

#### **National Park Service**

The National Park Service and the United States Navy will host the National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 77th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony, today, to honor and remember the 2,390 American casualties lost during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the island of Oahu Dec. 7, 1941.

The ceremony will begin at 7:50 a.m. and take place on the ceremonial Pearl Harbor, gave us a lasting peace lawn at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Cen ter. Pearl Harbor survivors, World War II veterans, family members and local dignitaries will be in attendance. Adm. Philip S. Davidson, commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, will deliver the kevnote address. A moment of silence will be observed at 7:55 a.m., the exact moment the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor began. A ship will render pass-in-review honors to the USS Arizona and all Pearl Harbor survivors. A missing man flyover conducted by the 199th Fighter Squadron, Hawai'i Air National Guard and the 19th Fighter Squadron, U.S. Air Force will follow

This year's theme, "Forging the Future," highlights events in 1943, the second year after the attack, as the United States rose to face challenges — both at war and on the homefront — in order to achieve greater peace, freedom and democracy in the world, including in Japan and in Europe.

"The brave veterans of World War II, including one of my grandfathers who served in the Army and one of my wife's grandfathers who served right here in we are committed to preserve," Rear Adm. Brian Fort, commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. "They forged the future, and we will always remember their legacy, service and sacrifice here at Pearl Harbor." "We are honored to welcome survivors, veterans and witnesses to the commemoration of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day," said World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument Superintendent Jacqueline Ashwell. "Together we remember the events that took place 77 years ago, and honor the actions of brave individuals that continue to affect us today."

include music by the U.S. Navy's Pacific Fleet Band, a Hawaiian blessing, wreath presentations, a rifle salute by the U.S. Marine Corps, a vintage aircraft flyover and echo taps in recognition of the men and women who survived the attack and those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country Dec. 7, 1941. The ceremony will be broadcasted live online.

Arrive early if you plan to attend in person. The Pearl Harbor Visitor Center

camera bags, diaper bags and luggage. Visitors may bring wheelchairs, strollers, walkers, canes, umbrellas, jackets, sweaters, small wallets, medication, small cameras and camcorders, cell phones and small sealable beverage containers. All items brought into the visitor center are subject to inspection. The USS Bowfin Submarine Museum & Park has a bag storage facility near the entrance to the visitor center. This service will be available for free from 6 to 10 a m after which a nominal fee will be charged. Additional information on the visitor center's bag policy is available at nps.gov/valr.

will open at 6 a.m.

### Tickets to the USS Arizona Memorial Program

USS Arizona Memorial programs will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, beginning at 6 a.m. No reserved tickets will be available.

### **Bag Policy**

Visitors are not allowed to bring items that offer concealment inside the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Such items include (but are not limited to) purses,

### Attire

This event will take place rain or shine on the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center's ceremonial lawn. Please wear appropriate footwear. Military are not obligated to be in uniform for this ceremony. Military members who choose to wear uniforms to the site are encouraged to wear Class B or better.

Visit www.pearlharborevents.com for more information.

### 'Blackened Canteen' ceremony honors fallen

### Story and photo by MC3 Cole Pielop

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Whiskey slowly pours from the charred canteen as it splashes against the hallowed waters surrounding the USS Arizona Memorial. Sharply dressed men, whose countries years ago were mortal enemies, solemnly stare at the water as the two liquids meet.

U.S. and Japanese military members and civilians observe the annual Blackened Canteen ceremony in commemoration of Pearl Harbor Day, at the USS Arizona Memorial, Dec. 6.

In June of 1945 over Shizuoka, Japan, two B-29s collided mid-air, killing the 23 Americans on board. The morning after the wreckage, Fukumatsu Itoh recovered a blackened canteen, bearing what is thought to be the handprint of its former owner.

Hiroya Sugano, M.D, a child at the time, whose family lived through the bombings, was also at the wreckage the same day, but wouldn't meet Itoh until some time later.



Itoh, a devout Buddhist, began an annual ceremony to honor those who lost their lives during the war. It began with a prayer and was followed by pouring bour-

bon whiskey from the canteen onto the crash site. Itoh's devout fortitude throughout the years had a great impact on Sugano. Before Itoh passed away, Sugano promised to carry on the tradition, which he has faithfully executed since 1972.

"I personally feel that consoling and paying respect to the souls of all of the fallen, regardless of who they are, is the first step toward international reconciliation and world peace," Sugano said. "I truly feel that my prayer has been answered."

The commemoration is a moment for attendees to observe continued peace between the two nations and honor the victims of the events that took place during the war.

"I'm so sad that we lost a generation of our most promising young folks to war," said retired Lt. Col. Gary Meyers, a volunteer at Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum. "But then I'm happy that I see this appeasement of former enemies. This represents reconciliation at its finest."

After emptying the canteen, flower petals were dropped into the waters representing the lost service members, taps was played and benedictions said. The boat moored back into the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center and the guests dispersed, each with a new understanding for how far the two countries have come.

### Navy mourns the loss of former Sailor, President George H.W. Bush

#### Yonca Poyraz-Dogan

Navy Office of Information Public Affairs

Among America's few seafaring presidents, former Presi-dent George H.W. Bush passed away Nov. 30 at his Houston, Texas home at the age of 94.

'Today, I join the Navy-Marine Corps team, our nation, and the world in mourning the loss of President George H. W. Bush. Navy pilot. Congressman. Ambassador to the United Nations. CIA director. Vice president. President. Father. Husband," Secretary of the Navy Richard Spencer said in a statement from Washington.

"To paraphrase his own words, President Bush's life is a shining example of service 'like a thousand points of light in a broad and peaceful sky.' I offer my deepest condolences to the Bush family, their friends, loved ones, and all who had the privilege of knowing President H. W. Bush.

Bush enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve June 13, 1942 on his 18th birthday after the attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941. He had preflight training at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and became one of the youngest naval aviators. He was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve June 9, 1943, days before his 19th birthday.

Bush was assigned to Torpedo Squadron (VT-51) as photographic officer in September 1943. As part of Air Group 51, his squadron was based on USS San Jacinto, part of Task Force 58 which participated in operations against Marcus and Wake Islands in May, and then in the Marianas during June 1944. The task force triumphed in one of the largest air battles of the war.

Returning from the mission, his aircraft had to make a forced water landing, and he was then rescued by the destroyer, USS Clarence K. Bronson. On July 25, Ensign Bush and another pilot received credit for sinking a small cargo ship.



Photos courtesy of the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum and by MC2 Jessica Paulauskas Sailors lower the national ensign to half-mast in honor of former President George H. W. Bush during morning colors on the flight deck aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) in Norforlk, Virginia Dec. 1.

