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Competitors in the Merrie Monarch Festival perform a traditional hula.

Sailors honor Hawaii, hula heritage

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Sailors and Navy representatives based in Hawaii participated in the 52nd annual Merrie Monarch Royal Parade in Hilo on the Big Island of Hawaii April 11.

Capt. Mark Manfredi, chief of staff for Navy Region Hawaii; Cmdr. Tom Ogden, executive officer of the guided-missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93); and Sailors from the ship represented the Navy as they participated in the parade.

The parade is one of many events that took place during the week-long cultural festival known as the Merrie Monarch Festival.

The festival honors King David Kalakaua, who was called the "Merrie Monarch" for his patronage of the arts and is credited with restoring many Hawaiian cultural traditions during his reign, including the hula.

"Beyond the hula, history and heritage, what makes the Merrie Monarch Festival so impressive is just the general feeling of aloha," said Manfredi. "It's

everywhere. The spirit of friendship and the sincere welcome our Navy received from the people of Hilo is truly heartwarming."

The core of the week's events was the hula competition, which took place at Edith Kanaka'ole Tennis Stadium.

The event served as a unique opportunity for the Sailors to learn more about Hawaiian culture and interact with the local community during the celebration.

Sailors assigned to the Pacific Fleet Band marched and performed during the Merrie Monarch Royal Parade.

"It was great to be invited," said Musician 2nd Class Deanna Brizgys of the Pacific Fleet Band. "I always appreciate getting to experience and be a part of something that's so culturally significant to Hawaii."

Following the parade, Sailors participated in a luncheon hosted by the Hilo Council Navy League.



Capt. Mark Manfredi, chief of staff for Navy Region Hawaii, and Michelle Manfredi participate in the Merrie Monarch Royal Parade.



Photo Illustration: Many groups participate in the 2015 Merrie Monarch Festival.

Little Stroller Warriors reach milestone event

Story and photos by Randy Dela Cruz

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Taking a cue from their moms, little ones as young as 2 years old celebrated with their families after finishing off 13 weeks of dedication that saw the tykes run the equivalent of a marathon.

Held as part of Stroller Warriors, a worldwide organization that has been featured in "Runner's World" magazine, the mini-mile program is designed to encourage keiki to develop a love for physical fitness and, judging by the turnout, the program is doing more than well.

To celebrate the accomplishment, each of the 22 participating kids, from ages 2 through 13, and their families met at Quick Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on April 11 to run a victory lap, enjoy a game of egg relay, and receive a medal and certificate for completing 26.2 miles over the course of 13 weeks.

"This is our first time doing it," said Jessica Argo, who along with Payge Brandt are the group's lead coordinators. "It's awesome just to see the kids following in our footsteps. Some of them are so young that 26 miles over the course of three months is a huge accomplishment."

The event was so popular, Argo and Brandt needed and got some well-deserved assistance from 15-year-old Will Chace, who is a freshman at Damien Memorial High School.

Chace said that he needed to volunteer for something as part of his school curriculum and decided that the mini-mile program was the perfect fit.

Not only did he lend a helping hand, he also said that it was quite a learning experience as well.

"We basically did 13 weeks where I just kind of helped the kids," Chace said. "This was an option for community service and they (Warriors) needed a miles coordinator. It feel great. I got to learn how to meet younger kids."

When the 13 weeks were over, it was time to celebrate.

Surrounded by balloons and a party atmosphere, the children, some with their parents in tow, made one final victory lap around Quick Field.

Unlike your typical road race, everyone was a winner as each runner got a chance to break the ribbon at the finish line.



Kids in the mini-miles program dash away from the starting line.

Then to add to the festivities, the kids played a run round of egg relay before graduating on to receive their certificates and medals for a job well done.

"I almost started crying," said Brandt after the final medal was given. "It's just huge. I mean, they are so little and a lot of adults haven't accomplished something like this. So for a 2-year-old, a 5-year-old, a 10-year-old to accomplish this, it's very motivational."

Brandt went on to say that while the mini-miles program was done specially for the kids, she was also glad to say that it really is a family event.

After watching their children dedicate themselves to log in at least two miles per week, Brandt said that some parents also decided to get more involved with



From left, Jessica Argo and Payge Brandt hand Will Chace a plaque in appreciation of help with the mini-miles program.

their own wellness.

