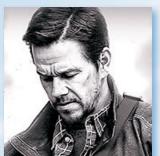




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A USS O'Kane (DDG 77) Sailor closes a fueling valve during a refueling-at-sea operation with the multi-product replenishment oiler HMAS Success (OR 304), during the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise, July 23. O'Kane, homeported at JBPHH, was selected as the top surface combatant ship for surface combatant medium/large category in energy excellence.

Navy Region Hawaii **Public Affairs**

Four Hawaii-based Navy commands were winners of the Secretary of the Navy (SEC NAV) Energy Awards program, it was announced last week Aug. 2, in Washington D.C.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) won the Department of the Navy Energy Excellence Award for fiscal year 2018 in the large shore command category along with several other commands in different categories.

The Arleigh Burke-class Ryan Donohue was pleased

guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77), homeported at JBPHH, was selected as the top surface combatant ship for surface combatant medium/large category in energy excellence.

Commanding Officer Cmdr. Jason Tumlinson expressed pride in his crew.

"The Sailors of USS O'Kane demonstrated innovation and commitment, creating an effective plan that achieved desired results," he said. "I am incredibly proud of their efforts to in-

crease energy efficiency." O'Kane's Chief Engineer Lt.

with the efforts of the crew to become more energy efficient, noting that it was this concentrated effort that ultimately led

to O'Kane winning the award. "We've done everything we can to reduce our energy usage like strictly following fuel charts, operating the ship at the most efficient configuration down to specific pumps and machinery, and swapping all of our lights for energy-efficient LED lights," he said.

"All of these efforts were small but incredibly effective to conserving energy when combined together."

waii commands achieved the gold level, indicating an excellent energy program. The Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF), Barking Sands, on Kauai and the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) at JBPHH

In addition to the SECNAV

award winners, two other Ha-

were recognized.

In a message of congratulations, Richard V. Spencer, Secretary of Navy, said, "Improving the energy resiliency and security of our operating forces and our installations remains a top priority and I look forward to all your future accomplishments in support of this critical program. Bravo Zulu!"

The Department of the Navy's (DON) Energy Excellence Awards program promotes excellence in the areas of energy security, new technology, innovation, program management,

and efficiency across the DON. This year's submissions reflect the hard work and dedication of leaders across the department that recognize the importance of energy security and its influence on readiness, lethality and modernization.

Fed Fire, HFD respond to brush fires in Leeward Oahu

Navy Region Hawaii **Public Affairs**

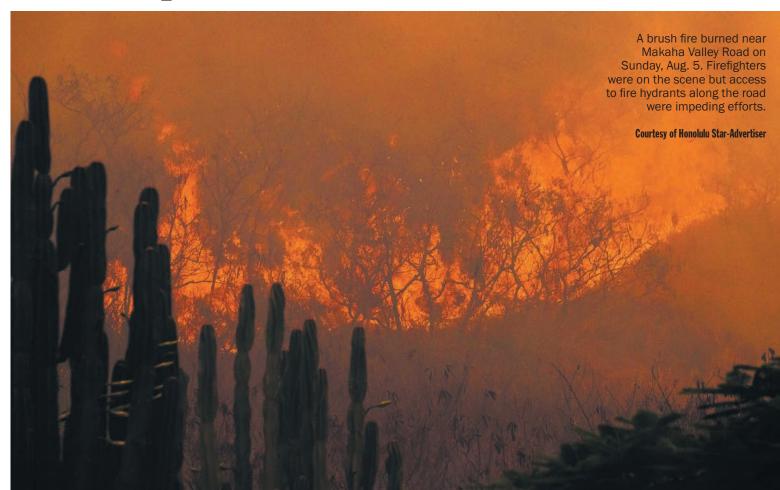
Firefighters from the Federal Fire Department (FFD) and the Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) battled brush fires in Leeward Oahu, Aug. 5.

"On Sunday, 11 units and 29 firefighters from the Federal Fire Department responded under our mutual aid agreement with the City and County of Honolulu to battle brush fires in Makaha and Waianae," said Federal Fire Department Fire Chief Gregg Moriguchi.

According to The Honolulu Star-Advertiser, two wildfires substantially grew in the Makaha and Waianae valleys, consuming 8,800 acres in Leeward Oahu.

"Under HFD's unified command we responded to several locations and worked in unison to fight the fires from 9 a.m. to nearly midnight, saving properties in multiple locations," Moriguchi said.

One property included a local pig farm. The pig farm owner David Wong, lost his warehouse and tractors during the brush fire. Although, with critical decision-making, fire-



fighters from FFD and HFD were able to save his livestock. FFD, Navy Region Hawaii, is an all-hazards emergency response

agency that serves all Department of Defense $(DoD)\ installations\ on$

FFD also works closely

with HFD and the state of to our state and county Hawaii Airports Fire Department through mutual aid agreements providing much-needed assistance

counterparts.

Their mission is to provide exceptional fire and emergency services to the

DoD by minimizing the loss of life, property and damage to the environment throughout our area of responsibility.

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Military, community members combat sexual assault

Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

Approximately 60 Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) Airmen, service members from sister services and local community partners attended the first PACAF Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Summit in Honolulu, July

30 to Aug. 1. The three-day summit provided attendees training and education in sexual assault prevention, budget execution, administrative management and transgender/non-binary awareness.

"The U.S. Army Pacific Sexual Harassment and Assault Response and Prevention (SHARP) program has been doing this for years and has

events," said Dr. Lisa our unique environment," Charles, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces SAPR program manager.

We created the similar training event for our PACAF team, and include our sister services and community partners."

The summit included presentations, keynote speeches and breakout sessions, which allowed attendees to learn from each other, giving them an opportunity to gain greater understanding about topics to pursue change.

