youth of the Year, delivers a speech to BGCA members, supporters and benefactors.

"Over the past seven months, this Youth of the Year journey has helped me grow in ways I never thought possible."

— Hannah Bethard

Boys and Girls Club of America Military State Youth of the Year

Story and photo by  
Rosalyn Garcia

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam  
Teen Center

After her big win as Boys and Girls Club of America (BGCA) Military State Youth of the Year this past March, Hannah Bethard, of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, prepared for the next phase of the Youth of the Year competition - the Pacific Regionals - that took place July 24 in San Diego.

Prior to the regional competition, Bethard was selected to attend BGCA's Advanced Leadership Conference in Atlanta, which took place July 19-22, just a few days before her big competition.

During her time at the Advanced Leadership institute, Bethard joined more than 100 fellow BGCA members and the 2017 National and Regional Youth of the Year winners and learned how they can better serve their community, speak up about issues facing teens today, and develop their own unique style of leadership.

While in Atlanta, participants got to know each other and talked about their clubs and personal growth during their time competing. They also brainstormed ideas on how to build teen interest in the Youth of the Year competition for next year.

In San Diego, Bethard and six more competitors attended a luncheon with the judges where they got to know each other and share their experiences and love of BGCA.

The competitors each delivered a three-minute speech and underwent a 15-minute interview with five judges. A few hours later, they were ushered in to the formal dining hall for a three-course dinner, the deliv-

erance of their speech a second time and the announcement of the winner in front of hundreds of BGCA members, supporters and sponsors.

Katherine W. of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, was awarded the title of Pacific Region Military Youth of the Year.

"Over the past seven months, this Youth of the Year journey has helped me grow in ways I never thought possible," said Bethard, when asked about her Youth of the Year experience. "This program helped me realize I was doing something not only for myself, but every BGCA member that I represented."

I was able to begin a campaign of mental health awareness that I am still building on today. This experience has been so rewarding and helped me be better than I ever could have imagined. I've become a confident public speaker, gained self-confidence I didn't even know was possible, and gained friends who not only do great things for their club, but their community as well."

Bethard spent hours each week working on essays, practicing mock interviews, and perfecting her stage presence. She credited much of her growth to Master Sgt. Brian Childers from the Hickam Air Force Base Toastmasters, who volunteered to work with Hannah on speech delivery, developing her stage presence, and connecting with the audience through vocal inflection and emotion.

"Without everyone's support, I never would have made it this far," she said. "Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your trust and confidence in me."

For more information on the Teen Center program, call 448-1068 or check them out at [www.facebook.com/jbphhteecenter](http://www.facebook.com/jbphhteecenter).

# Sailor answers the call, wins volunteer award

Story and photo by  
Erin Huggins

Joint Base  
Pearl Harbor-Hickam  
Public Affairs

Tisa Marie Canlas found herself in a dilemma. She needed assistance with everyday grooming, chores and caring for her service dog. Health issues and multiple surgeries over the past few years, as well as her children growing up and moving out of the house, had made independent life challenging for Canlas.

In the past, when people were in need, they would reach out for assistance at their church, in their neighborhood, or directly with their friends. In 2018, our lives, our church, our neighbors, and our friends are all on social media. Canlas decided to put the call out for help with a mass email to her classmates. Her classmates answered back.

A classmate and friend of Canlas saw the message. As the story goes with the internet, friends talk with friends and the web of connections eventually led to Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Ariel Thornberry.

It was mostly her love of animals, particularly dogs, that caused Thornberry to be interested in helping this stranger and her service dog. She reached out to Canlas immediately and they agreed to meet the next day.

After meeting with Canlas and Rascal the service dog, Thornberry agreed to help. Canlas's insurance company was supposed to help pay for Thornberry's services, but the insurance company denied the claim.



Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Ariel Thornberry receives the Above and Beyond Award, July 17.

Having volunteered her whole life, working for free wasn't anything new for Thornberry. Once she got to know Canlas, they quickly became friends.

After completing her shift at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Base Security, Thornberry would travel to Canlas's home to perform

everything from service dog care to helping Canlas brush her hair. Despite the lack of pay, she couldn't leave a friend in need.

"I was raised to help when I saw people in need," Thornberry said.

"I did it and four to five months later, her insurance finally gave her the service she

needed, and she chose to keep me as her personal care assistant."

Canlas decided to nominate her friend for the Above and Beyond Award.

The award is given by partnering organizations to members of the community that go above and beyond the call of duty.

"I nominated her mul-

multiple times," Canlas said. "She helped me so much, that I can't begin to convey how grateful I am for her unconditional efforts. (She is) family now."

