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Naval Station Newport celebrates 243 years



Cmdr. Marc Picard (center), executive officer at the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport, and FT2 Joseph Bender cut the first of two Navy Birthday cakes during the division's annual employee appreciation picnic October 11. (US Navy photos by Richard Allen, McLaughlin Research Corp.)

NEWPORT, R.I.—Sailors, civilians and military families joined together in celebration of the Navy's 243rd Birthday Wednesday during a special luncheon hosted by Ney Hall Galley.

In keeping with a time-honored Navy tradition, the birthday celebration began with a cake cutting ceremony. The first slice of cake was cut by the youngest Sailor, Culinary Specialist 2 (Surface Warfare) Richard Boatwright, and the oldest Navy civilian David Britto, signifying the pass down of information from one generation to the next.

Celebrations Around the Fleet

Whether based in the United States or abroad, Sailors held celebrations to mark the Navy's 243rd birthday with other service members, civilians, guests and community members while top leaders have sent messages to the fleet reflecting on the theme "Forged by the Sea."



The oldest and youngest from the Ney Hall Galley who cut the cake were David Britto, 63, and CS2 Richard Boatwright, 23, at Naval Station Newport 243rd Navy Birthday Luncheon with a cake cutting ceremony Wednesday morning.

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Sailors and Marines aboard the amphibious transport dock ship USS New York (LPD 21) celebrated the Navy's birthday while enroute to support the largest NATO exercise in more than 20 years.

"The New York and all of our Marine teammates have had an incredibly successful year, deployed forward – twice – to support and defend freedom around the globe while furthering our nation's goals," said Capt. Brent DeVore, New York's commanding officer. "Our strength at sea, cemented in our bonds of teamwork and common purpose, permits us to operate at this high of a level. To celebrate this Navy birthday at sea, on our way to Trident Juncture to work with our allied and partner navies, is appropriate to the kind of year we have had and our Navy's ability to respond to regional crises."

"I feel like it is the best way to celebrate the Navy's birthday because you are out to sea," said Yeoman Seaman Apprentice Raashaun Noaks. "There is no better way to celebrate. I think of winning and lots of success but also, when you think of the 243 years, you think of all the people who paid the ultimate sacrifice for the Navy. We celebrate this day for them."

Training Support Center (TSC) San Diego members commemorated the birthday Oct. 11 in the TSC San Diego Auditorium where Capt. Michael S. Feyedelem, TSC San Diego's commanding officer, said the Navy's role has grown since its birth in 1775.

"We celebrate what the Navy means to our nation and the contributions that all of you make," Feyedelem said. "Most nations have an army or land defense force, but the strong nations have a Navy. There are so many times in our history that having a strong Navy has impacted our future."



CAMP LEMONNIER, Djibouti—Service members forward-deployed to Camp Lemonnier and Combined Task Force-Horn of Africa, along with base personnel and coalition partners celebrate the U.S. Navy's 243rd birthday by hosting a Navy Ball at the base multipurpose facility, Oct. 13, 2018. (U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Shannon D. Barnwell)

Additionally, a bell ringing ceremony was conducted, in which ceremonial eight bells rang to signify the end of the current birthday year and were followed by a ceremonial strike of one bell to signify the start of the new birthday year.

The celebration at TSC San Diego was concluded with a cake cutting performed by the longest and shortest serving TSC staff members.

"Sailors need to understand their history," said Cmdr. Michael Salehi, commanding officer of IWTC Monterey. "They can leverage these lessons for future endeavors."

Additionally, Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit (CNATTU) Keesler students, instructors and staff were on hand Oct. 12 at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi, for birthday celebrations. The ceremony, led by Electronics Technician 1st Class Bauranege Fleurimond, included a history of the U.S. Navy's birth.

"It's important to know where we come from," Fleurimond said. "Our history and heritage is an integral part of our service culture, and today is a great day to share a piece of that with the next generation of Sailors."

Attendees also heard from Cmdr. Timothy Knapp, CNATTU commanding officer. "This year's 'Forged by the Sea' theme fits perfectly with our training mission here at Keesler," Knapp said. "Many of our course graduates are headed to deployable units." Meanwhile, Hawaii-based Sailors had a commemoration Oct. 12 at the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument Visitor Center. Navy Region Hawaii kicked off the commemoration with a bell-ringing ceremony. The keynote speaker was Capt. Jeff Bernard, commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.

In Manama, Bahrain, more than 500 service members and guests celebrated American naval history during the Navy Birthday Ball at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Vice Adm. Scott Stearney, commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command, U.S. 5th Fleet and Combined Maritime Forces, served as the guest speaker as well as the guest of honor for the ceremony. Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer said in a message to the fleet that the Navy is ready to fight, respond and defend wherever there is need but it needs to do it with a sense of urgency and efficiency.

"Because of your hard work and dedication, the foundation for restoring readiness and increasing lethality has been set. But as we enter our 244th year of service, we must now build on that foundation.," Spencer said.