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John Richardson said in a statement that the country lost a great leader" and the Navy "a true shipmate."

"A statesman. A public servant. A Sailor. The country has lost a great leader and we have lost a true shipmate. He epitomized integrity, accountability, initiative and toughness in the

aviator during World War II, a congressman, ambassador to the United Nations, CIA director, vice president, president, husband and father. His memory will continue to inspire us through the service of the aircraft carrier bearing his name. USS George H. W. Bush (CVN 77) will continue to deploy around the world, protecting service of our nation. A naval America from attack and se-

curing the freedoms President Bush fought so hard to safeguard. Fair winds and following seas, Mr. President.'

During his service as a Navy pilot, Bush had a hit on his aircraft and was rescued by a submarine. According to Naval History and Heritage Command archives, after Bush was promoted to lieutenant junior grade Aug. 1, San Jacinto commenced operations against the Japanese in the Bonin Islands. Bush piloted one of four aircraft from VT-51 that attacked the Japanese installations on Chi Chi Jima in September 1944.

Although Bush's aircraft was hit and his engine caught fire during the attack, he was able to complete the mission and bail out successfully. He was rescued by a Navy submarine, the USS Finback.

Bush was reassigned to Norfolk and put in a training wing for new torpedo pilots. Later, he was assigned as a naval aviator in a new torpedo squadron, VT-153. With the surrender of Japan, he was honorably discharged in September 1945, and entered Yale University. A social media message from USS George H. W. Bush (CVN 77), an aircraft carrier named for Bush and commissioned Jan. 10, 2009, read:

"Avengers, it is with a heavy heart we join the nation in mourning the passing of our namesake and 41st president, George H.W. Bush. A World War II Navy pilot, statesman and loving father, he is a true example of selfless service to the country, and his legacy will remain a guiding light to all those who serve aboard our great ship that bears his name. In this time of sorrow, we are reminded of one of his lifelong principles, Ceiling and Visibility Unlimited," or CAVU, which as the president described, is meant to wish the best of weather and unlimited possibilities in one's own life. We will forever honor his memory by carrying on his legacy of service.

Fair winds and following seas, Mr. President."

From the Pacific skies during

World War II to the Oval Office, Bush was most remembered for his successful offensive against Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein's 1990 invasion of its oil-rich neighbor Kuwait. At the end of Operation Desert Storm, Bush's approval ratings skyrocketed.

In 1990, Time magazine named him the Man of the Year. In 1991, the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation awarded Bush its Lone Sailor award.

Bush was born June 12, 1924, in Milton, Massachusetts. On Jan. 6, 1945, he married Barbara Pierce of Rye, New York. They had six children: George, Robin, Jeb, Neil, Marvin, and Dorothy Bush Koch. Father Bush lived to see his son George W. Bush as being elected the 43rd president in 2000.

He held a number of important leadership positions in the 1970s. In 1971, he was named U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. He served there until 1973, when he became chairman of the Republican National Committee. In 1976, he was appointed director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

In 1980, Ronald Reagan selected George Bush to be his running mate. Bush was sworn in for the first of two terms as vice president in 1981.

Seven years later, Bush became his Republican Party's nominee and the American people's choice to be the president of the United States. Serving from 1989 to 1993, Bush and his wife, Barbara, who died in April 2018, remained prominent public figures.

Bush had expressed the meaning of the Navy for him aboard USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77):

"My Navy days taught me the true meaning of friendship and of freedom. And looking back, I love my time serving in the Navy, the three years, aboard the San Jacinto, CVL 30, flying in Torpedo Squadron 51. And they made a man out of a scared kid."

CAVU Mr. President, C-A-V-U, ceiling and visibility unlimited.



Submitted by David D. Underwood Jr., FCC Aaron Berkland and Kristen Wong

What have you learned about Dec. 7, 1941 since you came to Hawaii?



Yeoman 3rd Class **Brandon Ford JBPHH** 

"That Ford Island was involved in the attack."



Master Sgt. Benjamin Wittneben 792nd Intelligence Support Squadron

"Not only did the Japanese attack Pearl Harbor with airplanes, they also used mini subs.

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Lt. Alex Eng Navy Information **Operations** Command Hawaii

"I have learned a significant amount since arriving to the island in October, specifically what the Japanese-Americans and locals did to help after the attack.



Airman 1st Class **Micah Johns** 8th Intelligence Squadron

"Assuming that radar signals were friendly caused us to miss an opportunity to defend ourselves. Never make assumptions. Stay aware of your situation.'



Machinist's Mate Weapons 1st Class Adrian Mansaw Performance Monitoring Team Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

"Since 2010 I have had a great experience learning more and more about Dec 7th 1941."



Tech. Sgt. Erick Shriver 766th Specialized Contracting Squadron

"The events that took place during the attack and the brave actions of our Airmen. Soldiers. Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen.'

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**Rear Adm. Brian Fort** 

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

## Forging the future 'for a better world'

(Editor's Note: Rear Adm. Fort will offer these welcome remarks today at the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day commemoration at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center.)

On behalf of our Navy team in Hawaii, it is my distinct honor to welcome back our Pearl Harbor survivors and their families.

We offer a warm welcome to all World War II veterans and all other military veterans, active duty and retired — as well as your families who join us today for this special occasion.

Today's ceremony marks the mid-point in our 75th commemoration events that began two years ago.

Today we consider the tragedy of what happened here in 1941, but we also recognize the resilience and grit of our nation and our veterans 75 years ago - 1943: Forging the Future.

In 1943 Pearl Harbor was an operationalized base.

Here in the middle of the Pacific, our Navy focused on the needs of the fleet.

Pearl Harbor ensured our ships and planes had the repairs, the fuel and other supplies and logistics needed to succeed.

And we continue that legacy today as we did more than 75 years ago.

In just under two years — here in Pearl Harbor — we will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II.

Pearl Harbor survivors greet a child during the 75th commemoration event of the attacks on Pearl Harbor and Oahu, Dec. 7, 2016. File photo by MC2 Laurie Dexter

At that time — just as we do today — we will demonstrate our commitment to continued vigilance and readiness.

The sacrifice ... The lives lost ... here at Pearl Harbor and throughout World War II ... will always be remembered. And that memory will continue to forge a future of peace, partnership and prosperity for generations.

Now, here in Pearl Harbor, people from different nations, backgrounds and beliefs can work together as one ohana for a better world.

### 'No Drone Zone' at Hawaii military installations

**Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs** 

In February 2018, a civilian-operated drone

The Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), commonly referred to as drones, are growing in popularity with both government and private users.