Trying to keep the award a secret, Canlas and Thornberry's coworkers discretely set up a banner and a small awards ceremony at the JBPHH Base

Security building. The radio station wanted to present the award before Thornberry's afternoon shift started.

"I am beyond honored to be able to accept this award and that Tisa nominated me for it. With or without this award, I will still continue to help out and volunteer."



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- Entries for the **Arts & Crafts Center's Gallery Showcase** will be accepted from now through Sept. 30. Get your creative juices flowing and prepare to submit your artwork, crafts, photography and digital creations. It is free to submit a piece and works will be displayed in the gallery beginning with an opening reception Oct. 3. For more information, call 448-2393.
- **First Fridays: '90s Night** is a whole night of fun from 4 p.m. to midnight today at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Teen Center. This free event features '90s-themed games, music and attire; and is open to all teens registered with the Teen Center. For more information about this event, call 448-1068.
- **A free advance screening of "The Meg"** splashes onto the silver screen at 7 p.m. Aug. 4 at Sharkey Theater. Doors open and tickets will be distributed at the ticket booth at 5:30 p.m. Active-duty military ID cardholders will be able to receive up to four tickets. Military family members, military retirees and Department of Defense cardholders may receive up to two tickets. This movie is rated PG-13. For more information, call 473-2651.
- The deadline to sign up your child for **Operation Hele On** is Aug. 5 at the Military & Family Support Center. Kids ages 8 to 14 participate in a mock deployment to help them understand what their parent goes through. This is a free event but space is limited. For more information, call 474-1999.
- **Lifeguard hiring day** takes place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 5 at Hickam Family Pool. Here's a chance to possibly get hired on the spot. MWR's Aquatics is hiring 10 lifeguard positions for its pools. Be ready for a physical fitness and skills assessment, as well as an in-person interview. Those selected will begin a lifeguard class the next day and will be hired upon completion of the course. Part-time and flexible positions available. For more information, call 216-1712.
- **Pau Hana Concert in the Park** happens from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Aug 10 at Hickam Harbor

Waterfront. End the week relaxing in the park and listening to great live music by the rock band Elephant as the sun sets in the background. Snacks will also be available for purchase or bring your own snacks and blankets to enjoy the fresh air. This is a free event and is open to all base-eligible patrons. For more information, call 449-5215.

- **Liberty Movie Night** goes to the movies at 7 p.m. Aug 10 at Sharkey Theater. The Liberty Program is treating single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen E1-E6 to a night at the movies. Eligible patrons can watch a free movie, get a free small popcorn, drink and hot dog. Advance registration is required. For more information, call 473-2583.
- **Sensory-friendly movie Saturday** at 2:30 p.m. Aug. 11 at Sharkey Theater. This special showing of "Frozen" accommodates families with children with autism and other special needs. Unique features include the theater lights being turned up a bit while the movie sound is turned down a little. This is a free event. For more information, call 473-2651.
- **A free advance screening of "Mile 22"** lights up the silver screen at 7 p.m. Aug. 11 at Sharkey Theater. Doors open and tickets will be distributed at the ticket booth at 5:30 p.m. Active-duty military ID cardholders will be able to receive up to four tickets. Military family members, military retirees and DoD cardholders may receive up to two tickets. This film is not yet rated. For more information, call 473-2651.
- **Cookies & Canvas** gets colorful from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 15 at the Arts & Crafts Center. Kids can create a painted masterpiece while nibbling on a sweet treat. This bi-monthly activity has a different painting subject each time. Cost is \$30 per person, includes all art supplies and is open to ages 7 to 14. Advance sign up is encouraged. For more information, call 448-9907.

## JBP HH military children receive backpacks, supplies

### Operation Homefront

Operation Homefront distributed 600 backpacks and necessary school supplies to pre-registered military children Saturday, July 28, at Earhart Community Center aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam as a part of Operation Homefront's annual Back-to-School Brigade® (BTSB).

Since 2008, Operation Homefront's BTSB has distributed more than 300,000 backpacks – each accompanied by school supplies – to military children.

"This year's event was beyond successful," said Brandy Simon, program coordinator at Operation Homefront. "We made sure families were served in a timely manner and that each one received plenty of school supplies to help them with the upcoming school year. We tried to include many of the basic items that are common items on school supply lists across the islands. Our event helps relieve some of the fi-

nancial pressure that comes with the new school year and we are happy to serve our families and make an impact in the military community.

Simon said the organization was able to serve 1,000 military children in Hawaii this year, a 400-child increase from 2017.

