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B-2s begin Indo-Pacific deployment

A U.S. Air Force maintenance technician, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, marshals a B-2 Spirit at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 15. B-2s regularly rotate through the Indo-Pacific to conduct routine air operations, which integrate capabilities with key regional partners and demonstrate U.S. commitment to peace and stability in the region.
U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Danielle Quilla

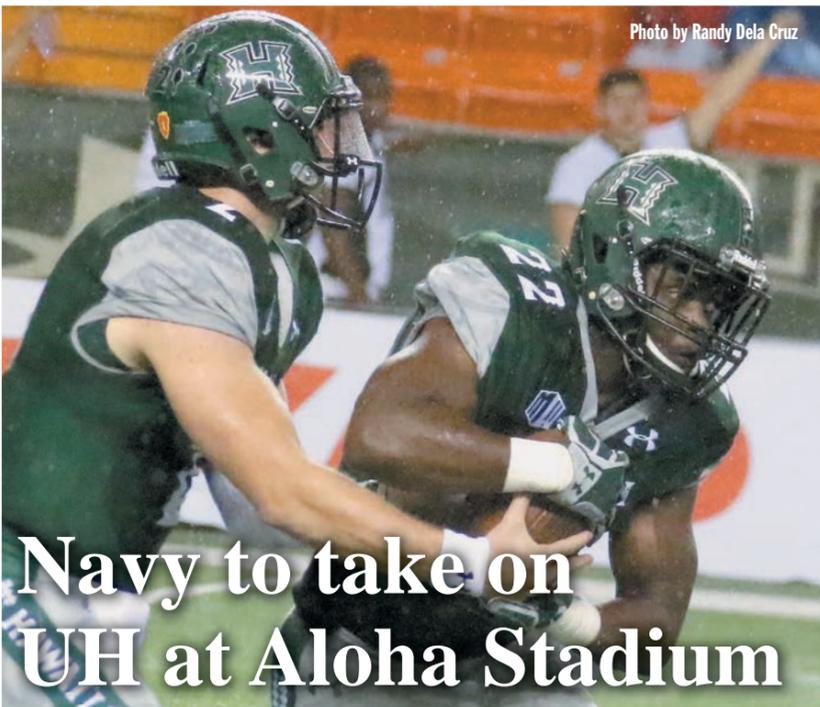


Photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Navy to take on UH at Aloha Stadium

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

The U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) Foundation plans several events in conjunction with the University of Hawaii (UH) vs. USNA Military Appreciation Night football game at 5 p.m. Sept. 1 as the UH Rainbow Warriors host USNA at Aloha Stadium.

This will be the UH Rainbow Warriors' first home game of the season.

The pregame show will feature the Navy League honoring a key spouse from each component, including Hawaii Air National Guard, Hawaii Army National Guard and U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

A key spouse is one who has functioned as the communication and organization focal point for a unit that is deployed in the theater of hostile operations, or during this year. The halftime show will feature marching units from around Oahu.

Prior to the game, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR) will host a free

USNA upcoming events:

- Friday, Aug. 31 at noon: Luncheon with the USNA superintendent at the Plaza Club in Honolulu
- Friday, Aug. 31 at 5 p.m.: Pep Rally and reception at the Hale Koa garden
- Saturday, Sept. 1 at 8:30 a.m.: USNA admissions informational presentation at Dillingham Hall, Punahou School
- Saturday, Sept. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m.: Alumni Tailgate at Rainbow Bay Marina's A-frame pavilion

Visit www.usnahawaii.net to purchase tickets.

MWR Pigskin (Tailgate) Party to celebrate the start of the football season from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Richardson Field located across the street from Aloha Stadium.

There will be activities for the kids such as face painting, bounce houses, crafts and a photo booth. In addition, competitive and non-competitive sporting events such as an all-ages agility course, 40-yard dash, football passing challenges and halftime contests will take place.

Entertainment will be provided by the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band. Tailgate food and ice-cold beverages will be available for purchase.

The MWR Pigskin Party is open to all Department of Defense (DoD) ID cardholders and their sponsored guests. For safety reasons, outside food and beverages, tents, animals, glass or coolers are not authorized. All personnel and items are subject to search. Limited parking will be available for valid DoD ID cardholders at Rainbow Bay Marina. More information on the MWR Pigskin Party can be found on www.greatlifehawaii.com.

For more information on how to purchase Navy vs. UH football game tickets, visit <http://alohastadium.hawaii.gov/>.

NIOC Hawaii engages with Pure Praxis in SAPR training

Ensign Minh Chau

NIOC Hawaii

On Aug. 14, the Pure Praxis theatre group performed for the Sailors of Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii.

They were engaged by actors to help them better understand and learn to react with difficult social situations regarding sexual assault in the military environment.

Founded by Kelly Pfeider, Pure Praxis is a social theatre group that uses performance education workshops to train and empower service members at military installations worldwide.

Pfeider created Pure Praxis out of her commitment and passion for social change. She is an expert of performance education as well as a certified victim advocate. Contracted by the Department of the Navy Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Of-

fice in 2015, Pure Praxis has reached more than 212,100 military personnel to date.

"The show had a higher energy than most SAPR trainings, able to keep a lighter tone throughout the performance, despite dealing with heavier topics," said CTN3 Nathan Voshall, with NIOC HI.

"While it is simple to think of what the right thing to do is, acting upon it is extremely difficult given the gravity of the issue and the social implications that they can supposedly lead to," he added. "The improvisation of the volunteers ranged from very professional and typical, to very creative and hilarious."

Pure Praxis' mission is to promote social change by using live, improvisational theatre to recreate difficult real-world situations so that audience members can rehearse proactive responses. "Praxis" is the act of applying, engaging, and practicing ideas, which

is precisely what makes pure praxis different from any other training program on the market.

Using a team of skilled and diverse performance facilitators and actor advocates, participants were able to develop meaningful discussion from the skits that played out on stage.

The skits then transitioned to having the discussion participants act out their answers, giving the audience to not only discuss bystander intervention, but also see it in action and observe how to overcome barriers to action.

Pure Praxis explores topics that are both complex and sensitive in order to empower audiences to become active bystanders in their own lives. The entirety of every performance is guided by the audience's participation thereby making every show unique.

For more information about the SAPR program, visit www.sapr.mil.