To ensure the safety and security of military assets and personnel, there are clear restrictions on flying drones over military bases.

All Navy and Marine Corps installations on Oahu are a "No Drone Zone" for all drones without prior approval.

These zones also include all communities connected to the Pearl Harbor waterways and Red Hill.

UAS operations within a five-mile radius of Hickam Airfield including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, base facilities and a 3-mile radius of their outlying landing fields is prohibited without the approval of the installation commander. It is important to understand the rules when operating or flying a drone.

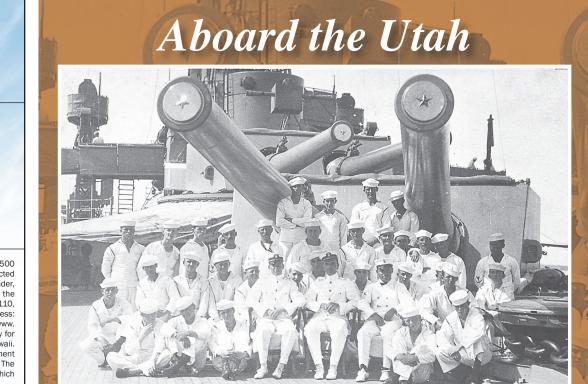
The responsible use of drones in compliance with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) guidelines helps ensure the safety of all people and property.

The FAA has created an app, B4UFLY, to help UAS users identify approved operating areas and includes a flight planning function.

Any UAS flown over Navy installations without prior permission and coordination with the appropriate authorities is a violation of FAA regulations, the Uniform Code of Military Justice and may be referred to the Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

Coordination with the FAA and installation commander is needed prior to such activity.





### U.S. Naval History and Heritage Com

Number One Turret's crew posing under their turret's 12/45 guns in 1913, aboard USS Utah (BB-31). Chief Turret Capt. Abraham DeSomer is seated at right in the center of the front row. To his right is the turret officer, Ensign Arthur S. Carpender. DeSomer received the Medal of Honor for his extraordinary heroism during the seizure of Vera Cruz, Mexico, April 21-22, 1914.

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### Remains of World War II Sailors, Marine identified

#### **Defense POW/MIA** Accounting Agency **Public Affairs**

The Defense POW/ **MIA** Accounting Agency (DPAA) recently announced the remains of USS Oklahoma Sailors and a Marine from World War II who have been identified.

The Sailors are Navy Radioman 3rd Class Jack R. Goldwater, 19, of San Francisco; Navy Shopfitter 3rd Class John M. Donald, 28, of Ball Ground, Georgia; Navy Fireman 1st Class Leonard R. Gellar, 21, of Garber, Oklahoma; Navy Reserve Musician 1st Class Henri C. Mason, 48, of Corwith, Iowa; Seaman 1st Class Walter C. Foley, 18, of Brooklyn, New York; Navy Gunner's Mate 3rd Class Marvin B. Adkins, 20, of Seattle; and Navy Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Charles H. Har-



Shopfitter 3rd Class John M. Donald

Harry H. Gaver, Jr., 24, of in 429 casualties. Annapolis, Maryland.

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2nd Lt. Harry H. Gaver Jr.

is Marine Corps 2nd Lt. tack on the ship resulted

From December 1941 to On Dec. 7, 1941, the June 1944, Navy personof the deceased crew, which were subsequently interred in the Halawa and Nu'uanu cemeteries.

In September 1947, tasked with recovering The USS Oklahoma and identifying fallen U.S. personnel in the Pa-

Radioman 3rd Class Jack R. Goldwater

(AGRS) disinterred the remains of U.S. casualties from the two cemeteries and transferred them to the Central Iden-Schofield Barracks.

The laboratory staff was only able to confirm the identifications of 35 men from the USS Oklahoma at that time.



Electrician's Mate 3rd **Class Charles H. Harris** 

Registration Service remains in 46 plots at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (NMCP), known as the Punchbowl, in Honolulu.

In October 1949, a militification Laboratory at tary board classified those who could not be identified as non-recoverable.

In April 2015, the Deputy Secretary of Defense issued a policy memorandum directing the disOklahoma. On June 15. 2015, DPAA personnel began exhuming the remains from the NMCP for analysis.

Of the 16 million Americans who served in World War II, more than 400,000 died during the war. Currently there are 72,776 (approximately 26,000 are assessed as possibly-recoverable) still unaccounted for from World War II.

The names of the service members are recorded on the Walls of the Missing at the Punchbowl, along with others who are missing from World War II. A rosette will be placed next to their names indicating they have been accounted for.

For additional information on the Defense Department's mission to account for Americans who went missing while serving our country, visit the DPAA website at www.dpaa.mil or call (703) 699-1420.

### 67th annual Operation Christmas Drop kicks off in Pacific

### **Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs**

The U.S. Air Force and regional allies and partners are set to participate in the 67th iteration of Operation Christmas Drop in the southeastern Pacific Dec. 10.

During the week-long international humanitarian effort, Pacific Air Forces Airmen from Andersen Air Force Base, Guam; Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii; and Yokota Air Base, Japan, will work side-by-side with allies from the Japan Air Self-Defense Force, the Philippine air force and the Royal Australian air force to execute low-cost, low-altitude air drop training.

Operation Christmas Drop is an annual event delivering food and tools provided by private donors, charitable organizations and the University of Guam to approximately 20,000 people residing on more than 56 remote islands in the southeastern Pacific, including the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

Operation Christmas Drop began in 1952 when locals on the island of Kapingamarangi waved at the aircrew of a passing WB-50 Superfortress, prompting the crew to gather, pack and parachute goods to the islanders.

Nearly seven decades and more than one million pounds of charitable goods later, the 2018 missions are set to carry on this tradition of international goodwill.

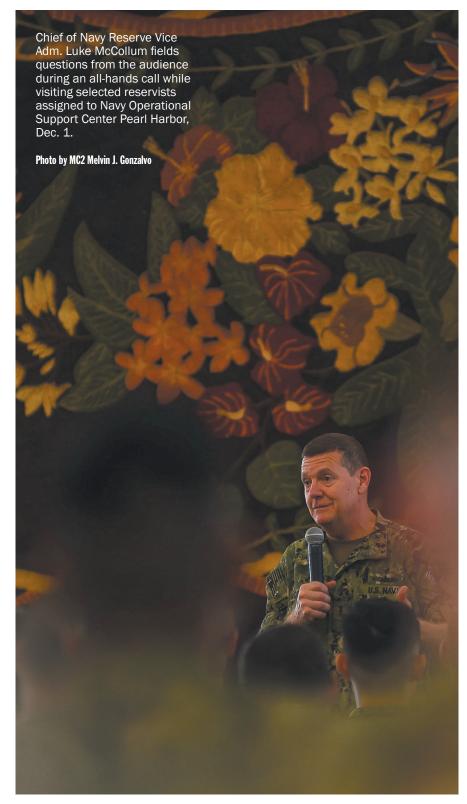
For more information on Operation Christmas Drop, please visit http://www. andersen.af.mil/ocd/.