Over the past two and a half centuries, the Navy has grown to become the largest, most advanced and most lethal fighting force the world has ever known. The Navy today has more than 328,000 personnel on active duty and around 100,000 personnel in the Navy Reserve, 286 deployable battle force ships and approximately 270,000 civilian employees.

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Sailors from the USS Willard Keith tour NAVSTA

NEWPORT, R.I.—Thirty members of the USS Willard Keith (DD775) reunion association visited the naval station Tuesday.

The group enjoyed a visit to the Surface Warfare Officer's School, held a memorial ceremony inside the Chapel of Hope to pay tribute to their fallen shipmates, had a windshield tour of the installation and lunched at the Officer's Club. The Keith, in service between 1944 and 1972, had been home ported in Newport from 1946-1947.

The ship commissioned the "USS Willard Keith" was named after Willard Woodward Keith, Jr.

Born on June 13, 1920 in Berkeley, Calif.—he enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve in April 1939 and served as an enlisted man until he received an honorable discharge on Nov. 3, 1940 to take an appointment as a second lieutenant in the reserves on the following day. Called to active duty on February 20, 1941, he served "stateside" until his unit was transferred to the South Pacific in the spring of 1942 to build up for the first Allied offensive in that theater—Guadalcanal.

Eventually promoted to captain, Keith led Company "G," 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, from the initial phase of the Guadalcanal campaign. He landed with them at Tulagi on August 7, 1942.

By that autumn, the campaign on Guadalcanal Island was still a hard-fought one. In an offensive aimed against Japanese artillery positions



Members of the USS Willard Keith Reunion pictured above, in alphabetical order: Joe Bauer, Betty and Jerry Butler, Marge Cornish, Diane and Tom DiGiorgio, Roger Eberthandy, Duane Ference, Ella Marie and Paul Goldberg, Art and Joyce Hall, Jerry and Louise Hansen, Adrienne Hardesty, Donald and Jane Hempstead, Michael Jubinville, Ila and Steve Luttrell, Casey Jones, Sue MacDade, Dick and Nancy Marcham, Susan Martinson, Michael and Ruth Anne McHenry, Joe and Sheila Mitchell, Bruce Wylie. (Below) Command Master Chief Paul King speaks to the reunion members at their banquet Tuesday.

sited beyond the Matanikau River and within range of the important Henderson Field airstrip, the Second Battalion was assigned the left flank position. Initial elements of the battalion crossed the Matanikau in rubber boats before dawn on November 3, 1942 supported effectively by dive bomber strikes, artillery, and naval gunfire.

That afternoon, Keith led his company against a Japanese strong-point manned by a platoon not only reinforced with heavy machine guns but concealed by heavy jungle growth and entrenched on commanding high ground. Realizing that neither mortar nor artillery fire could reach the Japanese positions, Keith—determined to evict the Japanese—initiated and led successive bayonet and hand grenade charges in the face of heavy fire.

Although the Japanese platoon

was annihilated, Keith was struck in the head by a bullet and killed instantly.

While the 1st Marine Division (Reinforced)—of which the 2d Battalion, 6th Marines was a part—received the Presidential Unit Citation, Capt. Willard W. Keith, Jr., was awarded a Navy Cross posthumously for a "grim determination and aggressive devotion to duty" in keeping with the "highest traditions of the naval service."



CMDCM Paul King, NS Newport Command Master Chief, was the guest speaker at the reunion dinner held Tuesday evening at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick.



NETSAFA Launches Inaugural International Officer Leadership, Ethics Course

Story by Lt.j.g. Ashley Taylor, Naval Education and Training Command

PENSACOLA, Fla. -- The Naval Education and Training Security Assistance Field Activity (NETSAFA) International Training Center (NITC) in conjunction with the Naval Leadership and Ethics Center (NLEC) located here onboard NS Newport, began its inaugural International Officer Leadership and Ethics (IOLE) course Oct. 15.

The three-week IOLE course was created by the United States to assist international allies and partners in enhancing the professionalism, ethical awareness and leadership skills of their mid-grade and senior officers.

“In combating intra-state conflict and terrorism while striving for a secure peacetime environment, military professionals are now called upon to carry out an ever expanding range of military, law enforcement, deterrent, and humanitarian missions,” said Guy Abbate, IOLE lead instructor, who saw the need for just such a course for international officers while visiting NLEC at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. “To meet these new challenges, the leadership and professional development of personnel has become a critical component of national security and mission success.”

The IOLE course curriculum addresses leadership topics and also features classes devoted to civilian control of the military, ethical management of resources, women in the military, equal opportunity, discipline, fairness and the use of deadly force.

“Many countries attending this course do not allow women in the military or allow them only in reduced capacities,” said Randy Clendenon, NITC project director.



