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Upcoming Events

- Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths: July 3 at Hickam Exchange from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.*; 9 July at JBPHH Newcomers Fair at Hickam Chapel from 9:30 to 10 a.m.*; 9 July at Ombudsman & Key Spouse Assembly at Hickam Chapel from 5 to 6:30 p.m.*

*Base Access Required



Participating Nations Arrive for RIMPAC 2024

The Republic of Korea Navy submarine Lee Beom-seok (SS-081) arrived at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam last week ahead of RIMPAC 2024, which begins Thursday and runs through Aug. 1. Capt. Corey Poorman, commander, Submarine Squadron 7, was on hand to greet the Lee Beom-seok crew. Twenty-nine nations, 40 surface ships, three submarines, 14 national land forces, more than 150 aircraft, and 25,000 personnel are participating in RIMPAC, the world's largest international maritime exercise.



74th Korean War Commemoration Ceremony Held at Punchbowl

Service members who served in the Korean War were honored during the 74th Korean War Commemoration Ceremony held Tuesday at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. The event also marked 71 years of the U.S.-Republic of Korea alliance, and highlighted the deep and unwavering security cooperation, ironclad bilateral ties, and shared commitment to maintain a free and open Indo-Pacific. Adm. Steve Koehler, commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet, delivered the keynote address.



PMRF, Lineal Descendants Take Part in Summer Solstice Ceremony

Capt. Brett Stevenson, commanding officer of the Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kauai, took part in a ho'okupu (gift) presentation during the annual Ka Māuiki'iki'i o ke Kauwela (Summer Solstice) ceremony held on June 20 at the Lua Kupapa'u O Nohili (crypt). The ceremony brought together PMRF personnel, lineal descendants of West Kauai, and other members of the community to honor the Native Hawaiian ancestors of the Mānā Plain.



Video Explains Red Hill Fuel Tank Ventilation Process

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill (NCTF-RH) began ventilating the fuel tanks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (RHBFSF) on May 30. The process brings fresh air into the tank and allows workers to safely enter and clean the interior of the tank. One tank has been ventilated and venting is underway on a second tank following approval from the Hawaii Department of Health. Visit the NCTF website to learn more about the tank ventilation process.



High School Robotics Teams Tour Pearl Harbor Shipyard

Students from Campbell High School, Nanakuli High School, St. Louis School, and Mililani High School learned about potential career opportunities at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Facility (PHNSY & IMF) during a recent visit. The students belong to their schools' robotics teams and have an interest in STEM. Representatives from the Robot Education Competition Foundation accompanied the students, who met with PHNSY & IMF engineers, Navy divers and the machine shop general manager during their tour.



This Week in History: June 28, 1958

On June 28, 1958, USS Nautilus (SSN-571), the world's first operational nuclear-powered submarine, arrived in Pearl Harbor. The Nautilus departed a few weeks later on July 23 to conduct Operation Sunshine, the first submerged transit of the North Pole. The Nautilus successfully submerged in the Barrow Sea on August 1 and transited the geographic North Pole at 11:15 pm on August 3.

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