

Naval Station Pearl Harbor
lights up the sky. . .



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Hundreds gathered at Naval Station Pearl Harbor to celebrate Independence Day festivities as Navy Region Hawaii's Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) hosted the July 4 Block Party and Fireworks Spectacular.

Active duty, military-affiliated personnel, Department of Defense (DoD) employees, family members and sponsored guests enjoyed a day filled with various local entertainers, including "Kapena," "Society of Seven LV" and the "King Pins," as well as activities for kids and adults and a wide variety of food vendors who served up some local favorites. Life-sized monster games at the main stage seating area provided fun for kids and their families. For auto enthusiasts, a car show and shine awards was presented by Oahu Motorsports.

Guests who were feeling lucky played at the Championship Poker Tournament at The Banyans and played their hand in Texas Hold'em. Also during the festivities, Sailors who wanted to stay Navy with a commitment to continue to serve our country took part in a re-enlistment ceremony.

In addition, National World Alliance Hawaii's Wrestling presented two hour-long action-packed performances and Belly Dancers in Paradise showcased their talents in dance.

To top everything off, a 20-minute fireworks extravaganza, provided by the world-renowned Gucci family, lit up the sky at Pearl Harbor.



Pearl Harbor children learn to give at vacation Bible school

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The wild, wild West was alive and well on Naval Station Pearl Harbor as groups of children and volunteers donned their western hats, bandannas and boots for vacation Bible school week June 11-15 at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. Hundreds of military parents and their keiki gathered to fellowship, learn and serve those in need.

"A Wild Ride Through God's Word!" Avalanche Ranch was the theme of the week.

The entire 'camp' of children and volunteers dressed up in the 'wild West style' and the chapel and grounds were transformed into a western mountain ranch. There were western 'campfire' songs, games and crafts galore.

Beth Denton, the chapel's Protestant director of religious education, explained that she and Angela Foster (the Catholic director of religious education) worked together to sponsor the vacation Bible school as a means of providing education about the Bible, as well as the practical application of character and integrity that the children can incorporate into their lives.



"We also have a lot of fun," said Denton. "Many parents say that vacation Bible school is a highlight of their child's year."

The week focused on five Bible points: God is real, God is with us, God is strong, God is awesome, and God is in charge. Each day was filled with

crafts, games, Bible study, drama and snacks.

Chow time was on the 'chuck chow wagon' sponsored by Wendy Holcombe and Shannon Hill. The 'camp' enjoyed grub such as s'mores, ice cream and trail mix. At the conclusion of each day, the children were sent home with printed bands around their wrists that provided

ideas of service for them to do at home in their own neighborhoods. All over the island, one could see children cleaning their rooms, helping a sibling, offering to assist a neighbor - all without being asked by an adult.

Sponsored by the Protestant and Catholic services of the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel and more than 50 volunteers, it was a week of fun and study for over 150 military children of all faiths. In addition to families who



usually worship at the chapel, there were Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force families who usually worship at 12 other churches in the community. "It was beautiful to see many churches and Christian faiths unified to share the basic doctrines of the Bible with our children," stated a parent of children who attended the week-long school.

Denton said, "I believe the military community was strengthened because when we started enrolling volunteers and training teachers, we were mostly strangers. We were brought together for a great cause and became close as family throughout the time that we planned and presented this amazing week. There was so much fun. We laughed and played and sang and whooped and hollered - all while focusing on God and His word."

The children also participated in a missions project where they learned about orphans in Africa and made them soft teddy bears that said "Jesus loves you" in English and French. They will send the bears with Bible booklets in French to the International Bible Society which will distribute the books and bears in Africa.

For more information about Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, call 473-3972.



Navy Region Hawai'i Manawa Nanea

LEISURE

Morale Welfare & Recreation

FAMILY FUN AND MOVIE NIGHT
 Navy Region Hawai'i Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host a free Family Fun and Movie Night at Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station (NCTAMS) on July 14. The family fun will begin at 6:30 p.m. with games, bounce houses and free cotton candy until the movie begins. Free popcorn will be served 15 minutes prior to the start of the movie. The movie, "Arthur and the Invisibles" (rated PG), will start at 7:30 p.m. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by someone 16 years or older. If there is inclement weather the event will be moved to the gym. FMI: 471-8658.



COME IN AND GET OUT
 Experience your Hawaiian adventure in paradise with MWR. It offers a wide range of sports activities, tournaments, programs and services. "Come in to Get Out" and go hiking, surfing, snorkeling, spear fishing, kayaking, mountain biking and more at the outdoor adventure center. Tours include equipment, guide and transportation. Or join an Intramural Sports Team. FMI: 473-1198.

For more information on Navy Region Hawai'i MWR events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com

Community Calendar



NA at a glance

N Pacific Aviation Museum-Pearl Harbor needs volunteers to share Hawai'i's aviation and military history with visitors to historic Ford Island. Volunteer opportunities are available as tour docents, education program docents, greeters and theater operations, etc. Training and instructional manual are provided. Orientation and continuing education for volunteers will be at 3 p.m. the third Saturday of every month at the museum. FMI: 441-1012 or email kt@pacificaviationmuseum.org.

Sharkey Showtimes



Georgia Rule (R)

Rebellious teenager Rachel screams, swears, drinks and is, in a word, uncontrollable. With her latest car crash, Rachel has broken the final rule in mom Lilly's San Francisco home. With nowhere else to take the impulsive and rambunctious girl, Lilly hauls her daughter to the one place she swore she'd never return—her own mother's Idaho farm. Rachel's journey will lead all three women to revelations of buried family secrets and an understanding that—regardless what happens—the ties that bind can never be broken.

TODAY
 7:00 PM Georgia Rule (R)

SATURDAY
 2:30 PM Shrek the Third (PG)
 7:00 PM Free advanced screening to the first 450 authorized patrons (R)

SUNDAY
 2:30 PM Shrek the Third (PG)
 4:45 PM Lucky You (PG 13)
 7:00 PM Bug (R)

MONDAY
 6:00PM Free advanced screening to the first 450 authorized patrons (PG 13)



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GREAT RULERS

Find the names of 34 rulers that have been proclaimed "the Great!"

AKBAR	ASHOKA
DARIUS	JUSTINIAN
MONTEZUMA	STEPHEN
ALARIC	CANUTE
FREDERICK	KAMEHAMEHA
PETER	THEODORIC
ALEXANDER	CASIMIR
GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS	LLYWELYN
POMPEY	TIGRANES
ALFONSO	CATHERINE
HANNO	LOUIS
RAMESES	VALDEMAR
ALFRED HEROD SAR- GON	CONSTANTINE
ANTIOCHUS	MITHRIDATES
IVAN	XERXES
SEJONG	CYRUS

Who said it?

"That is not to say that we can relax our readiness to defend ourselves. Our armament must be adequate to the needs, but our faith is not primarily in these machines of defense but in ourselves."

Answer to last week's **WHO SAID IT?**

"We cannot defend freedom abroad by deserting it at home."

- Edward R. Murrow

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S Independence Day word search

- Independence Day
- 4th of July
- fireworks
- picnics
- barbeque
- hot dogs
- parades
- John Hancock
- colonies
- freedom
- flag
- England
- taxes
- tea party
- king

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Q. Why is the ocean blue?

Last week's question...

What baseball great was a catcher for the New York Yankees from 1946-1963, was enlisted in the Navy during World War II and participated in the D-Day landing on Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944?

Answer...
Yogi Berra