Guy Abbate, lead instructor for the inaugural International Officer Leadership and Ethics (IOLE) course, introduces himself to the class. The Naval Education and Training Security Assistance Field Activity (NETSAFA) International Training Center (NITC) offers the three-week IOLE course to assist international allies and partners in enhancing the professionalism, ethical awareness and leadership skills of mid-grade and senior officers. (U.S. Navy photo by Lt. j.g. Ashley Taylor)

“Women are now joining the U.S. military more than ever before. America is at the forefront of gender equality in the military, and other countries are looking to us to learn how to best cultivate a diverse, integrated military.”

The course features presentations from active-duty commanding officers, subject matter experts, as well as daily student discussion exercises and reading assignments. Participants are offered the unique opportunity to share this educational experience with other officers from around the world, thus benefiting from an array of different cultures, religions and national historical precedents.

“I am truly excited not only by the number of international officers that are currently attending our course, but also for the students' wide variety of backgrounds,” said Abbate.

“For example, one of our students has led his country's fight against Boko Haram, another is in charge of his country's military public relations, while another is a psychologist attending the course with her medical mindset.”

Among the nations to send officials to the IOLE course include: Angola, Seychelles, Mauritius, Uganda, Nigeria, Slovak Republic, Jordan, Djibouti, Iraq, Liberia, Cameroon, and Niger.

NETSAFA is the U.S. Navy's agent for international education and training and coordinates training support to international governments and organizations.

As a field activity of Naval Education and Training Command (NETC), the command serves as a focal point for all security assistance training program issues, coordination and advice within the U.S. Navy.



USS Thomas Hudner to be commissioned in Boston, Dec. 1

SAN DIEGO – On June 12, Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer announced the newest Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer, Pre Commissioning Unit Thomas Hudner (DDG 116), will be commissioned during a ceremony Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018 in Boston.

The ship, commanded by Cmdr. Nathan Scherry is the 66th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, and the 36th DDG 51 class destroyer built by General Dynamics Bath Iron Works (BIW). It is the first warship named for naval aviator and Medal of Honor recipient Capt. Thomas J. Hudner.

Hudner, a native of Fall River, Mass., received the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions during the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir in 1950. Hudner crash landed his plane in an unsuccessful effort to save the life of his wingman and friend, Ensign Jesse Brown, the Navy's first African American combat pilot.

In fall of 2015, the keel of Thomas Hudner was laid down. The ship was christened on April 1, 2017 during a snowy ceremony at the

BIW shipyard in Bath, Maine and launched several weeks later on April 23.

Arleigh Burke (DDG 51 class) class destroyers are highly-capable, multi-mission ships that conduct a variety of operations, from peacetime presence to national security. These DDGs provide a wide range of warfighting capabilities in multi-threat air, surface, and subsurface environments.

New ships in this class, such as Thomas Hudner, have anti-ballistic missile capabilities as well. The DDG's all-steel construction provides a survivable platform.

After commissioning in Boston, she will make her way to homeport in Mayport, Florida.

EDITORS NOTE: The Thomas Hudner pulled into NS Newport earlier this week for fuel and supplies as she begins sea trials leading up to her official commissioning later this year.

This article is reprinted from an earlier announcement published this summer.

The ship departs Pier 2 tomorrow afternoon.

SHIP FACTS

Class: ARLEIGH BURKE class destroyer
Motto: Above All Others
Keel Laid: November 16, 2015
Christened: April, 1, 2017
Length: 513 feet
Beam: 66 feet
Draft: 30.5 feet
Displacement: 9,217 tons
Speed: 30+ knots (34.5 mph)
Propulsion: 4x General Electric LM2500 Gas Turbines 100,000 shp (75,00 kW)
Crew: 27 Officers, 280 Enlisted Personnel

Armament:

- 96 MK41 Vertical Launch System (VLS) cells for Standard Missiles, ESSM, Tomahawk, and VLA
- 1 MK34 Gun Weapon System 5"/62
- 1 MK15 Mod 1B 20 CWIS
- 2 MK38 Mod2 25mm Machine Gun System
- 2 MK32 Triple Tube Mount SVTT

Aircraft: 2 SH-60R LAMPS MKIII Helicopters



Naval Station Newport Fire Fighters support the annual Breast Cancer Awareness during the month of October. All across the country firefighters demonstrate their support, bring awareness and fight to find a cure for breast cancer. Above (from left to right) FF/ILS Dennis Gregory, Lt. Matt Brown, FF/PM Joe Puglise, Capt. Scott Beaudoin, Capt. Jeff Gavitt, Insp. Dave Stimson FF Adam Peterson, Capt. Daniel Miller, FF Tracy Hudson. The photo was taken in front of the E-71 at Station 25, District 7, Naval Station Newport R.I. (Photo contributed by Daniel E. Miller, captain, Naval Station Newport Fire Department)

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NUWC Division Newport engineer presented Department of the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award

Story by Jeff Prater
NAVSEA Public Affairs

One thing has stood out above all else for John Babb during his time working at Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC) Division Newport.

