

Life & Leisure

City of Corpus Christi topples another top-four team

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Another top-four team bit the dust against the surprising USS City of Corpus Christi (SSN 705).

Playing against a top Afloat Division contender for the third week in a row, City of Corpus Christi, which started the season at 0-4, evened their record at 4-4 by defeating USS Columbus (SSN 762) Moon Howlers, 19-6, on Nov. 15 at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The win has jettisoned City of Corpus Christi back into the playoff

picture, which was unthinkable only a few weeks ago.

Columbus entered the showdown only a half game behind division leader USS Chafee (DDG 90)

Bulldawgs, but after losing for the fourth time against six wins, the team is now in a tie for the fourth and final playoff spot.

"What's been happening is that we're just getting the chemistry," said CCC quarterback Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Rashad Little about the team's four-week resurgence. "Guys are getting feedback about what they're seeing from the defense, I see the feedback and we just roll with that."

On their first possession, City of Corpus Christi was

forced to punt the ball away, which set up the Moon Howlers in good field position at their own 33.

Although Columbus was without starting quarterback Lt. j.g. Derrick Olson, Fire Control Technician Seaman Drew Teixeira still got the team off to a good start by leading a 47-yard drive for six points and the lead.

Teixeira got the ball up to the CCC 10-yard on six plays but was sacked for a loss of 10 yards back to the 20.

The Columbus QB kept his cool after the loss and rebounded right back on the very next play with a 20-yard strike for a touchdown to receiver Machinist's Mate Fireman Apprentice Jordan Brooks to take a 6-0 lead.

After the score, CCC showed the same resiliency of the previous four weeks by mounting a scoring drive of their own just before halftime.

On the drive, Little mixed his ability to run and pass to put the ball on the Columbus 11-yard line on nine plays.

Then, facing fourth and goal-to-goal from the 11, Little connected with receiver Fire Control Technician Seaman Apprentice Dakota Drago inside the end zone to tie the score at 6-6.

The team made good on its point-after attempt to take a 7-6 lead, which was preserved until halftime after CCC Fire Control Technician Seaman Edward Dausat ended the first half with a pick.

In the second half, Sonar Technician (Submarine) 3rd Class Jonathan Thomas picked up right where Dausat left off by nabbing an interception of his own on the first play from scrimmage to give CCC the ball at the Columbus 21.

"I was just staying where I was supposed to be," he said about the pick.

"Coming across the middle, I stayed home, the quarterback overthrew and I was there to take it."

The turnover led to CCC's second touchdown of the game when Little completed the short drive on a scoring pass to Electronics Technician Seaman Apprentice Aaron Snell and a 13-6 advantage.

Columbus tried to answer the score, but after getting into the red zone, the team's drive stalled at the CCC 15.

Following the stop, Little put the game away by leading a 65-yard to pay dirt on six plays.

The final 29 yards were covered on a pass from Little to Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Leeroy Ybarra for six points and the final score.

"I would say that we're the most underrated team," Little said after the win. "We like it that way. We like coming out to these games and being like, hey, we're here to play and have fun."



Asheville keeps playoff hopes alive by beating NC

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Down early at 6-0, USS Asheville (SSN 758) scored 19 straight points to defeat USS North Carolina (SSN 777), 19-6, on Nov. 15 in an Afloat Division intramural flag football game at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

With the win, Asheville kept their playoff hopes alive by improving their record to 6-4 to move into a tie with USS Columbus (SSN 762) Moon Howlers for the fourth and final postseason spot.

Despite giving Asheville all they could handle, North Carolina fell to their sixth defeat against two wins.

Both teams got out to a slow start as each squad exchanged the ball on downs on their first possessions.

North Carolina got the first big break of the game when defensive back Electronics Technician Seaman Philip Dammann picked off a pass from Asheville quarterback Culinary Specialist 1st Class Marco Counts deep inside Asheville territory.

From the 22-yard line, North Carolina needed only three plays before Electronics Technician 3rd Class Jeremiah Jacobs punched a touchdown on a pass from Lt. j.g. Mike Martin to take a 6-0 lead with less than two minutes remaining in the first half.

Instead of running out the clock, Asheville took a chance and got a



Sonar Technician (Submarine) 2nd Class Antonio Maldonado reaches up to make a grab.

huge break of their own, when Counts went over the top on the first play from scrimmage and connected on a deep ball to move the chains from his own 15 down to the eight-yard line of North Carolina.

Then on the very last play of the half, Counts ran the ball into the end zone from six yards out to tie

the score at 6-6 going into intermission.

"That was pretty big," said Electronics Technician 2nd Class Abel Pajas, who took over at quarterback for Asheville in the second half. "We just tried to go deep and get as close to the end zone as much as we can. Our guy beat their de-

fender and had a good throw. We had to punch it in."

Although Counts led the team to its first score, he handed the ball over to Pajas in the second half.

"He (Counts) was gone for six months in Afghanistan and he just got back," Pajas said. "He tried to come out here to see if he still had

it. He saw that he wasn't quite up to the level that we're playing right now."

It turned out to be a good decision, as Pajas immediately took the opening drive after half time and directed a 65-yard march for six points.

Pajas needed only seven plays before rushing the final five yards on a keeper to give Asheville a 12-6 lead.

The converted extra point made it 13-6 in favor of Asheville.

North Carolina tried to come back, but their drive stalled on the Asheville 23 where they were forced to hand the ball over on downs.

On the first play from scrimmage, Pajas connected on a deep ball to Sonar Technician (Submarine) 2nd Class Antonio Maldonado for a touchdown and final score.

While the Asheville offense was able to move the football behind Counts and Pajas, Martin found the going tough in trying to move the chains against a defensive unit that used a strong pass rush.

"Initially, they weren't bringing the rush that strong," Martin said. "In the second half, they started bringing it a lot stronger. We had problems with that."

