

Largest Sentry Aloha exercise in history kicks off at JBPHH

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The flightline at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam was abuzz with activity March 6 as the first sorties of Sentry Aloha were launched, signaling the official start of the aerial combat exercise.

Sentry Aloha has been an ongoing series of exercises over the past three decades, but this is by far the largest. It will last three weeks and include more than 350 Airmen, five visiting units and multiple airframes.

With Airmen from the Air National Guard, Air Reserves and active-duty all working together toward the common goal of making this Sentry Aloha the biggest and most successful to date, the training is also

an exercise in total force integration.

"Historically, the purpose of Sentry Aloha was to

support indigenous fighters on the island, but it's grown to be much bigger than that now," said Maj. Ryan Itoman, Sentry Aloha officer in charge.

"What you're seeing here now is different because we have joined up with several outside units to create a large force exercise—historically, it's just been one other unit."

Among the nearly 50 participating airframes are F-16 Fighting Falcons, F-15 Eagles, F-22 Raptors, C-130 Hercules, C-17 Globe-

masters III, KC-135 Stratotankers and KC-10 Extenders. Additionally, the 15th and 154th Maintenance Groups, 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, 613th Air and Space Operations Center and the 109th Air Operations Group are supporting the exercise.

Itoman said the newly formatted exercise will allow all participating units to train like they fight with

the focus of the exercise being on offensive and defensive counter-air measures and fighter integration.

"This is a win, win, win situation," said Itoman. "It's a win for the indigenous Raptors, and it will provide everyone very realistic threat training. All these aircraft are integrated in combat, so it's great to train that way. The concept was to build a Sentry

Aloha that would provide optimal training for several different units and not just the home unit."

Itoman said fighting alongside the F-22 Raptor as well as against the Raptor in the various training scenarios will be, "really excellent training" for the visiting fighter squadrons.

In addition to the opportunity to train with such a large assortment of dissimilar aircraft, Sentry Aloha also provides the visiting

units with another unique opportunity – optimal weather conditions for training every day.

"Hawaii offers something for training that few other places do," said Lt. Col. Charles Anthony, Hawaii Air National Guard public affairs director. "It has the largest unrestricted air space in the U.S. and great weather even in the winter. Units can do so much more training this time of year in Hawaii than they could ever do virtually anywhere else."



(Top) A Hawaii Air National Guard F-22 Raptor takes off from the runway at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 6. The aircraft is participating in Sentry Aloha, an aerial combat exercise focused on offensive and defensive counter measures and fighter integration. (Above) F-15 Eagles deployed from the 104th Fighter Wing, Massachusetts Air National Guard, sit on the flightline at JBPHH. The F-15s are at joint base as part of Sentry Aloha.

HMCS Protecteur, crew return safely to Pearl Harbor

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Her Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Protecteur, guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) and fleet ocean tug USNS Sioux (T-ATF-175) arrived here safely March 6, following recovery efforts led by the U.S. Navy after a fire aboard the Canadian ship last week.

Chosin, guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) and Sioux provided assistance to Protecteur and ensured its safe return to port.

Michael Murphy was first to arrive on scene immediately after the fire occurred early in the morning Feb. 28. Shortly after, Chosin arrived on scene and commenced towing operations while transporting food and water to Protecteur via

embarked helicopter from Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM 37).

"This recent event is proof enough of the need to maintain consistent and continuous readiness," said Capt. Patrick Kelly, Chosin's commanding officer. "With but a few hours' notice, Chosin, along with Michael Murphy, Sioux and HSM-37, were able to respond to a call to action. We are honored to have been called and proud of the support we were able to provide our fellow mariners."

Sioux took over towing operations March 2 and towed Protecteur for the remaining four days into port. Michael Murphy returned to port March 4 with 19 family members and civilian contractors from Protecteur, as well as a Canadian sailor with a hand injury.

"The incredible courage of the crew of Protecteur and the resiliency of their fami-

lies during this tumultuous time is truly inspiring," said Rear Adm. Bill Truelove, commander Maritime Forces Pacific, Royal Canadian Navy (RCN).

"The RCN is appreciative of the tremendous support that has been provided by the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and all those involved in helping get Protecteur and her crew safely back to Pearl Harbor."

Protecteur was operating within U.S. 3rd Fleet's area of responsibility, serving as the oil replenishment ship, assisting other ships operating within the area for the month of February. The fire occurred during the ship's transit back to Esquimalt, British Columbia.

