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UH Warriors football camp puts youth through paces

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Sports Editor

The University of Hawaii Warriors football coaching staff, led by head coach Norm Chow, recently returned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) for the second year in a row to hold a youth football camp for military-affiliated children and their families.

The camp welcomed more than 200 children from ages five to 13 to a two-hour event that moved the kids along through various skill-building stations to help improve agility, catching ability and other game-useful aptitudes.

Although each station challenged the young athletes every step of the way, practically all of the participants loved the kid-friendly gauntlet organized by the UH coaching staff.

"It was a lot of fun," said 11-year-old Kate McArw. "Some of them were (challenging) and some of them weren't, but you challenge yourself. We were all working together."

Besides Chow, members of the coaching staff in attendance included offensive coordinator Aaron Price, defensive coordinator Thom Kaumeyer, linebacker coach Tony Tuioti, defensive line coach Jared Vanderbeek, secondary coach Daronte' Jones, offensive line coach Ed Ta'amu, linebacker coach Lance Samuseva, quarterback coach Jordan Wynn, running back coach Chris Wiesehan and special team coordina-

tor/safeties Chris Demarest.

After seeing how many Warriors coaches committed to the camp, Master Sgt. Mike Sanchez, Defense Information Systems Agency Pacific Command (DISA-PAC), said that he was very appreciative to the university for spending time with the children.

Sanchez, whose 10-year-old son Kaje participated in the camp, said that the opportunity goes much farther than tossing around the old pigskin.

"Honestly, I think it's twofold," he stated. "They (Warriors) get the support from the military community, and the military community learns a little bit about UH and supporting the local community."

While Sanchez admitted that he is still a diehard fan of the University of Arizona, he has gone out to watch UH a couple of times last year.

With UH continuing to show support for the military here in Hawaii, Sanchez said that he would be sure to pay more attention to the program this coming season.

"I follow (Arizona) religiously, but here, I'm a UH fan," he said. "We try to support the local team wherever we're stationed because we become part of that community."

Although Chow did make a lighthearted plea for all those in attendance to become Warrior fans, he acknowledged that the event was mainly a

small way for the team to thank the men and women serving our country.

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Chow said that he remembers stories about Dec. 7 that were told to him by his father, and those tales have helped him develop a deep appreciation for the military and historic base.

"We are protected because of all of you," Chow told the families at the camp. "Thank you for the protection and the knowledge that we have that we are well taken care of. None of us take that lightly."

Tuioti fully agreed with Chow and added that while it may seem like a lot, every person on the coaching staff was more than happy to be at the camp.

The gesture, said Tuioti, is small

compared to the dedication and sacrifice given from every man and woman in the armed forces.

"Coach Chow hit it right on the head," he said. "For us to be here is an honor. To spend a couple of hours on a Saturday is not even close to the sacrifice that these men and women give to us. This is just our way to say thank you and for them to spend some time with us. We feel like we're Hawaii's team and we represent the state. The base is a big part of Hawaii."

It's especially rewarding to spend time with the children of military families, said Tuioti, who has seven kids of his own.

"I love being around the children," he said. "They're all so playful and innocent. We can learn so much from young kids. I think if our society can be like young kids, forgiving, more playful and more helpful, I think we'd be so much better."

Following the camp, Chow reminded that if anyone missed the opportunity to visit with the team's coaching staff, then don't forget to come out and watch the team practice at JBPHH just prior to the start of the regular season.

Just like last season, the Warriors will hold a portion of their training camp at JBPHH. Stay tuned for dates, location and times.

"Last year was our first year doing it, and it was an absolutely fabulous time," Chow said. "We welcome you to come out, watch some of the practices, and meet some of the fellows and enjoy what we have to offer."



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Photo illustration

Commentary

Window on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam



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Who's gonna pay the bill?

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According to the latest figures, military installations in Hawaii and across the country are now faced with a drastic utilities shortfall due to the continuing resolution and sequestration. To make matters even worse, the cost of utilities has been steadily increasing and continues to rise.

What does that mean for all of us? Simply put, the days are gone when we can use utilities to excess with little or no regard for who is going to pay the bill. We live in a different world.

It has become increasingly more important for everyone to get on board with conserving energy and trying to help wherever we can. Truly, if everyone did a little to contribute, it would make a big difference.

No one is asking people to sweat and swelter, sit in the dark, or sacrifice their TV time, but only to be more judicious and considerate in using energy and utilities.

