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Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Navy Region Hawaii hosted a Joint Services Suicide Prevention Proclamation signing at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Sept. 5 in support of National

Suicide Awareness Month. Hawaii Gov. David Ige, Department of Defense (DoD) personnel as well as military and their families attended the event, which took place at Freedom Tower.

Ige and military leaders came together as a commu- invest into our community

nity to pledge to help prevent suicide-related deaths.

"Sometimes this (suicide) is an unseen, unspoken affliction in our community," Ige said. "As a community, we build resiliency by taking care of each other. I encourage everyone to be a light for someone suffering.

We do know when we stay connected to our family, friends and neighbors service members from and our community, we every branch of service, can make a better effort to support them, and help them be stronger people and be a strong part of our community.

As governor of the state of Hawaii, I am proud to sign this proclamation, to

and make it stronger.

Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, said having strong relationships provides critical support when anyone in their family or community is experiencing a painful life challenge or feels alone or feels like they've lost their purpose.

"Suicide affects all of us, individually and as a family. Whether that family be your personal family, your military family or both — and, as the governor mentioned, it certainly affects us all as a community," Fort said. "Events like today are designed to

importance of community. Understanding the risks and building a resilience amongst all of our service members and families.'

Following official remarks, Ige, Fort and other Hawaii military leaders signed the proclamation.

The event also included more than 200 people forming a human chain in the shape of a yellow suicide awareness ribbon. The attempt is believed to be the first on a military installation on Oahu.

Organizers from the Military and Family Support Center also held a mini-suicide prevention fair that included information and reshelp us to remember the ource booths.



Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, signs the Joint Services Suicide Prevention Proclamation.

# NMCRS hosts annual recognition ceremony

Story and photo by Kristen Wong

Life and Leisure Editor, Ho 'okele

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) Pearl Harbor recognized the units and representatives that contributed to this year's active duty fund drive. A ceremony for the awards was held Aug. 29 at Hickam Memorial Theater.

The fund drive began Feb. 9 and ran through March 23. Donations for the drive, however, were still accepted through the end of May.

The goal this year was to make 100 percent contact with individuals in each unit, and make them aware of the campaign, according to Paul Belanger, the director of NMCRS Pearl Harbor.

Personnel raised \$411,487 this year, an increase from the previous year. Rear Adm. Brian Fort, the commanding officer of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific,

Diana Zuniga, casework lead at Navy Marine Corps Relief Society Pearl Harbor, speaks with a client at the society's office aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Aug. 30.

attended the ceremony. Fort said that thanks to the society, a Sailor he knew was able to remedy a financial issue they were having due to a payday lender. He expressed his gratitude for

everyone's efforts. "Unlike a bank which

charges interest on loans that they provide — and that's how they make their money to cover their overhead - Navy Marine Corps Relief Society is a nonprofit and everything that we do for assistance is interest free,' Belanger said.

"Without a good fund drive, we have no other means of income to cover our overhead and to be able to continue assisting Sailors and Marines ... the fund drive is crucial to our continued ability to provide finan-

cial assistance to Sailors,

### **Team Spirit Awards**

USS Halsey (DDG 97) USS O'Kane (DDG 77) USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) USS Louisville (SSN 724) USS Greeneville (SSN 772) Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange Hawaii

### Most improved over previous year

Surface: USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) Submarine: USS Olympia (SSN 717) Small Shore: Navy Environmental Preventive Medicine Unit 6 Large Shore: Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

### Second most improved over previous year

Surface: USS Halsey (DDG 97) Submarine: USS Chicago (SSN 721) Small Shore: Navy Munitions Command East Asia Division Large Shore: Logistics Support Unit 3

Marines, retirees and classes to help military their families."

The society supports active duty Marines, Sailors, retirees and eligible family members with quick assist loans, financial counseling and more. NMCRS also offers Budget for Baby

parents-to-be plan financially for new additions to the family. There are also society thrift shops in many locations.

For more information about the society and what it offers, please visit nmcrs.org.

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Veterans of the Military Order of the Purple Heart pose for a photo with Sailors aboard the Mighty Mo'.

# Honors rendered at End of WWII commemoration

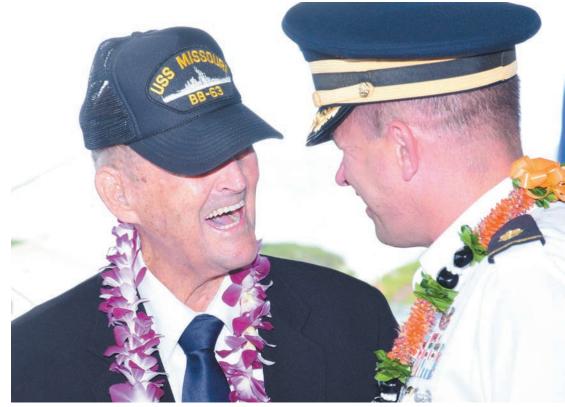
### Story and photos by Battleship Missouri Memorial

Seventy-three years ago, World War II came to an end when Japan signed the Instrument of Surrender aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay on Sept. 2, 1945.