“I’ve been working here 36 years and it’s the people that you work with that results in these types of awards,” Babb told a crowd of more than 100 people on Oct. 1 after he received the Department of the Navy (DON) Superior Civilian Service Award, the second highest honorary award bestowed on a civilian by the Navy.

Babb’s commendation was the final award given out at the ceremony, which also recognized two recipients of the DON Meritorious Civilian Service Award and 44 Division Newport winners of the 2017 Naval Sea Systems Command Warfare Center Award.

“It’s quite surprising. I’m kind of overwhelmed,” Babb, who has spent most of his career working on submarine concepts but also is the lead customer advocate at NUWC Newport, said. “I’ll often say it’s not just about me, it’s about the teams that you put together and what they’re able to do. That’s been my career.

“I’ve been able to work with and assemble some good teams and do some amazing things. It’s just fun to come to work when you have that.”

Babb was not the only one to note how important the people are to the work done at NUWC Newport. It was a common theme in the remarks made by Donald McCormack, Executive Director, Naval Surface and Undersea Warfare Centers; Capt. Michael Coughlin, NUWC Newport Commanding Officer; and Ron Vien, NUWC Newport Technical Director.

“We have great facilities and labs, but it’s really about the people,” McCormack said. “There’s nothing more important that we can do as leaders than to recognize and reward the folks that are doing outstanding work.”

Coughlin supported this line of thinking in a brief anecdote. He recently visited with nine new employees and



Donald McCormack (from left), Executive Director, Naval Surface and Undersea Warfare Centers; Ron Vien, Division Newport Technical Director; Sharon and John Babb; and Capt. Michael Coughlin, Division Newport Commanding Officer gathered for a picture during the Oct. 1 awards ceremony. (U.S. Navy photos by Rich Allen, McLaughlin Research Corp.)

asked them, “of the people, process and results, what do you think I focus on the most as the Commanding Officer?”

One person chose people, another results and the remaining seven elected process; Coughlin did not keep them in suspense long for the answer.

“The people is where I spend most of my time. We deal with the processes and we make sure they’re as good as they can be so we can be effective and drive results on the end, but it is, as Mr. McCormack mentioned, about the people,” Coughlin said. “It’s about you coming together as a team and doing great work for our organization. They’ll quickly realize it’s that people piece that will drive results.”

“We really want to be One Team across all of the Warfare Centers,” McCormack said. “I know one thing for sure and that’s together, we’re stronger. If we leverage all the resources that we have across all the Warfare Centers, then we can make better teams and provide better services and products to the Navy.”

Vien further expanded on this topic

in his remarks. While noting the value of collaboration, Vien also stressed the importance of both innovation and knowledge sharing.

“Innovation is really our responsibility as the Naval Undersea Warfare Center. People often ask, what do you do there? I describe it in one sentence: We are the Navy’s technical steward in the undersea domain,” Vien said. “When it comes to innovation, that’s our responsibility to continue to advance the state of the art in undersea warfare.

“... Lastly, knowledge sharing. If you look at the CNO’s initiatives, high velocity learning ties in closely to that. I think about how our everyday world, how it’s changed — at least over my career. We used to be limited to only so much information and now there’s so many other resources out there where we’re able to grab knowledge and share information more quickly.”

Babb’s career in many ways has



Superior Civilian Service Award, continued

reflected all these concepts — particularly in the last seven years. In that time, Babb has led an effort covered under Public Law 110-417 Section 219 where he teaches a small group of young professionals what he does, introduces them to shipyards and the group does a project from it.

“That’s really rewarding because they are the future,” Babb said. “I’m happy to see them all so enthusiastic.”

The feeling among Babb’s pupils clearly is mutual, as a number of them were in attendance for the ceremony. They were among the first to rise when Babb received a standing ovation after he got his award and a medal was pinned to his coat by his wife, Sharon.

McCormack also congratulated Babb — after some playful ribbing.

“Congratulations to all the award winners — even John Babb,”

McCormack joked before continuing in

a more serious tone. “It’s outstanding work that you’ve always done, John, you know that.”

The DON Superior Civilian Service Award is intended to recognize superior civilian service or contributions that have resulted in high value or benefits to the Navy. Signed by Rear Adm. Moises DelToro III, commander, Naval Sea Systems Command, the award recognizes a pattern of long-term sustained high performance, innovative leadership of highly successful programs, scientific or technical advances of significant value, accomplishments which show unusual management abilities, innovative thinking and/or outstanding leadership that benefits the Navy.

Babb’s citation reads:

“The Naval Undersea Warfare Center is pleased to award Mr. John Babb the Department of the Navy

Superior Civilian Service Award for his dedication, technical excellence, and unwavering vision for the evolution and advancement of undersea technologies from May 2008 to April 2018. His technical expertise in systems engineering and integration has furthered the Navy’s unmanned underwater vehicle and submarine-related programs, and his leadership efforts in Concept Formulation have laid the groundwork for the fleet’s future capabilities.

