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OFF THE DECK

USO Military Day On May 17

The 5th Annual USO Military & Family Appreciation Day will take place on May 17 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Sea Otter Pavilion on board Naval Station Mayport. This year promises to be bigger than ever with live entertainment featuring "Ron Perry Connection," and "One The Band" all the way from Montreal, Quebec. There will be free food and drinks, tons of inflatables, and water inflatables. This year will also feature a separate area for toddlers. There will be an area as well with interactives and obstacle courses. Everyone is welcome! Please come out and let USO show you appreciation. For more information, call 246-3481.

21st Anniversary Of Stark Tragedy

Naval Station Mayport will hold a memorial service on Saturday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m. at Mayport Memorial Park for the 37 Sailors killed aboard USS Stark (FFG 31) on May 17, 1987. In the event of inclement weather, the memorial service will be held at the C12 Hangar. Uniform for this event will be Summer Whites.

Don't Forget To Lock Your Doors

Naval Station Mayport Security department is sending out a reminder to all personnel working on base and living in on and off base housing to lock their doors when they park. According to Base Security, there have been a rash of recent burglaries to automobiles in the off base housing area. To make sure you are not a victim of theft, lock all vehicle doors and make sure not to leave anything of value in the vehicle or in the bed of trucks. For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Office at 270-7117.

Thrift Store Moves To New Location

Naval Station Mayport's Nearly New Shop is moving to a new location.

Sponsored by Navy Wives Club of America, the thrift store has been located at Building 27 for the past 11 years. Those doors closed Sunday as NWC began moving its inventory to the new site, 709A/B Everglades Court. Donations are still being accepted at the old building until May 2. NWC and NS Mayport are sponsoring a grand opening celebration on May 3 starting at 9 a.m. at the new site. There will be a ribbon cutting, door prizes, face painting and refreshments.

ACT/SAT Testing Resumes At NCO

The Navy College Office announces resumption of the ACT, SAT and GED test beginning 01 MAY 2008. Please call the Navy college office at 270-6341/6342 for more information.

Navy Reestablishes U.S. 4th Fleet

By MC3 Alan Gragg
U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command
Public Affairs

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Gary Roughead announced April 24 the reestablishment of U.S. 4th Fleet and assigned Rear Adm. Joseph D. Kernan, currently serving as Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command, as its first commander.

U.S. 4th Fleet will be responsible for U.S. Navy ships, aircraft and submarines operating in the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) area of focus, which encompasses the Caribbean, and Central and South America and the surrounding waters.

Located in Mayport, Fla., and dual-hatted with Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (COMUSNAVSO), U.S. 4th Fleet reestablishment addresses the increased role of maritime forces in the SOUTHCOM area of focus, and demonstrates U.S. commitment to regional partners.

"Reconstituting the Fourth Fleet recognizes the immense importance of maritime security in the southern part of the Western Hemisphere, and sends a strong signal to all the civil and military maritime services in Central and Latin America," said Roughead. "Aligning the Fourth Fleet along with our

other numbered fleets and providing the capabilities and personnel are a logical execution of our new Maritime Strategy."

U.S. 4th Fleet was originally established in 1943 as one of the original numbered fleets, and was given a specific mission. During World War II, the U.S. needed a command in charge of protecting against raiders, blockade runners and enemy submarines in the South Atlantic. U.S. 4th Fleet was disestablished in 1950 when U.S. 2nd Fleet took over its responsibilities.

Initially, the new 4th Fleet will be headquartered with COMUSNAVSO and take

advantage of the existing infrastructure, communications support and personnel already in place in Mayport. As a result, U.S. 4th Fleet will not involve an increase in forces assigned in Mayport.

"This is a significant change and presents us the opportunity to garner the right resources for the missions we run for Southern Command," said Rear Adm. James W. Stevenson Jr., Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (NAVSO). "As a numbered fleet, we will be in a better position to ensure the Combatant Commander has the right assets available when needed."