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— CTN3 Nathan Voshall, Navy Information Operations Command Hawaii



U.S. Navy photo by CTN3 Joshua Wilson Hunter

A Sailor engages with actors from the Pure Praxis theater group during sexual assault prevention training, Aug. 14.

Toxoplasmosis impacts Hawaii's native wildlife

MC2 Justin Pacheco

Navy Public Affairs
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In Hawaii, the growth of feral cat colonies is endangering Hawaii's indigenous birds, marine animals and other native wildlife through toxoplasmosis, which is spread through the cat's feces. Cats are the only known reproductive host of the toxoplasmosis parasite.

Toxoplasmosis is a disease caused by the parasite *Toxoplasma gondii*. It enters the environment when its eggs are shed through the feces of cats. Billions of eggs can be dispersed into the environment from just one cat over a two-week period of infection. The eggs remain alive and infectious for months to years after they leave the cat.

Angela Amlin, Hawaiian Monk Seal Recovery Coordinator at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), said the increase in feral



Hawaiian monk seal RK60 and her first pup on Moku Nui Island in 2017.

NOAA Fisheries photo

cat populations has had a direct effect on the increasing number of cases involving monk seals, Hawaiian coots, ducks and booby birds.

"We currently estimate the amount of feral cats on Oahu alone are

anywhere from 50,000 to 300,000," said Amlin.

"The primary thing that people can do to help is keep pet cats indoors and not to abandon unwanted cats or kittens outdoors or at feral cat colonies."

NOAA fisheries shared

the unfortunate news that three female monk seals were found dead between May 15-17 on Oahu. This revelation brings the known monk seal mortalities from toxoplasmosis to 11.

The disease is also re-

sponsible for killing native birds like the alala and nene in the terrestrial environment.

The parasite can also be washed downstream by rainfall and flow into the near-shore environment, where they infect monk

seals as well as spinner dolphins. Cats that roam and defecate outdoors in any part of the island ecosystem can become carriers and spreaders and ultimately cause the death of native wildlife.

Given that not all deceased seals are recovered for examination, it is likely the reported mortality numbers from toxoplasmosis are higher, as more mortalities have likely gone undetected.

Amlin added that a trend is emerging wherein female seals are disproportionately affected compared to males.

"This exacerbates the impact on the entire species," she said. "As each female seal lost to the population means that all of her potential future offspring are lost as well."

For more information, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at www.cdc.gov/parasites/toxoplasmosis/ or email any questions to monksealinfo@noaa.gov.

POWs honored at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific



U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Jackson

Rear Adm. Jim Waters (fourth from right), director of Maritime Headquarters, Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet, attends a ceremony at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Aug. 15. A memorial stone was dedicated at Punchbowl, honoring 400 service men who perished aboard Japanese cargo ships in 1945.

Diverse VIEWS



Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and Ensign Heather Hill
If you joined the Space Force and discovered a planet what would you name it?



Senior Airman Corin Morales
 154th Maintenance Operations Flight
 "Como," the first two letters of my first name and last name as well as my nickname."



Musician 3rd Class Jason Gay
 PACFLT Band (SELRES)
 "Wakanda."



Chief Master Sgt. Richard Pida
 154th Maintenance Group
 "Goddess 'Pele,' creator of the Hawaiian Islands."



Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Aaron Ross
 SFMD PHNSY
 "I'd name it after me!"



Tech. Sgt. Aaron Weathers
 647th Civil Engineer Squadron
 "Blitzburgh," named after the greatest NFL team in league history, Pittsburgh Steelers!!"



Electronics Technician (Submarine-Radio) 2nd Class Thomas Sawicki
 COMSUBPAC
 "Uranus Gargantua."

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COMMENTARY

USS Michael Murphy 'The Protector'

Rear Adm. Brian Fort

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific



Lt. Michael P. Murphy, namesake of our USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), was tough — physically, mentally and morally.

From an early age he was known as "The Protector." He looked out for others, whether family, friends or strangers. According to his parents, Maureen and Dan Murphy, of Patchogue, New York, he had a strong understanding of right and wrong and was a natural leader at an early age.

His best friend, Owen O'Callaghan, was assigned to New York's Engine 53 Ladder 43 fire station, which responded to the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Lt. Murphy, along with members of his Navy SEAL team, wore the firefighters' patch as a sign of solidarity in their fight against terrorists.

The crest of USS Michael Murphy is inspired by the design in the firefighting company's patch. And, firefighters of Ladder 53 Engine 43 wear the Navy SEAL patch in return.

Nearly all Sailors — and many civilians — know the story of Murphy and his awesome courage as he fought and died to save his fellow SEALs in Afghanistan, June 28, 2005.

Outnumbered and severely wounded in combat he purposely exposed himself to enemy fire to call in assistance for his team.

For his unwavering selfless courage Murphy received the Medal of Honor, awarded posthumously. We honor and remember his toughness — and his fairness.

Murphy's memory continues to inspire Sailors who serve and "lead the fight" aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy, homeported at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

USS Michael Murphy has deployed three times in the past year, including with both Carl Vinson Strike Group and the Wasp Expeditionary Strike Group.

Last year, Michael Murphy spent more than 200 days underway in the U.S. 3rd Fleet and U.S. 7th Fleet operating areas, conducted eight port visits in five countries and steamed 60,000 nautical miles.

In 2018 Michael Murphy conducted South China Sea operations; making port visits to Guam and Manila, Republic of the Philippines and con-

ducting Oceania Maritime Security Initiative operations with a U.S. Coast Guard detachment to protect fishing areas and enforce maritime laws.

Recently, Sailors of Michael Murphy represented the Navy at Fleet Week in Portland, Oregon before returning and deploying again.

During Fleet Week, the men and women of DDG-112 provided ship tours to thousands of people, including young people who had an opportunity to learn about namesake Navy SEAL Lt. Michael P. Murphy.

In recent weeks we learned that a 14-year-old boy desecrated a memorial plaque in Lt. Michael P. Murphy Park in Lake Ronkonkoma, New York.

While some people reacted with anger and hate, I was heartened to see the reaction of Michael's parents. Maureen is the USS Michael Murphy's sponsor.

Maureen Murphy said, "The boy who did this, he's a child. He did something foolish. And everybody has done something foolish when (they were) younger."

Michael's father, Dan Murphy, said, "Michael was the type of person who

would have wanted to take this person under his wing and talk to him. I hope they educate this young man."

This kind of understanding, forgiveness and compassion is another kind of toughness, a kind all leaders need. It's easy to see how their son grew to be the man he became.