"One mom said that this really motivated her to get out and start running because her kid wanted to do mini miles," Brandt stated. "All in all, it's for the family."

Up next, Stroller Warriors have May 16 in sight for their Bridge to 10K run in

addition to their regular meetings at JBPHH every Tuesday at 9 a.m. and at Marine Corps Base Hawaii on Thursday at the same time.

For more information, visit Stroller Warriors @ Pearl Harbor on Facebook or email at strollerwarriorspearlharbor@gmail.com.



Payge Brandt, one of the coordinators for Stroller Warriors, helps her 2-year-old daughter Kinzie break the tape at the completion of her victory run.



A youth jumps up for the finish line after completing his victory lap.

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Air Mobility Squadron send 647th CES to first defeat

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On April 9, the final day of the regular season, the 735th Air Mobility Squadron (735 AMS) did something that no team was able to do: beat the 647th Civil Engineer Squadron (647 CES) Bulls.

One week before the playoffs, the 735 AMS solidified their grip on fourth place by defeating the Bulls, 46-42, in a Blue Division intramural basketball game at Hickam Fitness Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The 735 AMS enters the playoffs, which will take place on April 18, 19 and 20, with an overall record of 9-2 while the 647 CES takes a 10-1 mark and Blue Division's No. 1 seed into the postseason.

"That was the result of two halves played well," said AMS post player Tech. Sgt. Marco Knight. "This was a victory, but more than that, it showed that we can run."

Previously, the AMS came out strong against two other powerhouse teams but faded in the second half.

This time, the team not only got out to an 8-0 start against the Bulls but also sustained momentum throughout the game to hold on to the win.

Although the Bulls did tie the game at 8-8 on a lay-up by Staff Sgt. Brian Sanders and went on to take the lead at 10-9, the 735 AMS responded big time by going on a 10-0 run to take a 19-10 advantage.

After falling behind, Tech. Sgt. Jared Flores splashed down a three-pointer plus a basket before Knight knocked down his first shot of the game and Sgt. Jason Huestis completed the run with a trey.

The 10 consecutive points paved the way for the 735 AMS to take a 22-15 lead into halftime.

In the second half, the 735 AMS stayed in control for the first five minutes of play, but then things began to get a little tight when the Bulls fought hard to get back into the game.



Tech. Sgt. Marco Knight goes up for a jumper in the lane for two of his 10 points.

Down by eight points for most of the early minutes in the second half, the Bulls found themselves trailing by only four when Sanders sank two free throws to make it 29-25.

The 735 went back up by nine points at 34-25 on a basket by Knight and a trey by Staff Sgt. Jason Lockhart, but back came the Bulls.

A basket by Sanders cut the lead back down to four at 34-29 and then with only 3:03 on the clock, Sanders connected with teammate Staff Sgt. Antwun Cotton on a fast-break lay-up to bring the Bulls to within a point at 37-36.

Back the other way, with the AMS needing a basket, Flores looked down to the right block where Knight was battling for position.

Flores drove baseline and got the ball to Knight, who made the catch and went up to nail a turnaround jumper for a 39-36 lead with 2:15 remaining on the clock.

"I just wanted it," Knight said about his clutch shot. "That's my move, the post move down with a little bit of fade off the backboard. I wanted it, we needed it and it happened."

After the shot by Knight, Huestis added a free throw on a technical foul to make it a four-point game at 40-36, which the 735 maintained until the end.

"We flat out just got outthustled today," said Bulls head coach Tech. Sgt. Antonio Robinson after the loss. "We weren't moving the ball. It was one shot down, nobody rebounding and everybody trying to run back."

Robinson also admitted that the absence of post-player Staff Sgt. Labronze Paden did hurt the team but added that the loss wouldn't do anything to affect the Bulls chances in the playoffs.

"We got confidence and we got a chip on our shoulder," Robinson said. "We'd rather take the loss now than in the playoffs."

For the 735 AMS, the team is flying high after ending the season with a win over one of the top squads on JBPHH.

While Knight stated that there are still things to work out before the postseason, he feels that the time is now.

"I don't think you can say you're completely together, but I think we're definitely ready for the playoffs," he said.

Brooms come out as HIANG sweep doubleheader

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Softball season is just getting started, but you couldn't tell that from the way the Hawaii Air National Guard (HIANG) kicked off the 2015 intramural season.