The ship will remain in Hawaii for an undetermined amount of time while the RCN conducts an initial damage assessment.



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Daniel Barker

The Military Sealift Command fleet ocean tug USNS Sioux (T-ATF 171) tows the Royal Canadian Navy auxiliary oil replenishment ship HMCS Protecteur (AOR 509) to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Protecteur experienced an engine fire en route to Canada and returned to Pearl Harbor with the assistance of U.S. Navy ships.



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Daniel Barker

Guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) departs Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a deployment to the western Pacific Ocean and Arabian Gulf. (See additional photo on page A-5).

Sailors of USS O'Kane deploy to WestPac

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Family members waved their goodbyes as the guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) departed from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 7 for a deployment to the western Pacific Ocean and Arabian Gulf.

While deployed, O'Kane is scheduled to conduct theatre security cooperation and maritime presence operations with partner nations.

"We're ready to operate forward and take on the challenges ahead," said Cmdr. James Juster, commanding officer of O'Kane.

"I'm very grateful for the tremendous support we've received from the Pearl Harbor waterfront, throughout our maintenance and training periods, to ensure we're ready to execute a wide

variety of missions while we're deployed."

As Sailors aboard the ship prepared for departure, family members, relatives and friends stood pierside in support and hoped to catch a glimpse of their Sailors.

"I am very sad," said Luba Russell, spouse of Petty Officer 3rd Class Heath Russell. "I don't like being separated from my husband, but I am also very proud of him because he does his duty to the United States of America."

Russell also offered advice to other family members coping with separation.

"Be strong, take one day at a time," she said. "Communicate with one another. My husband and I do it through Facebook, Skype and emails. Send boxes of goodies that make them [spouses and Sailors aboard] feel good."

Some family members traveled thousands of miles to see the ship and Sailors

leave for deployment.

"We came here from Pennsylvania to see our grandson sail off," said Joyce and Ron Swain, grandparents of Petty Officer 3rd Class Taylor Swain. "We are very proud of him and all the people who are working with him. We are from a Navy family and are immensely proud. We will miss him, and we hope everyone comes back home safe."

"O'Kane families have been incredibly supportive and understanding during a busy year leading up to this deployment, and that support continues," said Juster. "We sincerely appreciate the daily sacrifices our loved ones make in support of our ability to go forward and carry out our missions overseas."

Service members from across the joint base came to see the departure of USS O'Kane and to show their

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Powerful chiefess Kaahumanu shaped Hawaii with dramatic changes

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Navy Region Hawaii Historian

Many women in the annals of the Hawaiian people have contributed to the social, cultural and political history of the islands. Bernice Pauahi Bishop and Queen Emma provided important contributions to the improvement of the health, education and general well-being of Hawaiians in the form of Emma's Queen's Hospital and the generous bequest to the native people of the income generated from the lands of the Bishop Estate.

As queen, Liliuokalani served in the role of the last reigning monarch of the kingdom of Hawaii. She fought courageously, though unsuccessfully, to restore authority to the monarchy, and the kingdom was eventually overthrown.

With regard to the sheer

impact to her people, and the shaping of her nation, no woman stands taller than Kaahumanu.

The powerful chiefess was born in the late 18th century and came of age at a time when western influence was first being felt in the Hawaiian Islands. Tradition holds that Kaahumanu eventually became the favorite wife of Kamehameha who, possibly sensing the need for a strong leader to cope with the rapid changes that were underway as a result of foreign influence, ordered Kaahumanu to be placed in the new office of *kuhina nui* upon his death in 1819.

The role of *kuhina nui* was roughly equivalent to that of a co-regent. Kaahumanu held equal authority with Kamehameha's heir Liholiho in matters of government and justice and, with the authority vested in her from this office, she dominated the governance of Hawaii for the next 13 years.



Image courtesy of Hawaii State Archives
Queen Kaahumanu

The changes were felt immediately following Kamehameha's death when Kaahumanu led the movement to overthrow the vaunted Hawaiian *kapu* system which, among other things, did not allow men and women to eat together and placed restrictions on the types of food that women could eat. Liholiho, with

Kaahumanu's encouragement, sat down to eat with chiefs of both sexes.

Though shocked, the Hawaiian people soon recognized that no divine retribution followed. When an uprising occurred as a result of this bold action, Kaahumanu played a key role in meeting the challenge militarily and the subsequent dispensation of justice for the usurpers.