In "Seal of Honor" author Gary Williams writes, "Michael was able to see both the good and bad in people. He inherently believed the best in people and always gave them the benefit of any doubt."

When Michael was in the eighth grade — around the age of the teen who vandalized the plaque — he saw a group of boys bullying a special education student, trying to push the child into a locker. Michael stood up to them and got in a fight with several of them. It would not be the last time he would step up to bullies and lead the fight.

That's when he earned the nickname "The Protector."

Today, Sailors aboard USS Michael Murphy protect and defend our nation as part of Navy's living legacy, dedicated to providing security and stability in the name of freedom.

Rear Adm. Brian Fort is interviewed in front of USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) during the 2018 Rim of the Pacific Exercise.

U.S. Navy photo by MCl Corwin Colbert



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Guarding the payload

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A cocker spaniel balances on a 500-pound bomb at Hickam Field, circa 1940s.

Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*



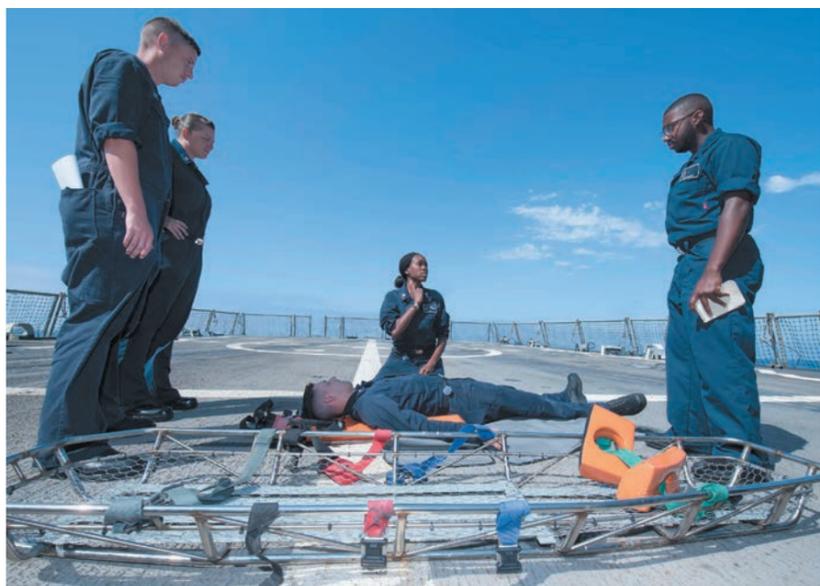
Damage Controlman 2nd Class Jacob Calleros, a Victorville, California, native assigned to USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) teaches Austin Prather, a Dallas native, how to handle a firehose during a Make-A-Wish Foundation tour at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 12. Austin spent the morning touring the ship to experience what life is like as a Sailor as he plans to join the Navy when he becomes of age.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki



Photo by Malia Myers

McGruff the Crime Dog meets a child during National Night Out (NNO) at Ka Makani Community Center, aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 7. Hickam Communities hosted an NNO for its residents. Families watched a military working dog demonstration, enjoyed food and other activities. National Night Out, a national campaign in its 35th year, encourages events that help strengthen the relationship between the community and law enforcement.



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Logan C. Kellums

Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Janine Pugh, assigned to the guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), conducts stretcher bearer training Aug. 8 on the ship's flight deck in the Pacific Ocean. Chung-Hoon is conducting routine operations as part of Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 3 in the U.S. 3rd Fleet area of operations.



U.S. Air National Guard photo by 2nd. Lt. Chelsea Clark

U.S. Staff Sgt. Grant Lyons, a dental technician stationed at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, and U.S. Navy Cmdr. Minh Phan, a dental provider for Tropic Care Maui County 2018, provide dental services at the clinic in Hana, Hawaii, Aug. 13. The training mission offers no-cost health care services on three islands from Aug. 11-19.



U.S. Sailors haul mooring lines aboard the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Momsen (DDG 92) while arriving at the Port of Alaska in Anchorage, Alaska, Aug. 15. The Momsen is visiting Anchorage in conjunction with the Arctic Maritime Symposium. The event, hosted by the Alaskan Command, will provide a framework for experienced senior military leaders, intelligence analysts, interagency operators and Arctic maritime subject matter experts to discuss the strategic challenges associated with Arctic maritime operations.

U.S. Air Force photo by Alejandro Peña

Honor guardsmen, assigned to the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, move a flag-draped case from a U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III aircraft during an honorable carry ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 1.

U.S. Air Force photo by SrA Apryl Hall



JBPHH team brings home 55 fallen from Korea

1st Lt. Avery Larkin

15th Wing Public Affairs

Before 55 transfer cases with remains of what are believed to be American service members were returned to the U.S. Aug. 1, a mission of 15th Wing and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam partners was organized to make such a return possible.

Aircrews from the Hawaii Air National Guard's 204th Airlift Squadron and 15th Wing's 535th Airlift and 15th Operations Support squadrons coordinated with a diverse support

team to execute a successful mission into Wonsan, North Korea, to retrieve the remains and deliver them to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency in the United States.

"We had a lot of involvement from our intelligence, flight equipment, and survival, resistance and evasion teams so the crew was as prepared as possible going into this mission," said Maj. Nicole Stenstad, 15th Operations Support Squadron assistant director of operations and mission commander.

"We were all very aware of the significance of this mission

and wanted it to be a success. It was a team effort across the board."

Cooperation with intelligence units was vital to mission success. JBPHH mission partners helped the aircrews mission plan and units at Osan Air Base provided support from the Korean Peninsula.

Interoperability was in full swing between the HIANG's 154th Wing and the 15th Wing as 15th and 154th maintenance groups ensured all aircraft on the mission were in peak condition from their departure from Hawaii to their return. Maintainers played another key role

in the mission as flying crew chiefs were attached to each crew to ensure the aircraft were properly serviced while away from home station.

"I'm very humbled for the opportunity to be a part of this mission," said Command Master Sgt. Mark Henriquez, 15th Operations Group superintendent and aircraft loadmaster on the flight into North Korea.

"To be a part of something as significant as physically lifting the boxes and hand carrying the remains from the ground in North Korea onto sovereign U.S. territory, the C-17, and ultimately back to American soil

and their loved ones – is truly amazing and the highlight of my career."