On April 13, playing in the wide-open spaces of Ward Field, the HIANG broke out the sticks early and often to sweep a doubleheader and open the new season with a bang.

In game one, the HIANG got four inside-the-park homers to take a 12-5 decision against Afloat Training Group Middle Pacific (ATG MidPac) and then topped off the nightcap with an 18-3 mercy-rule victory over Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility (FACSFAC).

"We just came out of our air guard season," said power-hitting shortstop Staff Sgt. Kal Lopes. "Everything we're doing right now is prep for our HIANG team to go to Missouri for the national tournament. Everybody is just trying to get reps before that."

Lopes, who figures to be one of the top bashers on base, quickly got things started in the first game by following a pair of singles from Staff Sgt. Donovan Chikazawa and Master Sgt. Lance Takasawa with a line shot

that got past the outfield and rolled to the left-field fence for a three-run dinger.

Then after a one-two-three inning by pitcher Chief Master Sgt. Vince Ramos, the HIANG took an 8-0 lead after an RBI single by Tech. Sgt. John Fukumoto and a three-run, inside-the-park blast to right field by Takasawa.

ATG finally got on the scoreboard on an RBI single by Chief Operations Specialist Alex Garcia in the bottom of the second and then cut the lead down to five on a two-run, inside-the-park job off the bat of Chief Information Systems Technician Matt Butler in the bottom of the third.

However, no sooner did the ATG started to do some damage, the HIANG bats came back live.

The HIANG got a run back on a sacrifice fly from Chikazawa to drive in Fukumoto, who led off the top of the fourth with a triple.

Then with one out and one man on in the top of the fifth, Staff Sgt. Eugene Winchester picked up the HIANG's third inside-the-park homer to drive in two runs.

One inning later, Lopes closed out the books for good, when he launched a towering moon shot over the heads of the outfielders – allowing Lopes to jog into home plate for his second HR of the game.

"It felt good," said Lopes when asked how the ball felt coming off his bat. "I'm just try-

ing to see if I can get good pitches. It's all pitch selection."

In the nightcap, FACSFAC jumped on Ramos in the top of the first inning to take a 3-0 advantage.

The HIANG nipped away at the lead with two runs in the bottom of the first inning and then exploded for six in the second and eight in the third before getting the mercy-rule win with two runs in the bottom of the fourth.

Lopes said that while the competition is always tough, he is feeling pretty good about the HIANG's chances to challenge for the title once again.

Two years ago, the HIANG won it all and many of the players that competed on that team are members of this year's squad.

"We always try to prepare ourselves to be as best as we can," Lopes said. "It's just a matter of fighting our schedules because some guys work night shift."

While it's always good to win, Lopes said



Master Sgt. Lance Takasawa touches home plate ahead of Staff Sgt. Kal Lopes, who followed his teammate to complete an inside-the-park, three-run homer.

that the thing that makes playing for HIANG so great is that they always have fun and this season won't be any different.

"It's just awesome," he said. "We don't talk about the other teams, we just talk about our own team. It's all in good fun, but when it's time to turn it on, I think we can turn it on."

Blood drive schedule announced

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives.

- April 22, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hickam Exchange, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.
- April 27 and 28, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3rd Marine Regiment, Marine Corps Base Hawaii.
- May 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., oceanside lobby entrance, Tripler Army Medical Center.
- May 6, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., main exchange, Schofield Barracks.

For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.



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Closed captioning and audio description available at Sharkey Theater

Helen Ko Zukeran

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Operators of Sharkey Theater are introducing new features designed to help hearing and vision-impaired customers enjoy their movie experience.

Mike Parks, motion picture projectionist, helped set up the system at Sharkey Theater and said these personal devices are available upon customer request.

For the hearing-impaired, a closed-captioning viewing system device is equipped with a small rectangular screen that attaches to the cup holders in the theater seats. Customers can adjust the screen to

their height preference, and the screen is dim so it is not intrusive to other moviegoers. Customers have the convenience of choosing to sit anywhere in the theater, as the device is not mounted to a particular seat.

For the visually impaired, a small, handheld audio description device with a headset is provided that provides two options to view a movie — dialog or descriptive dialog.

The descriptive dialog is a visual narrative of what's being shown on the big screen. For example, it would narrate the events that are happening, such as "The van started and left the street."

The dialog version narrates exactly what is being said on the movie screen. This would work best for those who are also hard of hearing.