“Through active collaborations with government, industry, and academia, he has fostered research, innovation, and product development leading to successful fielding of undersea systems.

His steadfast dedication to cultivating the next generation of over 40 engineers and scientists has ensured the continuity of technical excellence for Division Newport and the Navy.



Ensign Binal Rana, assigned to Naval Station Newport Public Works Office, was promoted on Oct. 1 to the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade during a ceremony held in the Mahon Reading Room of the Naval War College. Administering the Oath of Promotion is Rear Adm. Jeff Harley, President of the Naval War College. BZ LT!



Hospitalman Apprentice's quick thinking saves critically-injured civilian motorist

Kathy MacKnight, Naval Health Clinic New England Public Affairs

Hospitalman Apprentice (HA) Evan Stott checked into Naval Health Clinic New England (NHCNE) Newport, R.I., in May 2018, after completion of Corps School, and on June 22 he was headed home to Brockport, N.Y., when unforeseen traffic caused him to be at the right place at the right time.

Stott's father, Terry, had picked him up in Newport, and several hours later outside of Albany, NY, they witnessed a motorcycle accident where the rider lost control of his bike, hit the guardrail and was thrown over 50 feet.

The impact from the crash caused the rider's helmet to fly off and he was face down on the pavement. The victim's right leg was severed and was approximately 20 feet away from his body.

Stott and his father were some of the first people on the scene and immediately Stott's Corpsman training kicked into gear.

He removed his belt and applied it as a tourniquet to the leg to stop the hemorrhaging and his father who is an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Fireman, concentrated on getting the victim's breathing stabilized.

They assessed the victim's condition, aligned his limbs and moved him onto his back as he was having trouble breathing.

They also managed to keep him conscious by talking to him while continuing his care until the ambulance arrived 20 minutes after the accident.

When asked about his ability to handle this type of medical emergency, Stott said, "Corps School teaches you to perform and the intensity of the training makes



HA Evan Stott, Naval Health Clinic New England (NHCNE) Newport, R.I., in May. Pictured (above left) visits motorcyclist Romero Jones who was injured in a life threatening accident. Stott's quick reaction helped a Jones during a potentially life-threatening situation. (Right) Capt. Marnie Buchanan, presented Stott with a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal Oct. 5.



your response automatic. What I did is what any Corpsman would do."

On September 16, Stott and his father had the opportunity to visit with Romero Jones, the critically injured young man, in upstate N.Y. Romero's goal was to be able to stand to greet the Stotts after spending two months in the hospital and it was an emotional visit for all involved.

Romero who is a nursing student has a long road ahead with additional surgeries on his jaw and leg, but he will recover to live a normal and

productive life.

NHCNE Commanding Officer, Captain Marnie Buchanan, presented Stott with a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal on October 5.

The award reads in part, "His quick thinking, rapid response and expert medical evaluation of a civilian motorist prevented possible loss of life.

His heroic efforts were shining examples of the key principles of the command's philosophy and the Navy's core values."



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The obituary I can't forget

A few of years ago, a friend sent me the link to an obituary she'd read in the Boston Globe over coffee that morning. I didn't know the woman who had died. "Mrs. Louise Bickford" was a complete stranger to me. However, my friend shared the article because Louise had been a military spouse, like me.

The obituary made no reference to an impressive career or professional achievements on Louise's part. It didn't mention awards for talents or proficiencies. No newsworthy contributions to society or attempts to change the world. Nothing that would measure up to traditional barometers of success.

But this seemingly unremarkable newsprint about a military spouse I never knew, somehow tapped into my psyche and left an indelible mark.

After reading the obit, my friend and I exchanged messages such as, "She did the New York Times crossword in pen. I can't even do it in pencil." And, "Wow, I can only hope that I leave that kind of legacy." And then my friend and I went back to our busy routines, leaving behind the shared tidbit about Louise Bickford, the 85-year-old Army wife who died on December 9, 2015.

The only problem was, I couldn't forget.

The 600-word description of Louise's life had seeped into my

subconscious, surfacing when I needed to quell doubts about my place in the world. The memory of the obituary has become a mantric rumination that I conjure to soothe the deep-seeded fear that my life is insignificant or unimportant.

Even though the article didn't describe the kind of accomplishments that are normally deemed print-worthy, the essay about Louise is a portrait of a life that truly mattered.

I've been thinking more about Louise lately. With my husband retired from the Navy and our last child off to college, I recently interviewed for my first out-of-the-house job since 1996. I've spent the last two decades raising our three kids, moving, managing the household, volunteering, and freelance writing from home. As I brace myself for rejection, I wonder, have I accomplished enough in life? Will this job save me from oblivion? Will my children be proud of me?