While the win kept Asheville's playoff hopes alive, Pajas said that the goal of reaching the postseason hinges upon a strong finish in the regular season.

"We just got to win every game we play and hope for other teams to lose, so we can secure our spot," he admitted.

Hale Aina, Silver Dolphin to offer Thanksgiving meals

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Editor, Ho'okele

Thanksgiving meals will be offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 27 at the Hale Aina Dining Facility.

The menu will include baked ham, prime rib, roast turkey, shrimp cocktail, French onion soup and assorted salad. Other items

will include mashed potatoes, cornbread dressing, glazed sweet potatoes, rosemary potatoes, glazed carrots, rice pilaf, corn, peas, green beans with mushrooms and assorted desserts.

No reservations are required. The meal is open to all military, retirees and their family members. Pricing is ala carte.

In addition, Thanksgiv-

ing holiday meals will be served from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 27 at the Silver Dolphin Bistro. The meal price is \$7.70.

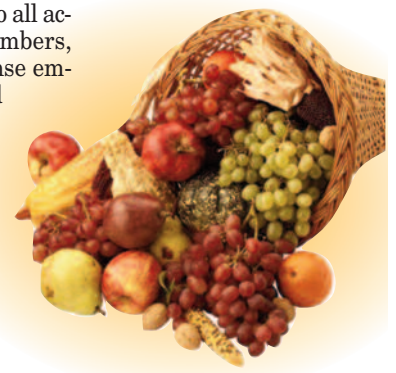
Items on the menu include zuppa Tuscan soup, shrimp cocktail, oven roasted turkey, baked spiral ham with brown sugar glaze and giblet and turkey gravy. Other menu items feature cranberry sauce, cornbread

dressing, homemade mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, sweet potato casserole and green bean casserole. The menu also will include corn on the cob, assorted hot rolls, a fresh salad bar with crab salad and potato salad. Dessert will feature assorted baked pies, cobblers, cheesecake, an ice cream bar with assorted toppings and a holiday cake.

The menu is open to all active duty service members, Department of Defense employees, retirees and their families with a valid ID card.

Patrons are asked to bring exact change to reduce wait time at the cashier stand.

For more information, call 473-2948.



Defense leads Communications Squadron over Bushmasters

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The 747th Communications Squadron (747 CS) Marauders airtight defense recorded three interceptions to hold off the 25th Air Support Operation Squadron (25 ASOS) Bushmasters, 14-6, on Nov. 18 in a Red Division intramural flag football game at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

Two of the picks led to back-to-back touchdowns in the first half, and later, a steal by Senior Airman David Williams in the red zone helped seal the win for the Marauders, which improved their record to 4-3, while the Bushmasters fell to 1-7.

"We play really well as a team on defense," Williams pointed out. "That's our strength. It's always good when everybody is keeping their eyes open and we're talking on defense."

The Marauders made themselves known on defense immediately as cornerback Staff Sgt. Jason White picked off Bushmasters quarterback Capt. Christopher Curtis on the first play of game.

Working with a short field at the Bushmasters 32, Marauders QB Airman 1st Class Zach Murphy got the ball down to the four-yard line on three plays before hitting Airman 1st Class Jamie Brown with a short toss for six.

The Marauders converted their point-after attempt to quickly move out in front at 7-0.

Three plays into the Bushmasters second offensive series, Curtis got picked off again, this time by 1st Lt. Phillip Poundstone who returned the ball to the 25 ASOS 33.

Although Murphy had a bit of trouble moving the ball forward this time around, the QB made a clutch throw on fourth down from the 31 to Brown for the team's second score of the game.

"It's about making catches," Murphy said. "I can make the throws, if we catch it, it's there all day. Our receivers were making the catches. That's what matters."

The Marauders con-



(Above) Airman 1st Class Zach Murphy looks downfield before making a pass. Murphy threw two passes for touchdowns to lead 747th Communications Squadron (747 CS) Marauders over 25th Air Support Operation Squadron (25 ASOS) Bushmasters.

(Right) Senior Airman David Williams returns an interception late in the game to preserve the win for 747 CS.

verted their point-after touchdown to go up at 14-0, which stood through half-time.

After intermission, the Bushmasters defense pinned the Marauders deep into their own territory to force the 747 CS to punt.

Starting at his own 34, Curtis advanced the Bushmasters into the red zone on only four plays.

Then with the ball resting on the 10, Curtis tried to sneak in a pass to the end zone, but the toss was picked off by Williams to stop the threat.

"That was huge," said Murphy about his team-

mate's takeaway. "If they (Bushmasters) had scored there, that turns the tables. Getting that pick just sealed it right there."

Williams said that the interception was just a matter of him staying home and keeping his eyes on the quarterback.

"I was looking for the switch," Williams said. "They were beating us on the switch the whole time. They switched a little behind our corner, and I noticed that he (Curtis) was eyeing his receiver down, but he was nowhere near the pass. So I was just patient, set in there and it worked out pretty well."

The Bushmasters did manage to add a touchdown late in the game, but it wasn't enough as the Marauders hung on for the victory.

While the Marauders are still in jeopardy of missing out on the playoffs, Williams said that the win keeps their hopes alive.

"We feel like later in the season, it might come down to points," he said. "So it's important to make good stops and score as much as we can. We want to make the playoffs."



November is Native American Heritage Month

Information courtesy of the
Bureau of Indian Affairs

U.S. Department of the Interior

What started at the turn of the century as an effort to gain a day of recognition for the significant contributions the first Americans made to the establishment and growth of the United States, has resulted in the whole month of November being designated for that purpose.

According to the Bureau of Indian Affairs U.S. Department of the Interior website <http://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/about/>, one of the proponents of an American Indian Day was Dr. Arthur C. Parker, a Seneca Indian, who was the director of the Museum of Arts and Science in Rochester, N.Y. He persuaded the Boy Scouts of America to set aside a day for the "first Americans" and for three years they adopted such a day.