Veterans, active duty service members, military leaders and community members came together aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial Sept. 2 to commemorate the 73rd anniversary of the end of World War II.

The ceremony featured a keynote address from Hawaii Gov. David Ige, U.S. Army Col. Thomas J. Barrett as the distinguished guest speaker, music by the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band, and a rifle salute by Marine Corps Base Hawaii's 3rd Marine Regiment.

This year's ceremony paid a special tribute to the establishment of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team 75 years ago in Honolulu. Comprised entirely of Americans of Japanese ancestry, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team fought in many of the war's bloodiest battles in Europe. Known for its motto, "Go for Broke," the Soldiers in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team



World War II veteran Art Albert, former USS Missouri crewmember, chats with Chaplain (Maj.) Brian Koyn, who performed the invocation and benediction at the ceremony.

became the most decorated unit in the history of American warfare due to its incredible battlefield exploits.

Ige, whose father, the late Tokio Ige, was a decorated veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, highlighted the

power of reconciliation noting that the Japan-U.S. Alliance is the alliance of hope.

"As we remember the end of

World War II today, let's also remember the hope that Gen. MacArthur and the hundreds of Soldiers aboard the Mighty Mo' had that day — to create a better world, founded upon faith and understanding for generations to come," Ige said.

Barrett, the U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii commander, spoke about the outstanding achievements of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the actions each individual Soldier took to protect the freedoms that all Americans enjoy today.

"The Soldiers of this regiment (442nd) understood and did their duty. This story of sacrifice and courage by the men and their families is the story of America and one which we must never forget," Barrett said. "They are a part of the generation who helped end the most destructive war in history and preserve the greatest nation on earth."

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team earned more than 9,000 Purple Hearts, eight Presidential Unit Citations awarded, 21 Medals of Honor, 29 Distinguished Service Crosses and hundreds of Silver and Bronze stars, setting the stage for the end of WWII, and laying the foundations for last-

ing peace.

# Diverse VIEWS



### Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr. and Ensign Heather Hill Approaching the anniversary of Sept. 11, how has this day impacted your life?



Staff Sgt. Scott Nishiki 154th Maintenance Squadron

"I would say that the event that occurred on Sept. 11 gave me a greater sense of purpose and dedication towards the country I'm serving."



McLane Nguyen Veteran and Air Force spouse

"Sept. 11 was a tragic event for our country. This allowed me to understand that I must serve my country with brothers and sisters to protect our country."



1st Lt. Kendall Carey 15th Operations Support Squadron

"Sept. 11 happened when I was young, 3rd grade, but I remember that it was very serious. Once I grew older I understood that my brother-in-law was serving in the Iraq War because of 9/11. It was also a motivator for me to join the service a few years later.'



Pfc. Myles Ayres Charlie Co. 65th Brigade Engineer Battalion

"I was 3 years old when the attack happened, so I don't remember much. I am grateful for the men and women who responded that day to protect the people from harm's way."



Cryptologic Technician (Technical) 2nd Class Maximo Martinez USS Hopper

"I was in elementary school when it happened. I am grateful to live in this country and that there are people who never had to face that day. That day is what motivated me to serve.'



Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Joseph Sanchez **JBPHH** 

"I was there, two streets down from the towers. I still have nightmares to this day.

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# New tools for Suicide Prevention Month and beyond

**Navy Operational Stress Control Program** 

Navy Suicide Prevention Month is not just a 30-day blitz of suicide prevention efforts; it is the starting point for year-long conversations on how to be there for Every Sailor, Every Day (ESED).

This September, the ESED campaign will continue to lead the charge for the Navy's year-long suicide prevention efforts, promoting healthy behaviors, active engagement and open conversation through its popular 1 Small ACT message.

Over the next month, ESED will introduce new concepts and tools to enhance Sailors' abilities to recognize risk factors, navigate stress, stay safe during high-stress times and understand the importance of seeking help.

One of those new tools is the FY-19 1 Small ACT Toolkit that provides resources to support local suicide prevention engagement.

This year's toolkit became available by mid-August and digitally distributed to suicide prevention coordinators and other gatekeepers who have subscribed to the Navy Suicide Prevention Branch's email distribution list.

It is available to download year-round on www.suicide.navy.mil. All toolkit content aligns to the ESED campaign's

FY-19 focus areas. These areas include various ways to engage in self-care, practice lethal means safety during times of increased stress and empower Sailors to feel comfortable seeking help without fear of judgement or impacts to posters, digital graphics,



Photo by MC2 Johans Chavarro Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Mark Bonner, vice president of the Pearl Harbor Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions chapter, participates in a Suicide Prevention Month gate awareness event at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Sept. 24, 2015.

eligibility.