Too often, I have witnessed the attitude, "I'm not paying the bill. Why should I care?" In extreme cases, such indifference manifests itself in outside lights that are left on 24/7, thermostats that are lowered until condensation forms on the windows, and televisions and computers that are never turned off.

But even if you aren't guilty of so blatantly ignoring energy conservation guidelines, most of us can be a little more thrifty and conscientious about our use of energy and utilities.

Your house doesn't have to be freezing cold to be comfortable. And with the beautiful weather here in Hawaii and the frequent tradewinds, air conditioning isn't necessary on most days. Open your windows and use fans. It can get the job done.

If you aren't using something, turn it off. That applies to lights, televisions, computers, other small appliances – anything that runs by electric.

If you use a dishwasher to wash your dishes, run full loads and let the dishes air dry instead of using the heat cycle. Or grab a dishtowel and dry the dishes.

The same applies to laundry – run full loads instead of partial loads.

There are many more energy-saving tips available through your housing office, Hawaiian Electric Company and on the Internet. It isn't rocket science, more like common sense, and the information has been constantly disseminated.

Regardless of whether it's your family operating a home budget or the

Department of Defense with its vastly larger operating budget and expenditures, the bottom line is still the same. Budget shortfall + rising expenses = not enough money to pay the bills.

There is no question that the life of a military family is rough. I know this from personal experience as a young Air Force wife. This was back in the day when deployment separations were for a year at a time and there were no cell phones, computers or email. We had to rely on letters and the postal service.

As a young military couple during that time, we were not eligible for on base housing and had to live on the economy – using my husband's meager paycheck to pay for rent and utilities. It was awhile before we could even afford a car.

And this was during the draft – when joining the military if you were able-bodied was not an option. It was a difficult life, so if you're thinking that I don't know what military life is like, you are wrong. Been there, done that.

But some people don't stop to think that the benefits that are derived from serving in the military are privileges and, as such, should be enjoyed, but appreciated. Instead of an attitude of indifference, there should be an attitude of gratitude.

That homeless family living out on the coast of Waianae would love to have a roof over their heads, hot water to take a shower, and to enjoy the basic comforts of home—lights when it's dark outside and TV.

Families who live on the economy would be appreciative if there was somebody who would even help them pay part of their electric bills, much less pay the whole bill.

When you are using electric and other utilities in your home, please try to be conscientious and conserve. Keep in mind what it costs – you have seen the bills. You may not have to pay the bill, but someone has to pay it.

With the way the world is trending, budgets are going to continue to be cut and costs are going to continue to go up. Not only is conserving energy necessary, but it's the right thing to do.

It's up to each one of us to conserve our resources, help to decrease our reliance on foreign oil, and help to cut expenses.

And if we don't? That's a good question and right now, we don't know what the future holds. But one thing is for sure—someone has to pay the utility bills and one of these days, it might be you.

(We welcome comments from readers. If you have comments, please send them to: Karen.spangler@navy.mil.)



U.S. Navy file photo by Don Robbins

Children participate in a previous Vacation Bible School (VBS) event at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. This year's school will take place from July 15 to 19.

Vacation Bible School to start at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel

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Staff Writer

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held at Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from July 15 to 19. Classes will run from 9 a.m. to noon.

Every year, VBS features a different theme. The theme this year is "the high seas expedition."

"The theme will focus on high seas sailing," said Wendy Woodard, VBS director. "Children will be on the lookout for trea-

sures or 'God stops,' sightings of ways God is seen in our everyday life."

"Children will learn Bible verses each day, they will hear Bible stories, sing songs, do crafts and play games, all while meeting new friends and building relationships to last a lifetime," she said.

Parents can register their children online at <http://PHMC-vbs13.eventbrite.com>. There is no fee, and registration is ongoing until classes are filled.

VBS is also always looking for volunteers. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Woodard at wwoodard1@gmail.com.

White Plains Beach cleanup to be held July 6

As part of National Oceans Month, a cleanup of White Plains Beach and a Hawaiian monk seal educational event is scheduled for July 6.

The cleanup will run from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and the monk seal educational event will be from 9 to 11 a.m.

This event is open to everyone who wish-

es to volunteer. Attendees are encouraged to bring water, sunscreen, hat and sunglasses. Gloves and garbage bags will be provided.

For more information, call Patricia Coleman of Navy Region Hawaii Environmental Coordination at 473-0369 or e-mail patricia.colemon@navy.mil.