Each handheld device has an adjustable volume on the side to turn up or down for customers' preference.

Both devices will be available in late April, said Millie Gomes, theater program



A handheld audio description device for the visually impaired.

director for Sharkey Theater. They have a total of 35 closed-captioning devices and 40 handheld headsets available. The devices will be charged and set up for the movie, and theater staff will be available to help if patrons need assistance with the device.

"I've only had one customer ask whether or not Sharkey Theater had these available. Unfortunately, at that time we weren't set up for it," Gomes said. "Now, I'm happy to say that we can provide the services to the hearing and vision-impaired. I hope I get to see the family back here now that we've set it up."



Millie Gomes, theater program director, demonstrates how the closed caption-viewing device is used in a movie.



Live the Great Life



MWR Marketing photo
The tide touch pool will be one of the available attractions for kids and adults at Hickam Harbor's Earth Day celebration.



MWR Marketing photo
ITT's Chinatown Food and Historic Tour includes visits to shops and restaurants.

Patrons can celebrate Earth Day at Hickam Harbor

Justin Hirai

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Morale, Welfare and Recreation

The third annual Earth Day celebration at Hickam Harbor will begin today and will continue from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

A scavenger hunt and camping at the harbor take place this afternoon, with required pre-registration with the Hickam Harbor offices. All scavenger hunt spaces are filled. However, for those who would like to go down to watch or cheer

teams on, the event begins at 4:30 p.m.

Patrons who will be camping at the harbor are allowed to start setup at 4 p.m. today and need to break down at 9 a.m. April 18. Patrons can call Hickam Harbor at 449-5215 by 4 p.m. today to see if campsites are still available.

Tonight's festivities at the harbor will end with a movie on the beach, set to start at 7 p.m. The harbor staff will select a film suitable for all ages and s'mores will be available to snack on while supplies last. Event organizers encourage patrons to bring blankets to sit

on and drinks and snacks as they watch the movie.

On Saturday, patrons are invited to bring their families to the harbor for a day of learning and games. There will be free activities including informational booths, a tide touch pool, a monster-coloring mural and music. New events this year include a rain gutter regatta, pirate sailing tours and a water gun station. Food will be available for purchase from the Sam Choy's food booth.

For more information on the event, call Hickam Harbor at 449-5215 or visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

New program offers deals to military patrons

Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Morale, Welfare and Recreation at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam recently introduced discounted prices on activities, attractions and restaurants with the launch of the Great Life Hawaii (GLH) Deals program.

"The Great Life Hawaii Deals Program offers our authorized patrons a special price on activities every week. It is delivered through our hotlist every Wednesday. Our customers can enjoy discounts of up to 50 percent on activities, but they are available only for a short 30-day window," said Jeffrey Harris, marketing director.

Harris said the program started as a vision to entice customers to try activities they may not have thought about doing before with big discounts.

This week's hotlist features the first deal, a discount on the monthly Chinatown Food

& Historic Tour offered by MWR Information, Tickets & Travel (ITT). Future possible deals will include offers from base restaurants, golf courses and Hickam Arts & Crafts classes, Harris said.

Customers can opt in to the GLH hotlist email to receive the newest deal each week. They can go to www.greatlifehawaii.com, click on the envelope icon, and type in their information and choose weekly hot list.

Each new deal that comes up will be available for purchase for four weeks. Depending on the offer, some limitations may apply, such as the amount of deals available for purchase and the expiration date for redemption.

Harris said that because MWR at JBPBH encompasses a wide range of activities, the GLH Deals program should appeal particularly to those new to the base and those looking for new adventures.

"The customers will get fantastic savings on some exciting new activities and might enjoy trying something they haven't tried before," Harris said.

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Free Golf Clinic will begin at 9:15 a.m. Saturday at Barbers Point Golf Course. FMI: 682-1911.

2015 Creative Writing Contest Awards Party will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Winners will be announced in the short story and poetry divisions for each age category: children ages 6-10 years old; young adults ages 11-18 years old; adults ages 19 years and older. Refreshments will be served. FMI: 449-8299.

Late Night Cosmic Bowling Special will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the Hickam Bowling Center. Patrons can bowl for \$15 per lane per hour, or \$25 per lane for two hours. This special is good for a party of four or more people. Shoe rental is not included. FMI: 448-9959.