The FY-19 1 Small ACT Toolkit is a one-stop shop for messages and materials to strengthen local

their security clearance sharable facts, social media messages, plan of the week notes, event ideas and other materials that can be used in September and throughout the new engagement. It contains

fiscal year. As one of the most pop-

ular tools in each year's toolkit, the new 30 Days of Small ACTs calendar features simple ways for Sailors to be there for themselves and others.

It offers a practical tip

ors build positive coping mechanisms and self-care into their routines, such as mindfulness, journaling and starting conversations with others. You can print and display this areas and even repurpose daily tips as plan of the day notes. Or give Sailors a chance at some friendly competition by hosting a 30 Days of Small ACTs challenge that pushes them to engage in as many small ACTs as possible during the month.

The tools in this toolkit — along with popular existing ESED materials — are not only helpful resources for Suicide Prevention Month but can be used to continue dialogue and engagement throughout the year.

Use the campaign's "Sailors on the Street" YouTube videos as icebreakers for small group discussions on healthy stress navigation.

Plan group physical fitness activities like a fun run or a yoga class to help Sailors beat stress head-on. And, of course, pair these activities with useful information and resources on social media.

> Work with your command and/or installation public affairs office to promote Suicide Prevention Month and ongoing ESED content on social media using the #1SmallACT hashtag.

> Stay connected with Navy Suicide Prevention Branch's ESED campaign throughout the year. Access resources on www.suicide.navy.mil > Every Sailor,

Every Day > Get Involved, and find useful tips for navigating stress on the blog. Follow the campaign on Facebook and Twitter.

1 Small ACT can make a difference. Be there for Every Sailor, Every Day.

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### Japan surrenders

Spectators and photographers crowd USS Missouri's superstructure to ceremonies marking Japan's surrender, flag (lower right) was hoisted by Commodore Matthew C. Perry on July 14, 1853, in Yedo (Tokyo) Bay, on his first expedition to negotiate the opening of Japan. It had been brought from Memorial Hall at the for use during the

Photograph from the Army Signal Corps Collection in the U.S. National Archives

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## USS Michael Murphy, aircraft join Royal Australian Navy exercise



Photo by MC3 Morgan K. Nall

Lt. Dan Boring, operations officer aboard USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112), speaks with Royal Australian Navy sailors during a tour of the guided-missile destroyer.

### U.S. 7th Fleet **Public Affairs**

Sailors from guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) and a P-8A Poseidon maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft joined opening ceremonies for exercise Kakadu in Darwin, Aug. 31.

Hosted biennially by the Royal Australian Navy (RAN), Kakadu is a key multilateral exercise that brings many regional navies together to train and cooperate at sea. This year, Kakadu in-

cludes 23 ships and submarines, 21 aircraft and more than 3,000 personnel and observers from 27 nations.

Michael Murphy and the P-8A from Patrol Squadron (VP) 45 will participate in all phases of the exercise, while Vice Adm. Phil Saw-

Fleet, will participate in the RAN fleet commanders' conference with regional Navy counterparts.

"Hosting a massive, multilateral exercise like this shows the RAN's strong leadership and commitment to providing security in a free and open Indo-Pacific," Sawyer said.

"We always look forward to training with our RAN allies during exercises like this, Talisman Sabre and RIMPAC. I'm also thrilled to be back in Australia to participate in (Commander, Australian Fleet) Adm. (John) Mead's commanders' conference."

U.S. 7th Fleet celebrated the 75th anniversary of its establishment in Brisbane March 15.

In addition to training with the RAN, and other like-minded navies during

yer, commander of U.S. 7th Kakadu, Michael Murphy Sailors will also have opportunities to explore Australia's Northern Territory.

"The crew of USS Michael Murphy is excited to participate in both the harbor and sea phases of Kakadu with our international partners," said Cmdr. Kevin Louis, commanding officer of USS Michael Murphy.

"The opportunity to train together and improve our maritime interoperability skills is tremendous. Additionally, the crew is thrilled to be visiting Darwin. For most of our Sailors this is their first visit to Australia and we look forward to seeing the magnificent sights of the Northern Territory."

U.S. Navy joined Kakadu for the first time in 2016 with USS Hopper (DDG 70) and a P-8A aircraft.

# USS Chicago changes hands

**MC1 Daniel Hinton** 

COMSUBPACPublic Affairs

The Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Chicago (SSN 721) held a change of command ceremony at the historic USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park in Pearl Harbor Aug. 31.

Cmdr. Chance Litton relieved Cmdr. Brian E. Turney as the commanding officer of Chicago.