According to the obituary written by Louise's five children, Louise was born in 1930 and raised in a Pennsylvania coal-mining town. The valedictorian of her high school class, she went on to get her teaching degree and to marry James Bickford, her husband of 40 years.

"Jim's Army career took him, Louise and the five children plus pets to postings in France, California, Kentucky, Iran,

Wisconsin, Virginia, Turkey, Florida and, finally, Pennsylvania," the obit read, adding that Louise parented the kids alone during Jim's unaccompanied tours in Vietnam and Korea. It described her mother's "love of travel, curiosity about other cultures, organizational skills, and pragmatic nature" that made her "well suited to her life as a military spouse."

After Jim retired from the Army, one might think he and Louise settled into a stable life without hardship. However, "a tragic accident left Jim a quadriplegic in 1976." Louise "spent the next 18 years as his primary caregiver until Jim's death in 1994." But she had always had a "great capacity to roll with the vicissitudes of life, accepting whatever difficulties life threw at her with humor, grace and style."

Louise spent the rest of her years "caring for her extensive brood," and pursuing her many passions. Her children proudly described her as a "multi-faceted individual" who "taught swimming; was a substitute teacher; led Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops; ... did the NY Times crossword puzzle in pen; played the piano; sang in choruses; organized an international supper club; and was a gracious hostess her entire life."

They wrote, "Louise's life was grounded by family, from her early life until her death," and her family of five children, twelve grandchildren and a great grandchild "loved and admired" Louise for "her great wit, integrity, love of laughter and independent spirit."

Mrs. Louise Bickford had it right. Regardless of the pressure to live up to traditional measures of success, ultimately, a life grounded by family is a life well-lived.



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Louise Bickford playing piano for her five children during the holidays in the 1960s. Photos provided by Anne Bickford, Louise's daughter.

Lisa's syndicated column appears in military and civilian newspapers including Stars and Stripes, and on her blog at themeatandpotatoesoflife.com and can be contacted at meatandpotatoesoflife@gmail.com or on Twitter: @MolinariWrites or 'like' her on Facebook at: <https://facebook.com/TheMeatandPotatoesofLife>



CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX PROGRAM FOR OVERSEAS CHILDREN

The Women of the Chapel are sponsoring a shoebox packing party at the Chapel of Hope at 1500 on Sun 28 OCT. Shoe-box sized boxes in holiday colors will be sent as Christmas presents to children overseas who have been the victims of natural disasters, war and famine. Boxes will be packed with hygiene products, school supplies, toys and other appropriate items for the children who receive them. Everyone with base access and their families are welcome to participate.

RHODE ISLAND CONNECTED WARRIORS – FREE YOGA CLASSES

Every Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Located at Camp Fogarty, Building 214, 2841 South County Trail, East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Attend three classes and get a free yoga mat. Yoga classes are free to service and family members, and veterans. Must have a valid military I.D. to attend. For more information, contact Lori at Lori@lgcoach.com.

VETERAN TICKETS FOUNDATION (VetTix) – is a national nonprofit that supports currently serving military, veterans, and the military community with free community-based event tickets ranging from concerts to professional sports games. To sign up, go to www.vettix.org.

BLOOD DRIVE THIS MONTH

OCT 30: NAPS 2:30—8 p.m. Perry Hall Rm 100

FIRE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

Did You Know? There are two kinds of smoke alarms - ionization and photoelectric. Ionization alarms are quicker to warn about flaming fires. Whereas, photoelectric alarms are quicker to warn about smoldering fires. For early warning, smoke alarms should be installed on either the ceiling or high on a wall. When installing smoke alarms on a wall, do not install closer than 4 inches or more than 12 inches from the ceiling.

35th ANNUAL BEIRUT MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE CEREMONY AT PORTSMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The 35th Annual Beirut Memorial Observance Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018 at 10AM, on the grounds of the Portsmouth Historical Society, 870 East Main Road, Portsmouth, RI 02871. This annual observance will coincide with the observance at the Beirut Memorial site in the Camp Lejeune Memorial Gardens.

Background: On Sunday, October 23, 1983, a terrorist truck bomb exploded in a barracks killing 241 American Servicemen including 220 Marines, 10 Sailors, 3 Soldiers, and injuring 128 Americans. Nine Rhode Islanders serving with the U.S. Marine Corps died in the attack.