"Not only does (the summit) engender collaboration among our partners in the same fight, it (also) allows us to learn from each other and find new ways to combat sexual and

Charles said.

"The attendees' participation in the summit reflects the sincere dedication they have in their mission to help those who experience sexual violence.

Nobody saw uniforms, rather, they saw other people collaborating on the same mission to find ways to end sexual violence."

Sexual assault and interpersonal violence harms the lives and careers of those involved, undermines individual and military readiness, and weakens a military culture of dignity and respect.

For more information about sexual assault and prevention, contact the often included us in their interpersonal violence in SAPR office at 448-3192.



Jeff Bucholtz, We End Violence executive director, presents his "Yes! Yes! Yes! Consent, Bias, Victims and Creating Change" training to attendees during the Pacific Air Forces SAPR Summit in Honolulu, July 31.

NGIS to transition to NAF, increase room rates Oct. 1

Anna General

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

In support of the Navy Gateway Inns & Suites (NGIS) mission, all Department of Defense (DoD) government lodging programs will transition from appropriated funds support to a non-appropriated funded operation, beginning Sept. 30, 2019.

In preparation for the conversion, room rates will also increase based on location.

"The impact of this directive in Hawaii is that Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam lodging rates Couch, region lodging director, Navy Region Hawaii NGIS. "The average nightly room rate will in- rect response to the Secre- for higher priority mili-

crease about \$45 — this will increase effective is mid-range compared to Oct. 1, 2018," said Debra the DoD expected range of increase from \$1 to \$75

per night." The conversion is in ditary of Defense's guidance to field a larger and more lethal joint force by exploring efficiencies in core business functions.

This will free up funds

tary operations.

"Even with the mandated increases, our nightly rates will aver- rooms worldwide, NGIS age around \$156, under the government per diem managed lodging program rates, with no extra fees that contributes to and

such as parking, tax, valet, tips, etc.," Couch said.

With over 22,000 guest provides a professionally

supports mission readiness. Amenities include a 24-hour guest service desk, beautiful rooms, daily in-room coffee, refrigerator, microwave, cable, free Wi-Fi, NGIS signature bed, full kitchenette, business center and taxi service.

"NGIS is a worldwide. well-known five-star service brand and this will not change. With its friendly staff and petfriendly facility, we have several locations, 33 actual guest room locations (730 rooms) and four check-in service locations: Lockwood Hall, Makalapa, Arizona and Royal Alakai'i," Couch said.

For more information about NGIS reservations and patron eligibility, visit www. dodlodging.net or call 1-877-NAVY-BED (628-9233).



Diverse VIEWS



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

Besides a member of your family, which woman has made a difference in your life and why?



Staff Sgt. Robert Overfelt 647th Security Forces Squadron

"My girlfriend, because she is the most caring person I have met.'



Capt. Dominique Gougis 15th Medical **Operations** Squadron

"One of my graduate school professors and mentors. I learned a lot from her about my career field. I'm grateful for her endless support and patience."



Chief Master Sgt. Zandra Fox 154th Force Support Squadron

"My neighbor. She showed me how to be a good mother and showed me care. She took our family in. I am grateful for her and her family being part of our life.



Electronics Technician (Submarine-Radio) 2nd Class Oscar Aguilera **COMSUBPAC**

"My wife has made a huge difference in my life. She is currently serving and if it wasn't for her I wouldn't have stayed in the military.'



Culinary Specialist 2nd Class **Hayley Crnkovich**

"The female firsts of the Navy! Those women motivate me, Adm. Michelle Howard is one that sticks out in my memory because I met her before and she was really great!"

Commander, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

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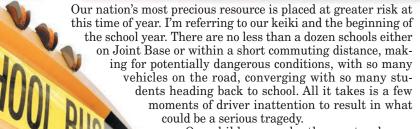
Intelligence Specialist 1st Class Ryan Malone COMSUBPAC

"The first lady of my church, because she is always hard on me when it comes to growth and music. She has made me into a better person and musician!"

Want to see your command featured in Diverse Views? Got opinions to share? Drop us a line at editor@hookelenews.com

COMMENTARY

Back to School: Keeping our keiki safe



Our children can be the most vulnerable pedestrians (the elderly can also be vulnerable). Often keiki are harder to spot than adults and they have been known to dash here and

Multinational special operations

forces participate in a submarine

attack submarine USS Hawaii (SSN

776) and combat rubber raiding craft

off the coast of Oahu during the Rim

insertion exercise with the fast-

of the Pacific exercise, July 9.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Daniel Hinton

there unpredictably. A child unexpectedly running into an intersection may be the child's fault, but it is still the driver's responsibility to expect the unexpected, especially near schools and playgrounds.

Capt. Jeff Bernard

We must do everything we can to keep our keiki safe. This means obeying the speed limit and stopping for all pedestrians in a crosswalk. When entering a crosswalk area, slow down and be prepared to stop. I understand that it's easy to get frustrated while driving in bumper-to-bumper traffic, but there is no reason why that frustration should result in recklessness when approaching a school zone. Take deep breaths, count to 10, do whatever works for you to keep yourself alert and calm while driving on or near Joint Base. Don't be a distracted driver. The future of our most precious re-

RIMPAC submarines showcase capability in undersea domain

Lt. Egdanis Torres Sierra

COMSUBPACPublic Affairs

Multinational submarine forces conducted high-tech scenario-based exercises in the undersea domain enhancing partnership and cooperation during the world's largest international maritime exercise, Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) June 27 through Aug. 2.