The ceremony's guest speaker, Capt. Dave Soldow, assistant deputy director for Regional Operations on the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington D.C., praised the crew and Turney for their drive and commitment.

"In submarining nothing matters but the crew's will to succeed ... Only the collective will to overcome obstacles, move forward and succeed is what matters," Soldow said. "That's what Chicago has done here led by her skipper, Cmdr. Brian Turney."

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

"As great as this tour has been, I know that I have many people to thank for helping me along this path," Turney said. "I would not have made it here without your help."

Turney credited the boat's chief's mess with showing him what it meant to be a submariner and commended the crew for their innovation and determination through deployments and their time in the shipyard.

Turney ended his remarks by telling the crew that their memory will remain with him forever.

"I know that you will continue to get better every day and make yourselves ready and lethal," Turney said. "The adversary should take pause knowing that the warship Chicago is once again ready, and the fleet will soon be regaining one of its best."

During the ceremony, Capt. Paul Davis, commander of Submarine Squadron Seven, presented Turney with a Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding service as commanding officer of Chicago from April 2016 to August 2018.

Following his tour aboard Chicago, Turney will report to Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor.

As Litton assumed command of Chicago, he thanked Turney for turning over a great warship and incredible crew.



Photo by MC2 Shaun Griffin

Cmdr. Chance Litton is piped aboard during the Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Chicago (SSN 721) change of command ceremony at the USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park in Pearl Harbor, Aug. 31.

"I want to thank the there. You have shown officers and crew of Chi- me your optimism for the cago," Litton said. "You future and your desire have worked so hard to to achieve great things. get our ship back in the My real honor and privifight, and we are almost lege is getting to be your visit www.csp.navy.mil.

shipmate while we get back to sea and defend our nation."

 $For \ more \ news \ from \ the$ Pacific Submarine Force,

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Photo courtesy of USS O'Kane

Chief selectees from the USS Preble (DDG 88), USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110), USS O'Kane (DDG 77) CPO Mess and Wardroom work together to restore the USS Nevada Memorial Sept. 2.



Photo by MC3 Morgan K. Nall

Members of the Royal Australian Navy view a display of ship's namesake Lt. Michael Murphy's medal of honor aboard the Arleigh-Burke class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) Aug. 31.



Photo by Lisa Ferdinando

A KC-135 crew from the Hawaii Air National Guard conducts midair refueling of the military aircraft carrying U.S. Secretary of Defense James N. Mattis, en route to New Delhi, India Sept. 4.

U.S. Navy midshipmen honor the lives lost on Dec. 7, 1941 during a Pearl Harbor memorial boat tour Aug. 31. The U.S. Navy Midshipmen visited the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center the day prior to their game against University of Hawaii's Rainbow Warriors Sept. 1.

Photo by MC2 Somers T. Steelman



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awaii-area chief selectees recently kept busy learning and developing their leadership skills through a series of activities, including attending USS Missouri Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Legacy Academy, and clearing the Halealoha Haleamau burial site.

Chief selectees also engaged "Laying the Keel" training during the week of Aug. 13, at Sharkey and Hickam Memorial theaters aboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"Laying the Keel" — Devolving the Backbone of Our Navy, was developed and instituted by retired Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, Steven S. Giordano, in April 2018, as part of the evolution from CPO 365 to SAILOR 360.

"Our Navy cannot build the framework for leader ship without starting with 'Laying the Keel,'" Giordano said. "As our future enlisted leaders proceed from stern to bow over the course of their career, they are building the backbone of the Navy that is both enduring and deeply connected to the heritage of those who have gone before them."

The training is facilitated by trained and certified senior enlisted leaders, and delivered off-site in a location close to the waterfront or flight lines. Designed to be the foundation for a series of training, "Laying the Keel" emphasizes character, ethics and more.

"Simply put, 'Laying the Keel' gets down to the roots of what the Chiefs Creed says and how we as a mess live that, day in day out," said Command Master Chief Adrian D. Watkins, Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific. "It is the foundation of what it means to be a chief petty officer. Deeds, not words, are the best way to show leadership."

The training was incorporated into this year's CPO initiation, a professional educational and training environment that starts when chief results come out and concludes with the CPO pinning ceremony.

"Laying the Keel" was designed to challenge individuals as leaders of integrity, accountability, initiative and toughness.

"This training makes clear the basic principles of leadership," Watkins said. "It is something all leaders can reflect on, ensuring we are upholding these anchors, and the weight of what they represent every day."





At left, USS Missouri Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Legacy Academy Class 019 members work together in a team-building exercise during a Battle Stations evolution aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial, Aug. 28. At right, USS Missouri CPO Legacy Academy Class 019 member Chief (Select) Personnel Specialist Cesar Megia, from Union City, Calif., tends to the simulated wounds of fellow Chief (Select) Boatswain's Mate Alishia Miller, from Elk River, Minn.