When the first American missionaries arrived in 1820, the *kuhina nui* at first greeted them with a cold indifference. Following a serious illness in which she was nursed back to health by one of the missionary wives, Kaahumanu converted to Christianity and spent the remainder of her life as a strong supporter of missionary efforts to evangelize and educate the Hawaiian people.

Her powerful influence was instrumental in the establish-

ment and enforcement of laws against such things as the sale of liquor and prostitution which became more rampant with the arrival of whaling ships and merchants in the early 19th century. Kaahumanu worked tirelessly, until her death in 1832, exercising her authority as *kuhina nui* to establish law and order in the Hawaiian kingdom.

The office and advisory role of *kuhina nui*, held mostly by women, remained in effect until constitutional changes shifted responsibilities to the various cabinet positions within the executive branches of the monarchy.

As a tribute to their predecessor's influence upon the shaping of Hawaii's future, each subsequent *kuhina nui* until abolishment of the office in 1864 took the official title of Kaahumanu and cemented her powerful presence in Hawaii's history.

Commentary

Col. Ruby Bradley serves as an inspiration for her dedication to duty

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This year's Women's History Month encourages taking a moment to reflect upon women of character, courage and commitment. The following provides a brief introduction to the life of a notable woman: U.S. Army nurse, Col. Ruby Bradley. She serves to inspire us to emulate her actions and to serve beyond ourselves no matter what our gender.



Col. Ruby Bradley

The dedication of Army nurse and hospital administrator Bradley provides an example of a life of commitment to others. Bradley bears the designation as one of the most highly decorated women of the armed forces of the United States.

She was a career Army

nurse serving on Luzon Island in the Philippines in 1941 when forces of the Japanese Imperial Navy attacked Pearl Harbor. She, another nurse and a doctor fled and hid for some time in the hills.

When Japanese forces overran the area, the



U.S. Army photo

Ruby Bradley, (sitting with her arm over the side rail and waving to the camera) during the liberation of the POW camp at Santo Tomas in the Philippines during World War II.

Americans were turned over by local citizens to the Japanese. As a result, the American medical team was taken back to their former base which had become a camp for prisoners of war. The team cared for the

sick and injured with few supplies and hardly any equipment. For the three years of the war in the Pacific, Bradley tended to the sick, performed surgeries, and comforted the dying. At the time of their libera-

tion by U.S. forces in 1945, Bradley weighed less than 90 pounds. After World War II ended, she remained with the Army and earned a bachelor's degree.

In 1950, she again went to the field, this time to Korea

with the 8th Army. The story is told that during one evacuation just ahead of advancing unfriendly forces, she loaded all of the wounded onto a plane and jumped aboard just as her ambulance was hit by incoming fire.

She served in Korea during the entire conflict. Over the course of her career, she was awarded 34 medals and citations including two Legions of Merit and two Bronze Stars. She retired from the Army in 1963 wearing the rank of colonel. After retirement from active duty, she worked as a supervising nurse in West Virginia for an additional 17 years. In 2002, she died at age 94. Her gravesite may be visited at Arlington National Cemetery.

(See future issues of *Ho'okele* for additional articles on notable women.)

Commentary

Navy helps unveil USPS stamp honoring USS Arizona Memorial

(The U.S. Postal Service commemorated the USS Arizona Memorial by issuing a new priority mail express stamp this week. Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, was a guest speaker, along with former U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Akaka, and other officials at an unveiling and dedication of the stamp. The unveiling was held at a first day of issue ceremony March 13 at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, adjacent to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.)



Rear Adm. Rick Williams

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Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

We are extremely fortunate to share this day with living monuments — brave warriors who survived the

attack of Dec. 7, 1941 and who fought across the Pacific in World War II.

You have to wonder if our young Sailors back in 1941, looking at the tragedy and destruction of the events of that day, would have imagined how their greatest generation had the resilience and resolve to turn the tide from despair, to rebuild our fleet, and then lead us to vic-

tory. Think of how proud our Pearl Harbor survivors must be to know that their shipmates did not sacrifice in vain.

USS Arizona Memorial is a symbol honoring all those who lost their lives here in Pearl Harbor and a reminder of our nation's resolve to achieve victory and preserve peace.

One hundred years ago today, the New York Navy Yard was ready to begin construction of battleship-39. The ship's keel was laid down March 16, 1914.

Twenty-seven years later, BB-39 — USS Arizona — was tied up here next to Ford Island on the day of infamy that ignited the war in the Pacific.

Almost 80 percent of USS Arizona's crew was killed in the attack — nearly 1,200 men — more than half of those killed in the Pacific Fleet on December 7th.