The Virginia-class fast-attack submarines USS Hawaii (SSN 776), USS Illinois (SSN 786) and Los Angeles-class USS Olympia (SSN 717) alongside Royal Australian Navy submarine HMAS Rankin (SSG 78) and Republic of Korea Navy submarine ROKS Park Wi (SS 065) conducted carefully coordinated operations ranging from anti-submarine warfare missions to supporting special forces in amphibious operations.

With a stated goal to build cooperation among RIMPAC participants, these submarine forces employed unique training

opportunities designed to foster and sustain cooperative relationships, critical to ensuring the safety of sea lanes and security on the world's interconnected oceans.

The integration of the force as a whole collective partnership Navy has been impressive," said Rear Adm. Daryl Caudle, commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and the theater anti-submarine warfare commander for RIMPAC 2018.

"This is a two-year planning process and about a two-month execution. It never ceases to amaze me how quickly our partners fast-attack submarine and allies can come together, and within a short period of time, (and) create such an incredible force working together so collaboratively.

One of the highlights of RIMPAC 2018 was livefire demonstration, for the first time in 20 years, of the submarine-launched Harpoon anti-ship cruise missile (ASCM) system conducted by Olympia.

Following the successful completion of two SINKEX launches, the submarine force pursues

to reintroduce the Harpoon ASCM system into their arsenal inventory to improve lethality, expand capabilities, and ensure

mission readiness. "Today's highly capable navies and adversary countries, the competitive countries that we are in power competition, have extremely good surface ships with very capable missile systems themselves," Caudle said.

Today, with the potential threat from great power

states or rogue nations, there is again a need for a submarine-launched

ASCM capability. "This multinational platform of exercises provided a convenient venue to safely demonstrate the Harpoon ASCM system,' Caudle said.

In addition to the Harpoon engineering team, the crew onboard the submarine practiced tactics, techniques and procedures to shoot the Harpoon missile.

"We shot the Harpoon, which worked perfectly, went into cruise, and hit the decommissioned ex-USS Racine (LST-1191) dead center," Caudle recounted.

"The success of the Harpoon launched by Olympia is a testament to the dedication and cooperation of our technical and operational partners."

The USS Hawaii (SSN 776) supported multinational Special Operations Forces (SOF) personnel

from the United States, Republic of Korea, Republic of the Philippines, Indonesia, India, Peru, and Japan executing a submarine insertion evolution at sea off the coast of Oahu.

The submarine, using a reconfigured torpedo room, successfully transported about 30 multinational SOF operators to an undisclosed debarkation point for insertion to the beach by using rigid hulled inflatable boats.

"It sounds like it should be easy, but it's a lot of work," said (former) Cmdr. John C. Roussakies, commanding officer of the USS Hawaii (SSN 776). "It took five to six sailors to carry each raft onto the sub, as we were 'rocking and rolling' on a the surface."

SOF personnel used the submarine's lockout chamber to exit the submarine, inflate rigid hull inflatable boats, and finally make an amphibious landing to carry out a mission as part of the exercise.

"The main purpose of RIMPAC is to bring countries together and build partnerships," Roussakies said.

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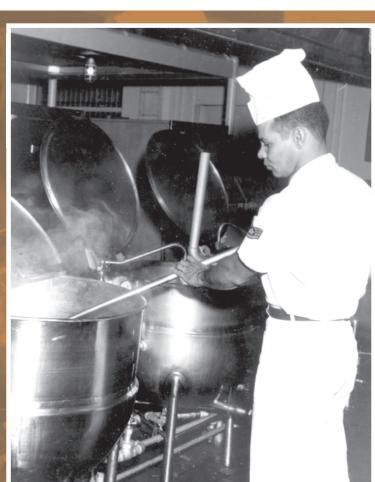
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Preparing meals at



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Jordan becomes USS Hawaii commander

Lt. Egdanis Torres Sierra

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Cmdr. Sterling S. Jordan assumed responsibility as the commanding officer of the Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS Hawaii (SSN 776) during a change of command ceremony on the historic submarine piers of Pearl Harbor, Aug. 2.

Jordan relieved Cmdr. John C. Roussakies and assumed the duties and responsibilities of commanding officer of a crew of 160 submariners.

Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans and Strategy Rear Adm. Stuart B. Munsch was the guest speaker and encouraged the new commanding officer to rely on his crew in moments of indecision.

"In times of uncertainty, the answer is likely already onboard and if you foster the right environment, the solution will always bubble up,"



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Daniel Hinton

Cmdr. John C. Roussakies, commanding officer of the Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS Hawaii (SSN 776) shakes hands with Cmdr. Sterling S. Jordan as he is relieved of command during a ceremony on the submarine piers, Aug. 2.

recognize that this crew largely already has all of the answers."

After taking command, Jordan promised to continue Roussakies' legacy to maintain a family that he created fostering a culture

Munsch said. "You will of respect, devotion and teamwork.

"The preservation of freedom begins and ends with the sacrifice you make every day you step aboard this great ship as a family," Jordan said. "My promise to the USS Ha-

waii is that I will always act as if this is the last job I will ever have. There is no other profession and no other sacrifice that I hold more respect for than this assignment."

Following his remarks, the outgoing command-

his crew.

"I had heard that it is difficult for a commander to turn the reins over to another person. I say that would probably be true for me, except that I know, I am turning over this ship to the right person at the right time, and with the right mindset and leadership to lead this team to new heights," Roussakies said.

Under Roussakies' leadership, Hawaii demonstrated highly effective warfighting skills during a combat readiness evaluation, achieved the highest marks during a recent engineering examination, and recently participated in the world's largestfleet exercise, Rim of the Pacific.

"To say I am simply proud of the accomplishments of the officers and crew would be a huge understatement," Roussakies said.