USS Missouri Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Legacy Academy Class 019 members perform their department's ditty during their graduation ceremony aboard the USS Battleship Missouri Memorial, Aug. 31.





At left, USS Missouri Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Legacy Academy Class 019 member Chief (Select) Cryptologic Technician Interpretive Genesis Reyes awaits the start of her class graduation. At right, a USS Missouri CPO Legacy Academy Class 019 graduating member receives a keepsake.

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# CNIC's Ready Navy Program: 'Get Ready, Get Set, Prepare!'

### Navy Installations Command Public Affairs

Hurricane Lane may be gone, but personnel at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Navy Region Hawaii, Pacific Missile Range Facility and associated commands are encouraged to stay prepared.

September is National Emergency Preparedness Month. Commander, Navy Installations Command's (CNIC) Ready Navy Program educates Sailors and their families on how to be prepared when an emergency occurs. This year's overall theme is "Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How."

Each week in September will have a focused theme: Make and Practice Your Plan; Learn Life Saving Skills; Check Your Insurance Coverage; and Save For an Emergency.

"National Preparedness Month reminds us all of the importance of being prepared in the event disaster strikes," said Tim Alexander, CNIC director of operations. "For many of us, it is not a question of 'if' but a matter of 'when.' Having



a well thought-out plan to execute when the time comes significantly improves the chances of a positive outcome."

Ready Navy is a proactive Navy-wide emergency preparedness, public awareness program. It is designed for the Navy community, to increase

the ability of every person and family on or near Navy installations to meet today's challenges head on and plan and prepare for all types of hazards, ranging from hurricanes and earthquakes to terrorist attacks. By exploring the links on the Ready Navy site, you will:

- Be informed of potential hazards and what to do before, during, and after an emergency,
- Understand the steps to make an emergency plan that includes what to do, where to go, and what to take with you,

- Learn to build a kit to support basic needs for a minimum of three days, and
- Access tools and resources to help you and your family prepare for emergency situations that could arise at any time with no warning.

Navy personnel and families are strongly encouraged to strengthen emergency planning at home, as well as at work, by reading and following the tips and information found at www.ready.navy.mil.

"Pull out your insurance policies and make sure they provide the right coverage for you," Alexander said. "Keep some amount of cash on hand, in small denominations; it is likely that credit and debit cards will not be usable for some period of time. Finally, consider taking a first aid or CPR class; you or your family's lives may depend on it!"

For more information, visit https://www.ready.navy.

mil/. For general questions you may also contact the Navy Personnel Command Customer Service Center at (866) 827-5672.



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Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

In four collegiate football matchups between the U.S. Naval Academy and the University of Hawaii, the Rainbow Warriors of Hawaii hold a 3-1 edge and all three of their wins have come at home.

In the latest meeting between the two

teams Sept. 1 at Aloha Stadium, Navy hoped to reverse the curse and upend Hawaii to even up the series at 2-2.

However, the Midshipmen fell aground against Hawaii's revamped run-and-shoot offense, losing by a score of 59-41.

While Navy struggled to get its triple-option in motion, Hawaii scored on its first six possessions en route to 552 yards in total offense with 436 yards through the air — the third most allowed

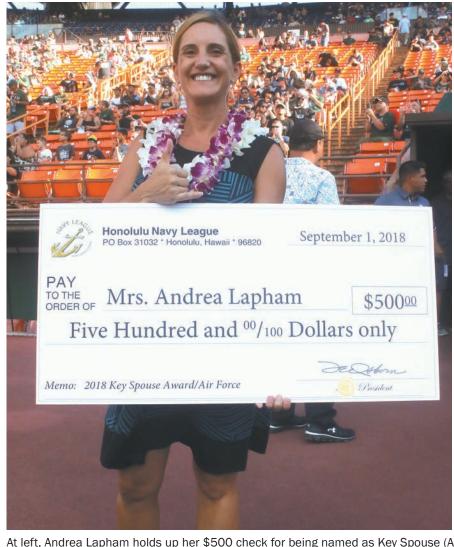
in Ken Niumatalolo's Naval head coach- Boyle returned the ball all the way to ing career of 11 years at the Academy.

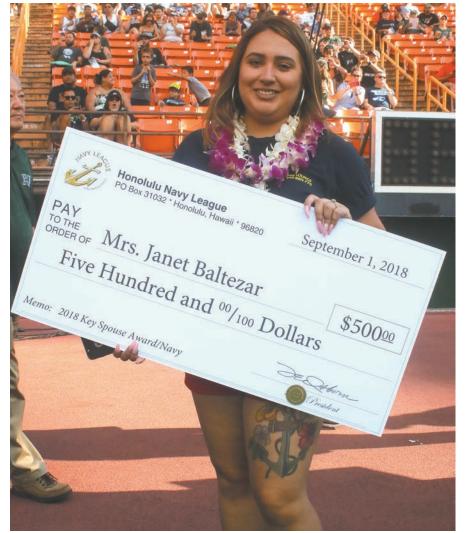
A huge boost for Hawaii came in the second quarter when Navy punter Owen White had his punt blocked deep in Navy territory.