Pacific Air Forces Airmen from several bases including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, will participate in Operation Christmas Drop, Dec. 10.



The U.S. Pacific Fleet Band plays a holiday selection during a performance at the International Market Place, Dec. 2. The performance is a part of the band's holiday concert series.





#### Photo by MC3 Logan C. Kellums

Fire Controlman 2nd Class Chelsea Wolsiefer, from Chesapeake, Virginia, fires a shot line from the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) to the dry cargo and ammunition ship USNS Charles Drew (T-AKE 10) during a replenishment-at-sea, Nov. 23.



### Photo by MC2 Charles Oki

Information Systems Technician 3rd Class Branden Lapovsky presents a folded American flag to Carolyn Baker, the next-of-kin of Molder 1st Class Kenneth B. Armstrong during a funeral Nov. 30 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu. Armstrong, who was identified by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency Feb. 8, was killed Dec. 7, 1941 during the attack on Pearl Harbor while serving aboard the USS Oklahoma (BB 37).

Sailors stand at the rails aboard the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108) as the ship transits along the coast of Valparaiso, Chile during a parade of ships, Dec. 2.

#### Photo by MC3 Lasheba James



### Littoral Combat Group One arrives in Chile

#### **Littoral Combat Group One Public Affairs**

Littoral Combat Group One, comprised of USS Somerset (LPD 25) and USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108), arrived in Valparaiso, Chile, Nov. 29, where they will participate in festivities celebrating the bicentennial of the Chilean Navy and in the 11th International Maritime and Naval Exhibition and Conference for Latin America (EXPONAVAL).

Sponsored by the Chilean Ministry of Defense and the is the major naval exhibition for Latin America on the Pacific coast. The four-day event focuses on naval defense and maritime security issues.

The U.S. Navy's participation helps strengthen relationships and enhance interoperability between partner nation's forces.

"The Chileans have a rich naval tradition," said Capt. Ken Coleman, commodore, Littoral Combat Group One. "As proud partners, we feel fortunate for this opportu-

Chilean Navy, EXPONAVAL nity to work alongside our the future. It is very importfellow Sailors."

> The partnership between the U.S. and Chile reflects the enduring friendship and solidarity between the United States and the nations of the Americas, who routinely work together to support security and stability in the region.

> The U.S. remains a strong partner with Chile," said Capt. Stewart Bateshansky, commanding officer of Somerset. "We (the U.S.) have supported this event in the past and will continue to do so in

ant for us to continue working with Chile's Navy, to continue

our ongoing partnership." As part of EXPONAVAL 2018 and the celebration of the Chilean Navy's 200th anniversary, Somerset and Wayne E. Meyer will participate in a parade of ships Dec. 2 and a reception hosted aboard Somerset.

At the conclusion of the in port period, the ships will get underway to participate in an array of multi-nation naval training exercises to include various types of ship handling, communications exercises, passenger transfers and gunnery exercises.

Guided-missile destroyer Wayne E. Meyer is based out of Pearl Harbor. Somerset is a San Antonio-class amphibious transport docking ship, based out of San Diego.

Littoral Combat Group One is deployed in support of the Enduring Promise initiative to reaffirm U.S. Southern Command's longstanding commitment to the nations of the Western Hemisphere.



### The 'Hope Dealer' speaks to Sailors at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

### Story and photo by MC2 Charles Oki

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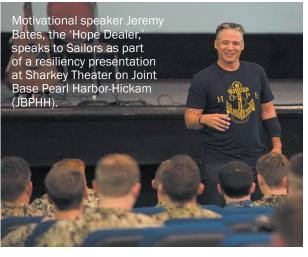
'Hope Dealer' Jeremy Bates, a motivational speaker, spoke to Sailors about drug and alcohol abuse and its effects on decision-making and mental health as part of a resiliency presentation at Sharkey Theater, on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Nov. 28.

The event was coordinated by Drug and Alcohol Program advisors (DAPA) from Commander, Navy Region Hawaii (CNRH), Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUB-PAC), and JBPHH.

"The purpose of today's event is to bring awareness to the effects of alcohol and drug abuse from someone who has seen and experienced these effects firsthand," said Brett Kulbis, COMSUBPAC alcohol and drug control officer.

"Hearing stories from a person like Jeremy who grew up in a household of drug and alcohol abuse and how he had to overcome the hardship he endured is much stronger than simply going through a PowerPoint presentation," he added.

Bates used comedy, games and music to help



connect with Sailors before speaking about his experiences. He discussed growing up in a broken home and how he manages the behavioral defense mechanisms he developed as a child while not letting his upbringing define him as an adult.

"Part of the reason of me coming out and sharing my story is to let Sailors know they aren't alone in their struggle," Bates said.

"I think it's human nature to feel like when someone is going through struggles that they're the only ones dealing with it and I think it's compounded when you wear the uniform," he added. "It's like service members have to have this persona of being someone who's larger than life, which can be isolating, so whatever they are battling, knowing that they're not alone can help lift that weight off their shoulders.'

"The truth is we all have a story and something that we've overcome. My goal is getting people to rethink the way they see that struggle," he added. "Sometimes it's the things that are the most traumatic to us that become the most vibrant parts of who we are as long as we don't let it engulf us."

CNRH provides, maintains, and improves shore infrastructure, service support and training to enable fleet operations of naval forces.

The command supports logistic requirements and deployment of joint forces as directed by combatant and service component commanders.

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Top, the U.S. Air Force Band of the Pacific-Hawaii performs during the 2017 celebration. Above, attendees make crafts in Santa's workshop.

### Tours

If you would like to learn more about the historical areas of Joint Base Pearl-Harbor Hickam take advantage of one of the MWR-run historical tours.

- Ford Island Historical Tour (Wednesdays) \$25 for adults and \$20 for children (3-11 yrs.)
- Hickam Historical Tour takes place (*Fridays*) \$45 for adults and \$40 for children (3-11 yrs.)

Visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or one of the local Information, Tickets and Tours locations at JBPHH for more information.