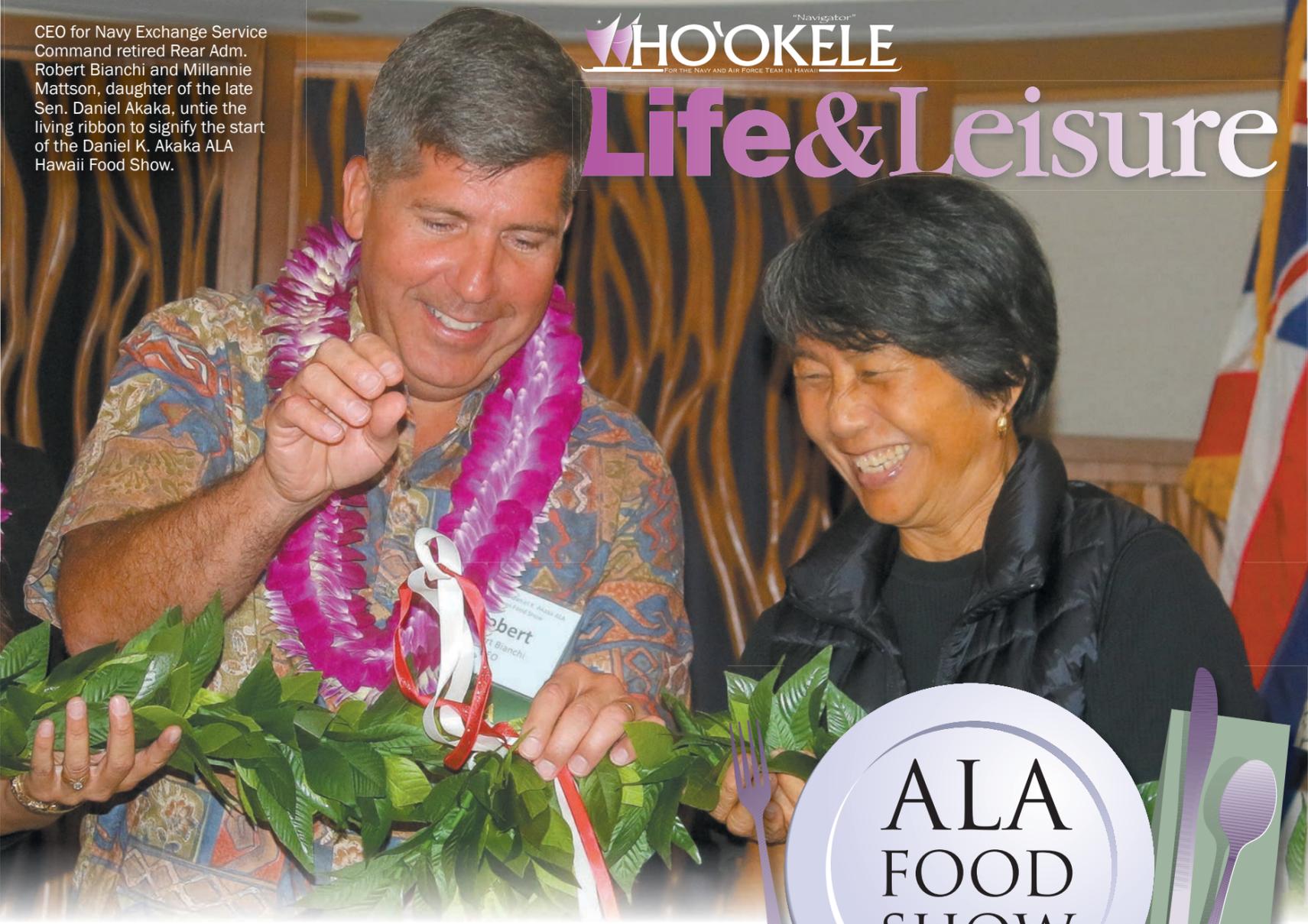
The remains returned during this mission are being forensically analyzed at the DPAA laboratory. The process to identify most of the remains is estimated to take many months to a few years.

For the latest statistics and additional information about DPAA and the U.S. government's mission of providing the fullest possible accounting of personnel lost from wars dating back to World War II, visit DPAA's website at www.dpaa.mil.

CEO for Navy Exchange Service Command retired Rear Adm. Robert Bianchi and Millannie Mattson, daughter of the late Sen. Daniel Akaka, untie the living ribbon to signify the start of the Daniel K. Akaka ALA Hawaii Food Show.

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Life & Leisure



Tradition continues

Story and photos by Randy Dela Cruz
Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Twenty-one years ago, Sen. Daniel Akaka had a vision to introduce local businesses and products into the vast chain of military commissaries and exchanges. The concept would not only serve local businesses with an outlet to share their products with the military community in Hawaii, but would also give the state's entrepreneurs an avenue to jumpstart their business and help grow Hawaii's economy. After Akaka presented the idea to the Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) and Military Exchange back in 1997, a food show, that would give local vendors a chance to audition their products directly to military buyers, was born. Initially called the American Logistics Association (ALA) Hawaii Food Show, starting this year, the event has been officially renamed to the Daniel K. Akaka ALA Hawaii Food Show to honor the senator, who died only four months ago on April 6. While the first show was fairly modest with less than a dozen vendors, last year's event placed 500 new items on the shelves of commissaries and exchanges throughout the state with 23 new companies introducing their products. This year, the trend continued to reflect the growth and popularity of the event as 65 vendors, of which 14 were first-timers, packed the show on Aug. 14 at the Prince Waikiki Hotel in Honolulu. "Without the vision he (Akaka) had and the faith in local companies, I truly believe that we wouldn't be here," said Sharon Zambo-Fan, food show chairwoman. "It's an honor that he gave us the blessing to rename this in his honor." If he was at this year's show, the senator would have been happy to see so many vendors auditioning their products for placement on commissary shelves. Aloha Gourmet Products, Inc. has already been in the commissaries and exchanges with a selection of snacks and beverages. According to Marc Fujimoto, the company's general manager, the experience has been so positive, he's back again to try and bring