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA “The First Duty is to Remember”

35th Annual Beirut Memorial Observance Ceremony

Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 10AM

**Portsmouth Historical Society
870 East Main Road
Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871**

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Sundays

- 7:45 a.m. - Liturgical Protestant Service
- 8:30 a.m. - Music Rehearsal for Catholic Mass
- 9 a.m. - Roman Catholic Mass;
- 9 a.m. - Bible Study: Perry Hall, Room 100
- 10:30 a.m. - Contemporary Protestant Service

Tuesday

- 6:30 p.m. - Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays

- 12:05 p.m. - Catholic Mass
- 5 p.m. - Music Rehearsal for Contemporary Protestant Service
- 6:30 p.m. - Women's Bible Study

Fridays Weekly

- Noon - Space available for Muslim Prayer

First and Third Fridays

- 9:30 a.m. - Women's Spiritual Support Group



GATE HOURS:

- Gate 1: Open 7 days-a-week/24-hours-a-day for routine traffic.
- Gate 2: Open for a.m. commute Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. to alleviate Gate 1 backups.
- Gate 10: Closed until further notice.
- Gate 17: Open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CLOSED ON HOLIDAYS)
- Gate 7: NHCNE Gate, open Mon-Fri 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Gate 23: NUWC Gate open 24/7 for commuters.
- Gate 32: Open Mon - Fri 6:30 to 9 a.m. and 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. for commuters.011878



GATE 1 ANNOUNCEMENT—Gate 1 will be closed on Saturday, October 20th, from 6 a.m. until 2 p.m. for maintenance—Gate 17 will be open during this time period.

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NAVSEA Approves First Metal Additively Manufactured Component for Shipboard Use

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) approved the first metal part created by additive manufacturing (AM) for shipboard installation, the command announced Oct. 11.

A prototype drain strainer orifice (DSO) assembly will be installed on USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) in fiscal year 2019 for a one-year test and evaluation trial. The DSO assembly is a steam system component that permits drainage/removal of water from a steam line while in use.

Huntington Ingalls Industries – Newport News Shipbuilding (HII-NNS) builds Navy aircraft carriers and proposed installing the prototype on an aircraft carrier for test and evaluation.

“This install marks a significant advancement in the Navy’s ability to make parts on demand and combine NAVSEA’s strategic goal of on-time delivery of ships and submarines while maintaining a culture of affordability,” said Rear Adm. Lorin Selby, NAVSEA chief engineer and deputy commander for ship design, integration, and naval engineering. “By targeting CVN-75 [USS Harry S. Truman], this allows us to get test results faster, so—if successful—we can identify additional uses of additive manufacturing for the fleet.”

The test articles passed functional and environmental testing, which included material, welding, shock, vibration, hydrostatic and operational steam, and will continue to be evaluated while installed within a low temperature and low pressure saturated steam system. After the test and evaluation period, the prototype assembly will be removed for analysis and inspection.

While the Navy has been using additive manufacturing technology



NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (Oct. 3, 2018) This drain strainer orifice system, a prototype, is a steam system component that permits drainage and removal of water from a steam line while in use. A version of this is approved as the first metal part created by additive manufacturing for shipboard installation and will be installed aboard the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) in fiscal year 2019. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of Newport News Shipbuilding by Ricky Thompson)

for several years, the use of it for metal parts for naval systems is a newer concept and this prototype assembly design, production, and first article testing used traditional mechanical testing to identify requirements and acceptance criteria. Final requirements are still under review.

“Specifications will establish a path for NAVSEA and industry to follow when designing, manufacturing and installing AM components shipboard and will streamline the approval process,” said Dr. Justin Rettaliata, technical warrant holder for additive manufacturing.

“NAVSEA has several efforts underway to develop specifications and standards for more commonly used additive manufacturing processes.”

Naval Sea Systems Command is the largest of the Navy's five systems commands. NAVSEA engineers, builds, buys and maintains the Navy’s ships, submarines and combat systems to meet the fleet's current and future operational requirements.

Get more information about the Navy from U.S. Navy [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#). For more news from Naval Sea Systems Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/navsea/.



National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2018

NORFOLK, Va. (NNS) -- October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month and the theme for 2018 is “America’s Workforce: Empowering All.”

National Disability Employment Awareness Month is observed each and celebrates the contributions of workers with disabilities and educates about the value of a workforce inclusive of their skills and talents.

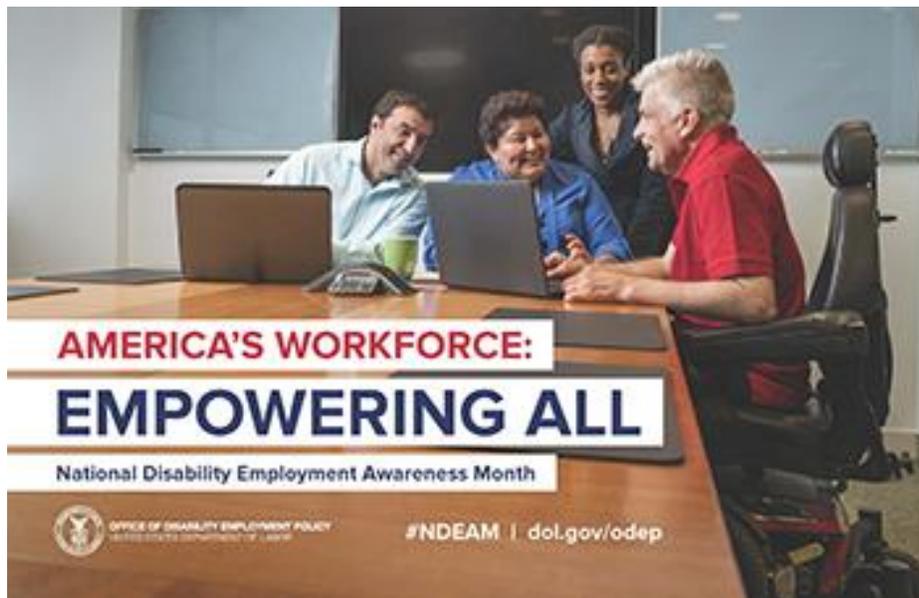
According to the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendment Act of 2008, a disability is a physical or mental impairment (psychiatric disability) that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual.