# **Freedom Tower: Past and Present**

#### Victoria D'Andrea-Roy

#### Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Annually, a beautiful tower lighting celebration takes place in December to gather the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) community for the holidays. This festive event takes place at Freedom Tower. Out of curiosity, do you happen to know the tower's history?

JBPHH is home to an abundance of historical memorials and buildings related to World War II. There are a variety of well-known sites such as the USS Arizona Memorial, the Pearl Harbor Submarine Memorial, the Battleship Missouri Memorial and the Courtyard of Heroes — just to name a few. However, Freedom Tower is an example of one of the sites that is not so well known.

The structure was actually built as a water tower in 1938. Capt. Howard B. Nurse led the construction of the Moorish or European-style building for a total of \$43,160.

The 166 ft. tower was able to store about 500,000 gallons of water for emergencies. Interesting fact, above the steel water tank there's a very small room, only 20 feet in diameter, which was Luckily, during the Dec. 7, 1941 attack, the Japanese didn't bomb the tower. It is rumored that they believed the tower to be some sort of religious structure, causing them to fear and not bomb it. Although it was never directly hit, the steel tank and inner staircase became damaged. Due to the surrounding bombings on the base it was never reused as a water tower.

On the 50th anniversary of Hickam Air Force Base, May 15, 1985, the water tower was officially dedicated and renamed as "Freedom Tower."

On the front of the tower, above the entry door a plaque was placed in dedication and reads, "To honor those that have served, and will serve, in the defense of our liberties, and to honor those who paid the ultimate price so that others might live in freedom."

Today, the tower stands as a monumental landmark on the base. As an annual tradition, the tower lighting celebration is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 14.

Among the usual event offerings are: a Santa Claus photo booth, live entertainment, holiday drinks and cookies, food vendors, bounce houses, holiday crafts, glow jewelry, and of course the tower lighting ceremony.

In the past, a large amount of lights covered the tower reaching to the ground. However, in the interest of "staying green," JBPHH now

facility prior to and during World War II.

offers a laser light show on the tower.

\*Most historical information was gathered from the 15th Wing's website at https://www.15wing.af.mil/

For more information on the 49th annual Tower Lighting Celebration, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Attendees participate in activities durring the 2017 celebration.

**MWR Marketing file photos** 

# **CREDO HAWAII WINTER SCHEDULE** 2019

Preregistration is required for all CREDO events. To sign up for a CREDO event, registration can be done on CREDO's Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/HawaiiCREDO/. Message or call for more information. *All events are free*.

### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREATS

- Jan. 11-13, 2019 in Waikiki
- Jan. 25-27, 2019 in Waikiki
- March 1-3, 2019 in Waikiki

### FAMILY ENRICHMENT RETREATS

- Feb. 8-10, 2019 on Oahu \*\**Tentative*\*\*
- Feb. 22-24, 2019 on Oahu \*\*Tentative\*\*

### PERSONAL ENRICHMENT RETREATS ASIST WORKSHOPS

• Feb. 15-16, 2019 at North Shore

### DINNER DATE NIGHTS

- Feb. 12, 2019 at the Officers' Club at Kaneohe Bay
- Feb. 14, 2019 at the Honolulu Country Club
- February 2019 at Pacific Missile Range Facility

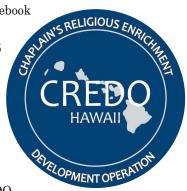
### SAFETALK WORKSHOPS

• Jan. 9, 2019 at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

• Feb. 13-14, 2019 at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

### Contact Information:

Phone: 473-1434 credo\_hawaii@navy.mil facebook.com/hawaiiCREDO





• Reservations are open for the **Information**, **Tickets and Tours Honolulu City Lights Holiday Tour**, happening nightly through Dec. 23. Take a festive ride on ITT's own trolley through Honolulu to view the city lights before stopping at Honolulu Hale and see the holiday displays. Price is \$15 for the 6 p.m. tour and \$10 for the 8:30 p.m. tour. Children 4 and under are free but must sit on a parent's lap. For more information about this event, call 473-0792.

• Ohana Paint Night creates a bonding moment for parent and child Dec. 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and every Friday through December at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. An instructor leads parents and children step by step through a featured painting of the night. Each participant leaves with their own personal masterpiece. Cost is \$35 per person, includes all supplies and is open to ages 7 and up. For more information, call 448-9907.

• A Christmas ornaments class gets crafty today from 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. This oneday session offers up new images each week (more classes on Dec. 14 and 21). Cost is \$30 per child, includes all supplies and is open to ages 7 to 14 years. For more information, call 448-9907.

• A holiday open house is happening Dec. 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. It's fun for the whole family, with make-n-takes, demonstrations, specials and giveaways, plus free hot dogs and soda while it lasts. This event is free and open to all ages. For more information about this event, call 448-9907.

• Froehliche Weihnachten is a unique opportunity Dec. 11 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam

Library. Expand your horizons and learn how Germany celebrates the holiday season. Go on a special journey as you sample some foods and learn customs. This is a free event and is open to all ages. For more information, call 449-8299.

• The Barracks Bash brings the fun Dec. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Seawolf Tower. Enjoy some free grub, hang out with your fellow service members and find out what the MWR Liberty Programs has to offer. This is a free event and is open to single, active-duty Sailors and Airmen stationed at JBPHH. For more information about this event, call 473-2583.

• The 49th annual Tower Lighting Celebration brings joy this holiday season Dec. 14 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Freedom Tower. This yearly favorite is back with tons of free activities for the kids, delicious food for purchase, free photo with Santa and a magnificent light and sound show on the tower. For more information about this event, visit www. greatlifehawaii.com.

• The Reindeer Fun Run keeps you in the fitness mindset beginning at 7 a.m. at the Hickam Memorial Fitness Center. Burn some of those holiday calories with a fun run. This is a free event. For more information, call 448-2214.

• A free advance screening of "Bumblebee" is on the silver screen Dec. 15 at 3 p.m. at Sharkey Theater. The movie is open to the first 400 in attendance. Active duty service members may receive up to four tickets while all others may receive up to two tickets. No advance tickets available. For more information, call 473-0726.

• A free advance screening of "Aquaman" splashes onto the screen Dec. 16 at 3 p.m. at Sharkey Theater. The movie is open to the first 400 in attendance. Active duty may receive up to four tickets while all others may receive up to two tickets. No





• Mixed Martial Arts Meet & Greet and Clinic hits the mat Dec. 12 at 3:15 p.m. at the JBPHH Fitness Center. Meet Bellator stars from the world of MMA. A clinic will also be held at the same time for 18 years and older (advance sign up required). This is a free event. To register for the clinic and for more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

advance tickets available. For more information, call 473-0726.