"Remember Pearl Harbor" was a rallying cry for Americans during World War II, and USS Arizona came to symbolize the sacrifice of all Sailors and Marines who fought against tyranny in the Pacific.

In 1950, the commander in chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, Adm. Arthur W. Radford, re-raised the flag above USS Arizona on a small platform not accessible to the public.

Since that time, the Navy has achieved significant milestones to make the publicly accessible Arizona Memorial and the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center a reality — with the strong support of the people of Hawaii, public and private groups, the National Park Service and veterans of our 'Greatest Generation.'

In 1959 the Navy selected the architect, Alfred Preis, and on Memorial Day 1962 sponsored a dedica-

tion ceremony.

In 1967 the Navy requested appropriations to build a full-scale center with a museum and theater complex. The Navy was a key partner in the design of the new visitor center, too.

Over the years, we have continued to collaborate and cooperate with the National Park Service on behalf of our veterans and their families.

Each decade the number of visitors to Pearl Harbor has grown by hundreds of thousands. Today, Navy biodiesel boats — named after Medal of Honor recipients such as John Finn, Samuel Fuqua and Peter Tomich — carry nearly 2 million visitors each year — with our Sailors at the helm.

International visitors learn about the history and heritage of our past, the strategic economic importance of the Pacific today, and the dynamic opportuni-

ties of tomorrow. Our Navy in Hawaii helps build partnerships in the Pacific, responds to calls for humanitarian assistance, and provides maritime security as part of our rebalance to protect those opportunities.

This week's ceremony is another example of the Navy's, Hawaii's and our nation's commitment to remember Pearl Harbor and preserve the enduring legacy of peace that the USS Arizona Memorial represents.

So let's admire this stamp. Let's appreciate what it stands for as it is our connection to today's challenges following the same credo that President Franklin Delano Roosevelt put forth when he said, "We must apply ourselves to the same resolution, the same sense of purpose, a spirit of patriotism and sacrifice ... Remember the Arizona."

Pass and ID announces new phone numbers

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Security Department

Effective March 17, the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam pass and ID, reports and analysis, and integrated defense offices will relocate to building 3455.

The pass and ID office will continue to issue visitor passes and gold cards, as well as Rapidgate credentials. The point of contact for this office is Master Sgt. Heath Adams at heath.a.adams@navy.mil. The new phone number is 449-0865.

The special events section will continue to provide passes in accordance with JBPHH instruction

5510.1. The point of contact for this office is Staff Sgt. Dustin Hughes at jbhphpassid@navy.mil. The new phone number is 449-0870.

The reports and analysis section will continue to provide information on police reports, background investigations and citations. The point of contact for this office is Reginald Brunner at reginald.brunner.2@us.af.mil and the new phone number is 474-9140 or 449-0866.

The fingerprinting and traffic court office has also relocated to building 3455. The point of contact is Sandra Harris at sandra.b.harris@navy.mil. Her new

phone number is 473-3627.

All personnel requesting restricted area badges (RABS) should continue to report to Hickam building 1113 on Vickers Avenue for RABS issuance.

The hours of operation for both locations will be 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All customers entering building 3455 are asked to select a ticket from the Quematic machine located inside the main entrance and have a seat. Customers are also asked to have all pertinent documents readily available to expedite their wait time and assist the staff in providing quality customer service.

Whitmore Gate to be closed March 17-18

From March 17 to 18, Whitmore Gate to Wahiawa Annex will be closed for maintenance.

Whitmore Gate is expected to return to normal operations at 5:30 a.m. March 19.

Motorists can expect delays

during the closure. All personnel are required to obey traffic control directions and use Saipan Gate during the maintenance.

Aviator Earhart bedecked with lei after record trip



Photo courtesy of Hawaii Department of Transportation

Famed aviator Amelia Earhart wears lei upon her arrival to Hawaii from Oakland, Calif. on March 18, 1937 in a time of 15 hours, 47 minutes. She set a speed record for that route with four hours of fuel remaining. The feat took place 77 years ago this month. March is also Women's History Month.

Diverse Views



Which woman in history do you admire the most?



Elvin Chang
15th Operations Support Squadron

"Angelina Jolie — My favorite actress and all the humanitarian things she does in other countries."

FT2 David Christensen
USS Asheville



"Harriet Tubman. She lived in a time when not only black people had few rights, but woman had less rights. So she had two strikes against her."