Some of the recognized disabilities which impact federal employees include aging, amputation, anxiety disorder, back impairment, blindness, cancer, chronic pain, deafness, Graves’ disease, food allergy, migraines, multiple sclerosis, migraines and vertigo, according to the Job Accommodation Network web site.

“If you’re an individual with a disability, you can apply and compete for any job for which you are eligible and meet the qualifications, but you also may be eligible for a special hiring authority,” according to Emily Cook, of Military Sealift Command’s Equal Employment Opportunity Team. “To find Federal jobs for which you can apply visit www.usajobs.gov.”

Cook emphasized that it is important as a federal employee to identify oneself as a disabled employee.

“The Standard Form (SF 256) form is required when using Schedule A to appoint people with disabilities non-competitively to Federal jobs to identify, for data collection purposes only, the



individual’s particular disability,” said Cook. “Also, current Federal employees may use this form at any time during their employment to self-identify as having a disability.”

“Agencies use SF-256 to resurvey their workforce to determine how many people with disabilities are on board. Any information that is captured on this form is Privacy Act protected,” added Cook. “This form is used to capture data on the disability demographics of Federal agencies so that such agencies may conduct analysis to determine how well or poorly they are achieving their disability hiring goals. SF-256 defines disability, targeted disability, and lists the various conditions that are considered disabilities or targeted disabilities. OPM recently updated this form to better reflect current disability language.”

“Targeted disabilities include the most severe disabilities such as blindness, deafness, partial and full paralysis, missing extremities, dwarfism, epilepsy, intellectual disabilities, and psychiatric disabilities,” according to Cook. “Individuals with these disabilities typically have the greatest difficulty

finding employment. As a matter of policy, the federal government has a special emphasis on recruiting, hiring, and retaining people with targeted disabilities.”

According to Cook, MSC employees who are impacted by a disability have the option of requesting a ‘reasonable accommodation’ thus enabling them with a productive working environment.

“A Reasonable accommodation is modifications or adjustments to the work environment, or to the manner or circumstances under which the position held or desired is customarily performed, that enable a qualified individual with a disability to perform the essential functions of that position,” according to Cook.

“An applicant or employee may request a reasonable accommodation at any time, orally or in writing. In addition, accommodations are made for employees to insure that they have full access to the benefits and privileges of employment.”

For questions concerning Reasonable Accommodation, please contact the MSC RA Program Manager.



Ponaganset High School November 1– 5, 2018

MOVING WALL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 1st

Escort and Blessing

Keynote Speaker: Father Phil Salois

Start Time: 8:00 AM

(Reception to follow)

Candlelight Vigil

Keynote Speaker Pastor Jim Ricci

Start Time: 6:30 PM

NEA Big Read Gala Reception & Book Distribution

Start Time: 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM

Friday, November 2nd

Opening Ceremony

Keynote Speaker: Nobel Peace Prize Co-Recipient Wayne Smith (appears in Ken Burn's film the Vietnam War)

Start Time: 10:30 AM

(Reception to follow)

Saturday, November 3rd

Various Ceremonies

Keynote Speaker: Chief Justice Frank J Williams

Start Time 10:00 AM

Taps at 6:30 PM

Sunday, November 4th

Various Ceremonies

Keynote Speaker: Narraganset Tribe Medicine Man John Brown

Start time: 9:00 AM

Taps at 6:30 PM

Monday, November 5th

Closing Ceremony

Keynote Speakers: John Musgrave (appears the film Vietnam War) & "Woody" Spring (PHS Graduate & astronaut)

Start Time: 9:00 AM

(Reception to follow)



For more information go to or Facebook page: [Bring the Vietnam Wall to Ponaganset](#)



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NOV 4 PASTA DINNER FOR KIDS

Back by popular demand, the VFW Auxiliary will be hosting another pasta dinner to benefit the VFW National Home for Children.

Ticket donation is \$20, which gets you the choice of three different kinds of

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The cut off to purchase or reserve tickets is November 2. Reserve tickets by speaking to any officer or messaging our Facebook page!

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