more products in for military families. While it definitely helps the bottom line, he said, the relationship is even more rewarding because of who the company is serving. "They are defending our country. They got our backs," Fujimoto pointed out. "Anything we can do to help them here in the islands, that's just a feel-good thing for us." As he toured through the floor of vendors, retired Rear Adm. Robert Bianchi, (CEO for Navy Exchange Service Command), who served at Pearl Harbor with the Supply Corps from 1997-99, said that seeing all of the local products brought back fond memories of his time in Hawaii. He said that he remembers many things about being in the 50th state and knows just how much it means to have home-grown items with you no matter where you go. "Because we have such a diverse military family, and the fact that people move all over the world, when they have the opportunity to see something that reminds them, it brings back that feeling of home and comfort," Bianchi said. "When you're in places like Djibouti, Romania or all these other places, it's the little things that are so important." Over the years, the addition of made-in-Hawaii products has turned local commissaries into some of the most popular and profitable commissaries in the world. In 2017, the Pearl Harbor commissary finished the year at No. 2 with sales reaching \$85 million, while Schofield commissary checked in at No. 4 with sales of \$66 million. Debra Wada, retired assistant secretary of the Army, once served directly for Akaka for 12 years. She said that the success of the food show is a direct result of the senator's spirit of aloha and his desire to share it with everyone. "When I worked for Danny, I did his defense and affairs work, so of the projects that I worked on, this (food show) was one of them," Wada shared. "For Danny, food and culture was part of how you shared aloha. Bringing people the food that we loved and enjoyed, and having people understand and appreciate those same foods and culture was important to him."



Above, Debbie Cavana and Marc Fujimoto, general manager of Aloha Gourmet Products, Inc., serve up a smoothie at their booth. Below, Buyer Kawohi Cobb-Adams discusses the Acai To-Go, a frozen treat, with product reps Felipe Barreneche and Alana Lima.



At left, Akiko Frazier fries up some Tulip Luncheon Meat from the Family Foods booth. At right, Robbie Adams and Loren Shoop talk over their product Luncheon Hummus by Ulu Mana with Eyvinne Umemoto, store director of Pearl Harbor commissary.

Navy Region Hawaii ball tickets now available

Kristen Wong

Life and Leisure Editor, Ho'okele

The U.S. Navy in Hawaii will celebrate the Navy's 243rd birthday this year, from Oct. 5-13. This year's theme will be "Forged by the Sea" (Haku 'la E Ke Kai).

"Our Navy was born as the 'Continental Navy' in 1775 even before our nation was created and before our Declaration of Independence and our Constitution, which all Sailors are sworn to protect and defend," said Rear Adm. Brian P. Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

"Today, our Navy continues to deploy to protect and promote American interests and values

around the world. We continue to stand together with our allies against those who would challenge our freedom, and we continue to live by our core values: Honor, Courage and Commitment," Fort said.

Naval Administrative Message 173/18 stated that in celebration of the birthday, the Navy will host events that strive to build upon the Navy's relationship with the public.

Hawaii's Navy will be busy with several events this year:

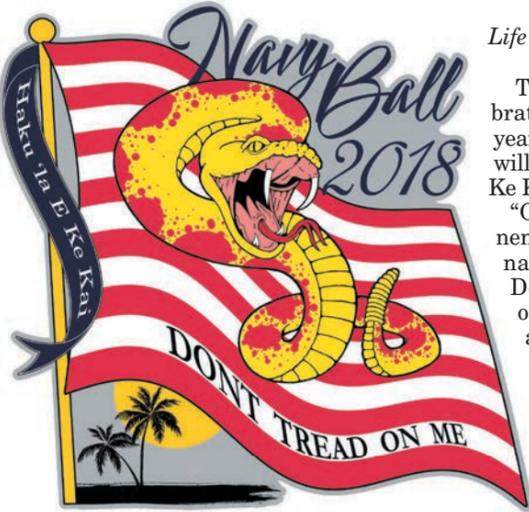
- The Pacific Missile Range Facility's celebration is Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. at the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa.
- On Oct. 12 at 8 a.m., there will be a Pearl Harbor Colors Ceremony at Pearl Harbor Visitor Center.
- On Oct. 13, from 5 to 11:30 p.m. Commander, Navy Region Hawaii is hosting a ball at Hilton Hawaiian Village

in Waikiki. The ball will feature a hula and haka performance.

"I wanted to be part of something more than what I was doing," said Ensign Alyssandra Rousseve, assigned to the USS Hopper, on why she joined the Navy. "The Navy's found(ing) to this day (is) based on strong tradition and having those Navy holidays, Navy birthdays or anything to bring the crew together is important."

Rousseve, who has been in the Navy for one year, said she also chose the Navy because of her love of the ocean.

"I love the ocean," she said. "I love being out at sea. It's hard work but overall (most Sailors) enjoy the time spent out at sea. (It) builds character. Character building is huge. Our Sailors work hard and you've got to enjoy moments like Navy birthdays."



Celebrating women's equality in August

Ho'okele staff

Recently and again in November, women will have an opportunity to vote in state and national elections.

That opportunity first came 98 years ago in August 1920.

On Aug. 26, the nation will celebrate Women's Equality Day, honoring the 19th Amendment, which allows women to vote.

The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Diversity Committee will be hosting commemorative activities next week.

There will be an observance at Historic Hickam Officers' Club, Tuesday, Aug. 21 from 11 a.m. to noon, with a guest speaker and a cake. Food will be available for purchase at the Wright Brothers Cafe and Grill.

There will be a special meal at Silver Dolphin Bistro, Aug. 20 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This meal is \$5.60 per person and is only open to active-duty personnel. There will be a special meal