In 1915, the annual Congress of the American Indian Association meeting in Lawrence, Kansas, formally approved a plan concerning American Indian Day. It directed its president, Rev. Sherman Coolidge, an Arapahoe, to call upon the country to observe such a day.

Coolidge issued a proclamation



U.S. Marine Corps photograph

U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Henry Bake, Jr., and Pvt. First Class George H. Kirk were Navajo Indians serving with a Marine Signal Unit. They are operating a portable radio set in a clearing they've hacked in the dense jungle close behind the front lines in December 1943 at Bougainville.

on Sept. 28, 1915, which declared the second Saturday of each May as an American Indian Day and contained the first formal appeal for recognition of Indians as citizens.

The year before this proclama-

tion was issued, Red Fox James, a Blackfoot Indian, rode horseback from state to state seeking approval for a day to honor Indians. On Dec. 14, 1915, he presented the endorsements of 24 state governments at the White House.

There is no record, however, of such a national day being proclaimed.

The first American Indian Day in a state was declared on the second Saturday in May 1916 by the governor of New York. Several states celebrate the fourth Friday in September. In Illinois, for example, legislators enacted such a day in 1919.

Presently, several states have designated Columbus Day as Native American Day, but it continues to be a day observed without any recognition as a national legal holiday.

In 1990 President George H. W. Bush approved a joint resolution designating November 1990 as "National American Indian Heritage Month." Similar proclamations, under variants on the name (including "Native American Heritage Month" and "National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month") have been issued each year since 1994.

President Barack Obama proclaimed November 2014 as National Native American Heritage Month. "I call upon all Americans to commemorate this month with appropriate programs and activities, and to celebrate Nov. 28, 2014, as Native American Heritage Day," he stated in his proclamation.

Obama stated, "Every year, our nation pauses to reflect on the profound ways the first Americans have shaped our country's character and culture. The first stewards of our environment, early voices for the values that define our nation, and models of government to our founding fathers — American Indians and Alaska natives helped build the very fabric of America.

"Today, their spirit and many contributions continue to enrich our communities and strengthen our country. During National Native American Heritage Month, we honor their legacy, and we recommit to strengthening our nation-to-nation partnerships."

"As we celebrate the rich traditions of the original peoples of what is now the United States, we cannot forget the long and unfortunate chapters of violence, discrimination and deprivation they had to endure. For far too long, the heritage we honor today was disrespected and devalued, and Native Americans were told their land, religion and language were not theirs to keep.

"We cannot ignore these events or erase their consequences for native peoples — but as we work together to forge a brighter future, the lessons of our past can help reaffirm the principles that guide our nation today," Obama stated.

STORY IDEAS?

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Native American Heritage Month celebration today

A Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Native American Heritage Month celebration will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Nov. 21 at Hickam Memorial Theater, JBPHH.

The event will include a video presentation about Navajo code talkers. Capt. Mark Manfredi, chief of staff of Navy Region Hawaii, will offer the opening remarks. The guest speaker will be Dr. Di-

anne Bowman-Coleman Col. David Kirkendall, deputy base commander, will offer the closing remarks.

Chaplain Lt. Daniel Clark will lead the invocation and benediction.



Live the Great Life

Last-minute Thanksgiving options available

Reid Tokeshi

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Thanksgiving is less than a week away, but there are still some options available for late planners if they act quickly.

Today is the last day to make a reservation for Joint Base Catering's annual Thanksgiving Day lunch buffet at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club. Three seating times are available. Patrons can dine on the lanai overlooking the harbor at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. In addition, there will be a noon seating time in the air-conditioned dining room.

Prices are \$31.95 for adults, \$17.95 for children ages 7-12 years and \$11.50 for children ages 4-6 years. Children ages 3 years and under will be admitted free. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 448-4608.

Sam Choy's Island Style Seafood Grille at Hickam Beach offers a twist on the Thanksgiving buffet with a menu featuring items beyond the traditional. Their menu features not just turkey, but also salmon, pasta salad and



MWR Marketing photo

The Hickam channel will be the backdrop for the Thanksgiving lunch buffet at the Historic Hickam Officers' Club.

oven-roasted pork loin.

The special buffet is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., making it an option for lunch or dinner. Prices are \$29.95 for adults and \$14.95 for children ages 6-12 years. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free. Reservations are highly recommended. Call 422-3002 to make a reservation.

Off-base, but nearby at the Navy-Marine Golf Course, Seven Palms Bar and Grille will offer a Thanksgiving feast buffet from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Prices for adults are \$29.50 and children 6-12 years are \$14.75. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free.

The menu also offers choices beyond traditional fare, including fish, chicken and roast beef. Reservations can be made by calling 421-7267.

For customers who prefer the relaxed, casual setting of home, Joint Base Catering offers a Thanksgiving turkey to-go. The \$130 package includes a 10-12 pound turkey, stuffing, gravy, dinner rolls, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie. Customers can pick up the package at Wright Brothers Thanksgiving morning from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Reservations for the to-go deal must be made by today. Customers can call the catering office at 448-4608.



MWR Marketing photo

Patrons explore the 39th annual fall craft fair held Nov. 8.

Fall craft fair features family fun

Justin Hirai

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare & Recreation

The Hickam Arts & Crafts Center held the 39th annual Fall Craft Fair and Family Fun Day on Nov. 8.

More than 130 booths offered handmade arts and crafts for sale.

In addition to the crafts, the event included entertainment, food vendors, pony rides and make-n-take activities.

Each vendor had unique, handmade crafts for sale. There were photos printed on aluminum, handmade jewelry, paintings, silk leis, quilts, teddy bears and even Christmas decorations. Some of the vendors also had home decorations, including painted

benches, chairs and hand crafted door and wall signs.