The blocked kick was scooped up by special teams player Maxwell Hendrie and returned to the house for a 28-0 spread.

Navy finally got on the scoreboard, when, on the ensuing kickoff, Michael cut the lead back down to 21.

Navy would draw as close as 10 points at 38-28 after scoring on backto-back drives to open the second half, but Hawaii answered and retook the momentum by following up with a 79yard drive of its own that was capped off by a clutch fourth-down completion from UH quarterback Cole McDonald to Cedric Byrd for 31 yards and another Hawaii touchdown.





At left, Andrea Lapham holds up her \$500 check for being named as Key Spouse (Air Force) of the Year by the Honolulu Navy League. At right, Janet Baltazar is all smiles after winning a \$500 check from the Honolulu Navy League for being Key Spouse (Navy) of the Year.

# Key Spouse awards handed with aloha

Story and photo by Randy Dela Cruz

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Janet Baltazar and Andrea Lapham were selected as top representatives of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force respectively in the Key Spouse program for their outstanding volunteerism and service as military key spouse and ombudsman in Hawaii.

For their tireless contributions to the welfare of their communities, Baltazar and Lapham were each awarded with checks of \$500 from the Honolulu Navy League during pregame ceremonies of the

University of Hawaii versus

the U.S. Naval Academy collegiate football game at Aloha Stadium Sept. 1.

"I'm speechless. I wasn't expecting this," said Baltazar, who has been married for 10 years. "I didn't know about it until Sunday afternoon.'

Lapham has been married for five years.

"I was surprised," Lapham shared. "I feel really blessed and honored."

Both women have a history of helping others and said that it is very rewarding to help with their community — espe-

cially when their husbands are away on duty. Baltazar said that being in Hawaii and so far away from home, made her feel

like she should reach out and help others who are in the same situation.

"Being in Hawaii is a different circumstance because we're on an island and I wouldn't go home as frequently as before," Baltazar pointed out. "So I felt like I had to get out of my comfort zone and get myself out there and help out other spouses in need.'

During the year, Baltazar has been the point person to come to when spouses and

their families need information about the command. She has also served as an individual welcoming

committee to make newcomers

feel at home.

"I hold monthly meetings so families can hear about what's going on with the command," Baltazar explained.

"I help out with coming up with different activities or events that will bring people together. Once the boats are gone, it's us spouses. We become one family and it helps the Sailors know that back

home, we got it taken care of." Lapham, who works full time as a speech pathologist at

Kailua High School, said that knowing that she has been there to offer support to fellow spouses makes her want to do it even more.

"It's mainly just being a support system for our

spouses and families who have a deployed member, Lapham acknowledged. "Just being there and making sure they know what services are available to them."

Lapham's husband noted that he is extremely proud of his wife and feels that her recent award was very well deserved.

'She's amazing. She does it all," he said. "One, she's pregnant right? She's just the glue that holds our family together. There's times that I have to go places and do things, but she's just that rock that keeps us solid. It takes a special man or woman to be a military spouse. She just families — especially for exemplifies that."

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- Entries for the Arts & Crafts Center's Gallery Showcase will be accepted from now through Sept. 30. Submit your artwork, crafts, photography and digital creations for free. For more information, call 448-2393.
- 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-by-15 space or \$105 for a shared space. For more information, call 448-9907.
- Get fit with a free **TRX Suspension Training Class** from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 10 at the Hickam Fitness Center. TRX integrates strength and balance using body weight exercises. This class happens on the second Monday of each month and is open to ages 18 and up. For more information, call 448-2214.
- Cookies & Canvas gets colorful from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Arts & Crafts Center. Kids get to create a painted masterpiece while nibbling on a sweet treat. This twice-a-month 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.
- A **golf clinic** is on the green from noon to 1 p.m. Sept. 13 at Navy-Marine Golf Course. Get this introductory look into the great game of golf. This is a free activity. For more information, call 471-0142.
- The **Barracks Bash** is happening from 5 to 7 p.m. Sept. 13 at Smallwood Hall. Enjoy free food and activities, plus learn about upcoming liberty events. This activity is free and is open to single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen E1-E6 only. For more information, call 473-2583.
- Liberty Movie Night takes place at 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Sharkey Theater. Get a free movie ticket, plus one free small popcorn, hot dog and small drink. This activity is open to single, active duty Sailors and Airmen E1-E6 only and advance sign up is required. For more information, call 473-2583.
- The All-Military Grom Battle hits the waves from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 15 at White Plains Beach. Youth ages 8 to 14 years old attack the surf to challenge themselves in friendly competition. Cost of this event is \$25 and is open to military and Department of Defense dependents only (no sponsoring allowed). Entries must be received at White Plains Beach Surf Shack or Hickam Marina by Saturday, Sept. 8. For more information, call 682-4925.
- Day for Kids is happening from 4 to 6 p.m. Sept. 15 at Hickam School-Age Care. It's a wizarding theme this year so grab your robes and get ready for magical games and activities. This is a free event. For more information, call 473-0789.
- **Disco Night** lets you boogie while you bowl from 8 p.m. to midnight Sept. 15 at Hickam Bowling Center. DJ Reid will play your favorite tunes from the '70s, '80s and '90s. For more information, call 448-9959.
- The **U.S. Air Force** turns 71 this year and the birthday is being celebrated with a special Mongolian barbecue meal from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 18 at Hale Aina Dining Facility. This meal is \$5.65 and open to U.S. military, retirees, Department of Defense civilians and military dependents with valid ID card. For more information, call 449-1666.
- Family Night: Suicide Awareness and Prevention takes place from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Teen Center. Enjoy light snacks, learn about upcoming events and participate in a workshop from the Military and Family Support Center. This event is free and is open to all teens and their families registered with the center. For more information, call 448-1068.