U.S. 4th Fleet will retain responsibility as COMUSNAVSO, the Navy component command for SOUTHCOM. Its mission is to direct U.S. naval forces operating in the Caribbean, Central and South American regions and interact with partner nation navies within the maritime environment. Various operations include counter-illicit trafficking, Theater Security Cooperation, military-to-military interaction and bilateral and multinational training.

For more information from Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command visit www.cusns.navy.mil.

Jaguar Henderson Visits NS Mayport

By MC2 Regina L. Brown
FLTPACEN Southeast

Jacksonville Jaguars defensive lineman John Henderson autographed photos, jerseys and footballs for Sailors and their families at Naval Station Mayport, April 25.

Military and civilian personnel alike came to see "Big John" in person, waiting in line to get their chance to meet Henderson and pose for photos.

"I can't believe that he came out to see us," said Cdr. Vicki Edward. "I have season tickets to all the Jacksonville Jaguars games and was really glad to meet 'Big John'."

Henderson showed up for his fans, despite the fact that his wife just gave birth to their third child hours before, still wearing his hospital identification bracelet.

After spending time in Bogey's restaurant at the Windy Harbor Golf Club, the Tennessee native, accompanied by his father-in-law, Allen Conley, toured the guided-missile cruiser USS Gettysburg (CG-64).



Lt. Cmdr. Virginia Butler receives an autographed picture from Jacksonville Jaguars defensive lineman John Henderson at Naval Station Mayport. After signing items for fans, Henderson toured guided-missile cruiser USS Gettysburg (CG 64).



USS Boone Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Newman Evans, Executive Officer, Lt. Cmdr. Blane Shearon, and Lt.j.g. Andrew Thompson with the Panamanian pilot who helped them transit the Canal.

USS Boone Transits Through Panama Canal

By Ensign Emily S. Castro
USS Boone PAO

USS Boone (FFG 28) made the move from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean April 10 when they transited through the Panama Canal to continue their counter drug mission.

Along with narrowed passageway and shoal water surrounding the ship, there were approximately 40 vessels that pass through the Canal per day.

Ninety years after its opening, the Canal continues to be a vital link in world trade carrying more cargo than ever. The maximum capacity of the canal is approximately 80 million tons per year.

Lt.j.g. Andrew Thompson was the conning officer, responsible for the safe maneuvering of the ship, for the first half of the transit.

"This was my first major conning evolution, and I was natu-

rally nervous; under the direction of the Panamanian pilot and Cmdr. Newman Evans [Boone's Commanding Officer,] I was able to understand the ranges, bearings, and channel markers that all came together and guided us down the narrow passageway."

Every vessel that transits the Canal anchors outside of the channel and awaits their turn for

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Farragut Joins GW For UNITAS

By MC2 Riza Caparros
USS George Washington Public Affairs

USS George Washington (CVN 73) and the George Washington Carrier Strike Group participated in the opening ceremony for UNITAS 49-08 in Rio de Janeiro on April 22.

UNITAS, Latin for "unity," is a 49 year-old annual exercise designed to enhance friendly, mutual cooperation, understanding and interoperability for participating navies through cultural exchanges and maritime warfare and maritime interdiction operations scenarios.

Commander, Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 40, Capt. Rodelio Laco Jr. described the mission of UNITAS as working together to solve common issues and to engage with maritime partners in the hemisphere.

"By increasing interoperability, information sharing and cooperation, we can collectively improve the maritime security of the hemisphere, which will ensure the free flow of maritime trade," Laco said. "Our mutual economies highly depend upon maritime shipping to keep them thriving and it is in our mutual interest to protect the freedom of the seas."

Laco stressed the Navy's new maritime strategy as a key element of UNITAS 49-08.

"We're attempting to engage our partner navies of Brazil and Argentina on multiple levels," Laco said. "Multinational task groups will include Sailor

exchanges and cultural sharing while participating in complex and sophisticated scenarios beneficial to all participating navies."

Lt.j.g. Jacob Steele, DESRON 40 assistant operations and planning officer, said these exercises help the U.S. maintain strong relationships with other countries.

"The goal is to be completely interoperable with the other country's navies, to be able to work with any ship from any South American navy," said Steele. "We do that through collaborative planning and execution of challenging, realistic scenarios."