Senior Master Sgt. Robert Prather
624th Regional Support Group

"Dr. Mae Jemison — She exemplifies a true professional with her collegiate career and with NASA. Her abilities and work ethic led her to be the first African American female astronaut during the space shuttle program. A true role model."

Melanie Christensen
Military spouse



"Amelia Earhart."



Master Sgt. Clinton Presley
15th Operations Support Squadron

"Rosa Parks — because I remember doing a report on her in middle school and I admired her courage."

CTR2 Robert Nylander
NIOC Hawaii



"Admiral Grace Hopper. I'm a big Navy guy. My whole family is Navy."



Master Sgt. Jacqueline Wilson
Defense Information Systems Agency Pacific

"Jacqueline Kennedy — She was very devoted to her family, just as I am."

ETR3 David Martinez
USS Charlotte



"I'm really big into music, so I would have to say Aretha Franklin. She had weight issues growing up, but she never let it get her down. That's how I try to work."



CTT2 Mandi Sneyd
TPU

"There are a few master chiefs that have impacted me and I really want to be a master chief. Fleet Master Chief April Beldo. There are only four fleet master chiefs and one is a woman."

Provided by David Underwood Jr. and Lt. j.g. Eric Galassi

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Books by women highlight work, life balance

A review by Bill Doughty

It's complicated (but doesn't have to be), according to authors Randi Zuckerberg and Reshma Saujani in their books from 2013. Be authentic to "untangle our wired lives" and "break the mold, lead the way."

Zuckerberg's "dot Complicated" is filled with ideas for achieving tech-life balance in the brave new world of super-smart phones, instant communication, hyper connectivity and changing definitions of privacy.

Like a lot of business books, "dot Complicated" has personal anecdotes and easy-to-find highlighted lists. You'll see tips for achieving tech-life balance with self, friends, love, family, career, community and future.

"Strive to find personal peace, friendship, love, fulfillment at work, and good in your community, and use the Internet to improve your life, not control it," she advises. And, "don't be a jerk."

Think of that when you're having a face-to-face conversation with someone and they turn to check their tweets; or you look in the rearview mirror while stopped in traffic and notice the driver behind you is obviously texting; or you read hate-filled troll droppings in anonymous online comments. Again, "don't be a jerk."

Among Zuckerberg's simple and common sense advice: know how to break digital addiction, learn how to achieve balance, and think about how/what/when/where/why to post or repost information. She applies the Golden Rule of life to social media: "Repost unto others as you would have them repost..."

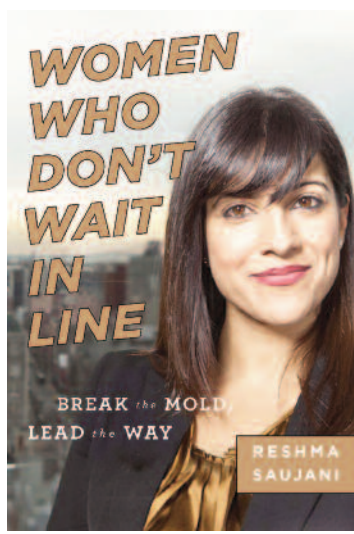


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This book is easy and fun to read. As the sister of Mark Zuckerberg, creator of Facebook, the author has the bonafides to describe social media and the do's and don'ts of navigating the new millennial landscape where "technology seems to make things both easier and harder at the same time."

Reshma Saujani mentions Randi Zuckerberg in her groundbreaking work, "Women Who Don't Wait" published last year, praising Zuckerberg's work-life balance and willingness to be herself.

"Randi is right. The more open women are about the richness and multidimensional aspects of their lives, the more acceptable it will become to simply act like ourselves — and the more effective we will be as leaders."

Saujani's book is filled with provocative chapter/subchapter titles: Fail Fast, Fail First, Fail Hard; Unapologetically Ambitious; Don't Worry If They Don't

Like You; Jump the Line (Wear What You Want); and Building a Sisterhood for the Twenty-First Century.

Her biggest advice, like Zuckerberg's, is: "be authentic." She discusses her transformation and encourages the reader to "free yourself from believing that you have to behave like anyone other than yourself."

While her insights are relevant for everyone, her target audience is, of course, women. She calls for a strong community of support, or sisterhood, but writes, "And guys? We aren't hating on them; we are looking to men to be our allies. We no longer see them as a barrier to our success."

"I have worked with and been inspired by others, every day, to help create the world I want the next generation to live in. As women, we must have the humility to see the world as it is, but the audacity to envision it as it could be. To apply a new lens of female leadership and reinvent, reshape, and retool the traditional system. To realize that we can learn from the poorest of women and the richest of women. We can and should be talking to one another about what this new model should look like — and about how we can build it together."