Photo by Kristen Wong
Navy spouse Sarah Pfeiffer (left), and Navy spouse Tiffany Henson, assist in laying military boots on the street at
Ford Island Sept. 6. The boots, which bear the name of a fallen service member or military working dog, will line
the path for the Fisher House 8K Hero & Remembrance Run, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 8.

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# CONNUNT TY CALENDAR

### **DOD POLICY ON ELECTIONS**

**NOW** — The Department of Defense (DoD) 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.

### **AIR FORCE BALL TICKETS ON SALE**

**NOW** — Tickets for the 2018 Air Force Ball are on sale. The event will be held Friday, Sept. 14 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Waikiki. Costs for individual ticket prices are based on rank, starting at \$25 for cadets and enlisted members ranks E1-E4 and going up to \$95 for officers ranked O-6 and above. See www. pacafball.org for ticket prices for all ranks. The Air Force Ball tickets are available at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-pacaf-71st-air-force-ball-tickets-47448921000.

### **NAVY BALL TICKETS ON SALE**

**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 \$90 through Sept. 14 and \$100 from Sept. 15 to Oct. 12. The Navy Ball tickets are available at http://buytickets. at/hawaiinavyball2018/165458.

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

**SEPT. 8** — This free, 8-kilometer run/walk is scheduled from 6:30 a.m. to noon at the Pacific Aviation Museum and open to the public. Non-military ID cardholders must obtain a base pass. Bring your driver's license, registration and proof of insurance to the Nimitz Visitor Control Center (Pass & ID) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Plan to arrive by 5 a.m. to ensure access to base before the bridge closes. For more information, email anita.f.clingerman@gmail.com or theresa.m. johnson2@aol.com. Information is also available at https://www.facebook.com/FisherHouseRun/.

### **SPECIAL DELIVERY SHOWERS**

SEPT. 10 — Mothers-to-be and brand new mothers are welcome to a baby shower Sept. 10, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Historic Hickam Officer's Club. A separate shower for fathers-to-be is scheduled from 5:30 to 7 p.m., also at the club. Join USO Hawaii and Heidi Murkoff, author of the "What to Expect" series. Get your pregnancy questions answered and connect with other moms in your community. Lunch will be provided, as well as games, giveaways and more. The 11 a.m. shower is open to active duty service members/spouses who are expecting (pregnant) and new (six months postpartum or less) moms only (no guests except for your new baby) because space is limited. Register at www.uso.org/specialdelivery.

### **MOVIES AND POPCORN**

**SEPT 12 AND 19** — Bellows Air Force Station has free movie showings with popcorn at Turtle Cove Lanai, Wednesdays at 3 p.m. Popcorn is served from 3 to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 12 is a showing of "Book Club." Sept. 19 is a showing of "Breaking In." Sept. 26 is a showing of "Ocean's 8." Events are subject to change or cancellation, due to weather and ocean conditions. For availability and details, call Turtle Cove at 259-4136 or 259-4137.

### UPCOMING CREDO EVENTS The peyt CREDO Marriage En

The next CREDO Marriage Enrichment Retreat is scheduled from Sept. 14-16 in Waikiki. A free, all-inclusive weekend away, the MER is for any couple that wants to re-connect after a deployment, enhance couple communication or understand each other better. Dinner Date Nights vary in duration and content, but are all designed to enhance a couple's marriage on various topics. Preregistration is required for all CREDO events. To sign up for a CREDO event, registration can be done on the Facebook page. For more information, email credo\_hawaii@navy.mil.