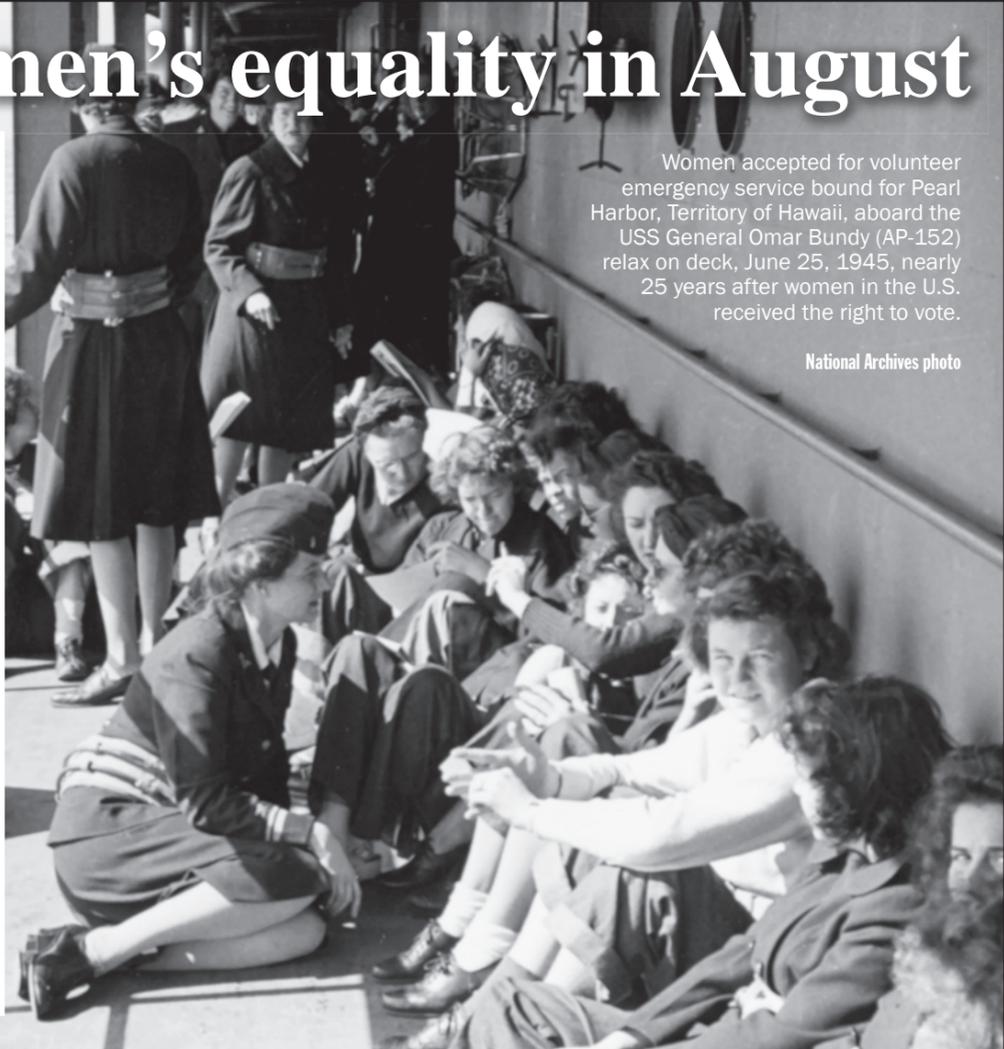
at Hale Aina Dining Facility, Aug. 23 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The meal is \$11 per person and will be open to active duty service members, retirees and valid ID cardholders.

On Aug. 18, 1920, Congress ratified the 19th Amendment, allowing women to vote.

In 1971, New York Rep. Bella Abzug went a step further, and worked to establish Women's Equality Day, every Aug. 26 in honor of this historical change.

Throughout history, women have made advancements in achieving equality in the military as well. Today, women make up 20.1 percent of the U.S. Air Force, which is more than 64,000 women, according to the Air Force Personnel Center. As of December 2017, more than 74,000 women made up the total force of the U.S. Navy.

For more information, contact MAC (EXW) Jean Bissainthe with jean.bissainthe@navy.mil, or call 474-9016 (DSN prefix 315).



Women accepted for volunteer emergency service bound for Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii, aboard the USS General Omar Bundy (AP-152) relax on deck, June 25, 1945, nearly 25 years after women in the U.S. received the right to vote.

National Archives photo



A water hyacinth flower at Bellows Air Force Station is an invasive plant that grows fast and thick. It has completely taken over lakes and rivers all around the world. Photo by John Burns, administrative support assistant, Navy Region Hawaii.

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Statehood Day holiday schedule

City and County of Honolulu

City and County of Honolulu offices will be closed today, in observance of Statehood Day, a state holiday.

Here are a few things to remember about the city's holiday schedule:

- Emergency medical, fire, life-guard, medical examiner and police services will be available.
- TheBus will operate on a state holiday schedule. For route and schedule information, please visit www.thebus.org.
- Refuse will be collected and transfer stations, convenience centers, H-POWER, and the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill will be open.
- Parks, municipal golf courses, botanical gardens, and the Honolulu Zoo will be open.
- The Neal S. Blaisdell Center box office will be open for the Made In Hawaii Festival.
- The People's Open Markets will not be held.
- All Satellite City Halls and driver licensing centers will be closed.

The following traffic and parking regulations will be in effect:

- Motorists are cautioned that parking will be restricted in Lanikai over the three-day holiday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- On-street parking will be free, except for the meters on Kalakaua Avenue along Queen Kapi'olani Park and metered parking lots.
- Traffic lanes will not be coned for contraflow.



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 the opening reception on Oct. 3. For more information, call 448-2393.

● **Registration is open** now to be a part of the largest human awareness ribbon at the Joint Services Suicide Prevention & Human Awareness Ribbon event on Sept. 5. September is Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month and the Military & Family Support Center are teaming up with program managers from all bases. This large-scale event will capture attention with the attempt to make a record-breaking human awareness ribbon while highlighting the importance of reaching out to help individuals who have thoughts of suicide. The event also includes a resource fair, live musical entertainment and a proclamation signing. For more information, call 474-1999.

● **Registration is open** now for the 43rd Annual Fall Craft Fair, happening on Nov. 3 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Cost is \$75 for a 15-inch by 15-inch space or \$105 for a shared space. For more information, call 448-9907.

● **12th annual JBPHH Half-Marathon** sprints out beginning at 5:30 a.m. Aug. 18 from the Earhart Track. It's a challenge to complete a 13.1-mile course around the Hickam side of the base. Registration is \$45 until today and \$55 on the day of the

race. For more information, call 448-2214.

● **Family Night returns** for an evening of fun from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Aug. 21 at the Teen Center. Teens, bring your families for a night of Minute to Win it games and learn about upcoming events. This event is free and is open to teens registered with the program. For more information, call 448-1068.

● **Chinatown Food & Historic Walking Tour** departs at approximately 8:30 a.m. Aug. 28 from the Hickam ITT office. Discover the intriguing history of Honolulu's Chinatown on this walking tour, sampling Chinese treats along the way. Cost is \$35 for adults and \$30 for ages 3 to 11 and includes round-trip transportation, guided tour and a Chinese-style lunch. Reservations are recommended. For more information, call 448-2295.

● **Let's Do Lunch returns** beginning 9:30 a.m. on Aug. 25 via the MWR Travel Connections office. Ever wanted to tour a cruise ship before deciding if you want to book it? Get an escorted tour of a cruise. Cost of the tour is \$35 and includes lunch. For more information, call 422-0139.