Sharing a parable of a Greek philosopher, Roussakies emphasized the importance of a good attitude force based here.

ing officer said farewell to and teamwork adding that when working as a team, they will continue to be unstoppable.

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As one of his last acts as commanding officer of USS Hawaii he pinned gold dolphins on two submariner officers and reflected on the deep history that surrounds Pearl Harbor.

"It is a perfect opportunity to reflect on the courage and sacrifices of our submarine heroes. They faced overwhelming odds as they were outnumbered and outgunned. They had no right to win, yet they did. In doing so they changed the course of a war in the Pacific. Seventy years later that responsibility and heritage have been passed on to you, Hawaii," Roussakies said.

Hawaii is the first Virginia-class fast-attack submarine named after the Aloha state to recognize the tremendous support the Navy has enjoyed from the people of Hawaii, and in honor of the rich heritage of the submarine

USS Columbia changes hands

Story and photo by **MC1 Daniel Hinton**

COMSUBPACPublic Affairs

The Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Columbia (SSN 771) held a change of command ceremony at the historic Pearl Harbor submarine piers, Aug. 3.

Cmdr. Tyler Forrest relieved Cmdr. Dave Edgerton as the commanding officer of Columbia.

The ceremony's guest speaker, Capt. Paul Davis, commander, Submarine Squadron Seven, praised Edgerton for his leadership of Columbia through multiple deployments.

"The Columbia is the Battle E boat for Squadron Seven, that means they were the best submarine out of the 10 that were in the squadron," Davis said. "Squadron Seven is unique in that it is the largest squadron of Los Angeles-class submarines in such an outstanding that I served with you."

crowd is an impressive achievement and a testament to the crew and their leader."

Edgerton thanked his crew and credited them for the ship's success during his tenure.

"The days when we faced personnel challenges were the days I saw this crew take care of each other and provide support to their shipmates," Edgerton said. "Those were the days we learned humility and we were better as individuals and as a team because of it.'

Edgerton ended his remarks by telling the crew he had every confidence that they would continue to be successful in the future.

While I am happy today is a day to celebrate your successes and recognition of your talents, it is truly heartbreaking for me that today is my last day as a part of your incredible command," Edgerton said. "I will always in the world. To stand out be incredibly proud to say

During the ceremony, Davis presented Edgerton with a Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding meritorious service as commanding officer of Columbia.

Following his tour aboard Columbia, Edgerton will report to Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet in Yokosuka, Japan.

As Forrest assumed command of Columbia, he thanked Edgerton for turning over such a great warship and incre-

dible crew. "To the crew of the Columbia, you are the brightest this nation has to offer," Forrest said. "Recognize that you are the ones that bring the life into Columbia's hull and make her the great warship she is today. I look forward to serving with all of you as we transition to the next phase of Columbia's operations and further cement her incredible legacy."

For more news from the Pacific Submarine Force, visit www.csp.navy.mil.



Cmdr. Tyler Forrest, oncoming commanding officer of Los Angles-class fast-attack submarine USS Columbia (SSN 771) delivers remarks, Aug. 3.

Navy to celebrate 243 years

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.

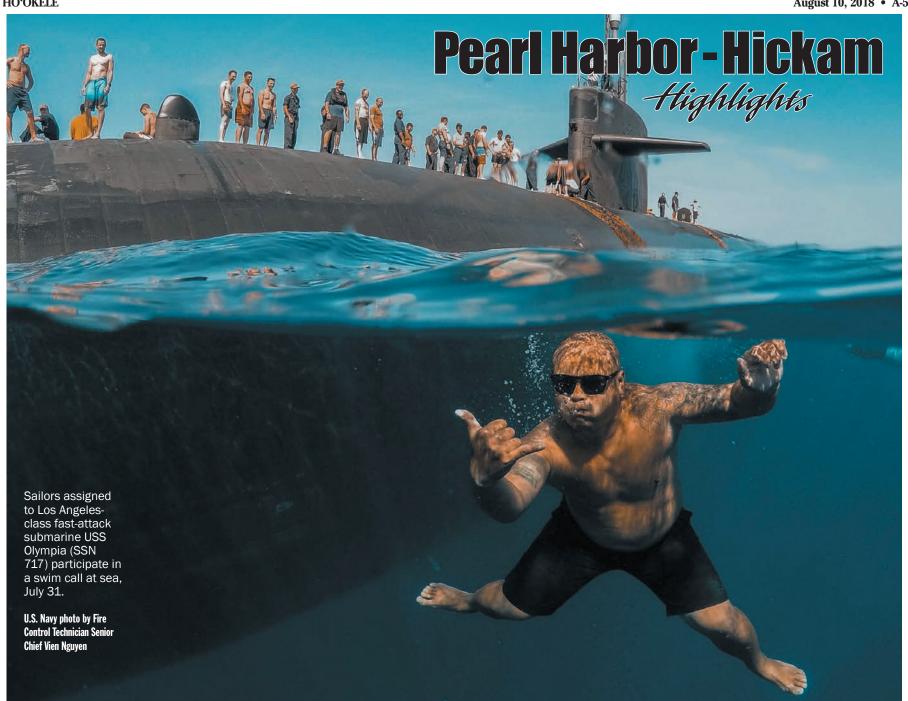
On Oct. 13, from 5 to 11:30 p.m. Commander, Navy Region Hawaii is hosting a ball at Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. The ball will feature a hula and haka performance. "I wanted to be part of something

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."

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At right, Sailors fight a simulated fire on the flight deck aboard guided-missile destroyer USS Preble (DDG 88), July 27. Preble is currently underway conducting routine operations in the 3rd Fleet area of responsibility.