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Navy Marine Corps Relief Society hosts awards ceremony

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Navy Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) held a fund drive award ceremony June 21 at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel to recognize commands and individuals for their contributions to the charity.

The goal of the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society is to provide, in partnership with the Navy and Marine Corps, financial, educational and assistance to members of the naval services of the United States, eligible family members and survivors when in need.

"The commands at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam are just outstanding. With all the budget cuts happening, people are still taking care of their own here in Pearl Harbor," said Paul H. Belanger, director of JBPHH Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

This year's fund drive raised \$516,837 to help support the society's mission of



Paul H. Belanger, director of JBPHH Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS), gives his opening remarks at the 2013 fund drive award ceremony held at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Chapel. This year's fund drive raised \$516,837 to help support the society's mission of helping Sailors and Marines take care of their own.

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"I think the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society organization is very important because a lot of the money we raise goes to the Sailors and Marines," said

Information Systems Technician 1st Class Harold Andrews of Texas, assigned to Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

"I've been in for 14 years and, within those years, there were times when I was able to go to Navy

Relief and get some assistance with car repairs, bills. It's a big deal that people get recognized."

An awards ceremony is held each year to identify positive improvements and superior donations to the relief society.

"It was great being recognized," said Yeoman 1st Class Amanda McNeely, NMCRS coordinator at Naval Operation Support Center (NOSC) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"Just knowing that we generated over 300 percent more funds than we did the previous years shows that we put an effort in this year and reached out to more Sailors," she said.

More than 71 keypersons from various commands were recognized during the awards ceremony.

"I remember back in December, my mother-in-law was diagnosed with (stage four) cancer," said Andrews.

"The command took care of me, my son and my wife flying to Virginia. I had to go to Mr. (Felix) Navarro, and they provided me with some assistance with travel money so we could get down there. Navy Marine Corps Relief Society helped me a lot."

Certificates were also given for highest per capita awards, most improved over previous year, and highest contribution as well

as team spirit awards.

"I think it's a very important organization that puts 100 percent back into the Sailor and Marine pockets. I personally used the funding once to apply for a plane ticket for emergency travel. They do good things, and I appreciated everyone who donates to it. It's only helping our Sailors and Marines," said McNeely, who accepted a certificate for "outstanding small shore contributions most improved award."

Belanger added, "Navy Exchange at Pearl Harbor, comprised of all civilians, contributed \$57,000 this year. Their support has been outstanding for years, and we continue to commend and congratulate and thank them for that outstanding support."

Founded in 1904, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is a private nonprofit charitable organization. It is sponsored by the Department of the Navy and operates nearly 250 offices ashore and afloat at Navy and Marine Corps bases throughout the world.

Scholarship program helps students pay for college

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More than \$1 million in financial assistance will go to 670 students, considered to be among the nation's best and brightest, thanks to this year's Scholarships for Military Children program.

Since its start in 2001, the Scholarships for Military Children program has awarded \$1,500 scholarships to 7,412 children of active duty, Guard and Reserve, and retired service members worldwide.

The Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) participates in the program by accepting applications of eligible children and submitting their packages to Scholarship Managers, a national, nonprofit, scholarship management services organization.

Stores celebrate the achievements of their local selections with a ceremony in the commissary. These ceremonies create a lot of excitement for the military com-

munity as they acknowledge the achievements of their recipients, said Michael J. Dowling, DeCA deputy director.

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"When you think about these young men and women, they are the best of the best," Dowling said. "According to Scholarship Managers, there were 4,675 people who applied and 670 who will receive a scholarship. Doing the math, they represent the top 15 percent. This means they're exceptional."

"Many of them are high school valedictorians," he said. "This \$1,500 scholarship helps them

move forward in their pursuit of higher education."

Commissary vendors, manufacturers, brokers, suppliers and the general public fund the program through donations. All donations are applied solely to funding the scholarships, said Jim Weiskopf, vice president of Fisher House Foundation, a nonprofit organization that assists family members with temporary lodging when they visit hospitalized service members.

"We want to thank those companies that have supported this very special quality of life program every year since 2001," said Weiskopf, whose organization underwrites the cost of administering the scholarship program.

"I also want to thank the store directors. They do so much more than sell groceries. They are integral parts of their local communities."

During the selection process, Scholarship Managers reviews the applicants' grade-point averages, their extracurricular and volunteer activities, and their essays on an assigned topic.