● **Cookies & Canvas** gets colorful from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 29 at the Arts & Crafts Center. Kids get to create a painted masterpiece while nibbling on a sweet treat. This bimonthly 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.

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation

Count Dracula and company participate in a cruise for sea-loving monsters, unaware that their boat is being commandeered by the monster-hating Van Helsing family.



SHARKEY THEATER

FRIDAY – AUG. 17

7 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)

SATURDAY – AUG. 18

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

5:10 p.m. • Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (3-D) (PG)

7:20 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)

SUNDAY – AUG. 19

1:30 p.m. • Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG)

3:40 p.m. • Ant-Man and the Wasp (3-D) (PG-13)

6:10 p.m. • Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again (PG-13)

THURSDAY – AUG. 23

7 p.m. • The Equalizer 2 (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

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SUNDAY – AUG. 19

2 p.m. • Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG)

4:30 p.m. • Incredibles 2 (PG)

THURSDAY – AUG. 23

6:30 p.m. • The Equalizer 2 (R)

*Movie schedules are subject to change without notice.

MXG pulls out victory in three sets

Story and photo by
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At the start of the much-anticipated showdown between the final two undefeated teams in the Blue Division, it appeared as though Team Maintenance Group (MXG) might have an easy night, when its opponent, 37th Intelligence Squadron (37 IS), showed up to play with only five players instead of a typical starting six.

The situation looked even bleaker for the 37 IS after it dropped the first set by a score of 25-16.

However, to prove that no game is over until its really over, Team MXG was surprised by the 37 IS in the second set, 24-25, and had to scramble to take the third set by a score of 15-7 and walk away with the win on Aug. 8 in an intramural volleyball showdown at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"They played a heck of a game with only five guys," said Tech. Sgt. Christopher Yarbrough, whose kills helped rally Team MXG to the win. "If they had six guys, I'm sure it would have been a much closer game. I hope when we see them in the playoffs, they'll have six, so we can get a six-on-six match."

In the first set, the 37 IS showed right away that the team wasn't just going to lie down and rollover.

From service, the 37 IS got the first five points of the game to take a quick 5-0 advantage.

Yarbrough stopped the streak with two kills in a row, and when teammate Staff Sgt. Obeta O'Brien added another kill, the lead was down to two at 5-3.

Then, with Yarbrough at service, and Team MXG trailing, 6-4, the squad put together a three-point rally to take its first lead of the set at 7-6.

Team MXG went on to outscore the 37 IS by a margin of 18-10 to take the first set.

Starting off with set

two, it appeared that Team MXG was gunning to put the 37 IS away by starting off on a 5-0 run. But later, an ace by Staff Sgt. Israel Aguilar brought the 37 IS all the way back to tie the score at 10-10.

Right about then, Team MXG suffered a huge loss, when hitter Tech. Sgt. Mike Steinbercher was forced out of the game with an injury to his hand.

After Aguilar and Yarbrough traded kills to keep the score knotted up at 15-15, Team MXG went on to take a 19-16 lead on an ace by Yarbrough.

Instead of folding, the 37 IS mounted a comeback and retied the score at 24-24 on a position violation by Tech. Sgt. Ryan Hunt, before Staff Sgt. Ian Hunter hammered down a kill to win set two for the 37 IS.

In the final set, the team that gets hot first often puts the game away, and this time it was Team MXG that did the damage early.

Up by only a point at 2-1, Team MXG got a spark, when Hunt and Staff Sgt. Aaron Oda combined for a block that made it 3-1.

From that point on, Team MXG got the next five points in row to take an 8-1 lead, before holding for the win.

"It was just coming back down to playing as a team," Yarbrough said. "I think we kind of lost that in the second set."

With the playoffs just around the corner, Yarbrough said that the win over the 37 IS was huge and just might clear the way for an undefeated run in the regular season.

Once the team gets into the playoffs, he stated, anything can happen — especially with the once unbeatable Hawaii Air National Guard possibly showing some cracks after years of domination.

"I hope so," Yarbrough said. "We have a lot of confidence. Right now we're 6-0, so hopefully we can keep it going. We already have that harmony connection. We'll be fine."



Tech. Sgt. Christopher Yarbrough (right) reaches up before slamming down a kill.

HO'OKALE
SPORTS



Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club to host Aloha Expo

Story and photos by
Hickam Officers'
Spouses' Club

The Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club (HOSC) is hosting its 2018 Aloha Expo, Wednesday, Aug. 22 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Historic Hickam Officer's Club.

HOSC's Aloha Expo is a free open-house style social affair to learn more about the HOSC, shop approxi-

mately 30 home-based and artisan vendors and includes light refreshments.

"(The expo is) a great way to meet new people, sign up for activities groups (and) try new things," said Kimberly Dobbs, the president of HOSC.

"(Eligible spouses can also) get involved with an organization that not only provides a social outlet for spouses but generously

gives back to the community via our grants and scholarships."

The Aloha Expo is open to all with base access regardless of rank or affiliation.

Dobbs said nearly 200 people attended last year's expo.

The HOSC is a nonprofit organization located on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

According to the HOSC

website, the club's main mission includes organizing social and recreational activities for its members and support charitable and educational endeavors.

Membership in HOSC is open to any spouse of an active-duty officer of any branch of service or a Department of Defense civilian, ranked GS-7 or higher.

The club also manages the Hickam Thrift Shop

at JBPHH. Profits from the thrift shop are used for grants, scholarships and supporting charities, nonprofit organizations and schools.

During the last board year, which ran from June 2017 to May 2018, Dobbs said the club distributed more than \$217,000 in grants and scholarships.

"Our thrift shop is another win for the community by providing a place

to donate gently used clothing and household goods and a great place to find those same things at a bargain," Dobbs said.

For more information about the expo, visit <https://hickamosc.com>.

The website has more information about the group, monthly activities and more, to include a kids' play group, hiking club, tea time club, quilting club and thrift shop.



The Hickam Officers' Spouses' Club features many home-based and artisan vendors.



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PEARL HARBOR - HICKAM

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NA'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 on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. This year's theme is "Forged by the Sea." Costs for individual ticket prices are \$80 through today, \$90 from Aug. 18 to Sept. 14 and \$100 from Sept. 15 to Oct. 12. The Navy Ball tickets are available online at <http://buytickets.at/hawaii-navyball2018/165458>.