### MILITARY FAMILY HIRING DAY

**SEPT.** 15 — A military family hiring day is sched-

uled from 9 a.m. to noon on the second floor of the Mall at Pearl Harbor. On-site interviews for various positions ranging from cashiers to warehouse with the opportunity to get a conditional job offer on the spot.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CLEANUP**

Keep the Hawaiian Islands Beautiful, a nonprofit organization, is partnering with Ocean Conservancy to coordinate the 2018 International Coastal Cleanup, Sept. 15. This global event grows bigger each year as volunteers flock together to clear the coastlines from both on land and at sea. In Hawaii where the event is known locally as "Get the Drift & Bag It," volunteers have rallied together for more than 30 years to collect and document debris found near beaches and waterways. For more information, volunteers can visit www.khib.org or http://getthedriftandbagit.org/. They may also email admin@khib.org or cwoolaway@khib.org.

### **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.

### **WAIKIKI ARTFEST**

**SEPT. 22 TO 23** — The Waikiki Artfest is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Kapiolani Park on both days. There will be artwork, food and entertainment. Admission is free.

### **ANNUAL WAIKIKI HOOLAULEA**

**SEPT. 22** — The annual Waikiki Hoʻolaulea is Hawaii's largest block party. Thousands of people will take to the streets along Kalakaua Avenue for food, fun and entertainment. 7 to 10 p.m. Start of Aloha Festivals. Visit alohafestivals.com.

### JOINT SPOUSES CONFERENCE

SEPT. 29 — The 2018 Joint Spouses Conference is scheduled for Sept. 29 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Hawaii Convention Center, located at 1801 Kalakaua Ave. The Joint Spouses' Conference provides a forum for spouses of active duty, reserve and retired military members of all services and ranks to learn, network, and help each other in our challenging roles as spouses, parents, professionals and community leaders through workshops and special guest speakers. Visit jschawaii.com for more information and how to register.

### **ALOHA FESTIVALS FLORAL PARADE**

**SEPT. 29** — Kalakaua Avenue comes alive with a colorful procession of female and male pau horseback riders, floats covered with Hawaiian flowers, Hawaiian music, hula halau and local marching bands. 9 a.m. to noon. Visit alohafestivals.com.

## 44TH ANNUAL HONOLULU INTERTRIBAL POWWOW

OCT. 6 AND 7 — Scheduled for Oct. 6 at 10 a.m. to Oct. 7 at 5 p.m., this free family-friendly two-day cultural event is open to the public. The powwow will be located adjacent to one of Ala Moana Beach Park's Magic Island. For more information, visit http://www.honoluluintertribalpowww.com.

### TRANSITION SUMMIT

**OCT. 18** — The JBPHH Transition Summit, is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 850 Ticonderoga St. You're invited to connect directly with human resources experts and hiring managers via industry-specific employment briefs, attend resume building and digital networking workshops to super-charge your transition to a civilian career, then network with dozens of companies at a free evening networking and hiring reception. This event is free and is open to active duty service members, guardsmen and reservists, veterans and military spouses. Tickets available at www. uschamberfoundation.org.

### **PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATION CLASSES**

OCT. 25 AND NOV. 29 — Public Access Defibrillation classes will be conducted Oct. 25 at 9 a.m. and Nov. 29 at 9 a.m. at the Federal Fire Department Headquarters at 650 Center Drive, building 284, at JBPHH. For more info, contact Douglas Asano, Battalion Chief-EMS at 471-2403.

# MOVIE SHOWTIMES

### **Christopher Robin**

Winnie-the-Pooh and friends help old pal Christopher Robin rediscover the joy of life.

### **SHARKEY THEATER**

FRIDAY - SEPT. 7

7 p.m. • Mission: Impossible - Fallout (PG-13)

### SATURDAY - SEPT. 8

2:30 p.m. • Christopher Robin (PG)

4:50 p.m. • The Meg (PG-13)

7:20 p.m. • Mission Impossible: Fallout (3-D) (PG-13)

### SUNDAY - SEPT. 9

1:30 p.m. • Teen Titans Go! To the Movies (PG)

3:40 p.m. • Mamma Mia! Here

We Go Again (PG-13) 6:10 p.m. • The Meg (3-D) (PG-13)

### THURSDAY - SEPT. 13

7 p.m. • BlacKkKlansman (R)

Movie schedules are subject to change without notice.

# Christopher Robin Sooner or later, your past catches up to you.

### HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

FRIDAY - SEPT. 7

7 p.m. • The Meg (PG-13)

SATURDAY - SEPT. 8

3 p.m. • Teen Titans Go! To the Movies (PG)

5:30 p.m. • Mission: Impossible - Fallout (PG-13)

SUNDAY - SEPT. 9

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

4:30 p.m. • The Meg (PG-13)

THURSDAY - SEPT. 13 6:30 p.m. • Slender Man (PG-13)