Half-Price Aeration Special will run from April 21 through April 26 at Barbers Point Golf Course. Green fees will be half-price during aeration of the greens and turf. The course will be closed all day April 20 before the half-price aeration special begins. FMI: 682-1911.

Monthly Parent Night: Stress Awareness will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. April 21 at the Hickam Teen Center. Families of teens ages 13 to 18 years old are invited to this free monthly event. Food will be served. New families are always welcome. FMI: 448-0418.

MWR Newcomers Luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 22 at Tradewinds Club ballroom. There will be a free buffet lunch, MWR information booths, sponsor tables, prizes and giveaways and activities for the kids. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

National Library Week: Miniature Library Contest entry deadline is April 22 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Kids and teens can create a library diorama (a 3-D miniature model) in a shoebox using any type of materials. All entries will be displayed in the library and voted on by library staff. There is no fee to enter the contest. FMI: 449-8299.

Mongolian BBQ will be offered from 5:30 to 8 p.m. April 23 on the lanai of the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. A variety of meats, veg-

etables and sauces will be available. Rice, noodles, soup, beverages and fortune cookies are included. FMI: 448-4608.

Dive-In Movie will be shown from 6 to 9 p.m. April 24 at Hickam Pool 2. Patrons can bring their own floats and watch a free family-friendly movie. FMI: 260-9736.

Chill & Grill Plus 9-Ball Tourney will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 24 at Brews & Cues. Patrons can eat free appetizers and play in a pool tournament. There is no charge to participate. FMI: 473-1743.

"Operation: Megaphone 2015" Teen Lock-In will be held from 7 p.m. April 24 to 7 a.m. April 25 at the Hickam Teen Center for youth ages 13 to 18 years old. Military youth across all branches of service will be connecting around the world. There will be bowling, food, a photo booth and games. The cost is \$25 or \$20 with a canned food donation. FMI: 448-0418.

Spearfishing Excursion will begin at 9 a.m. April 25 at the MWR Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor of-

fice. Participants need to have taken MWR's "Learn to Spearfish" course, as the skills needed for this activity can be moderate to difficult. The cost is \$20. The sign-up deadline is April 22. FMI: 449-5215.

Waimano Pools Hike will begin at 9 a.m. April 25. MWR Outdoor Adventure Center staff will take participants on a trail through a strawberry guava forest. This is a moderate to strenuous hike. The cost is \$15. The sign-up deadline is April 22. FMI: 473-1198.

Bottom Fishing excursion will depart at 8:30 a.m. April 26 from the MWR Outdoor Recreation-Hickam Harbor office. This trip is suitable for both experts and beginners and includes gear, bait, guides and boat. The cost is \$30. The sign-up deadline is April 23. FMI: 449-5215.

Stand-up Paddleboarding at Haleiwa excursion will begin at 8:30 a.m. April 26. MWR Outdoor Adventure Center staff will take participants to paddleboard along Anahulu Stream in Haleiwa and to the beach if conditions are right.

Transportation and gear will be provided. The cost is \$30. The sign-up deadline is April 23. FMI: 473-1198.

Spring Craft Fair Vendor applications will be accepted now through April 20 for mail-in civilian vendor registrations and through May 1 for walk-in and military-affiliated vendors. The 40th annual Spring Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 2 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. All items sold need to be handmade by participants. The cost is \$75 for a 15-foot-by-15-foot space, or \$105 for two to share a space. FMI: 448-9907.

Bowled Over by Books reading program for youth in kindergarten through 12th grade is ongoing through May 16 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. Children receive a bookmark with 10 empty spaces on the back. Each week that they check out materials, library staff will place a sticker on the bookmark that entitles them to a free game of bowling at the Hickam or Naval Station Bowling Centers. FMI: 449-8299.

Community Calendar

APRIL

NMCRS FUND DRIVE EXTENSION

NOW — This year's Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) fund drive has been extended until April 24. The effort supports fellow Sailors and Marines in need with a donation such as cash, check, allotment or credit card (done solely online). FMI: email Michael.t.bird@navy.mil.

EARTH MONTH AT NEX

TODAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY — The Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and other Earth Day partners will welcome all authorized patrons to "think green" from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. today and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the NEX outdoor living center. The activities will include eco-friendly demonstrations, information booths, games, products, giveaways and drawings for prizes. FMI: 423-3274.