Other attractions included the wheel throwing demonstration of bowl making and wood crafting demonstrations by the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. The craft store ran sales on kid's crafts kits, scrap booking materials, cake supplies, stencils and yarn.

MWR patrons can also mark their calendars for the 40th Annual Spring Craft Fair, which will be held on May 2, 2015 at the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center. Interested vendors will be able to register beginning Feb. 6 in the craft store. For more information on the annual craft fairs or the Hickam Arts & Crafts Center, call 448-9907.

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Turkey Roll bowling concludes at 4 p.m. today at the Hickam Bowling Center. Patrons can get one entry per person for each game bowled and can get a fourth entry free after bowling three games. The drawing will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday. Four turkeys will be given away (one per family or individual). Winners need to pick up their turkey from the Hickam Bowling Center by Nov. 24. This activity is open to active-duty service members, their family members ages 10 and older, retirees and Department of Defense civilians. FMI: 448-9959.

Eat the Street: Bacon excursion will be held today. The "Grab 'n' Go" trolley will

depart from the MWR Information, Tickets & Travel-Hickam (ITT) office at 4 p.m. and return at 6 p.m. The "Hangin' Out" trolley will depart at 6:30 p.m. and return at 9:30 p.m. Eat the Street is a monthly food truck and street food rally. No large strollers or coolers are allowed, and folding chairs and/or mats are recommended. The cost is \$7 per person. FMI: 448-2295.

5K Turkey Trot will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Hickam Fitness Center. This free 5K run is open to JBPHH active-duty service members, their family members and Department of Defense civilians. Prizes will be awarded to first place win-

ners in men's, women's, youth (17 years and younger) and stroller categories. FMI: 448-2214.

Ride with the Pilgrims spin class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 27 at the Hickam Fitness Center. This free class is open to all eligible patrons. Canned goods will be accepted at the door to be donated to the Food Bank. FMI: 448-2214.

Half-Off Thanksgiving Movie will be shown at 7 p.m. Nov. 27 at Sharkey Theater. Active-duty service members will receive half-off regular admission price. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com or 473-0726.

Thanksgiving Softball & Turkey Shoot

Basketball Tournaments will be held Nov. 28 through Nov. 30. The basketball tournament will be held at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center. Fields for the softball tournament will be determined. The tournaments are open to JBPHH teams. FMI: 473-2494 or 473-2437.

Turn and Burn Ride spin class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 29 at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Center. This free two-hour "ride" travels over flats, climbs hills and sprints through the wind. This class is open to all eligible patrons. Canned goods will be accepted at the door to be donated to the Food Bank. FMI: 471-2019.

NOVEMBER**WAIMANALO MAKAHIKI**

SATURDAY — Traditional games and a ceremony will be featured at Waimanalo Makahiki, a Native Hawaiian cultural event, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. at Bellows Beach Park. FMI: 927-1867.

TURKEY TROT 5K

SATURDAY — A free Turkey Trot 5K family fun run will be held at Turtle Cove lanai (building 220), Bellows Air Force Station. Check-in is at 7 a.m. and the race begins at 8 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female winners in each division: adults ages 18 and older, teens ages 13 to 17 and children ages 12 and younger. T-shirts will be provided to the first 50 entrants. FMI: www.bellowsafs.com.

HOLIDAY LEGO CONTEST

SATURDAY — A LEGO building contest with a holiday theme will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange parking lot tent. Participants can enter to win LEGO prize packs. Authorized patrons can also enter a "guess how many bricks" contest to win additional prizes and receive a certificate when they finish the build. No purchase is necessary and the event is open to patrons of all ages. FMI: 423-3287.

VOLUNTEER WORK OPPORTUNITY

SATURDAY — A wetland work day environmental project will be held Nov. 22 at the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFW) Honouliuli National Wildlife Refuge in Ewa. The meeting time is 8:30 a.m. at West Loch Shoreline Park. FMI: Pauline Kawamata at 955-0100, ext. 118 or ww.hawaiinaturecenter.org.

BLOOD DRIVES

Currently scheduled Tripler Army Medical Center blood drives include:

- Nov. 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., USS Chosin, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

FMI: 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

26 — Preschool story time will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Library. The theme will be "let's count." FMI: 449-8299.

MUSTDASH TURKEY TROT

27 — The Surface Navy Association's second annual 5K fun run "MustDash" Turkey Trot will be held from 8 to 10 a.m. on the south side of the former airfield on Ford Island at O'Kane Boulevard and Wasp Boulevard. Registration is \$15. FMI: Lt. j.g. Jeffrey Knollmeyer at 473-3198 or email jeffrey.knollmeyer@navy.mil.

KAYAKING THE MOKU ISLANDS

30 — A kayaking the Moku Islands excursion will begin at 9 a.m. The Joint Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation Outdoor Adventure staff will lead a paddling trip to the islands, a protected bird sanctuary located off Kailua and Lanikai beaches. This activity is somewhat moderate in the level of difficulty, depending on winds and ocean conditions. The cost is \$35. The deadline to sign up is Nov. 24. FMI: 473-1198.

DECEMBER**NEW CVIS HOURS**

1 — Effective Dec. 1, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam commercial vehicle inspection stations' (CVIS) hours of operation will change to the following:

- Halawa CVIS: 5 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday (excluding holidays).
- Kuntz CVIS: 5 to 9 a.m. and 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 5 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.
- Saipan Gate CVIS (Wahiawa Annex): 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday (excluding holidays).
- West Loch Back Gate: 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday (excluding holidays).

SPOUSES PERSONNEL AND PAY BRIEF

12 — Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) Pearl Harbor will hold a spouses personnel and pay brief from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the PSD Pearl Harbor classroom (1043). The classroom is located in the Moanalua Shopping Center. FMI: email anna.blackmon.ctr@navy.mil or celena.robison.ctr@navy.mil.

