# WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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#### **Upcoming Events**

• Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths: Sept. 18 at Kapilina Night Market, 5440 Edgewater Drive, from 4 - 8 p.m.



#### Sept. 11 Remembrance Ceremony Honors Lost Lives

A remembrance ceremony was held at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Fountain on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam this morning to honor those who lost their lives in the 9/11 terrorist attacks and in the years following Sept. 11, 2001. Flags representing United Airlines Flight 93, the Twin Towers, the Pentagon and five branches of service were raised on Sept. 10 and flown for 24 hours. They were taken down during the solemn ceremony for reflection and remembrance.



### Remembering Fallen Service Members of This Generation

Boots representing more than 8,000 fallen service members – part of the Boot Memorial Hero & Remembrance Run – line the airfield on Ford Island. Surrounded by the Pearl Harbor memorials of generations past, the Boot Memorial Hero & Remembrance Run is a yearly tribute honoring those who lost their lives since Sept. 11, 2001. Each boot has a photo of the honored fallen, as well as their name, branch of service, date and location of their passing.



### 23 Native Plant Species Growing at PMRF Nursery

In a secluded spot on the south end of the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kauai, the installation's environmental team is caring for 23 native plant species. PMRF started the plant nursery in early 2023 and over the past 18 months, the number of potted plants has grown to over 2,000. The goal is to have more native plants around the installation and increase their chances of survival by giving them a strong start at the nursery.



### Sailor Receives Service Medal for Outstanding Volunteer Efforts

Machinist Mate 2nd Class Narciso Carrillo, an active-duty Sailor from Long Beach, California, was recently awarded the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal for outstanding public service. From June 2020 to December 2023, he spent 223 off-duty hours volunteering on community beautification projects, youth sports, and historic remembrance ceremonies. "There are so many opportunities for volunteer work. Much of the work does not even feel like work, it's fun and you feel like part of the community," he said.



## USS Hawaii Departs HMAS Stirling Following Maintenance Period

USS Hawaii (SSN 776) departed HMAS Stirling this week marking the conclusion of a historic submarine maintenance period in Western Australia. As part of the Australia, United Kingdom, United States (AUKUS) Pillar 1 effort, Royal Australian Navy personnel assigned to submarine tender USS Emory S. Land (AS 39) worked alongside their U.S. Navy counterparts to make repairs on the U.S. Virginia-class SSN in Australia during a multi-week Submarine Tendered Maintenance Period, or STMP.



# This Week in History: September 11, 1925

On Sept. 11, 1925, Navy commander John Rodgers and his crew arrived on Oahu to a hero's welcome following their attempted non-stop flight from San Francisco to Hawaii. The flight was not without drama as their seaplane ran out of fuel before reaching the islands. The crew rigged sails on the seaplane and sailed 450 miles to within sight of Kauai, where they were rescued after 10 days at sea.



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