Two of this year's 670 scholarship recipients, Kathryn Barisano and Matthew Schneck, spoke to an audience of commissary employees and industry members at the DeCA scholarship luncheon April 25. The luncheon was held during the two-day 2013 DeCA and American Logistics Association Commissary Roundtable event in Richmond, Va.

Barisano, the daughter of a retired Soldier, is a senior at Thomas Dale High School in Chester, Va. She is a member of both the National Honor Society and Latin Honor Society and, as the captain of both her school's varsity field hockey and soccer teams, earned all district, all region and metro honors in both sports. Barisano will attend James Madison University in the fall.

Schneck, also the son of a retired Soldier, is a senior at Prince George High School in Prince George, Va. where he has a 4.88 GPA and is ranked number one in his class of 410 students. He has also earned varsity letters

in volleyball, track and field, and soccer. Schneck received the William and Mary Leadership Award and is president of the Virginia Student Council Association.

He will attend Virginia Commonwealth University in the fall, where he plans to major in biomedical engineering. He is in a program that guarantees his acceptance into the university's school of medicine upon his graduation.

This year's essay topic was on the applicant's most-admired presidential first lady. Barisano wrote her essay on Laura Bush, and Schneck penned his on Eleanor Roosevelt. The three most popular topics among the scholarship recipients were Roosevelt with 224 essays; 105 for Betty Ford, and 75 for current first lady Michelle Obama.

For information about the 2014 program, check the website, <http://www.militaryscholar.org>, in December. To see a list of this year's recipients, go to the website and click "2013 Scholarship Winners Announced."

Naval Health Clinic Hawaii announces holiday hours for this weekend

Naval Health Clinic Hawaii

Independence Day weekend hours of operation for Naval Health Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) are:

- Today: Only Branch Health Clinic Makalapa will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for acute care needs. All other clinics are closed.

- Saturday: The urgent care walk-in clinic at Makalapa Clinic will be open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. for acute care needs.

- Sunday: All NHCH health care operations will be closed.

All clinics will reopen for regular business hours on Monday.

Beneficiaries can speak to a healthcare provider at any time the clinics are closed by calling the "Provider After-Hours Advice Line" at 808-473-0247, ext. 3.

For emergencies, call 911 or go to Tripler Army Medical Center. For active duty dental emergencies, call 808-864-4705. For NHCH hours of operation, visit the website at <http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/nhch>.

DEFY program open to children of active duty military

Drug Education For Youth

The Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) program is a free Department of Defense-sponsored and funded program, which will be held at Sunset Lanai at Camp H. M. Smith.

Phase I of the program will be held from July 8 to 11 and July 15 to 18. Phase II will be held one Saturday a month.

The program is open to youth ages 9-12 who are children of active duty military. The purpose of DEFY is to produce 9-12 year olds with character, leadership and confidence so that they are equipped to engage in positive, healthy lifestyles as drug-free citizens and have the necessary skills to be successful in their lives through coordinated community participation, commitment and leadership.

Phase I of the DEFY program is a summer camp that combines educational field trips, physical activity and a strong curriculum focused on developing our future leaders.

Phase II reinforces the topics covered in Phase I and provides a continuous source of positive role models who are committed to the development of military youth.

For more information, contact LS1 (SW) Chris McKean at christopher.mckean@pacom.mil or 477-9018, or IT1(IDW/SW/AW) Laura Gong at Laura.gong@pacom.mil or 477-4420.

Navy Sailor attends Air Force NCO Academy

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Seven years ago, while on a road that wasn't leading anywhere, Matthew Rodriguez decided to enlist in the United States Navy. Now, as a first class petty officer, Rodriguez has found a successful path and holds himself to the highest of standards.

"Sometimes the pressure I put on myself can be overwhelming, but then I remember that I have my shipmates and chain of command to lean back on," Rodriguez said.

For Rodriguez, the Navy isn't just a job, it is a career.

"The Navy showed me how to become a leader, and I have learned how to set an example for junior Sailors and until I joined, I never realized how many opportunities the Navy had to offer," added Rodriguez.

At the beginning of his naval career, Rodriguez was stationed in Guam with a mobile security anti-terrorism force command. However, currently, he is stationed with JBPHH Harbor Security and is in charge of the training, development and professional conduct of junior Sailors.

"MA1 Rodriguez will go into any challenge head on and come out as the victor. He has a positive attitude that is contagious to junior and senior Sailors around him," said Master-at-Arms 1st Class Paul Mobley.

That positive attitude and determination is exactly what helped Rodriguez become the first Navy Sailor to attend the Non-commissioned Officer Academy.