Saujani dedicates her book "For all the women in my life whose shoulders I stand on, and for all the women who will stand on mine."

Since the 1980s, March has been National Women's History Month, a time to recognize the women who didn't wait and who shouldered the struggle for freedom and equality, including the right to vote.

The first National Women's

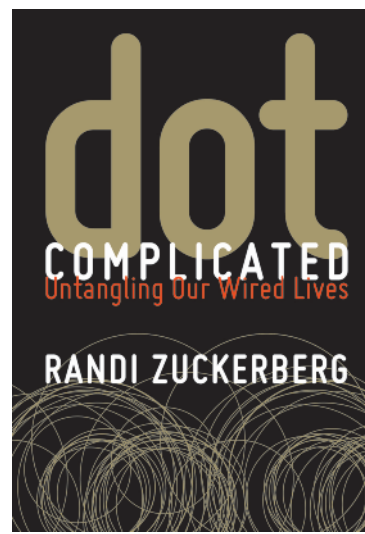


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History Week was proclaimed by president and commander in chief Jimmy Carter, a former naval officer.

Here is Carter's message to the nation designating March 2-8, 1980 (60 years after women won the ability to vote) as National Women's History Week:

"From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indian families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often, the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.

"As Dr. Gerda Lerner has noted, 'Women's History is Women's Right.' It is an essential and indispensable heritage from which we can draw pride, comfort, courage and long-range vision.

"I ask my fellow Americans to

recognize this heritage with appropriate activities during National Women's History Week, March 2-8, 1980.

"I urge libraries, schools and community organizations to focus their observances on the leaders who struggled for equality -- Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth, Lucy Stone, Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Harriet Tubman and Alice Paul.

"Understanding the true history of our country will help us to comprehend the need for full equality under the law for all our people.

"This goal can be achieved by ratifying the 27th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which states that 'Equality of Rights under the Law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.'"

Congress passed a joint resolution proclaiming a Women's History Week in 1981.

The National Women's History Project and Department of Defense theme for this year's commemoration is, "Celebrating Women of Character, Courage and Commitment," clearly mirroring Navy core values.

The books by Zuckerberg and Saujani in this review build on the gains of women in the past with a focus on the future, whether achieving tech-life balance or workplace gender balance -- with equal pay for equal work. It's not complicated.

(Doughty writes and posts to Navy Reads — www.navyreads.blogspot.com — on [weekends.com](http://www.weekends.com). The Navy Reads blog supports the CNO's professional reading program and related books.)



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Pearl Harbor-Hickam *Highlights*

Chief Warrant Officer Three (CW03) Timothy Greene, Port Operations, at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, and Paul Sensano, Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) paddle a 12-foot long skiff which was grounded on a reef near Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 8. The skiff, possible marine debris from the Japan Tsunami of March 11, 2011, appeared in waters near Pearl Harbor, and posed both a navigational hazard as well as potentially damaging the shallow reef. Greene and Sensano righted the skiff and secured it before moving it to the Hickam boat ramp for removal. To date, 17 large items including boats or skiffs have been identified in Hawaii as being associated with the tsunami.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Nardel Cervacio



Lt. John Beveridge leads Kamar de los Reyes (left) and James Burns, both actors from the video game "Call of Duty - Black Ops II," on a tour on March 7 of the Los Angeles-class, fast attack submarine USS Houston (SSN 713). De los Reyes and Burns are on a USO tour to show their appreciation to service members and their families serving in the Pacific.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Jason Swink

District Chief Warren Ferguson (center) and Training Chief Chris Rapoza (dressed in full gear) from Federal Fire Department (FFD) visited KHON 2's Wake Up 2day morning show March 6 to demonstrate firefighting gear and talk about the mutual aid agreement that FFD has with the Honolulu Fire Department. During the live interview with news anchor Ron Mizutani (far left), FFD personnel explained the role and uniqueness of FFD as the only one of its kind integrated with all military services.

Federal Fire Department photo by Angela Sanders



Information Systems Technician 1st Class Bryana Eastman of Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, volunteers to maintain the cleanliness of historic memorabilia aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial on March 7. The project is part of the command's CPO-365 community service efforts, boosting Sailor knowledge of the Navy by stressing the importance of preserving historic sites and landmarks.