MONTHLY PARENT NIGHT

21 — Parents and families of teens are invited to attend a free monthly parent night event with the theme of "stress awareness" from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hickam Teen Center. Food will be served. FMI: 448-0418.

FLEET LOGISTICS CENTER EARTH DAY EVENT

22 — Fleet Logistics Center will host an Earth Day event from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pier Kilo 8. Displays will include information about storm water, coconut rhinoceros beetles, Navy Region Hawaii recycling, Navy Region Hawaii energy, Hawaiian monk seals and archaeology.

HICKAM COMMUNITIES EARTH DAY EVENT

22 — Hickam Communities will host an Earth Day event from 2 to 4 p.m. at Ka Makani Community Center. Displays will include information about energy ideas and tips, storm water management and recycling.

PEARL HARBOR COLORS

23 — A ceremonial Pearl Harbor Colors event will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Displays will include information about Navy Region Hawaii energy and bio-fuels programs.

EFMP INFORMATION FAIR

23 — An Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) information fair from 10 a.m. to noon at MFSC Pearl Harbor will host several organizations throughout Oahu who offer summer programs for families with special needs children. The event will include participants from organizations such as Talk About Curing Autism and Learning Disabilities of Hawaii. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

STARTING YOUR OWN BUSINESS

23 — A seminar on starting your own business will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. The seminar will be sponsored by the Small Business Administration and the Business Action Center. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT WORKSHOP

24 — A savings and investment basics workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at MFSC Pearl Harbor. This workshop is designed to teach the basic skills and techniques of managing and budgeting money, how to shop for investments, the difference between stocks, bonds, Roth and traditional IRAs, CDs and money market accounts. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

OPERATION: MEGAPHONE

24-25 — An "Operation: Megaphone 2015" teen lock-in will be held from 7 p.m. April 24 to 7 a.m. April 25 at the Hickam Teen Center. The event is designed to connect military youth across all branches of service. The event will include bowling, food, a photo booth and games. The cost is \$25 or \$20 with a canned food donation. FMI: 448-0418.

HIKE WITH LIBERTY

26 — A free six-mile hike to Mt. Ka'ala, the highest point on Oahu, will be offered to advanced hikers only. Participants should bring water, wear hiking shoes and pack snacks to eat at the top. They can also bring a camera and money for lunch afterwards. The hikers will return around 4 p.m. The event is open to single, active-duty military E1-E6 only. Pickups will be from Liberty Express at 8:30 a.m., Beeman Center at 9 a.m., Instant Liberty at 9:15 a.m. and Makai Recreation Center at 9:30 a.m. FMI: 473-2583.

LIBERTY'S PING PONG TOURNAMENT

27 — Sailors and Airmen can play in a one-on-one ping pong tournament at Beeman Center. The free event will begin at 6 p.m. and is open to single, active-duty military E1-E6 only. FMI: 473-2583.

HOMEFRONT HERO

29 — A Homefront Hero celebration will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at MFSC Hickam. In celebration of the Month of the Military Child, the support and sacrifice of military children will be recognized. The children's Homefront Hero Medal is given to the children of deployed service members at an annual event hosted by MFSC. The medal is intended to honor the child's service and support on the "home front" during the separation period. Service members who are frequently TDY (90 days or more between April 2014 to April 2015) are also eligible to submit their children for the award. Single members may submit or request medals for their nephews/nieces or sisters/brothers. FMI: Jeremy Simon at 474-0156/0105 or email Jeremy.s.simon.ctr@navy.mil.



CHAPPIE (R)

In the near future, crime is patrolled by an oppressive mechanized police force. But now, the people are fighting back. When one police droid, Chappie, is stolen and given new programming, he becomes the first robot with the ability to think and feel for himself.

Movie Showtimes

SHARKEY THEATER

TODAY 4/17
7:00 p.m. The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG)

SATURDAY 4/18
2:30 p.m. Cinderella (PG)
5:00 p.m. The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG)
7:30 p.m. The Divergent Series: Insurgent (3-D) (PG-13)

SUNDAY 4/19
2:30 p.m. Cinderella (PG)
4:50 p.m. The Lazarus Effect (PG-13)
6:40 p.m. Get Hard (R)

THURSDAY 4/23
7:00 p.m. Chappie (R)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY 4/17
6:00 p.m. Cinderella (PG)

SATURDAY 4/18
4:00 p.m. Cinderella (PG)
7:00 p.m. Unfinished Business (R)

SUNDAY 4/19
2:00 p.m. Cinderella (PG)

THURSDAY 4/23
7:00 p.m. Kingsman: The Secret Service (R)





My Favorite Photo...