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





At left, Rear Adm.
Victorino G. Mercado,
hands his wife, Suzane,
the national ensign
he received during his
retirement ceremony in
front of USS Halsey (DDG
97), Aug. 7. Mercado is
retiring after 35 years of
naval service.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Kenneth Rodriguez Santiago

Below, the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band's Parade Band, led by Drum Major Chief Musician Chris Sams, marches in the Koloa Plantation Parade, July 27.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Omar Powell



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Story and photos by Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Can you swim 300 yards? How about 20 yards on your back while keeping a 10-pound brick dry? Job candidates needed more than a resume to apply for Morale, Welfare and Recreation's (MWR) Aquatics department.

Lifeguard hopefuls ages 15 to 50 swam for a job during the second Lifeguard Hiring Day for MWR's Aquatics department at Hickam Family Pool, Aug. 5.

The staff plans to fill 10 open positions in their department. The first step is to conduct a series of swim-

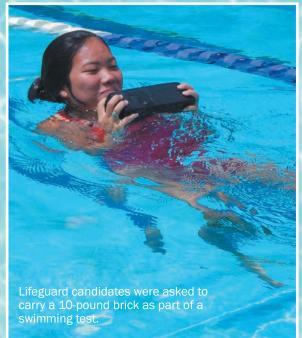
"They come in and do the water skills test first," said Aquatics manager Johnnie Murray-Scheidt. "If they pass that, then they come to see me for a quick interview. If they pass that, then they head to HR (human resources).

She said doing this helps speed up the process for both applicants and the department.

Those who pass the test are conditionally hired and

will take a twoweek lifeguarding class to further determine who gets to become a lifeguard for MWR pools. Murray

Scheidt described fun job.



"You get the experience of being a lifeguard," she said. "You learn CPR, first aid (and) how to be a first responder to incidents.

At the same time, being a lifeguard teaches responsibility, especially for the many teenagers who work at the pool during the summer.

"We are responsible for people's lives, so it's a

pretty serious job," she said.

Jordan DeLaura, one of the lead lifeguards,

yard swim. Next, candidates were asked to tread water for two minutes without using arms. Lastly, candidates were required to dive and retrieve a 10-pound brick from the bottom of the pool then swim 20 yards on their back while keeping the brick out of the water. The third part proved to be

"A lot of people assume it's easy because you can carry 10 pounds very easily on land," DeLaura said. "But when you're in the water, keeping 10 pounds out of the water can feel a lot like 50.

DeLaura said the hiring day has been very helpful, noting that the Aquatics program picked up several guards from the first one in 2017. "One of them became a lead lifeguard, and two hired as flex worked their way to a part-time position.'

He said they're hoping to get the same outcome.

Murray-Scheidt said they plan on doing a lifeguard hiring day every year, probably in early May.

"By the beginning of May most of the kids are coming back from the mainland," she said.

"The summertime is when I need more staff. There are swim lessons, programming and more pools

are open." She added they will hold lifeguard classes and

water safety instructor classes before the next hiring day as well as several times throughout the year. There is a fee for these classes but DeLaura said

there is an advantage to having already completed the class. The Aquatics staff would still need to test applicants in water and lifeguard skills, but "once you pass that it's even better for you because we can offer you a job right there.



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Be safe by car, on foot this August

Compiled by Ho'okele Staff

Pedestrian safety can be a hot topic now that school is back in session. During this time, many children will be out on the roads walking to school or riding with their parents.

To help support this, the state of Hawaii has designated August as Pedestrian Safety Month. This is the local observance's ninth year.

"School days bring congestion," reads a flier from the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Safety Office. "The most important time for drivers to slow down and pay attention is when kids are present — especially before and after school.'

The City and County of Honolulu will host numerous outreach events this month to promote safety for pedestrians and drivers alike.

To read Gov. David Ige's news release about the month, visit http://hidot.hawaii.gov/blog/2018/07/31/ hdot-launches-9th-annual-statewide-pedestrian-safety-month/. For more information and a full calendar of outreach events this month, visit www.facebook.com/walkwisehawaii or https://hidot.hawaii.gov/ walk-wise-hawaii/.

Safety tips are available in multiple locations online. Below are tips from several sources.

Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau and Hawaii Tourism Authority:

- Walk on sidewalks when available. If a sidewalk is not available, walk facing oncoming traffic and as far to the side as is safely possible.
- Use crosswalks or the corner of an intersection.
- Jaywalking is against the law in Hawaii and carries a fine of \$130.
- Watch for vehicles before you step off the curb.
- Make eye contact with drivers if you can, and look both ways as you cross.
- Don't cross if the red hand on the pedestrian light is

Source: https://www.hawaiitourismauthority.org

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- Never cross the street diagonally.
- Obey traffic signs and signals.
- Walk when crossing the street.
- Wear bright colors or reflective clothing between dusk and dawn
- Watch for vehicles backing out of driveways or parking stalls.

Source: Hawaii Department of Transportation

Drive Wise Hawaii

 Always be prepared to stop when approaching a crosswalk. Look for pedestrians walking in your direction.



Photo by Kristen Wong, Oahu Publications

Michelle Madden, an exchange safety and security assistant with the Army and Air Force Exchange, and Nicolette Bourlaug, a Walk Wise Hawaii representative, spoke to patrons about pedestrian safety at the Hickam Main Exchange, Aug. 6.

- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. Proceed when the pedestrian has safely passed your vehicle.
- Be aware that pedestrians may not be visible due to stopped vehicles on multilane streets.
- When driving between dusk and dawn, be wary of pedestrians wearing dark clothing.
- Always use your headlights.
- Source: Hawaii Department of Transportation

Tips from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

- Pedestrians on base may not wear listening devices while running, jogging, walking, bicycling, skating or skateboarding on roads and streets on base. Listening devices include cellular hands-free devices, iPods and portable headphones or earphones. These devices are allowed, however, at certain locations on base, including "approved" jogging or walking trails, beach areas that are not near sidewalks or roadways and athletic field tracks.
- Cellphone use is not permissible on base while operating a motor vehicle unless parked or using a hands-free device.
- Do not wear listening devices (except for a handsfree cellular phone) while operating a motor vehicle. Source: JBPHH Instruction 5560.1

JBPHH Safety Office

- When driving your child to school, don't double park as it blocks visibility for others. Don't load or unload children across the street from the school.
- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red

- light or waiting to make a turn.
- Stop and yield to pedestrians in a school zone when flashers are blinking.
- Never pass a vehicle that has stopped for
- pedestrians.
- Have children use reflective gear and/or flashlights. Never pass a school bus from behind.
- Stop if bus lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended.
- The area up to 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert as children can be unpredictable.
- When passing a bicyclist, proceed in the same direction slowly, leaving 3 feet between your car and the cyclist.
- Watch for bikes coming from driveways or behind parked cars
- Bicyclists must walk their bikes when using crosswalks
- Be cautious in school zones and residential neighborhoods Source: JBPHH Safety Office

In person information

Representatives will be available to military personnel at the following dates and locations:

- Aug. 13 Schofield Barracks Main Exchange from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Aug. 20 Fort Shafter Exchange from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Aug. 27 Navy Exchange from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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- 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 Oct. 3. For more information, call 448-2393.
- The Pau Hana Concert in the Park happens from 4:30 to 7 p.m. tonight at Hickam Harbor waterfront. End the week relaxing in the park and listening to 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. This is a free event and is open to all base-eligible patrons. For more information, call 449-5215.

- at 7 p.m. Aug. 10 at Sharkey Theater. The Liberty Program is treating single, activeduty Sailors and Airmen E1-E6 to a night at the movies. Besides the free movie, get a free small popcorn, drink and hot dog. This event is for single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen E1-E6 only and advance registration is required. For more information, call 473-2583.
- 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 Department of Defense 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 get to create a painted master-piece 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.
- The Barracks Bash happens from 5 to 7 p.m. Aug. 16 at Makai Liberty Center. Free food and activities while learning what MWR's Liberty Program has to offer. This event is free and is open to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen only. For more information, call 473-2583.
- The 12th annual JBPHH Half-Marathon sprints out beginning at 5:30 a.m. Aug. 18 from the Earhart Track. Runners will complete a 13.1-mile course around the Hickam side of the base. Registration is \$45 until Aug. 17 and \$55 on the day of the race. For more information, call 448-2214.

'Let it go' at Sharkey Theater this weekend

Miki Lau

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale Welfare and Recreation

This Saturday, Aug. 11, Sharkey Theater will be showing the Disney movie "Frozen" for free in a sensory-friendly setting.

What does sen-

sory friendly mean? How is this different than a regular movie?

According to Exceptional Family Member Program case liaisons, Sensory-friendly movie showings are in a relaxed setting where theater lighting is dimmed and the audience is not completely in the dark. In addition, families are allowed to make sounds, dance, and sing aloud without having to be quieted.

Everyone experiences sensory input differently and sometimes, loud noises, bright lights, and the smells can make going to the movie theaters difficult. Allowing for some adjustments can let a family have the same opportunities to enjoy a movie together. It's all about allowing families to enjoy quality time together in a safe and accepting environment.

This free event begins at 2:30 p.m. and is open to the community for an afternoon of inclusive fun.

For more information, call 473-2651 or visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.



Approximately 15 volunteers from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam assisted field biologists in pulling invasive plants from the Ahua Reef Wetland, July 28.

Photo by Erin Huggins

15 MDG rallies to defeat MIDPAC in three sets



Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Hoʻokele

The 15th Medical Group (15 MDG) dropped the first set, but came back to win two in a row to defeat Middle Pacific (MIDPAC) 14-25, 25-19 and 15-11 Aug. 1 in an intramural volleyball Blue Division matchup at Joint Base Pearl

The win was the first for 15 MDG, which started off the season with four straight defeats, while MIDPAC lost for the fifth time against one victory.

"So this is our fifth game now, and it's taken us a few games to jell," said Senior Airman Derrik Fleton, whose big serves in the final set locked up the match for the 15 MDG. "It usually takes us about 10, 12 points to start warming up. Finally things are coming together after five weeks, so it was a good game.'

Early in the first set, the 15 MDG kept pace with MIDPAC, but after a serving error gave the ball to MIDPAC on a side-out, things spiraled out of control pretty quickly.

With Chief Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) Andy Aceret serving for MIDPAC, the team went on a four-point run to take a 12-6 lead.

Three straight service aces by Staff Sgt. Stephanie Bushnell pulled 15 MDG back to within three points at 14-11, but after a side-out on a kill by Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Mechanical) 1st Class Chris Clark raised MIDPAC's lead back to four, Clark took over at service and sparked his team to its largest rally

After a hitting error by the 15 MDG made it 16-11, Clark delivered up five straight aces to give MIDPAC a 21-11 advantage and a clear path for the win

In the second set, it started to look like MIDPAC was going to sweep the 15 MDG after a kill by Clark led to a 12-6

However, after a side-out made the score 12-7, Senior Airman Keshia Dornish picked up three aces from service and led a comeback to tie the score at

Later, as the 15 MDG hung on to a 19-17 lead, Airman 1st Class Olivia Kelkenberg got three aces from service to help her team take a 23-17 advantage. The game was finished off on an ace from Bushnell.