U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Steven Khor

Pearl Harbor survivor William Henderson returns to final resting place

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Ashes of Pearl Harbor survivor Machinist's Mate 1st Class William Henderson were scattered into the calm waters at the USS Utah Memorial on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam during an ash scattering ceremony March 10.

Henderson was born Nov. 12, 1922 and later joined the U.S. Navy the day after his 18th birthday on Nov. 13, 1940. Following graduation from Recruit Training Command, he received orders to the Brooklyn-class cruiser USS Helena (CL 50) at Pearl Harbor.

On the morning of the 1941 Japanese attacks, Henderson was asleep in his rack and was awakened by a general alarm calling for all crew to report to their battle stations.

While he was getting dressed, the ship was hit by a Japanese torpedo that knocked out the power throughout the ship and flooded the engine and boiler rooms. Henderson managed to make it to his battle station shortly after a short state of unconsciousness.

Capt. Larry Scruggs, deputy commander of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, spoke at the ceremony about Henderson's dedication and bravery on that day.

"I am sure he felt that this was his last day as he ran to perform his duties as trained," said Scruggs. "He would witness his world forever change that day, and yet, he would go on to serve his country honorably, with passion and



Photo illustration

courage, and a deep commitment to his shipmates."

Even with the extensive damage to the ship, it was repaired and returned to full active status, deploying to sea as a part of the task force to intercept the Japanese fleet in October 1942.

Henderson continued to serve in the Navy and on the Helena during the Battles of Esperance, Guadalcanal and Kula Gulf in which the ship was hit by three torpedoes, breaking it into three parts and resulting in its sinking.

In an excerpt from his book, "Escape from the Sea," he recalled in great detail the night he survived the Japanese attacks on the Helena in the Kula Gulf.

"For us the battle was over but we had lost eight officers, 186 enlisted men and four Marines. Most of them died while manning their battle stations during the fight. Some severely wounded men managed to abandon ship but later died in the water or aboard the rescue ships. They were all shipmates who made the supreme sacrifice. Some

were friends, men with whom I had been on liberty. They will be sorely missed until we are all called to meet the 'supreme commander,'" Henderson said.

After the sinking of Helena, Henderson was later reassigned to the attack transport USS President Polk (AP 103), and he served until the end of the war and later discharged in 1947.

"I feel very fortunate to have survived the war without a scratch or wound. To this day, I have a poignant feeling for the Helena, but

have no desire to repeat the harrowing experience of action in the South Pacific. I left the Navy after serving a six-year hitch and worked 36 years for the Pacific Telephone Company in California, retiring in 1984. Francis and I have three fine daughters, three great son-in-laws and six wonderful grandchildren. How sweet it is," Henderson said in his book.

To show his feelings and love for the Helena, he named all three of his daughters after the ship.

They all have the same initials C-L-H after the light cruiser Helena.

Henderson's son-in-law, Mike Danaher, talked about many of the things Henderson did to continue to honor his shipmates even after he retired.

"He raised money and ran a sculpture competition to build a World War II memorial in our hometown, and now that's the focus for the 4th of July activities," said Danaher.

His family mentioned that Henderson began to collect stories from surviving shipmates and put them into his book.

"He did a lot to honor his shipmates and he would really appreciate this," Danaher added.

"I'm thankful for all the fine men and women that contributed to the ceremony," said Fran Henderson, Henderson's wife of more than 63 years. "I feel appreciation for the many years I had with my husband and his contribution to the war."

"He was a hero to his family, the Navy and the United States," said Jim Taylor, Pearl Harbor survivor liaison who spoke at the ceremony. "His desire was to make a final voyage to Pearl Harbor and have his remains returned to honor his fellow friends and shipmates lost during the attacks. Thanks to the efforts of his family, his wish has come true."

Henderson passed away in August 2013.

His ashes were returned to the site of the attack to join his shipmates and received full military honors including a flag presentation, playing of "Taps," and a three-volley rifle salute from members of the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Honors and Ceremonies Detachment.

Aloha, O' Kane Sailors

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support for fellow military members. Rear Adm. Rick Williams, commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, boarded the ship and addressed the crew of O'Kane with words of encouragement and appreciation for their dedication to service.

"It is sad to see so many amazing people take off," said Sonar Technician (Surface) 2nd Class Nicholas Ryan Johnson, who served aboard O'Kane. "It was a pleasure and honor to work with them. The deployments keep getting longer, but these Sailors are tough. They can handle anything that gets thrown at them."

Capt. Chris Bushnell,

CDS-31 commodore, spoke about the ship, its crew and its mission.