• Storytime with Santa invites deployed and EFMP families to listen to Santa and Mrs. Claus read classic and contemporary holiday stories Dec. 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the JBPHH Library. Refreshments and crafts in a festive setting adds to the warm feelings. Advance registration is required for this free event. To register, go to the Military & Family Support Center page on www.greatlifehawaii.com. For more information, call 474-1999.

• **Cookies & Canvas** gets colorful Dec. 19 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. 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.

# **WHO'OKELE** SPORTS De Hawaii Anchors claim amn Members of the 2018 JBPHH flag football championship squad Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii Anchors pose with the trophy for the second time in three years.

### Story and photos by **Randy Dela Cruz**

Sports Editor, Ho'okele

Some people questioned whether a fourth-seed team with two losses on the field during the regular season could make it to the top of the intramural flag football season.

Well, to answer that question, Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii Anchors team captain Cryptologic Technician (Networks) 2nd Class John Posey said to all of the team's critics, "A two-loss team won the championship."

In one of the most competitive and hotly contested flag football championships in years, the NIOC Anchors of the Red Division and the 613th Air and Space Operation Center (613 AOC) DBAs of the Blue Division went into overtime, where NIOC scored on its first play to earn a tough 20-14 victory and become the 2018 Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam flag football champs Dec. 2 at JBPHH Earhart Field.

NIOC returns to the top after winning it all two years ago, and as he did in 2016, quarterback Cryptologic Technician (Maintenance) 1st Class Jermaine Carmenia led the charge for the Anchors by throwing for three touchdown passes, which included the game winner in overtime.



on the next play, went deep and found Butler at the NIOC 7-yard line.

Three plays later, Rodriguez threw a high spiral to 6-foot-6-inch Lt. Marcus Hendricks, who made the leaping catch for a touchdown. A converted two-point attempt made it tied at 14-14.

The 613 AOC had one more chance to win the game and avoid overtime, but a pass to the end zone from the Anchors 20 was intercepted by Cryptologic Technician (Technical) 2nd Class Altie Holcome.

"We've already seen how the wide receiver was playing," Holcome said. "I just trusted my instincts, caught it and overtime."

On the first play in overtime, NIOC's defense stopped the 613 on a turnover and then on the Anchors' first play on offense, Carmenia ended it on a scoring pass to Cockerel.

Although 613 AOC head coach Master Sgt. Abi Scott would have preferred a different outcome, he was most gracious in defeat. With most of the team coming back, he said that he is looking forward to a return to the title game next year.

"I've got everyone from A1Cs to two lieutenant colonels on this team," Scott pointed out. "So it is totally a team effort. It's awesome to see where the team started off from to where we are right now. To come all the way to the championship, this was just a blessing." For NIOC, who has won two of the last three championships, Posey said that the mentality is to win it every year, but he admits that next year might be a little bit harder. "We got a lot of guys leaving again," he said. "You may not see the same faces, but you'll still see the same mentality, same goals, same principles and the same work ethic no matter who's out here.'

"It's one of those things where we won it two years ago and it's a great feeling, and you want that every year," Carmenia said. "This team isn't as talented as the team two years ago, but the difference is that this team has heart."

Right from the start, the 613 AOC proved that they had every right to be in the championship game by opening up the first half with a 60-yard drive to pay dirt.

Quarterback 2nd Lt. Daniel Rodriguez needed only seven



plays to get into the end zone and take a quick 6-0 lead. Rodriguez connected with Airman 1st Class Jacob Butler on a 10-yard scoring pass.

After forcing NIOC on a quick four-and-out, the 613 was on the march once again and appeared to score on a bomb from Rodriquez to Butler that covered 44 yards. However, the play was called back due to a penalty – forcing the 613 to punt.

The Anchors took advantage of the second chance and made the 613 pay by going on a 60-yard drive to the end zone. The final play came on a three-yard pass completion from Carmenia to Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) 3rd Class Aaron Cockerel.

NIOC took the lead going into halftime after converting on their point-after-touchdown attempt to make it 7-6. In the Rodriguez picked up a clutch second half, NIOC needed

only three plays to cover 60 vards and score their second touchdown of the game. Receiver Lt. j.g. Donald Henning traveled 43 yards on a catch-and-run all the way to the house to help NIOC take a 14-6 advantage.

Still, just as they have done all through the playoffs, the 613 AOC wasn't done just yet.

On fourth and short, first down at midfield and then

### Kilauea Military Camp open again after volcano eruption

### **Kilauea Military Camp**

(KMC) is now open to eligible patrons months after the eruption of Kilauea Volcano.

KMC, a Morale, Welfare and Recreation facility on the island of Hawaii, reopened for business Sept. 22 following Kilauea Volcano's summit activity within Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

A post-event assessment of KMC property was completed in August, according to the facility's Facebook page.

We are happy to report minimal damage to our historic facilities and lodging units," the post stated. "KMC staff is in the process of prompt cleanup of camp buildings and grounds, and fresh resupply to retail outlets and Food & Beverage operations."

KMC sits on 52 acres with many historic touches that have been preserved. KMC offers a variety of lodging and amenities.

Patrons may partake in a variety of activities during Kilauea Military Camp their stay such as hiking, cultural events, tennis, golf, bowling, as well as KMC tours of the island's attractions.

KMC facilities include a bowling center and snack bar, a cafeteria and lounge, banquet facilities, a general store, recreation lodge with arcade games, pool tables, table tennis, basketball and tennis courts and a fitness center.

KMC is open to all active and retired military, members of the Reserve and National Guard, active and retired Department of Defense civilian employees, dependents and sponsored guests.

For more information about KMC, visit their website at www.KilaueaMilitaryCamp. com or call 967-8333.

For more information about Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, visit https://www.nps. gov/havo/index.htm or call 808-985-6000.



KMC is now open to eligible patrons.



Senior Airman Casey Whitworth (red), a full-time lifeguard and triage response team member of the Hawaii Air National Guard, monitors Pyramid Rock Beach, Nov. 20, at Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

### Story and photos by Senior Airman John Linzmeier

### 154th Wing Public Affairs

Life-threatening scenarios seem to occur at the most random of times and places; and when they do, it's usually not a pretty scene.

While most people go about their daily lives hoping to steer clear and far away from incidents, there are others who strive to be in positions where they can offer help at the forefront of emergency.

For Senior Airman Casey Whitworth, it's hard to imagine a lifestyle that doesn't involve helping others. As a full-time beach lifeguard at Marine Corps Base Hawaii and medical first responder in the Hawaii Air National Guard, Whitworth's lifesaving skills can be called upon at any time.