As the host nation for UNITAS, Brazil has been instrumental in getting UNITAS off on the right foot.

"UNITAS would not happen without the Brazilians, because as the host nation they have taken the lead on multiple issues. Their leadership made the planning conferences run smoothly and we expect it to continue throughout the exercise," Steele said.

This is the 49th year UNITAS has been held. The exercise is conducted annually in the Atlantic and Pacific waters around South America, bringing together Sailors and naval officers from various countries to train and operate as a cohesive unit, while developing cooperative relationships, professional understanding and lasting friendships between nations.

CO Column

Big Mayport news last week as Chief of Naval Operations ADM Gary Roughead announced the re-establishment of U.S. 4th Fleet and assigned Rear Adm. Joseph D. Kernan, currently serving as Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command, as its first commander. U.S. 4th Fleet (C4F) will officially be re-established this summer. The Commander, C4F will also retain responsibilities as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (COMUSNAVSO). C4F will have responsibility for U.S. Naval ships, aircraft, and submarines operating in the Caribbean, and Central and South America. As a result, C4F re-establishment will not involve an increase in forces assigned here.

I want to give a warm welcome back to the crew of USS Stephen W. Groves and HSL-44 Detachment Five from a very successful deployment last weekend. The crew traveled more than 24,000 accident free nautical miles which



Capt. Aaron Bowman

included three Panama Canal transits. Additionally, they have four drug busts under their belts and took an amazing total of 10.5 metric tons of cocaine off our streets. Well done to all and congratulations on a very successful deployment.

A well-deserved congratulations is in order for Fleet and Family Service Center's Russell Garrison for his selection as our Civilian Employee of the first quarter in 2008. Congratulations to our other nominees Frederick Barton (security), Ralph Batten

(public works), Keith Ford (air ops) and Martha Mazzini (MWR). Each and every one of you bring talent and dedication to work with you each day and I certainly appreciate everything you do.

Hats off to USS Underwood for taking the Sports Challenge last week. NAVSTA placed second and SERMC was third in very close race. I fully expect to regain the trophy in October so be prepared!

Olympic competitor Todd Williams will hold a running workshop on May 13 and will run the Armed Forces Day 5k/10k sponsored by MWR and NFCU. He is an amazing runner and I'm sure his sage advice will help your running and training plan. Take advantage of listening to a real pro and come on out and see him.

I want to give a special thanks to the hard work of our NOSA group who hosted an excellent silent auction last week. The event was filled with unique, one-of-a-kind items, restaurant gift certificates, hotel accommodations, collector items, golf

packages, vacations and more. All proceeds were donated to support local charities that provide assistance to the Navy community. NOSA couldn't have done what they did without the huge generosity from the commands on base donating gifts and packages for auction. Once again the power of Mayport comes through.

Condolences to Halyburton for the loss of a crewmember who tragically lost his life due to a motorcycle accident. The memorial service was a touching tribute to his life, his service to the Navy, and his strong family. I can't stress enough to be safe out there. We need you on this team and to lose anyone is a tragedy for all of us.

Stark Memorial is coming up here on May 17. This year marks the twenty first anniversary of remembering the Stark and the senseless killing of 37 Sailors who lost their lives when the ship was hit by Iraqi missiles.

USO Military Appreciation

Day is May 17 so mark your calendars. We will have a band concert the night before by the Southeast region band. The 5th Annual USO Military & Family Appreciation Day will take place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Sea Otter Pavilion on board Naval Station Mayport. This year promises to be bigger than ever with live entertainment featuring "Ron Perry Connection," and "One The Band" all the way from Montreal, Quebec. There will be free food and drinks, tons of "bouncies" inflatable's, and water inflatable's. This year will also feature a separate area for toddlers. There will be an area as well with interactive and obstacle courses. Everyone is welcome! Please come out and let USO show you appreciation. For more information, call 246-3481.

A lot of people have requested we open back up the fishing area by the Charlie pier. I have decided to open it up on a trial basis and see if it causes security problems or becomes an area

for littering.