"O'Kane is ready to go. We put them through the paces to be ready to operate forward," said Bushnell. "The talent and leadership they have on board are impressive. We look forward to hearing their achievements and seeing their safe return home."

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PACAF hosts inaugural air sea battle forum

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Pacific Air Forces and U.S. Pacific Fleet held their first air sea battle forum March 6 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The forum served as a venue to promote camaraderie and spark discussions between the air and sea components.

Gen. "Hawk" Carlisle, Pacific Air Forces commander, and Rear Adm. Robert Girrier, deputy commander and chief of staff of U.S. Pacific Fleet, made opening remarks before Steve Diamond, the PACAF historian, gave a presentation on the historic air sea battle perspective.

"The intent of this air sea battle forum is for us to get together

and talk. The discussions that you have in places like this, the sidebars, the relationships, invariably is the most valuable way to get things done," Carlisle said.

"Sometimes fiscal constraints drive people to think separately. We need to fight that urge and think more cooperatively. At the end of the day, our job is to provide the United States with the greatest military possible with the resources they give us, and the only way to do that is if we do it together."

Girrier spoke next, holding in his hand a newsletter from the Pentagon's air sea battle office.

"At its core, the air sea battle concept seeks to develop a pre-integrated joint force built from habitual relationships with interoperable and complimentary cross domain capabilities," Girrier read from the newsletter.



Gen. "Hawk" Carlisle, Pacific Air Forces commander, speaks during the Pacific Air Forces and U.S. Pacific Fleet's first air sea battle forum March 6 at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

"There are a lot of words in there, but the key pieces are pre-integrated, interoperable and cross-domain, and what we are doing here is a step in that right direction," he said.

After Girrier spoke, Diamond and his staff delivered a presentation to nearly 300 Airmen and Sailors on past air sea operations. One such operation was the Doolittle Raid, a response to Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in which Lt. Col. "Jimmy" Doolittle and 79 other Airmen launched 16 B-25 Mitchell bombers from the deck of the USS Hornet on April 18, 1942.

Air sea battle is both a natural and deliberate evolution of U.S. power projection capabilities toward more networked and integrated operational solutions. The air sea battle forums are now scheduled to occur quarterly.

USS Tucson returns to Pearl Harbor after deployment

Story and photo by
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Submarine Force Pacific Public Affairs

The Los Angeles-class, fast attack submarine USS Tucson (SSN 770) returned March 7 to Pearl Harbor from a deployment to the western Pacific region. Families and friends gathered at the submarine piers at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam to welcome back the returning Sailors.

"I could not be more proud of my crew's accomplishments during this deployment," said Cmdr. Ted O'Harran, Tucson's commanding officer. "They executed their assigned tasking in a manner which reflected great credit on the ship, the crew and the entire submarine force."

O'Harran said despite half of the crew being on



Machinist's Mate Fireman Bradley Hale of the Los Angeles-class, fast attack submarine USS Tucson (SSN 770) hugs his girlfriend, Jessica Hill, at the submarine piers following the return of the submarine to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 7.

their first deployment, they consistently demonstrated the flexibility to meet numerous unique

tasks with enthusiasm as they supported the operational commander's priorities.

The crew's efforts also directly enhanced relationships with key regional allies, including the Republic of Korea, Japan and Singapore.

In addition to gaining the experience of operating in the western Pacific, the deployment afforded Sailors the opportunity to work on qualifications.

Thirty Sailors became submarine-qualified and are now entitled to wear the enlisted submarine warfare insignia.

Lt. Cmdr. Bill Filip, Tucson's executive officer, said the crew at one point in the deployment sounded the submarine's whistles and bells to celebrate crossing south of the equator. There was also a brief celebration to mark the halfway point in the deployment.

Various underway successes led to an even more memorable return back to homeport in Pearl Harbor.

For spouse Brandi Estrada, having her husband Lt. Giovanni Estrada back home made up for missed plans with him during the past holiday season.

"We [she and their son] are very excited to have him home," said Estrada. "This is the first time we got to see him in six months, so it was pretty rough. We are looking forward to going to Maui to soak up the sun and spend time as a family."

Tucson is the second ship of the U.S. Navy to bear the name of the Arizona city. It is the 59th Los Angeles-class attack submarine and the 20th

of the improved Los Angeles-class attack submarine to be built. Twelve vertical-launch missile tubes for Tomahawk cruise missiles provide Tucson with great offensive capability. Retractable bow planes give the ship increased maneuverability and under-ice surfacing potential.

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