TOWER LIGHTING CELEBRATION

12 — The free 45th annual Tower Lighting Celebration will be held from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Freedom Tower. Patrons can bring a blanket or lawn chairs to celebrate the season. Entertainment will be provided by the Air Force Band of the Pacific and the Pacific Fleet Band. Event shuttle service will be provided from the Hickam BX garden shop to the event from 4:15 p.m. to the end of the festivities. The event will offer activities for children and photos with Santa. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

13 — The annual Breakfast with Santa will begin at 8 a.m. on the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange food court lanai. Besides a pancake and bacon breakfast and a framed picture with Santa, the event will include glitter tattoos, balloon twisters, and holiday arts and crafts for children. The cost is \$12 for children and \$8 for adults. The event is for authorized patrons only. FMI: 423-3287.

**THE BOOK OF LIFE (PG)**

A vibrant fantasy-adventure tells the legend of Manolo, a conflicted hero and dreamer who sets off on an epic quest through magical, mythical and wondrous worlds in order to rescue his one true love and defend his village.

SHARKEY THEATER**TODAY 11/21**

7:00 p.m. Ouija (PG-13)

SATURDAY 11/22

2:30 p.m. The Book of Life (3-D) (PG)

4:30 p.m. The Good Lie (PG-13)

6:50 p.m. Ouija (PG-13)

SUNDAY 11/23

2:30 p.m. Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day (PG)

4:20 p.m. Dracula Untold (PG-13)

6:20 p.m. Fury (R)

THURSDAY 11/27

Thanksgiving special. Active duty military get half off their admission for today's movies

2:30 p.m. The Book of Life (3-D) (PG)

4:30 p.m. Ouija (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER**TODAY 11/21**

6:00 p.m. Gone Girl (R)

SATURDAY 11/22

4:00 p.m. The Book of Life (PG)

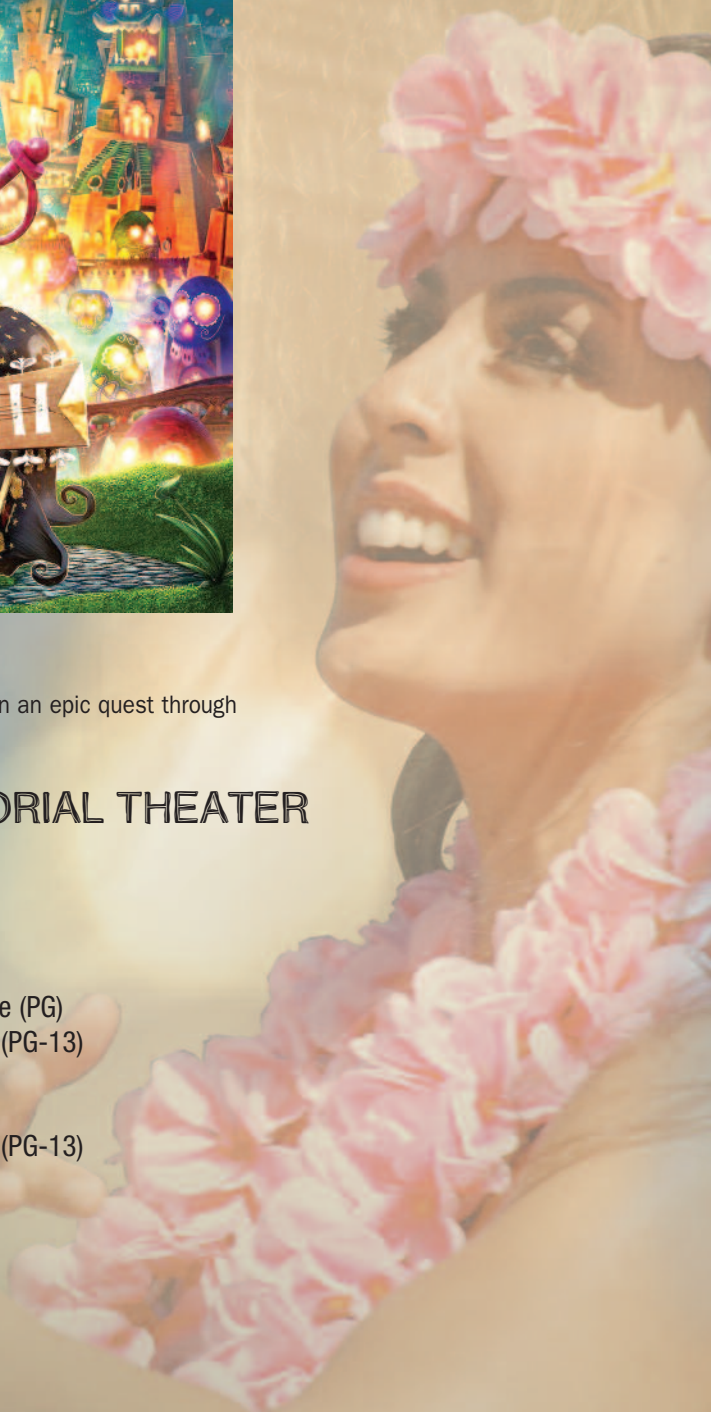
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THURSDAY 11/27

No showing



NIOC X-Div gets past 561st NOS Det. 1 in shootout

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Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii X-Div quarterback Quarterback Cryptologic Technician (Maintenance) 3rd Class Michael Quash completed a short toss to Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Jeremy Duty inside the end zone on the very last play of the game to defeat 561st Network Operation Squadron (561 NOS) Det.1, 26-25, on Nov. 18 in a battle of third-place teams in the Red Division at Ward Field, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

After giving up the go-ahead touchdown with under two minutes remaining in the game, X-Div got the ball back at their own 15 and behind the direction of Quash, moved into scoring position on only six plays.

Then on the final of play of the game, Quash rolled to his right and released a bulls-eye into the hands of Duty, who cradled the pass for the game-winning score.