"When the opportunity came across my desk, Rodriguez was the only name I would consider. He is an outstanding Sailor and the best representation of harbor security," said Chief Master-at-Arms James Wooten.

Chief Master Sgt. Charles Orf



Master-at-Arms Matthew 1st Class Rodriguez (right) shares the leadership tactics he learned while at NCOA with Master-at-Arms 1st Class Brian Heinkel as they discuss their daily training operations.

explained the importance of the NCOA. "Noncommissioned Officer Academy is the second level of Air Force Professional Military Education. In order for enlisted Air Force personnel to assume the rank of master sergeant (chief petty officer-equivalent), they must attend and graduate [from] this course. The NCOA graduates receive 11 semester hours of college credit with Community College of the Air Force toward their associate's degree," Orf said.

"At first it was a culture shock, but as the course progressed, we became a team striving for one common goal, and the separation between Air Force and Navy was nonexistent," said Rodriguez.

"While attending NCOA, I was able to not only bring Navy views to the lesson plan but bring insight of the similarities and differences of the Navy and Air Force leadership and culture," Rodriguez added.

Chief Master Sgt. Sarah Sparks noted that the joint base environment was a perfect opportunity to enhance the Navy-Air Force relationship and gain perspective into each other's service.

"Having a Navy Sailor attend NCOA was a win/win for both sides. A new appreciation and understanding helps to build the partnerships we must have in the joint base environment. It was a pleasure having MA1 Rodriguez as a student here. He had the right attitude; he was open minded and eager to learn. We couldn't have asked for better," she said.

With yet another accomplishment under his belt, Rodriguez said, "The Navy has given me opportunities that I never expected and, in turn, I try to open the door for junior Sailors to achieve the same level of success."

"I am going to make something happen. I am going to be the change the Navy needs. That is my goal for my career," Rodriguez said.

He was recognized for his achievement in attending the Air Force NCOA and representing the Navy in such a positive light by JBPHH Command Master Chief Brian Ortega.

"I look forward in continuing to give our Sailors the opportunity to improve their professional development in a joint educational environment," Ortega said.



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Hickam Historical Tour will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today and July 12 departing from Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT)-Hickam. Visit the original Hickam Field Building, scarred with bullet holes from Dec. 7, 1941. Due to the graphic nature of the tour and historical accounts, this tour may not be appropriate for children under 6 years old. FMI: 448-2295.

Family/Group Sailing Instruction will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, July 6 to 27, at Rainbow Bay Marina. The course offers a brief introduction to sailing and it includes an overview in the classroom, demonstration of rigging, and some time on the water. The course is open to eligible adults and family members who are 10 years and older. FMI: 473-0279.

Portrait Drawing and Painting will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, July 6 to 27 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Students will learn steps and techniques for drawing portraits from subjects in real life and from photographs. FMI: 448-9907.

Hawaiian Quilted Pillow class will be held Tuesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. or 7 to 9 p.m. July 9 to 30 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. This class is for patrons ages 14 and older. Students will learn the "snowflake" method of cutting out a Hawaiian motif and the technique of needle turn to apply the design to a background fabric. FMI: 448-9907.

Fused Glass Jewelry class will be held 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, from July 9 to 23, at Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Each student will make a freestyle pendant in a mold and more. Wear closed-toe shoes. FMI: 448-9907.

Wilton Basic Cake Decorating will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesdays, July 10 to 31, at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The class is for patrons ages 12 and older. Gain an understanding on how to bake a cake and learn how to make and color icing. FMI: 448-9907.

Wilton Advanced Cake Decorating will be held Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:30

p.m. Wednesdays, July 10 to 31, at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The course is for ages 12 and older. Explore ways to bring your cakes and desserts to life with fondant and gum paste. The pre-requisite is Wilton Basic Cake Decorating class. FMI: 448-9907.

Intermediate Sewing will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 10 to 21, at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. This course is geared toward individuals who have a basic knowledge of the sewing machine and sewing practices. The course is open to patrons ages 16 and older. FMI: 448-9907.

Oahu Highlights Tour will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. July 11 departing from ITT-Hickam office. See major sights of Oahu on a fully narrated bus tour. Lunch is included. FMI: 448-2295.

Glass Plate Making will be held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursdays, July 11 to 25 and 31, at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Learn how to make a plate with multiple layers and colors of glass. FMI: 448-9907.

