

THE WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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Upcoming Events

- **Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths:** Nov. 21 at Pearl City Mini Mart, 794 Lehua Ave., from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Dec. 5 Navy Exchange Mall, 4725 Bougainville Dr., 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.



Warrior Care Month: Out of the Fight, But Still Sailing

Former Secretary of Defense Robert F. Gates established November as Warrior Care Month to highlight programs and services available to wounded, ill, and injured service members, their families, and those who care about them. Navy Region Hawaii shares the story of one sailor who has benefited from the Navy Wounded Warrior program and related services. "It is comforting to know that life can go on," says Second Class Petty Officer Sonar Technician Rickaiya Diggs.



Team Hickam Hosts Wings of Aloha Open House

Students and community members got a chance to see aircraft up close and meet with Airmen from the Air Force's 15th Wing during the recent Wings of Aloha Open House on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. "Wings of Aloha is our opportunity to welcome the local community on base to receive some insight on our Air Force operations, tour aircraft, learn about our mission and meet the Airmen that serve them every day," said Col. Garrett Fisher, 15th Wing commander.



Honoring King Kalākaua's Legacy and His Historic Army Ties

U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii, local civics clubs, the Royal Order of Kamehameha and community members honored King David Kalākaua this past weekend in a ceremony that celebrated his contributions to Hawaiian culture and his historic ties to the U.S. Army. King Kalākaua formed a friendship with Maj. Gen. John Schofield, who escorted the monarch to a meeting with President Ulysses S. Grant in Washington, D.C. Their enduring friendship symbolized the partnership between the Hawaiian Kingdom and the U.S. Army.



Castle High School Students Visit Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) recently hosted a tour for students from James B. Castle High School, exposing them to opportunities in the trades, engineering, and STEM. The students received a shipyard mission brief and visited the marine machinery mechanics, welding and structural shop, and shipwrights work area. PHNSY & IMF's mission is to repair, maintain, and modernize Navy fast-attack submarines and surface ships to keep the Navy's fleet "Fit to Fight."



JBPHH Volunteers Help Salt Lake Community Make Genki Balls

More than 40 Sailors, Airmen, civilians and family members joined Salt Lake community members to clean up Likini Park and make 1,000 genki balls, microbial mudballs that introduce living organisms to waterways. Genki balls are an environmentally friendly means of removing pollutants from soil and water without negatively impacting or altering the natural ecosystem. "Genki" comes from the Japanese word for healthy, vital, or energetic.



This Week in History: November 20, 1916

On Nov. 20, 1916, the Hawaiian Air Office is activated at the Alexander Young Hotel in Honolulu with Capt. John Curry in command. The Hawaiian Air Office represented the earliest establishment of military aviation in the Hawaiian islands. Capt. Curry would eventually recommend Ford Island as the most suitable site for the home base of the 6th Aero Squadron, based on its "excellent approaches and plenty of water for landings and take-offs."



LAULIMA NAVY

Laulima Navy is a year-long initiative launched on the Navy's 249th birthday on Oct. 13, 2024, to reinforce the Navy's longstanding and unwavering commitment to Hawaii. Laulima is a Hawaiian value that means "many hands working together." During the next 12 months, we will highlight 250 ways that naval commands and components on the islands of Oahu and Kauai protect and care for the community, the people and the land.



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