The win lifted X-Div past the 561 for sole possession of third place with a record of 5-3 while the NOS dropped into a tie for the fourth and final playoff spot with a mark of 4-4.

"We were just looking to get first downs," said Quash about the team's strategy for the final minute of play. "We weren't trying to get it all on one play. We completed passes, got to the ball, got timeouts when we needed them and made plays."

Right from the start, the game shaped up to be a shootout as the teams traded touchdowns from the beginning until the end.

X-Div took the opening snap from their own 15 and marched upfield until Quash ended the drive on a three-yard pass to Duty for the first score and eventual 7-0 lead.



(Above) Cryptologic Technician (Maintenance) 3rd Class Michael Quash threw for four touchdowns to lead Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Hawaii X-Div over 561st Network Operation Squadron (561 NOS) Det.1. (Right) Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 2nd Class Jeremy Duty hauled in three passes for touchdowns for NIOC X-Div.

As they did throughout the game, the NOS immediately responded with a scoring drive of their own with quarterback Airman 1st Class Spencer Davies topping off a 65-yard push with a 16-yard scoring pass to Master Sgt. Erich Freundner that led to a 7-7 deadlock.

The back-and-forth battle continued through halftime as each team exchanged touchdowns to finish the first half in a 13-13 tie.

Quash put X-Div ahead at 13-7 on another TD strike to Duty, but

Davies tied it up just before half-time on a 12-yard pass to Staff Sgt. Willie Bryant for six.

In the second half, the NOS defense came up with the only stop of the game when the team forced X-Div to punt from their own 36.

From there, NOS went ahead for 13-7 the first time in the

going over the top to a wide open Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) 2nd Class Bennie Gregory for 30 yards and a tying touchdown.

Quash then put X-Div ahead at 20-19 by converting the point-after with a short plunge into the end zone.

With time running down, NOS appeared to have put the game away as Davies engineered a 65-yard drive that ended on a one-yard pass to Airman 1st Class Marco Brown for a 25-20 lead.

However, Quash returned on the field with a little more than a minute remaining in the game and managed to surpass all of the night's previous scores by leading X-Div on the game-winning drive.

"I was waiting for the referee to say, 'game over,'" said Duty, who finished off the drive with his third TD catch of the game. "He (the referee) actually said that was going to be our last play. The clock was going to be zero after he snapped it. It (the pass) looked low coming in, but I'm already close to the ground. So I was like, I'll get down a little bit more and catch the ball."

After the final whistle, Quash admitted that it was the most heart-pounding game he ever played in and came out on top.

A win over another division contender, Quash said, is a huge springboard as the team prepares for the playoffs.

"This is a confidence builder," he said. "We had to win this one. This was a big one for us."

Waimanalo *makahiki* Saturday

Bellows Air Force
Station

The Hawaiian Civic Club of Waimanalo and Bellows Air Force Station will host the fifth annual *Makahiki* Competition and Ceremonial event open to the public from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Bellows Beach Park. The Royal Order of Kamehameha described the Waimanalo *makahiki* as authentic and culturally relevant.

The Bellows area has added significance because it contains some of the oldest cultural sites on Oahu. The admission and parking are free.

This year, as in the past, the event will include *keiki* having friendly competition in traditional Hawaiian games such as *'ulu maika*, *moa pahe'e*, *o'o ihe*, and *hukihuki*. *hakā moa* and *kākā lā'au* games will also be demonstrated.

Cultural practitioners and activity booths will unite the past and present traditions for health and wellness. The morning opens with a traditional ceremony to honor the arrival of the god Lono, the guardian of peace and health, who presides over the activities until his departure at midday.

Kalama Kalima is master of ceremonies. The afternoon continues with storytelling and a full afternoon of *kani ka pila* (Hawaiian music).

Star gazing with the Polynesian Voyaging Society begins when the night sky appears.

The *makahiki* committee encourages military families to participate in addition to local residents. The *makahiki* is an opportunity to share, educate and create friendly relations within the extended community.

For more information, visit www.hoolua.org or contact Craig Gorsuch at 927-1867 or craig.gorsuch.ctr@us.af.mil.

Pacific Aviation Museum calls for volunteers

Pacific Aviation Museum
Pearl Harbor

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor has issued a call for volunteers to help in its expansion.

The museum on Ford Island at Pearl Harbor has several areas for non-paid volunteers who are interested in history, education and aviation.

Docents and tour guides are needed, as well as restoration

crew members who work on aircraft alongside experienced mechanics.

Flight simulator air bosses who teach guests how to fly virtually are also requested. With many additional volunteer opportunities in museum operations, administration, education, and special events, there is something for everyone. No experience is necessary and the museum provides volunteers

with the education and skills needed.

Volunteers receive benefits. They work hands-on with aircraft, meet and "talk story" with veterans and experienced pilots and mechanics, receive free admission to the museum and to the other Pearl Harbor Historic Sites, receive discounts at the museum gift shop and restaurant, free admission to all hangar talks and lectures, an

annual volunteer appreciation party, and more.

Those interested should contact volunteer coordinator Ashley Sands for more information and a volunteer application at 445-9189 or Ashley.Sands@PacificAviationMuseum.org. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age or partnered with a parent. The museum will provide documentation for service hours.

JBPHH celebrates another year as a Tree City USA

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JBPHH reaffirmed its standing as a "Tree City USA" with a tree planting ceremony held Nov. 7 in Hickam Community's Hale Na Koa housing area at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

The ceremony marks the 15th year Hickam has celebrated Hawaii's Arbor Day by recommitting itself to being a good steward of the environment.

According to www.arborday.org, the Tree City USA program is a national program that provides the framework for community forestry management for cities and towns in America. Communities achieve Tree City status by maintaining a tree board or department, having a community tree ordinance, spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry, and celebrating Arbor Day.