"The backpack event was very well organized and really helped us get all the basics we'll need this year," said Erin Cude, an attendee at the event. "My girls love their new backpacks. This event takes some of the pressure off. We have all three kids in school for the first time this year, so being able to get at least part of the lists taken care of is a big help."

Operation Homefront provides critical financial assistance, transitional and permanent housing and family support services to prevent short-term needs from turning into chronic, long-term struggles.

*For more information, visit [OperationHomefront.org](http://OperationHomefront.org).*



U.S. Navy photo by M1 Corwin Colbert

A family chooses a backpack at Earhart Community Center, July 28. Sponsored by Operation Homefront, volunteers distributed more than 500 backpacks to military families.



# HO'OKALE

PEARL HARBOR - HICKAM

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NAI'A  
spinner dolphin  
Photo by Michelle Poppler



### NAVY BALL TICKETS ON SALE NOW

**NOW** — Tickets for the 2018 Navy Ball are on sale. The event will be held Saturday, Oct. 13 from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. This year's theme is "Forged from the Sea." Costs for individual ticket prices are \$80 from now through Sept 19 and \$90 through Oct. 10. The Navy Ball tickets are available online at <http://buytickets.at/hawaiinavyball2018/165458>.

### YOUTH SPORTS COACHES NEEDED

**NOW** — Morale, Welfare and Recreation Youth Sports is looking for coaches to support their upcoming soccer, tennis, and girl's fast-pitch softball seasons. Registration, coach clinics and first aid/CPR training are in progress and can be accomplished at their office adjacent to Bloch Arena. Teams generally have two practice days per week for an hour or two and one game on either Friday or Saturday. Interested parties can contact Gavin Doi, the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam MWR Youth Sports and Fitness coordinator at 473-0789 or [gavin.doi@navy.mil](mailto:gavin.doi@navy.mil).

### OBON FESTIVAL AT BYODO-IN

**AUG. 4** — The annual Obon Festival from 4 to 9 p.m. is scheduled at the Byodo-In Temple. The festival will feature Japanese customs, food, taiko drumming, dancing and more. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/2M5MPuE>.

### WAIANAЕ COAST SUNSET ON BEACH

**AUG. 4 AND 5** — Waianae Sunset on the Beach returns this summer for two days of family fun on Saturday, Aug. 4 and Sunday, Aug. 5, from noon to 10 p.m. at Maili Beach Park. A different movie will be presented each night. The titles and start time of the movies will be announced at a later date.

### CLOSURES FROM ARIZONA STREET (HALAWA GATE) TO RADFORD DRIVE

**AUG. 6 TO 17** — The Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) would like to notify area residents and businesses of alternating lane closures associated with work to upgrade the Honolulu Rail Transit Project's utility infrastructure in the area. The work will take place Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For the safety of work crews and the traveling public, please observe construction signage.

### What to expect during construction

- Eastbound lanes along Kamehameha Highway will be reduced to one lane. Travel lane will be shifted toward the mountain.
- During non-working hours, the traffic

### PET ADOPTION

**AUG. 4** — The Navy Exchange and the Oahu SPCA have teamed up to bring monthly pet adoption events for authorized patrons at the pet shop from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. HHS will have dogs and cats of varying ages. Animals need your love and they will love you in return. The NEX Pet Shop is located at 4888 Bougainville Drive. For more information, call Stephanie Lau, customer relations manager at 423-3287.



configuration will provide three lanes of through traffic in the eastbound direction. • Bus stops and routes may be modified or closed during this operation. For up-to-date bus information, call 848-5555 or visit [www.TheBus.org](http://www.TheBus.org).

For more information, call HART's 24-hour project hotline at 566-2299 or visit [www.honolulutransit.org](http://www.honolulutransit.org).

### PEARL HARBOR BIKE PATH TO BE CLOSED

**AUG. 6** — The Pearl Harbor Bike Path will be closed for maintenance from Monday, Aug. 6 through Saturday, Aug. 25 between Lehua Avenue and Waipio Point Access Road. The goal is to provide a setback for the Department of Parks and Recreation on the mauka side of the bike path and to perform maintenance on unimproved park lands, along with removing debris and abandoned vehicles. Crews will also be performing maintenance on the bike path itself. Bicyclists will be detoured onto Kamehameha Highway for the closed section of the bike path. In addition to maintenance work, enforcement of the city's Stored Property Ordinance (SPO) will be performed during the closure by the Department of Facility Maintenance. The city's Office of Housing will be working with service providers before SPO enforcement takes place so that affected individuals have access to social services and shelter. Upon reopening the path, the city will continue to monitor the area for SPO violations and continue to enforce park closure hours from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

### HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS 101

**AUG. 6** — This class is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon at Military Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. This class outlines characteristics of a healthy relationship, how self-esteem affects our choices, effective communication and conflict resolution. The class provides the tools to build and maintain a solid foundation for a quality relationship.