Free golf clinic will begin at noon July 11 at the Navy-Marine Golf Course. Get tips to improve your game. FMI: 471-0142

Zoo Crew Creations Art Class will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. July 11 and 12 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts class. This class is for ages 5 to 8. The course consists of two days of "wild fun" with art. Participants will draw and paint lions, tigers and monkeys. Learn watercolor techniques to complete a finished painting. FMI: 448-9907.

"Have Book, Will Travel": Craft Day will begin at 2 p.m. July 11 at the Hickam Library. Make bracelets from recycled paper beads or a chopstick picture frame. FMI: 449-8299.

Beginner Sewing will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Hickam Arts and Crafts Center. The course is open to patrons ages 13 and over. In this class, patrons will learn to use a sewing machine and basic pattern reading. FMI: 448-9907.

Summer Fireworks Cruise offers passengers a sail and a show

Patrons can combine an evening sail aboard a catamaran on the blue Pacific water, a Hawaiian sunset and fireworks and have the latest seasonal offering from Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Information, Tickets & Travel.

The Summer Fireworks Cruise sails every Friday from Waikiki Beach and cruises around the area facing the Waikiki shoreline. Mark Saruwatari, ITT's tour director, decided to add this cruise in response to the popularity of the Fireworks cruises that ITT offers in the beginning of the year.

"Those tours do very well, often selling out, so we thought customers would enjoy the sail and fireworks during the summer," said Saruwatari.

Passengers are offered complimentary beverages and enjoy each other's company as they watch the sun set into the ocean. After the sky turns dark, the passengers await the start of the fireworks show that happens every Friday evening in Waikiki.

Saruwatari added that being on the ocean aboard the Maita'i Catamaran means having one of the best, unobstructed views for the fireworks.

The tour also includes round-trip transportation from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, letting customers avoid obstacles related to traffic, parking and time.

ITT's Summer Fireworks Cruise is available every Friday through Sept. 20.

Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$25 for chil-



Photo courtesy Maita'i Catamaran

Patrons relax and enjoy the water on the catamaran used for the Summer Fireworks Cruise.

dren ages 4-12. The ITT shuttle departs from the Hickam ITT office at 6:15 p.m.

Those who are interested can visit their nearest ITT office or call 448-2295 for more information.

Hickam Library keeps kids entertained

Have you stopped by the Hickam Library lately?

They have activities and programs for all ages. Are you confused by e-books, audio books, not sure where to look or what to read? The Library Know-How session begins at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Attendees can learn how to find e-books, music and more on the computers or just browse for books. Youth can sign up for the Summer Reading Program.

"We love encouraging our patrons to read. Remember this program isn't just for kids. Adults 16 and older can enter as well to win prizes," said Jeffery Boling, reference librarian.

One of the most popular



Photo courtesy of MWR Marketing

Kids listen to an MWR library worker during preschool storytime at the Hickam Library.

events at the Hickam Library The theme on July 10 is "reptiles." The theme on July 10 is "reptiles."

Morale Welfare & Recreation

KIDS BOWL FREE

Kids can bowl up to three games free with a paying adult at the Naval Station Bowling Center from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Sundays through Aug. 25. Shoe rental is not included. FMI: 473-2574.

VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION

Registration for youth fall volleyball has begun and will continue until Aug. 3. The season runs September through December. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or call 473-0789.

SWIM LESSONS

Hickam Pool 2 will hold a variety of swim lessons beginning July 8. Classes are divided into four age groups: 6 months-3 years old, 3-4 years old, 5-16 years old, and 17 years and older. Register online at www.greatlifehawaii.com.

FAMILY HIKE

There will be a hike to Makapu' u lighthouse followed by a swim at Pele's Chair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 13. Departures are from the Outdoor Adventure Center-Fleet Store. The deadline for registration is July 10. FMI: 473-1198.

STAND-UP PADDLEBOARD

Learn the basics of stand-up paddleboarding at 9:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. July 13 at Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. July 10 is the last day to register. FMI: 449-5215.

SNORKELING AT THREE TABLES

There will be a snorkeling excursion to Three Tables inside Waimea Bay on the North Shore from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 14. Departures are from Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor. July 10 is the last day to register. FMI: 449-5215.

MWR NEWCOMERS LUNCH

A free MWR Newcomers Lunch will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 17 at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. This event features lunch, MWR information booths, sponsor tables, and activities for kids. It is open to all military-affiliated personnel during their first six months of arrival. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

SUPER GARAGE SALE

The MWR Super Garage Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Aug. 3 at Richardson Field. The event is open to the public. Admission is free for shoppers and varies for vendors. FMI: 473-0792.

