

THE WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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Upcoming Events

- Navy Region Hawaii Career Fair on May 17 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Schofield Barracks, 604 Ballroom & Conference Center, 1249 Kulekole Ave.
- May 29 at Kapalina Night Market from 4 to 8 p.m.



NCTF Holds Open House Tonight at Oahu Veterans Center

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill (NCTF-RH) is hosting an open house on May 15 from 5-7 p.m. at the Oahu Veterans Center at 1298 Kukila Street in Halawa. Task force members will share updates on the decommissioning of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and subject matter experts will be on hand to answer questions from attendees. For more information, visit www.navyclosuretaskforce.navy.mil or download the NCTF-RH mobile app from the Apple App or Google Play stores.



Hawaii Becomes Newest Sentinel Landscapes Partner

The Defense Department is expanding its work with inter-agency partners to promote sustainable land-use practices at key sites near military installations with the designation of five new sentinel landscapes. The newly designated sites include New Mexico, Utah, Hawaii, Pennsylvania and California. The Hawaii Sentinel Landscape includes more than 2 million acres of conservation, agricultural and DOD mission lands on the islands of Kauai, Oahu and Hawaii that have come under threats posed by rapid urban development and climate change.



Navy and NASA Seek Community Input for EIS

The Navy and NASA are jointly preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for proposed continued use of State of Hawaii lands for the Navy's Pacific Missile Range Facility and NASA's Koke'e Park Geophysical Observatory through potential updated real estate agreements. The Navy and NASA are initiating a public scoping period to receive comments on the scope of the EIS. Public scoping meetings will be held June 4-6 on Kauai. Visit PMRF-KPGO-EIS.com to learn more.



USS Hopper Returns After 7-month Deployment

After 208 days at sea, the USS Grace Hopper (DDG 70) returned to its homeport at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer was deployed to the U.S. 7th Fleet area of operations in support of a free and open Indo-Pacific. The 360 Sailors aboard the ship were welcomed home by loved ones and members of the JBPHH community. Hopper is a multi-mission surface combatant, capable of anti-air, anti-submarine, and anti-surface warfare missions.



Custom Rides on Display at Pacific Missile Range

Car enthusiasts showed off their customized rides this weekend at the Fourth Annual Auto Skills Car Show hosted by the MWR Mana Motors Auto Skills Center at Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kauai. The lineup included about 70 muscle cars, classic cars, custom bikes, hot rods, race cars, custom trucks, dragsters and more. The event drew hundreds of community members who got a chance to vote for their favorites.



Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month: Gordon Pai'ea Chung-Hoon

Gordon Pai'ea Chung-Hoon was the first Asian American to graduate from the U.S. Naval Academy and the first Asian American flag officer. His Navy career spanned 30 years and included service in WWII and Korea. He received the Navy Cross and the Silver Star for gallantry as commanding officer of USS Sigsbee (DD-502) during the Battle at Okinawa. He retired in 1959 as a two-star admiral. The Navy honored him by naming a guided missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG-93).

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Wai Momi

NAVY REGION PRODUCTIONS

Navy Region Hawaii produces a digital magazine and a monthly lifestyle show for Navy and Air Force members and their families in Hawaii. Ho'okele and Wai Momi include news and feature stories, command information and community photos produced by Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs. Current and past editions of both are available for viewing on the Navy Region Hawaii website and DVIDS.

** Clarification**

Holocaust Remembrance Day speaker Seymour Kazimirski's mother and father were both Holocaust survivors. A story in last week's issue only mentioned his father. Kazimirski often talks about his mother's experiences at Holocaust Remembrance events.

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