"Halfway through the second set, we just had our strongest six out there," Felton pointed out. "When we started to figure out who was weak in certain positions, we just jumped in and filled those spots with people who were strong."

Now tied at one set apiece, both teams came out strong for the third and decid-

Down by two points, the 15 MDG got the ball back on a side-out, before handing the ball over to Felton for service facing a one-point deficit.

The 15 MDG tied the score at 11-11 on a hitting error by MIDPAC, and then, Felton took control with back-to-back aces, before delivering two more hard serves that finished off MIDPAC.

"You just don't overthink it; just like anything else that's stressful in life," Felton said about how he was able to stay calm during a critical moment in the game. "I, personally, work better under pressure. When you start to overthink it, instead of just doing what you've been doing, then you start messing things up because you start second guessing yourself."

While Felton agreed that everyone on the team mainly comes out to play vollevball and have fun, it's also pretty nice when you can walk away with a win.

"It feels really good - especially, all of the people, we work in the same squadron," Felton said. "It feels nice to get away from all of that, get the uniform off and just come and hang out. When you win, it's even better."

HART closures expected in August

Courtesy of Shimmick/ Traylor/Granite

Rail work is scheduled to impact base gates for Saturday, Aug. 18 and 25.

Shimmick/Traylor/

Kalaloa Street.

takes place over the roadway, the westbound lanes of

Kohomua Street. Westbound drivers will be detoured at Kalaloa Street, then to Salt Lake Boulevard to access Kamehameha Highway.

The westbound contraflow Granite's column crews are between Radford Drive and continuing nightly work on the Halawa Drive will continue straddle bent columns near next week between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. for foundation Because this operation work near the Borchers Gate intersection.

As you may have Kamehameha Highway will experienced, during this be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. work the westbound lanes

between Kalaloa Street and of Kamehameha Highway required on Saturday Aug. 18 Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam will be closed and two-way traffic will operate in the east bound lanes.

At that time, the eastbound left turn into Borchers Gate and the left turn from Borchers Gate onto eastbound Kamehameha Highway will be closed.

Eastbound traffic will be detoured to Radford Drive, and drivers exiting Borchers Gate will be detoured to Arizona Memorial Place.

and Aug. 25 during the day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Additionally, at the Borchers Gate intersection, the Diamond Head (east) side crosswalk is currently closed for foundation work. Pedestrians are temporarily detoured to the Ewa (west) side of the intersection to access Halawa Gate.

At Pearl Harbor Interchange, the eastbound ramp from the H-1 Freeway onto

may be closed nightly between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. for construction.

Eastbound motorists will be detoured to the Airport exit to access Nimitz Highway and the base

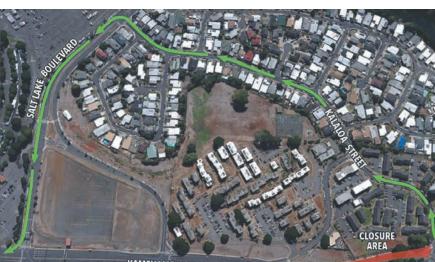
Visit STG's Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ STGHawaii/ for weekly traffic updates, upcoming events and current information on the Airport Guideway and Stations segment of the This traffic plan will be Nimitz Highway and Joint Honolulu Rail Transit Project.





Courtesy images

Shown here are the street areas that will be affected by work on rail.





AAFES warns shoppers about 'Exchange Inc.' scams

Army & Air Force Exchange **Public Affairs**

DALLAS - The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is warning military shoppers about scammers offering to broker the sale of used cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats and boat engines through the Department of Defense retailer using the name "Exchange Inc."

"This has been an ongoing issue for several years now,

where someone is using the exchange's trademarked logo and name without permission purportedly handle transactions in the United States on behalf of private sellers," said Air Force Chief Luis Reyes, exchange senior enlisted advisor.

Unauthorized sources have solicited military shoppers in the past to purchase motor vehicles. (The Exchange does vehicles in the continental United States,) More recently, these scammers have attempted to sell boat engines.

Those who are responsible for these fraudulent sales attempts have left consumers with the impression they are doing business with the DoD's oldest

exchange service. The scammers typically direct potential buyers to use multiple third-party gift cards

and it has surfaced again not have the authority to sell to pay for purchases. Most recently, scammers required payment using Google Play gift cards.

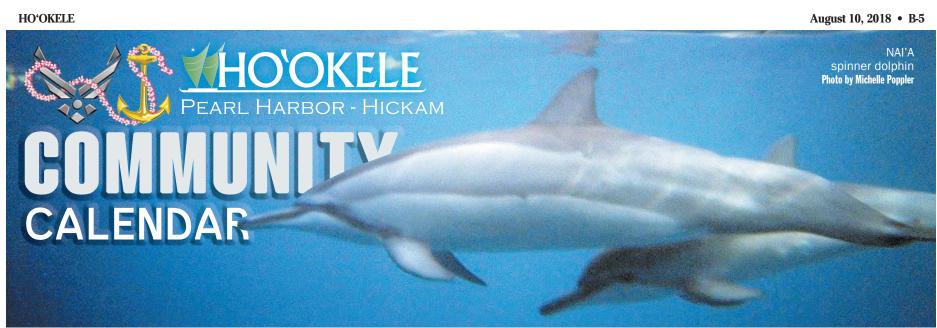
To verify any suspicious payment method requests, military shoppers can call Exchange Customer Service at

800-527-2345. "Often, the perpetrator cannot be identified because the methods they use are not traceable back to any

individual," Reyes said.