### SPONSOR TRAINING

**AUG. 7** — This training is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Wahiawa. Helping an incoming military member and their family with the transition into their new duty station can start them off on positive footing and ease their anxiety. This class gives a sponsor all the resources necessary to be successful in their sponsorship duties. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

### EFMP COFFEE TALK

**AUG. 9** — This class is scheduled from 9 to 10 a.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Learn, share and connect with other Exceptional Family Member Program families!

### SMOOTH MOVE

**AUG. 9** — This workshop is scheduled from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at MFSC Hickam. This workshop features speakers from various departments to provide a better understanding of the permanent change of station process such as: entitlements, travel regulations, shipping your vehicle, filling out necessary paperwork and more.

### PET ADOPTION EVENT

**AUG. 12** — The Navy Exchange and Hawaiian Humane Society (HHS) are

hosting monthly pet adoption events for authorized patrons at the NEX Pet Shop from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. HHS will have dogs and cats of varying ages. The NEX Pet Shop is located at 4888 Bougainville Drive. For more information, call Stephanie Lau at 423-3287.

### MADE IN HAWAII FESTIVAL

**AUG. 17 TO 19** — Enjoy this three-day celebration at the Neal S. Blaisdell Exhibition Hall and Arena, highlighting the unique products of Hawaii. The Made in Hawaii Festival features nearly 400 exhibitors who showcase food products, books, gifts, apparel and jewelry, arts and crafts, produce and many more home-grown products from around the 50th state. For more information, visit <http://www.madeinhawaiifestival.com>.

### JBPHH HALF MARATHON

**AUG. 18** — The 13.1-mile race starts at Hickam Earhart Track. Check in is at 4:30 a.m. Event begins at 5:30 a.m. Registration fee is \$35 until July 30. The fee is \$45 from July 31 through Aug. 17. Registration on race day is \$50. Challenge yourself at this annual event. Runners, walkers and strollers are allowed to participate. Route is flat and fast. The race is open to all military enlisted personnel and their guests (must have base access). Entry form, waiver and map are available at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center or at [greatlifehawaii.com](http://greatlifehawaii.com). For more information, call 448-2214.

### 37TH ANNUAL GREEK FESTIVAL

**AUG. 25 AND 26** — The 37th annual Greek Festival is set for Aug. 25 and 26, from noon to 9 p.m. at McCoy Pavilion, Ala Moana Beach Park. General admission is \$3, children 11 and under and active-duty military is free. For more information, call 521-7220 or email [info@greekfestivalhawaii.com](mailto:info@greekfestivalhawaii.com).

### FISHER HOUSE 8K RUN, WALK OR ROLL 2018

**SEPT. 8** — This free event is scheduled from 6:30 a.m. to noon at Pacific Aviation Museum and open to the public. Non-military ID cardholders must obtain a base pass. Bring your driver's license, registration and proof of insurance to the Visitor's Center at JBPHH. For more information, email [anita.f.clingeran@gmail.com](mailto:anita.f.clingeran@gmail.com), [theresa.m.johnson2@aol.com](mailto:theresa.m.johnson2@aol.com) or visit <https://www.facebook.com/FisherHouseRun/>.



## MOVIE SHOWTIMES

### SHARKEY THEATER

**FRIDAY — AUG. 3**

7 p.m. • Incredibles 2 (3-D) (PG)

**SATURDAY — AUG. 4**

2:30 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

7 p.m. • Free advance screening: The Meg (PG-13)

**SUNDAY — AUG. 5**

1:30 p.m. • Incredibles 2 (3-D) (PG)

4:20 p.m. • Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (PG)

**THURSDAY — AUG. 9**

7 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (3-D) (PG-13)

### HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

**FRIDAY — AUG. 3**

7 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

**SATURDAY — AUG. 4**

3 p.m. • Studio appreciation advance screening —

Free admission. Tickets available at your local

exchange food court. Seating open to non-ticket

holders 30 minutes prior to showtime. (PG-13)

6 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

**SUNDAY — AUG. 5**

2 p.m. • Incredibles 2 (PG)

4:30 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

**THURSDAY — AUG. 9**

6:30 p.m. • Bleeding Steel (R)

**ADVANCE SCREENING** — of "The Meg," rated PG-13 is free to the first 400 authorized patrons. Tickets will be distributed at 5:30 pm at the ticket booth. Active-duty military ID cardholders may receive up to four tickets, military retirees, military family members and Department of Defense cardholders will receive two tickets.

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