Hawaii National Guard, University of Hawaii conduct large-scale cyber-range exercise.

by Hawaii DOD Public Affairs

The first exercise using the University of Hawaii’s newly christened cyber range “Po’oihe” took place on the University of Hawaii, Manoa campus, August 2-4. Some of the top hackers in the world squared off against cyber defense teams from the Hawaii National Guard, Pacific Air Forces, federal, state and county agencies, several utilities and private companies. More than 120 “cyber warriors” and observers were involved in the exercise. The cyber range is used by government agencies, financial institutions, utilities and private industries that desire to train personnel in cyber security and to exercise and test their cyber defenses. More

Garuda Shield ‘13 brings new aircraft to Indonesia

Story by Spc. Tyler Meister

BALIKITAN, Indonesia – Soldiers from the U.S. Army’s 82nd Airborne Div. and Tentara Nasional Indonesia Angkatan Darat (TNI-AD), 17th Airborne Brigade participated in the drop, which was one of several training initiatives incorporated into US Army Pacific (USARPAC) Garuda Shield 13. The exercise was designed to strengthen military-to-military cooperation while focusing on international peace support operations. More

Hawaii National Guard CST team helps insure public safety during independence day celebrations.

Story By TSgt Andrew Jackson

July fourth, a day celebrated by family and friends across the United States poses unique security and safety concerns for those entrusted to protect the public. The highly trained professionals of the Hawaii National Guard’s Weapons of Mass Destruction - Civil Service Team partnered with the Honolulu Fire Department, Honolulu Police Department, Honolulu Emergency Medical Service to help insure the public safety during 4th of July celebration. While their efforts were largely unnoticed, they were ready to respond in the event of a disaster or terrorist event.

“Our primary mission was to assure public safety and ensure a secure environment for 4th of July spectators in the vicinity of Ala Moana Beach Park during Independence Day festivities.” said Lt Col Lance Okamura, Commander 93rd WMD-CST. More

Hawaii National Guard hosts its first ever joint noncommissioned officer development conference

Chief Master Sgt. Denise M. Jelinski-Hall delivers the key-note address to nearly 300 noncommissioned officers from the Hawaii Air and Army National Guard at the inaugural joint noncommissioned officer conference themed “Back to the Basics,” at the Hawaii National Guard Regional Training Institute in Bellows Air Force Station, July 26, 2013 (Air Force Photo By Tech. Sgt. Andrew Lee Jackson) More...

Veterans Cemetery asking public to respect the rules

KANEHOE (HawaiiNewsNow) -

Exactly 22 years ago on August 1, 1991 the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery in Kaneohe opened. Today there are nearly 10,000 people buried there. But some families have been bending the rules on how to honor their loved one.

Uniformity is a must in the military and it carries over into death as well, which is why the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery in Kaneohe is getting the word out about plots that break the rules.

Pinwheels, candles and trinkets, they all add a personal touch, but it’s also a violation. More...