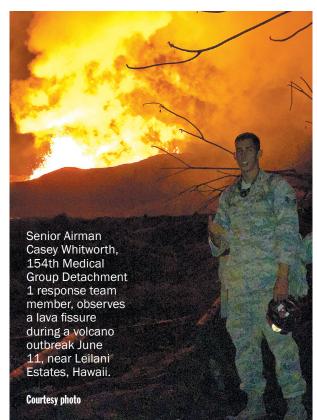
"I always knew I wanted to be in sort of emergency response, like my uncle who's a paramedic. His job seemed like a lot of fun, so I ended up following in his footsteps, and now we're working together in the same unit," Whitworth said. "It really turned out to be a fast-track way to get some quality career experience."

By the age of 19, Whitworth became a certified emergency medical technician in the 154th Medical Group's All-Hazard Triage team, assigned to Detachment 1.

The training equipped him with skills to aid victims affected by chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear environments amongst other hazards. Two years later, he was hand-picked to complete an EMT bridge program at Kapiolani Community College. The accelerated course served as a scholarship and hands-on internship, making him an employable and licensed technician in the state of Hawaii.

Within the last six months, he engaged in a variety of crisis events, consisting of hurricanes, the Big Island volcanic outbreak and, most recently, a downed helicopter rescue that occurred on a sandbar in Kaneohe Bay.

shift Oct. 22, he was informed about a commercial- drive and mentality rubs off and elevates our newer question his ability to succeed in whatever he puts helicopter crash over the radio. He and two other Airmen. Especially for guys like Whitworth, who his mind to." lifeguards boarded a jet ski and made their way to the crash site, where they found several bystanders attending to the fallen aircraft. Both parties worked together to ensure a quick recovery. It was a kind of surreal experience," Whitworth said. "When I was triaging the victims, it was hard to believe that they could make it through a helicopter crash in their condition. They didn't appear to have any outstanding injuries, so it was pretty miraculous.<sup>3</sup> Tide levels continued to drop throughout the extraction, making it more challenging to bring passengers back to shore. Whitlock and the rescue team ended up dragging the watercraft and a victim through an estimated 150 to 200 meters of shallow water, said to be only a few inches deep at some parts. With the help of a few good Samaritans, all victims made it to shore safely, and two passengers were healthy enough to fly back to their home in the mainland U.S. the next day. While recovery operations tend to be grueling and, in less fortunate cases, full of heartache, emergency response members seem to fully embrace the occasional hardships and relentless training that come with the job. According to Senior Master Sgt. Jared Mina, Detachment 1 superintendent, Airmen like Whitworth barely need to think about what to do in rapid-response scenarios because their reactions



happen instinctively, due to the extensive amount of training and variety of expertise in his unit.

Most of the Airmen assigned to Detachment 1's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, High Yield Explosive Enhanced Response Force Package are medical professionals in the civilian sector. In addition to their military title, many of them are fulltime doctors, nurses, physician assistants, firefighters, paramedics, college instructors and lifeguards.

"Being surrounded by a community like this As Whitworth was wrapping up his lifeguard makes all the difference," Mina said. "Because the ability to execute over the years, I see no reason to

joined straight out of high school. I've seen him go through a tremendous amount of growth because he's surrounded by people who have been doing this kind of work for years.'

Unlike most agencies in the 154th Wing, which typically have a few days to mobilize and deploy, CERFP Airmen need to be ready to gear up and head out the door within hours. Mina said this shortdispatch window is hardly an issue in Detachment 1, since Airmen often volunteer before being asked to deploy. This was especially the case during this year's volcano outbreak on the Big Island when medical teams were embedded into Joint Task Force 5-0 to provide a medical presence.

"Since it's my passion, I see every call as an opportunity," Whitworth said. "In this case, I got to see volcanic eruptions, which was an incredible. one-time experience. I think people don't sign up because they want to stay home and do nothing; it's because they want to go through something which they couldn't do otherwise."

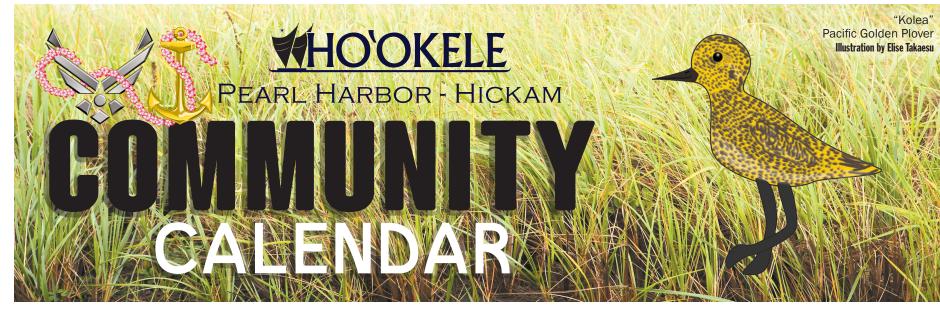
With an extensive network of medical professionals in the CERFP community, which he calls 'a second family,' Whitworth has plenty of directions to take his life-saving career within the Hawaiian Islands. But for now, his aspirations are to further his military career and become an active-duty pararescueman, which is no small feat.

This special operations position entails more than 500 days of intensive training, prepping the Airman to carry out rescue missions in hostile or otherwise unreachable areas. Approximately 70 to 80 percent of candidates who set off to take the pararescue indoctrination course are unable to complete the training due to mental or physical limitations.

Regardless of the course's high washout rate, Whitworth's leadership has shown nothing but support and confidence in his long-term goals.

'Honestly, I'm sure that anyone here would be very surprised if he doesn't make the cut," Mina said. "After watching his performance and seeing his

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### **NAVCO OFFERING SHOUT-OUTS**

**NOW** – The Navy Office of Community Outreach (NAVCO) is offering another opportunity to create and share short, recorded shout-outs (15-20 seconds) with a Navy key message for all Sailors. Call the toll-free number: 1-855-OUR-NAVY (1-855-687-6289) before Dec. 17 at 8 a.m. EST. Have the below script ready and follow the recorded voice directions after calling. Wait for a three to five-second pause after voice directions and record message after beep. NAVCO asks that participants speak audibly, clearly and with enthusiasm. The script is as follows:

"Hi, I'm Navy (rank) (full name) from (hometown), (home state) and currently serving at (command) or aboard (ship), operating out of (duty station) or forward in the (AOR) providing the Navy the nation needs.