Air Force Staff Sgt. Carl D. Sanders, unit deployment manager for 690th Cyberspace Operations Squadron (COS/CYT), took this photo of a farm in Waimanalo.

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New book offers WWII naval insight

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A new U.S. Naval War College (NWC) book offers students, historians, and interested readers, fresh perspectives of several key World War II naval operations.

Announced by the NWC Press on April 3, "Major Fleet-versus-Fleet Operations in the Pacific War, 1941-1945" explores the battles of Coral Sea, Midway-Aleutians and the Philippine Sea.

Written by NWC professor Milan Vego, the book provides an operational-art perspective to stimulate interest in the study of the theory and practice of major naval operations through case studies.

Studying naval warfare history is an integral part of the NWC educational curriculum.

The chapter on the 1942 Battle of Midway is required reading for this trimester's Joint Maritime Operations course offered by the Joint Military Operations (JMO) Department.

While many students arrive at NWC well versed and experienced with tactical knowledge and expertise, the JMO course expands their intellectual aperture and examines higher levels of war, in this case, the operational level of war.

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National Park Week celebration to include series of events

National Park Service

World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument will host a number of events that are free and open to the public during National Park Week, April 18-25, at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. No RSVP is required but some events will be limited by the capacity of theaters and boats.

This year marks the 99th birthday of the National Park Service and the kickoff of the National Park Service centennial concluding in 2016. This week marks the beginning of a series of events and festivities, including the 74th and 75th Pearl Harbor Day commemorations, 100th birthday of the USS Arizona and the 100th birthday of the National Park Service.

The events include:

- Junior Ranger Day events will be held April 18. Tickets can be requested for either an 11 a.m. or 3 p.m. program and a Junior Ranger scavenger hunt. Participants should gather at the theater at 10:50 a.m. or 2:50 p.m. for a 25-minute documentary followed by a boat ride to the memorial with a park educational team escort. Following the visit to the memorial, the newest Junior Rangers will be sworn in. The limited tickets for the event are available exclusively at the ticket and information window at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. They will be handed out on a first

come, first served basis and the maximum capacity per program is 150 people.

- The Disney movie "Planes 2: Fire and Rescue" will be April 18 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the lawn. The park bag policy will be in effect but guests can bring dinner and blankets in clear plastic bags. Beach chairs are welcome, but umbrellas and alcohol are not. The park will close as scheduled at 5 p.m. but re-open at 5:30 p.m. for the movie.

- A Living History Day event will be held April 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Guests can meet Pearl Harbor survivors and dance with the Hawaii Jitterbugs to music provided by Glenn Miller Orchestra CDs and other music of the 1940s. The International Plastic Modelers Society Battleship Row Chapter will also be on site to display examples of their work.

- April 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., park guests can learn about the Pacific Island Network Parks, not only in Hawaii but across the Pacific Ocean.

- April 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., guests can learn about the different ways they can volunteer and make a difference in the park.

- April 23, from 7 to 8:30 a.m. a Pearl Harbor Colors event will celebrate Earth Day and what the Navy and National Park Service are doing to "go green." The event will include music by military bands at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and a dive tank staffed

with Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit divers.

- A special "Living Arizona Live Dive" event April 23 will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Rare glimpses of the USS Arizona as it rests today will be shown. The event can be viewed live in the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center and online via Adobe Connect. For information on how to register via Adobe Connect, visit https://pearlharbor-education.adobeconnect.com/live-dive/event/event_info.html or <http://www.adobe.com/products/adobeconnect.html>.

- April 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., guests can learn about the newest national park, Honouliuli. The event will include representatives of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii to share and answer questions about Honouliuli.

- April 24 from 3:30 to 5 p.m., a special film showing of "The Untold Story" will be held in the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center theater. The film is about the families affected by martial law, Executive Order 9066 and life at Honouliuli Internment Camp.

- April 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., a career day will be held where guests can meet with the rangers of the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument and learn about what they do for the National Park Service.

For more information, visit <http://www.nps.gov/valr/planyourvisit/calendar.html>.