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Upcoming Events

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill Open House & Town Hall: Sept. 17 at American Veterans Hawaii (AMVETS) West Oahu Veterans Center, 5001 Iroquois Ave., Ewa Beach, from 5-7 p.m. Subject matter experts will be available to answer questions from attendees.



Rear Adm. Rich Jarrett Assumes Command of Navy Region Hawaii

Rear Adm. Brad Collins relinquished command of Navy Region Hawaii to Rear Adm. Rich Jarrett during a change of command ceremony this morning at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Jarrett was previously commander of Navy Region Southwest, where he managed the region's 10 primary installations, overseeing base operating support functions and regional coordination for naval bases across California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico. Collins will assume command of Navy Installations Command in Washington D.C.



USS Montana Returns to JBPHH Following First Deployment

Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS Montana (SSN 794) returned to its homeport at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam last week following its maiden deployment. Montana steamed more than 40,000 nautical miles and performed missions across the spectrum of undersea warfare operations in support of a free and open Pacific region. Montana is assigned to Submarine Squadron 1 and is capable of supporting various missions, including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface ship warfare, strike warfare, as well as intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance.



Military Medical Personnel Sharpen Trauma Skills

Military medical personnel took part in advanced trauma training last week to prepare them to perform lifesaving procedures in real-world emergencies. The The Armed Forces Advanced Trauma Training course combined classroom instruction with hands-on cadaver lab training to build lifesaving skills not easily replicated during routine training at home stations. Participants practiced treating traumatic injuries such as bleeding control, airway management, vascular access, ultrasound, fracture stabilization, suturing, and chest injury care.



Students Explore Engineering Careers at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

Over the summer, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Facility welcomed high school students from the University of Hawaii at Manoa's Junior Engineers Summer STEM Experience program for an exclusive behind the scenes tour hosted by the shipyard's Transformation Office. As part of the UH Manoa College of Engineering, the program connects local students to real-world engineering careers through hands-on learning. The students met shipyard pros and tested their problem-solving skills through hands-on challenges.



JBPHH Hosts Ombudsman, Key Support Liaison Appreciation Dinner

U.S. Navy Ombudsmen and U.S. Air Force Key Support Liaisons were recognized last week for the important role they play helping military families navigate deployments, emergencies, frequent moves, and other military-life stressors. These trained volunteers – often military spouses – connect command leadership with military families, providing information and resources, and strengthening family readiness.



This Week in History: Sept. 7, 1915

On Sept. 7, 1915, the War Department began construction of several coastal gun batteries on Ford Island. The batteries were designed to defend the northern approaches to Pearl Harbor. Battery Boyd and Battery Adair were completed in 1917. Battery Adair later served as the foundation for the construction of Quarters K on Ford Island and as a shelter for the residents of Nob Hill during the attack on Pearl Harbor. Photo: Battery Adair in 1919.



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