I want to wish my (spouse, family, mom and dad) and everyone in my hometown of (hometown) happy holidays (or Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, etc.) and a Happy New Year! I hope to see you all very soon. Go Navy!"

Sailors should tailor it to their command, area of responsibility, hometown and family. Hang up and the audio file will automatically be sent to NAVCO's email.

Once received, NAVCO will thoroughly screen and share usable audio files with a full range of radio media outlets in the Sailor's hometown. Shout-outs will be unusable if the message is indiscernible.

### **PACFLT BAND TO PERFORM**

**DEC. 8, 12, 14** – The U.S. Pacific Fleet Band has upcoming performances scheduled for Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. at Ka Makani Ali'i Center in Kapolei, Dec. 12 at 6 p.m. at Hickam Memorial Theater and Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. at Kailua District Park.

### **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

**DEC.** 8 – Authorized patrons may attend the annual Breakfast with Santa on the NEX food court lanai from 8 to 9 a.m. Get a glitter tattoo, make holiday cards for your family and more. Tickets are on sale now. For more information, call 423-3287.

### BLOOD, PLATELET DONORS NEEDED

### DEC. 26 AND 27,

JAN. 2 AND 3 – Consider donating blood or platelets this holiday season. Donors are needed Dec. 26 and 27, as well as Jan. 2 and 3, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call Tripler Army Medical Center's Blood Donor Center at 433-6148.

holiday card-making, photo booth sessions and more. No purchase necessary. For more information, call 423-3287.

### PET ADOPTION EVENT

**DEC. 9** – Authorized patrons may adopt a pet at the NEX Pet Shop Dec. 9 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call Stephanie Lau at 423-3287.

### GREEN CARD/IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

**DEC. 10** — This workshop is scheduled from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This class will provide step-by-step instructions and help navigate the U.S. citizen immigration application process. Call 474-1999 for more information.

### 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS WITH USO JBPHH

**DEC.** 10–21 – The details for the 12 Days of Christmas with USO JBPHH, an online Facebook contest, can be found at www. facebook.com/USOJBPHH. The first challenge is scheduled for Dec. 10. Participate in each daily challenge for a chance to win a prize. Details and rules apply.

### **NAVFAC HAWAII HIRING EVENT**

Photo by Kristen Wong

**DEC. 12** — NAVFAC Hawaii's hiring event is scheduled from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 12 at Aloha Tower Multipurpose Room 3. There is a wide variety of positions available including: engineers (e.g. electrical, mechanical, structural), architects and more. Bring your resume and be prepared for an interview. Direct questions to navfachrohawaii@navy.mil.

### TRANQUIL SEAS: MINDFULNESS AND SELF-CARE

**DEC. 12** — 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. It is not a luxury. It is a necessity. Learn ways you can build self-care into your daily routine, be mindful through your activities and reach your fullest potential. For more information, call 474-1999.

### EFMP COFFEE TALK

**DEC. 13** — The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) is hosting a coffee talk,

trash pickup. Volunteers ages 12 and older are welcome to join. Ahua Reef Wetland is located on the Hickam side of JBPHH, near Hickam Harbor and Hawaii Air National Guard. Parking is available. Closed-toe shoes are required. Expect to get wet and muddy – Wellington boots, long sleeves and pants are recommended. Additionally, bring sunblock, water, hat and snacks. Please RSVP to Noel Dunn by email at Ashley.n. dunn.ctr@navy.mil or at 224-249-2180.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**DEC. 17–20** – Makalapa Elementary School is looking for volunteers for their upcoming Holiday Shop, Dec. 17-20 from 9 a.m. to noon. If interested, contact Kasey Lahousse at Kasey\_Lahousse/MAKALAPA/ HIDOE@notes.k12.hi.us or 421-4110. The school also seeks a military command to partner with for future events.

### Upcoming projects include:

- December classroom projects
- April Reading books to classrooms to support Read Across America
- May Field Day Volunteers to run stations

Commands who wish to volunteer for or partner with a school can contact Melissa Johnson, the JBPHH MFSC school liaison officer at 471-3673.

### **USO MOVIE ON THE LAWN**

**DEC. 21** — The USO JBPHH Movie on the lawn, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," is scheduled at 7 p.m. The event is open to active duty service members and their families. The event will be held at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam AMC Terminal Lawn at 355 Mamiya Avenue, building 2028. Refreshments will be provided. Bring blankets and low-seated chairs.

### **BLESSING OF THE BIKES**

**JAN. 11** – The Blessing of the Bikes is scheduled from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. The event is a chance for motorcycle riders on base to have their bikes blessed for the new year. The purpose is to pray for safety for each rider. There will be chaplains of various faiths and denominations present. This event is open to all riders on JBPHH. Information about other programs will be provided as well as refreshments while they last. Just ride up to chapel through the roundabout. For more information, contact Chaplain Nick Suddath at 334-707-2343 or suddatn@cg73.navy.mil.

### **HOLIDAY HEROES**

**DEC.** 8 – The Holiday Heroes event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Navy Exchange Mall at Pearl Harbor food court lanai. There will be ornament making,

### **ACING THE INTERVIEW**

**DEC.** 11 — This class is scheduled from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at MFSC Wahiawa. This class teaches people how to approach job interviews. Call 474-1999 for more information about the class. Dec. 13 from 9 to 10 a.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. Learn, share and connect with other EFMP families. For more information about the event, call 474-1999.

### **AHUA REEF RESTORATION**

**DEC. 14** — Help restore a coastal wetland by creating habitat for native plants and birds, Friday, Dec. 14 from 8 to 11 a.m. Activities include pulling invasive weeds and



# **MOVIE SHOWTIMES**

### **Sharkey Theater** Friday - Dec. 7

7 p.m. • Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (3-D) (PG)

### SATURDAY - DEC. 8

2:30 p.m. • Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (PG) 4:40 p.m. • The Nutcracker and The Four Realms

(3-D) (PG)

6:50 p.m. • Overlord (R)

### SUNDAY - DEC. 9

1:30 p.m. • Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (3-D) (PG)

3:50 p.m. • The Nutcracker and The Four Realms (PG)6 p.m. • Hunter Killer (R)

THURSDAY – DEC. 13 7 p.m. • Nobody's Fool (R)

### **HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER**

FRIDAY – DEC. 7 7 p.m. • Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (PG)

### SATURDAY - DEC. 8

3 p.m. • The Nutcracker and the Four Realms (PG) 6 p.m. • Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (PG)

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**THURSDAY – DEC. 13** 6:30 p.m. • Overlord (R)

### The Nutcracker and the Four Realms

A young girl is transported into a magical world of gingerbread soldiers and an army of mice.