The joint base joins more than 3,400 other Tree City communities in the U.S.

"Being a Tree City USA means that we as a Department of Defense organization support the message that trees add to the community, they help the environment, and they add beauty to housing," said Matt Flach,



Third grade students from Hickam Elementary School help plant a jacaranda tree during an Arbor Day tree planting ceremony in Hickam Community's Hale Na Koa neighborhood at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Nov. 7.

JBPHH landscape architect and Tree City USA representative.

JBPHH leaders, housing officials and third graders from Hickam Elementary School

marked the day with the planting of a jacaranda tree, soon to be followed by seven more in the coming weeks, on 11th Avenue.

Flach said the tree, which will

eventually bloom large, lavender-colored flowers, was selected for its historical significance.

"Hickam housing is a historic area, and we chose this particular

tree because it keeps in line with the type of tree that was originally planted on this street," he said. "Each street in housing has a specific tree planted on it that gives it its own unique identity, and the tree in the historic plan for 11th Avenue is the jacaranda."

In addition to planting the jacaranda tree, the official Arbor Day proclamation was read by Lt. Col. Karla Heren, 647th Air Base Group deputy commander, urging all citizens to observe Arbor Day.

Though nationally Arbor Day has been formally recognized on the last Friday in April since 1805, many states recognize Arbor Day on a day that reflects the best time for tree planting in that region. Arbor Day is celebrated the first Friday in November in Hawaii.

"It's exciting for me to have a new tree planted today and to be a part of Arbor Day," Heren said before reading the proclamation.

The event also proved to be educational for the *keiki* in attendance who will now forever be a part of the historic housing area's history.

"I feel good about planting more trees. I'm proud," said Dylan Dykes, a Hickam Elementary School third grader. "It's important to plant more trees which are used for air and wood and other stuff."

Pearl Harbor Vehicle Registration office offers online appointments

The new Pearl Harbor Vehicle Registration office now offers a new online appointment system.

In an effort to minimize wait time and increase efficiency, all military personnel and civilians with base access must now make an online appointment before visiting the Pearl Harbor Vehicle Registration office. Walk-in customers

will no longer be taken.

Office hours are from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The online appointment system is now open for reservations each Monday at 9 a.m. for Tuesday and Thursday appointments for that week.

For more information and to make an appointment, visit the website at

www.mvregjbphhhawaii.com.

Due to the limited number of online appointment times available, it is suggested that civilians give preference to military personnel. There are nine other satellite city hall locations to serve customers. For more information, visit <http://www1.honolulu.gov/csd/satellite>.

MFSC to hold upcoming events in December

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Military and Family Support Center

Military and Family Support Center (MFSC) is the service center for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. There is no charge for classes unless otherwise specified. The classes are for active duty, family members, Reserves, retired military personnel and Department of Defense employ-

ees, except as noted in the individual program descriptions.

Schedules are subject to change. December classes at the MFSC Pearl Harbor Moanalua Services Center include:

- An Employment in Hawaii workshop will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Dec. 2.

- A company recruitment: Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) event will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Dec. 4.

- An "Air Force Spouse 101: Heart Link" program will be held from 7:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 5. The event is for new Air Force spouses or those who still have questions. The event will include a free lunch.

For more information and to register for any of these classes, call 474-1999 or register online at www.greatlifehawaii.com under the Families/Military and Family Support Center tab.

My Favorite Photo...

John Burns, administrative support assistant for Navy Region Hawaii, took this photo from the bow of the Battleship Missouri Memorial after the Nov. 11 Veterans Day ceremony.

How to submit: Email (non-posed) photos to editor@hookelenews.com



Tips provided to have a safe holiday season

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has outlined some holiday decoration safety tips. They include:

Trees

Many artificial trees are fire resistant. If you buy one, look for a statement specifying this protection.

A fresh tree will stay green longer and be less of a fire hazard than a dry tree. To check for freshness, remember:

- A fresh tree is green.
- Fresh needles are hard to pull from branches.
- When bent between your fingers, fresh needles do not break.
- The cut end of a fresh tree is sticky with resin.
- When the trunk of a tree is bounced on the ground, a shower of falling needles shows that the tree is too dry.

Place the tree away from heat sources. Heat dries out trees rapidly, creating fire hazards.

Cut off about two inches of the trunk to expose fresh wood for better water absorption. Trim away branches as necessary to set the tree trunk in the base of a sturdy, water-holding stand with wide spread feet. Keep the stand filled with water while the tree is indoors.

Place the tree out of the way of traffic and do not block doorways. Use thin wires to secure a large tree to walls or ceiling. These wires are almost invisible.

Artificial snow

Artificial snow sprays can irritate lungs if inhaled. To avoid injury, read container labels. Follow directions carefully.

Lights

Indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety. Identify these by the label from an independent testing laboratory.

Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Discard damaged sets or repair them before using.

Fasten outdoor lights securely to trees, the house, walls or other firm support to protect them from wind damage.

Use no more than three standard-size sets of lights per single extension cord.

Turn off all lights on trees and other decorations when you go to bed or leave the house. Lights could short and start a fire.

Never use electric lights on a metallic tree.

The tree can become charged with electricity from faulty lights, and any person touching a branch could be electrocuted. Use colored spotlights above or beside a tree, never fastened onto it,

to avoid this danger.

Keep "bubbling" lights away from children. These lights with their bright colors and bubbling movement can tempt curious children to break candle-shaped glass, which can cut, and attempt to drink liquid, which contains a hazardous chemical.

Candles

Never use lighted candles on a tree or near other evergreens.

Always use non-flammable holders.

Keep candles away from other decorations and wrapping paper.

Place candles where they cannot be knocked down or blown over.

Trimming

Use only non-combustible or flame-resistant materials.

Wear gloves while decorating with spun glass "angel hair" to avoid irritation to eyes and skin.