The exchange operates solely on military installations and via ShopMyExchange.com. The Exchange does not act as a broker in private transactions and does not advertise in classified advertisement or resale websites.

Shoppers who believe that they may have been taken advantage of can file a complaint through the Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov.



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 by the Sea." Costs for individual ticket prices are \$80 now through Aug. 17, \$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/hawaiinavyball2018/165458.

REMINDER OF DOD POLICY ON ELECTIONS

NOW – The Department of Defense has a longstanding and well-defined policy regarding political campaigns and elections to avoid the perception of DoD sponsorship, approval or endorsement of any political candidate, campaign or cause. The Department encourages and actively supports its personnel in their civic obligation to vote, but makes clear members of the armed forces on active duty shall not engage in partisan political activities. To mitigate the perception of endorsement or support, no candidate for civil office is permitted to engage in campaign or election-related activities while on a DoD installation or in a DoD facility. Any activity that may be reasonably viewed as directly or indirectly associating the DoD, or any component or personnel of the department, with or in support of political campaign or election events is strictly prohibited.

MWR YOUTH SPORTS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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.

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

NOW TO AUG. 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.



AUG. 18 — Morale, Welfare and Recreation is looking for approximately 60 personnel to support the 12th Annual Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Half Marathon. The volunteer work comes in a variety of forms and on different dates. Anyone with base access may volunteer. The race is scheduled to start and finish at Earhart Track on Hickam Field, Saturday, Aug. 18 at 5:30 a.m. On Friday, Aug. 17, volunteers are needed to set up for the race from 2 to 5 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 18, opportunities include general assignment, bicyclists, water station, road guards and a DJ. Volunteers are also needed to set up from 3 to 7 a.m., support the event from 4:30 to 9:30 a.m., and clean up from 8:30 to noon. Shift hours will be determined based on the number of volunteers. To sign up, email jose. timana@us.af.mil (please provide your rank, last and first name, unit, email and cellphone number) or call 448-4637 during normal duty hours.

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 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.

For more information, call HART's 24-Hour project hotline at 566-2299 or visit www. honolulutransit.org.

PET ADOPTION EVENT

AUG. 12 - The Navy Exchange and Hawaiian Humane Society (HHS) have teamed up to bring 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.

STRATEGIZING WITH STRESS

AUG. 13 — This class is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon at Military and Family Support Center Pearl Harbor. Stress is a normal psychological and physical reaction to the ever-increasing demands of life. Most people experience challenges with stress at some

point during the year. Over time, high levels of stress can lead to serious health problems; that is why managing your stress is so important. Learn how stress affects our personal and professional lives, how we can decrease the stress we are experiencing, and how to interrupt the stress cycle and use relaxation techniques. For more information, visit https:// jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

TRANQUIL SEAS: MINDFULNESS **AND SELF-CARE**

AUG. 13 - This class is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Self-care is a critical element in managing stress, preventing burnout and achieving a sense of fulfillment. Evaluate ways to build self-care into your daily routine, be mindful and reach your fullest potential. For more information, visit https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

PARENT CHILD COMMUNICATION

AUG. 14 - This class is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Having positive parent child communication is key to maintaining healthy family relationships. Improve communication skills with children of all ages. For more information, visit https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT 101

AUG. 14 — This class is scheduled from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. The application process for federal jobs can feel confusing and overwhelming. Learn to navigate the USAJobs website and understand the application process from start to finish. Learn how to build a competitive application. Topics covered include hiring preferences and programs for veterans and military spouses. For more information, visit https://jbphh. greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

FINANCIALLY SAVVY RETIREES: LONG-**TERM CARE AND VA BENEFITS**

AUG. 15 — This class is scheduled from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This quarterly financial seminar provides expert advice on various subjects of interest to retirees. For more information, visit https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

PEOPLE SKILLS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

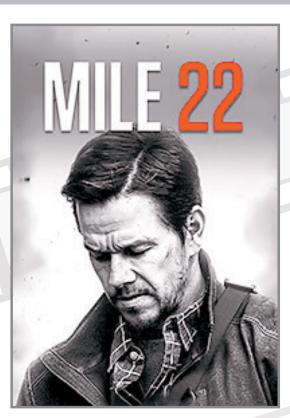
AUG. 15 — This class is from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Would you like to master the art of people skills and maximize the impact of your first impressions? Having strong interpersonal skills can open many avenues in work and in life. This class teaches communication, conversation and the value of soft skills in the workplace. For more information, visit https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii. com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR TEENS

AUG. 16 - This class is scheduled from 3 to 5 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Teens can learn the core elements of building healthy relationships, high self-esteem and more. For more information, visit https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/military-family-support-center or call 474-1999.

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 now 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 online at greatlifehawaii.com. For more information, call 448-2214.



MOVIE SHOWTIMES

FRIDAY - AUG. 10

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

SATURDAY - AUG. 11

2:30 p.m. • Frozen (PG) — A special sensory-friendly free 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. For more information, call 473-2651.

7 p.m. • Mile 22 — Free advance screening

SUNDAY - AUG. 12

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

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

6:30 p.m. • Skyscraper (3-D) (PG-13)

THURSDAY - AUG. 16

7 p.m. • The First Purge (R)

FRIDAY - AUG. 10

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

SATURDAY - AUG. 11

3 p.m. • Studio appreciation advance screening - Free admission - rated PG. Tickets available at your local exchange food court. Seating open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to showtime.

6 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)

SUNDAY - AUG. 12

2 p.m. • Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG) 4 p.m. • Studio appreciation advance screening – Free admission - rated PG. Tickets available at your local exchange food court. Seating open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to showtime.

THURSDAY - AUG. 16

6:30 p.m. • Skyscraper (PG-13)