2018 JOINT SERVICES SUICIDE PREVENTION PROCLAMATION

NOW — Register now for the 2018 Joint Services Suicide Prevention Proclamation, Sept. 5 from 8 to 11 a.m. Attendees are encouraged to wear yellow and arrive by 8:30 a.m. to the Freedom Tower to help create the largest human awareness ribbon for suicide prevention and awareness. Leaders across all branches of service will then sign the 2018 Joint Services Suicide Prevention Proclamation. Register online at jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support. Contact the Military Family & Support Center at 474-1999 or email mfschawaii@navy.mil.

PEARL HARBOR BIKE PATH CLOSURE

NOW THROUGH AUG. 25 — The City & County of Honolulu will close the Pearl Harbor bike path between Lehua Avenue and Waipio Point access road from now through Aug. 25 to perform maintenance and to remove debris and abandoned vehicles. Bicyclists will be detoured onto Kamehameha Highway for the closed section. In addition to maintenance work, the city plans to enforce their Stored Property Ordinance during the closure.

MEET & GREET WITH KIM TAYLOR REECE

AUG. 18 — Authorized patrons may meet local photographer, Kim Taylor Reece for a "meet and greet" session, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Navy Exchange. He will also be here to autograph his own pieces for authorized patrons. No purchase necessary.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

AUG. 20 — This class is from 10 a.m. to noon at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This workshop helps people to manage conflict by examining their attitudes and behaviors when faced with conflicting situations. Learn how to prevent conflict from escalating and how to work with others to solve problems.

BLOOD DRIVE

AUG. 20 — The Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center is hosting a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the first floor of the Navy Exchange. For more information about the blood drive, call 433-6148.

DEALING WITH DIFFICULT BEHAVIORS

AUG. 21 — This class is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Do you ever encounter difficult behavior at work? How well do you work with people that handle situations differently than you do? Learn about different behavior types that one encounters in the workplace. Gather tips on how to identify difficult behavior patterns, and the best way to deal with each specific one. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

STOP BULLYING

AUG. 23 — This workshop is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Bullying can affect everyone — those who are bullied, those who bully, and those who witness bullying. The effects of bullying can be long-lasting for victims and can include fear, anxiety, depression and thoughts of suicide. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

AUG. 23 — This class is scheduled from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Paying for college can be a major source of stress for students and parents. This course is designed for those entering college now or in the near future and will educate students on how to research, compare and evaluate different college funding options based

FISHER HOUSE 8K HERO AND REMEMBRANCE RUN, WALK OR ROLL 2018



SEPT. 8 — This free, 8-kilometer run/walk 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 Nimitz Visitor Control Center (Pass & ID), located 1250 South Drive, adjacent to Nimitz Gate, Bldg. 3455. Plan to arrive by 5 a.m. to ensure base access before the bridge closes. For more information, email anita.f.clingerman@gmail.com or theresa.m.johnson2@aol.com.

on their specific needs. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

PART-TIME MONEY MAKERS

AUG. 23 — This class is scheduled from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Discover creative ways to earn supplemental income. This course will cover legitimate, remote employment opportunities; local part-time, temporary, and seasonal jobs; self-employment and government contracting and more. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

GREEN CARD/IMMIGRATION, NATURALIZATION

AUG. 24 — This workshop is from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Want to apply for your American citizenship? The MFSC in partnership with U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services presents an immigration information workshop to assist you. This class will provide step-by-step instructions and help you understand and navigate the U. S. citizen immigration application process. For more information, visit <https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center> or call 474-1999.

OUTAGES AT IROQUOIS POINT-KAPILINA HOUSING

AUG. 30 — A planned outage is scheduled for Aug. 30 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., to make repairs to the Iroquois Point substation and install a new transformer. The Puuloa Rifle Range, NEX mini-mart and about 1,400 units in the Kapilina Beach Homes, formerly Iroquois Point naval homes, will be affected.

FREE KEIKI ID

AUG. 31 — In partnership with Hickam Federal Credit Union (HFCU), there will be free keiki IDs that will be made on the spot for all military children at the Navy Exchange from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Keiki ID kit is a valuable tool. It provides spaces for critical information about a child that law enforcement may find helpful in an event that the child goes missing. It includes spaces for fingerprints, photo, dental chart (for a dentist to fill in), and a DNA sample (requires a strand of hair from the child's hairbrush).

AHUA REEF RESTORATION EVENTS

AUG. 31 AND SEPT. 1 — Ahua Reef restoration events are scheduled for Aug. 31, from 8 to 11 a.m. and

Sept. 1 from 8 to 11 a.m. Help restore a coastal wetland by creating habitat for native plants and birds. Activities include pulling invasive weeds and trash pickup. Ahua Reef Wetland is located on the Hickam side of JBPBH, near Hickam Harbor and Hawaii Air National Guard. Parking is available. Closed-toe shoes are required. Expect to get wet and muddy — wellington boots, long sleeves and pants are recommended. Additional items to bring include sunblock, water, hat and snacks. Navy Natural Resources will provide tools, gloves and water refills. RSVP to Noel Dunn by emailing Ashley.n.dunn.ctr@navy.mil.

OKINAWAN FESTIVAL

SEPT. 1 AND 2 — Immerse yourself in Okinawan culture at the 36th annual Okinawan Festival, Sept. 1 and 2. There will be food, performances and more at the annual Bon Dance at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. This free event is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days at Hawaii Convention Center in Honolulu. Visit okinawanfestival.com.

SPECIAL DELIVERY MOM SHOWER

SEPT. 10 — Celebrate your bundle of joy, Sept. 10, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Historic Hickam Officer's Club. Join USO Hawaii and Heidi Murkoff, author of the "What to Expect" series, at a baby shower just for you. Get pregnancy questions answered and connect with other moms. Lunch will be provided, as well as games, giveaways, book signing and photo opportunities with Heidi. This shower is open to active duty service members and spouses who are expecting and new moms only because space is limited. Visit uso.org/specialdelivery.

34TH ANNUAL GOOD LIFE EXPO

SEPT. 21 TO 23 — This free annual event provides an array of services, programs, educational workshops and more. The three-day event is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Neal S. Blaisdell Center Exhibition Hall at 777 Ward Ave.

RESILIENCY RUN 5K

SEPT. 22 — The Resiliency Run 5K is open to all eligible patrons. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. at Hickam Memorial Fitness Center, the day of the event. Awards will be given to top finishers. For more information, call 448-2214.