Choose tinsel or artificial icicles or plastic or non-leaded metals. Leaded materials are hazardous if ingested by children.

In homes with small children, take special care to:

- Avoid decorations that are sharp or breakable.
- Keep trimmings with small removable parts out of the reach of children. Pieces could be swallowed or inhaled.
- Avoid trimmings that resemble candy or food. A child could eat them.

Paper

When making paper decorations, look for materials labeled non-combustible or flame-resistant.

Never place trimming near open flames or electrical connections.

Remove all wrapping papers from the tree area immediately after the presents are opened.

General rules for holiday safety

- Keep matches, lighters, and candles out of the reach of children.
- Avoid smoking near flammable decorations.
- Make an emergency plan to use if a fire breaks out anywhere in the home. See that each family member knows what to do. Practice the plan.

Avoid wearing loose flowing clothes, particularly long open sleeves, near open flames such as those of a stove or candlelit table.

Never burn candles near evergreens. When dry, greens burn like tinder. Flames can flare out of control and send sparks flying into a room.

Plan for safety. Remember, there is no substitute for common sense. Look for and eliminate potential danger spots near candles, trees, and/or electrical connections.

Surface Navy Association to hold MustDash Turkey Trot Nov. 27

The Surface Navy Association's Pearl Harbor Chapter is sponsoring the second annual MustDash 5K Turkey Trot.

The run will begin at 8 a.m. on Thanksgiving, on Ford Island at the intersection of O'Kane Boulevard and Wasp Boulevard.

Participants can compete for prizes with their best real or fake moustache. Prizes will be awarded in three categories:

best real mustache, best fake mustache and worst in show (for those men that try their hardest to grow a mustache, yet fail miserably).

Registration is \$15 and covers a race T-shirt and minimal costs for holding the race. Participants can register by Nov. 25 by contacting Lt. j.g. Jeff Knollmeyer at 473-3148 or jeffrey.knollmeyer@navy.mil

with their shirt size. Shirts are in men's sizes only.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Diana Quinlan

Last year the guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) displays its holiday lights at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. Ships and submarines home ported in Hawaii participate in the annual Pearl Harbor Holiday Festival of Lights.

Annual Festival of Lights is planned at Pearl Harbor

Lt. j.g. Eric Galassi

Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Ships and submarines around Pearl Harbor will be displaying ornamental lights and decorations for the annual Festival of Lights from Dec. 8 to 25. A competition to select the winning ships and submarines will take place on the evening of Dec. 8 and be judged by representatives from U.S. Pacific Fleet, U.S. Pacific Command, Submarine Force Pacific, Joint Interagency Task Force West, and Navy Region Hawaii/Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

Following this contest, there will be free boat tours for both military/DoD ID cardholders and the general public. Military/DoD tours will depart from Merry Point Landing.

General public tours will depart from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Tours will be approximately 15-20 minutes long aboard Arizona Memorial white boats.

Tours for military/DoD ID cardholders will be offered per the following schedule:

- Dec. 8, 7:15 – 9 p.m.
- Dec. 9, 6 – 8 p.m.
- Dec. 10, 6 – 8 p.m.

Tours for the general public will be offered per the following schedule:

- Dec. 11, 6 – 8 p.m.
- Dec. 12, 6 – 8 p.m.

These harbor tours are of-

ferred as a free service by the National Park Service. Seats are limited and tickets for the general public will be distributed on a first come, first served basis beginning at 5:30 pm on the day of the tour at the Visitor Center.

There are no tickets or reservations for military/DoD ID cardholders. People are asked to meet at Merry Point Landing for seats, to be filled on a first come, first served basis. Guests of military/DoD personnel may accompany their sponsors for tours from Merry Point Landing.

No backpacks, fanny packs, luggage, diaper bags, camera bags, purses, large cameras/tripods or other items which provide concealment are allowed in the visitor center or aboard the boats.

Valuables should not be left in vehicles. Please note that cameras and videos are allowed onboard for photos of the decorated ships. However, photographing security activities such as the patrol boats and shore or water security personnel is prohibited. A light jacket or sweater is recommended.

For more information about the event and tours, contact Lt. j.g. Eric Galassi at eric.galassi@navy.mil or (808) 473-0660 for military/DOD or Amanda Carona at (808) 422-3315 for the general public.

Armed services blood drive schedule updated for November

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has updated its schedule of upcoming blood drives as part of the Armed Services Blood Donor Program (ASBP).

Currently scheduled drives include:

- Nov. 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., USS Chosin, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

- Nov. 25, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., blood donor center, Tripler Army Medical Center.

- Nov. 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., ocean-side lobby entrance, Tripler Army Medical Center.

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

Volunteers needed for Pearl Harbor Day events

Navy Region Hawaii Plan of the Week

The Navy and the National Park Service are looking for active duty military personnel from all services to volunteer in various events commemorating the 73rd anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Navy and National Park Service 73rd Anniversary Day Commemoration, USS Utah Memorial Sunset Ceremony, USS Oklahoma Memorial Ceremony and USS Arizona Reunion Association events. Volunteer tasks include the following:

- Nov. 24 to Dec. 3: grounds preparation, ceremony set up and staging.
- Dec. 2: USS Arizona Reunion Association official welcome ceremony honor cordon.
- Dec. 6: USS Utah Memorial Sunset Ceremony setup.
- Dec. 7: Navy and National Park Service Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration ushers, escorts, parking and crowd control.
- Dec. 7: USS Oklahoma Memorial setup, breakdown and ushers.

Volunteering provides an opportunity for active duty members to contribute to Pearl Harbor Day commemorations, preserving the memory and honoring those who sacrificed 73 years ago while ensuring their values, efforts, stories and successes are never forgotten.

For general information on Pearl Harbor Day events, contact the JBPHH Public Affairs Office at 473-2926 or 473-2880, or visit www.pacifichistoricparks.org.