Community Calendar

JULY NOW

— USS Arizona Memorial tours have returned to a full tour schedule. World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument offers tours every 15 minutes from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Tickets are available online or on a first-come, first-served basis at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. The visitor center opens at 7 a.m. and closes at 4:30 p.m. FMI: www.recreation.gov or www.pearlharborhistoricsites.org.

9 — AFCEA Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) luncheon event will be held at Hale Ikena Club, Fort Shafter. Check in is at 11 a.m. and the buffet starts at 11:30 a.m. The speaker will be Brig. Gen. Richard Simcock, deputy commander, U.S. Marines Forces Pacific. The cost is \$14 for AFCEA members who pre-register and \$17 at the door or for non-members. FMI: www.afceahawaii.org or call 441-8565 or 441-8524.

13 — Aviation daredevil stunt pilot Tom Gunn will be the first person inducted into the newly created Pacific Aviation Pioneers exhibit at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The exhibit opening, dedication and reception will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in hangar 37 and is free with museum admission. Guests are invited to take the Ford Island shuttle from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center to the museum for the event. The Gunn family will be in attendance. Gunn is the aviation pioneer best known for introducing passenger flight to the people of Hawaii. FMI: 441-1007, e-mail SpecialEvents@PacificAviationMuseum.org, or visit www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.

AT A GLANCE

Military and Family Support Center (MFSC) classes are free to Department of Defense (DoD) civilian employees, military service members and their families. Some of the MFSC course offerings for July are Stress Management, July 9, 8-11 a.m.; Anger Management, July 23, 8-11 a.m.; Couples Class: Mastering the Art of Communication, July 9, 16 and 23, 10 a.m.-noon; Managing Money and Credit, July 9, 2-3:30 p.m.; Scream-free Parenting, July 11, 18 and 25, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Call the customer service desk to register for any class. FMI: 474-1999.

Armed Services Blood Donor Program drives include July 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Naval Submarine Support Command, 822 Clark St., suite 400, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; July 9, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., PX, Schofield Barracks; July 10, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Wahiawa Annex. Check www.militaryblood.dod.mil for the latest information. FMI: 433-6699 or 433-6148 or e-mail michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.



Movie Showtimes

NOW YOU SEE ME (PG13)

"Now You See Me" pits an elite FBI squad in a game of cat and mouse against "The Four Horsemen," a super-team of the world's greatest illusionists. "The Four Horsemen" pull off a series of daring heists against corrupt business leaders during their performances, showering the stolen profits on their audiences while staying one step ahead of the law.

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TODAY 7/5

6:00 Now You See Me (PG13)

SATURDAY 7/6

2:00 After Earth (PG13)

7:00 Studio Appreciation Advance Screening – Free Admission – Rated PG-13.

Tickets are available at your local exchange food court. Seating is open to non-ticket holders 30 minutes prior to showtime.

SUNDAY 7/7

2:00 After Earth (PG13)

**SHARKEY THEATER
is closed for renovations**

Some MWR facilities and services may be subject to change. For more information, visit the JBPHH website at www.cnic.navy.mil/pearlharbor-hickam or the Navy Region Hawaii website at www.cnic.navy.mil/hawaii.



Dress like Amelia Earhart at museum event July 24

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Visitors are invited to bring the family and celebrate the famous aviatrix Amelia Earhart's 116th birthday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 24 at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor.

Goodie bags for the first 40 in costume (ages 18 and younger), plus free admission for families with at least one member dressed in Amelia Earhart and historic aviator costumes, will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in the "Dress Like Amelia Earhart" costume contest at 1 p.m.

Families with those in costume are invited to board the Ford Island shuttle and visit the museum, at no charge, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Park free at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center.

No bags are allowed inside the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center or on the shuttle. Cell phones, wallets/small clutches, and cameras are allowed but no purses or bags. There is secure baggage storage for \$3 per bag at the shuttle area.

At the museum, guests can view the museum's unique



Photo courtesy of Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

A celebration of Amelia Earhart's 116th birthday will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 24 at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor.

"Amelia Earhart in Hawaii" photo exhibit, enjoy the festivities with cake and refreshments, and meet members of the Aloha Chapter of the Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots, of which Earhart was the first president.

