

THE WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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Upcoming Events

- Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths: May 29 at Kapilina Night Market from 4 to 8 p.m.; June 6 at Navy Exchange Mall from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; June 11 JBPHH Newcomers Fair at Hickam Chapel from 9:30 to 10 a.m.
- EIS public scoping meetings for Pacific Missile Range Facility and NASA's Koke'e Park Geophysical Observatory June 4-6 on Kauai. Visit [PMRF-KPGO-EIS.com](https://www.pmrh-kpgo-eis.com) for locations and times.



Hawaiian Telcom, JBPHH and CNRH Announce Fiber Optic Partnership

With support from Navy Region Hawaii and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaiian Telcom has successfully completed a pivotal commercial fiber optic project that substantially enhances communications connectivity on Oahu. Completed in early 2024, the multi-million dollar collaborative project included deploying the largest count fiber-optic cable ever installed in the State of Hawaii. The new fiber connection, which directly links West Oahu and Metro Oahu, was placed deep underground to protect it from aboveground disruptions utilizing a route through JBPHH.



U.S. Submarine Vets Hold Memorial Day Ceremony

Members of the U.S. Submarine Veterans, Bowfin Base, held a Memorial Day ceremony at Pearl Harbor Submarine Park and Parche Memorial to honor World War II submariners who sacrificed their lives defending our nation. The ceremony included remarks by Capt. Aaron Peterson, commander, Submarine Squadron 1, lei and wreath presentations, and a "tolling of the boats," where each of the 52 U.S. submarines lost during WWII was honored as a bell is tolled.



Australian Divers Conduct Training in Pearl Harbor

Divers from the Royal Australian Navy are spending two weeks shadowing divers from Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) as part of AUKUS, a trilateral partnership of Australia, United Kingdom, and the U.S. that seeks to deliver conventionally armed, nuclear-powered attack submarines capability to Australia. The visiting divers are working with every PHNSY dive team to gain a better understanding of the challenges of diving around a Virginia class submarine.



Marking the 50th Anniversary of National Emergency Medical Services Week

Emergency Medical Services Assistant Chief Douglas Asano and EMS Battalion Chief Jason Lopez represented the Federal Fire Department (FFD), Navy Region Hawaii at the Governor's 2024 EMS Week Proclamation Signing Ceremony. FFD is an all-hazards fire and emergency services provider, serving all branches of the military on Oahu. More than 260 civilians provide fire and emergency services 24/7 and support the State of Hawaii Airports Division, Honolulu Fire Department, and City and County of Honolulu EMS Division with mutual aid response.



Something's Abuzz at Pacific Missile Range Facility

Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands, on the island of Kauai, has instituted a program to allow honey bee hives on the installation to protect these essential pollinators. The hives are maintained and operated solely by volunteers. Beekeepers check the hives every two to four weeks to clean the hives, and harvest the honey, which is given away to teammates or within the community.



Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month: Susan Ahn Cuddy

Lt. Susan Ahn Cuddy joined the Navy in 1942 after Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. She became the first Asian American woman to serve in the Navy and the first woman gunnery officer. During World War II, she served as an instructor in both combat air tactics and the use of the .50 caliber machine gun. She subsequently worked at the Office of Naval Intelligence as a code breaker and at the National Security Agency during the Cold War.

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FOR THE NAVY AND AIR FORCE TEAM IN HAWAII

Wai Momi

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