Guests can also meet members of Women in Aviation International. Participants are invited to bring cameras to take pictures with the period reenactors. An Amelia Earhart reenactor will also be on hand to help instruct the museum's "Flight School for Girls" that is in progress through the summer.

"This is a family event that brings the pioneers and heroes who have paved the way for women in aviation to our guests. We're honored to have Hawaii's women aviators participate, and we're honored to celebrate Amelia Earhart and her accomplishments," said Kenneth DeHoff, museum executive director. "She has a very special connection with us here at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor."

Before her disappearance, Earhart set numerous aviation records, including being the

first person to fly solo across both the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.

Born July 24, 1897, she has a special connection with the museum as she ground-looped her plane on takeoff on the historic Ford Island Runway, preventing her initial round-the-world flight attempt.

Seventy-six years ago, Earhart took a leave of absence from her Purdue University job, hopped in her Purdue-funded "Flying Laboratory" and flew around the globe. Then she disappeared.

The latest 2012 expedition to recover her plane by The International Group for Historic Aircraft Recovery (TIGHAR) claims to yield new sonar images that reveal what appears to be the wing or fuselage of an aircraft matching the dimensions of Earhart's Lockheed Electra, underwater off the coast of remote Nikumaroro Island in the southwestern Pacific Ocean. The tiny atoll is believed by some to be her final resting place.

For more information on this event, call 808-441-1004 or e-mail SpecialEvents@PacificAviationMuseum.org. Information is also online at www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.

Commentary

#Energy promoted through social media campaign

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As we face the impact of sequestration, Navy Region Hawaii (CNRH) and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) on June 25 kicked off an energy conservation campaign on social media to encourage ways to save. While switching on their think-

ing hats, CNRH will continue to post weekly "Energy Tips to the Consumer" on Facebook and Twitter to reach out to the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam community.

With Facebook's bright idea to support hashtags, this is the perfect opportunity to promote the campaign by using #Energy in status updates for Facebook users to click on, follow or use. Popularized by Twitter, hash-

tags enable users to follow specific topics happening around the world in real-time conversation. Facebook users will now be able to comment on the same topic by typing a hashtag alongside a keyword, such as #Energy in their posts.

To those unfamiliar with hashtags, they are simply words beginning with a "#" symbol that marks the topic of discussion.

Whether it's talking about

your favorite television show, a special event, sport or campaign, hashtags make it easier for users to find specific topics to engage in or create, therefore, saves you energy and less time searching.

Proven to be a powerful conversation tool in social networking, it makes targeting your reach even more powerful with online interaction.

Each week as energy tips are

posted through social media, every effort to conserve energy is vital in our daily lives. Even the smallest things like turning off a light switch, when not in use, can make a huge difference.

"Like" or "Follow" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NavyRegionHawaii or Twitter @NavRegHawaii to find out how to save energy from our weekly energy conservation tips.

Hawaii Navy Ball to celebrate service's 238th birthday

The Hawaii Navy Ball will celebrate the Navy's 238th birthday at the Hickam Officers Club on Oct. 12. This event features food, song and dance.

The goal of the Navy's Ball is to facilitate and encourage the attendance of junior service members and their families and foster a sense of pride by



sharing the rich and long-standing traditions of the U.S. Navy with our community.

This year's ball will feature guest speaker fleet master chief Marco Ramirez. He became the 16th Fleet Master Chief for the U.S.

Pacific Fleet on April 30.

The program for the Oct. 12 event includes cocktail hour from 6 to 7 p.m., dinner and ceremony from 7 to 9 p.m., and dancing and prize giveaways from 9 to 11:59 p.m. The menu will feature prime rib, stuffed chicken roulade vegetarian options, tossed salad with dressing, fresh-baked dinner rolls and ceremonial cake.

Tickets for the ball will go on sale July 15. Prices are to be determined. For more information, visit www.navyballhawaii.com.

Next summer concert scheduled for July 26

Upcoming free summer concerts for authorized patrons at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam include:

- July 26, 5:30 p.m. at Hickam Harbor, Hana Hou — the rock band of the United States Air Force Band — and the Pacific Fleet Band popular music group.

Events at the grassy area between the Fleet Store and Scott Pool are as follows:

- Aug. 23, 5:30 p.m., the Air Force Band of the Pacific's "Papana" group and the Pacific Fleet VIP Combo.

- Sept. 13, 5:30 p.m., pops in the park with Marine Forces Pacific Concert Band

For more information, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com or [Facebook.com/greatlifehawaii](https://www.facebook.com/greatlifehawaii).

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