More guidance will come out in a base instruction but here are the rules for now: Fishing allowed during daylight hours down by the jetties where the JFK used to be berthed, no fishing behind any fenced area, no fishing off any pier structure or wharf, fishing area will be closed should a ship visit close that area of the basin, ordnance moves may require fishing to be restricted. Basically its open unless directed otherwise. Please do your part in keeping the area neat and policing yourselves (stay east of all fencing). I don't have staff to clean the area or tell people to get in the approved areas. We'll see how it goes.

As always, keep up the great work that you bring to the table each and every day. Remember to keep sending me your suggestions at aaron.bowman@navy.mil. If there is a better way of doing things, I want to hear about it. As I like to say, your concerns are my concerns.

CREDO Corner

By Cmdr. Jon C. Fredrickson

Director, Spiritual Fitness Southeast
There is no such thing as "best" in the world of individuals.

We live in a society driven by the concept of competition. "We are Number One" is drummed in our ears daily via advertising and sporting events. The message is that we must be or must have something "better than" if we have any sense of pride at all. Failure is the only other option.

But human behavior can't be judged according to this kind of rating system. How could we ever determine who is the best listener, the most insightful or compassionate? At any given moment, the best for us may not be the best for someone else. If it goes right to the heart, a simple word spoken at a time of great need is the best word ever spoken. If someone we hardly know nods and smiles from across a room, that smile is the best smile for us, here and now. The extended hand, the brief word of encouragement, will never be proclaimed "Number One" on television, never be

memorialized in record books as better than the support someone else got, but for us, it is the best.

When we get right down to it, any time we spend with regrets or any questioning that we play out the "would-have, could-have, or should-haves" in life is wasted time. Think about it for a second. Our marriage might not be all that we want it to be, but unless someone knows all of the information that only God has, it is fruitless to tell ourselves that it would have been better if we had married so-and-so, or stayed single or lived in a different place or gotten a different job.

Do I really need to say it? It is completely normal for someone to wake up and consider something to be greener on the other side of the fence. I would like a dollar for every Sailor I know who told me in the first six months of their enlistment that raising their hand to join the Navy was the worst thing that they ever did, only to stick around long enough to see them raise their hand for a second enlistment excited about mak-

ing second class.

Again, I would love to have a dollar for every person who I've counseled who told me that if they had worked as hard on their first marriage as they have on their second they would have had a little piece of heaven.

It is human and normal to make mistakes, to miss the mark and let something good slip away. The trick is to celebrate what we have in the moment, imperfect as it may be. Whether the issue is growing as a person, a team of people in a work place or enriching a marriage, the trick is to see that the best may already be in our life.

If you would like to gain some tools on growing as a person, enriching your marriage or just understanding and finding better ways to work together with those in work space, contact us for a specialized retreat that focuses on those issues. You can call CREDO at 270-6958, ext. 1603. Or you can visit us on the web at <http://www.cnic.navy.mil/cnrse/programs/commandandstaff/religiousministries/CREDO/index.htm>.

Australian Officer Shares Culture



-Photo by Bill Austin

Lt. Fiona Southwood, from Fleet Logistics Command (pictured center) hosts an ANZAC Day celebration April 25th at the command. ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) is one of the most important Australi holidays that marks the first anniversary of the first military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the first world war.

Sailors Learn Education Options



-Photo by Paige Gnann

Aviation Electrician's Mate Airman Apprentice John Sloan of HSL-46 talks with William Gideon of Old Dominion University during the Navy College Program Distance Learning Partnership Education Fair 2008 on April 24. The distance learning opportunities for Sailors allows them to earn a rate-related associate or bachelor degree. To find out more information and for a list of partner schools by rate, go to <https://www.navycollege.navy.mil>.

Homefront in Focus

By Beth Wilson

Military Spouse Contributor

Monica, a Navy spouse, sat across the table sipping tea and recounting the details of her car accident. Monica's car was struck by someone who ran a red light, hitting her on the passenger side. She was knocked unconscious and the 'jaws-of-life' was required to free her from the wreckage. "The accident was bad enough," she states, "but the real nightmare began with the insurance companies."

Monica and her husband learned that the insurance levels the state may require in order to operate a vehicle may be inadequate when you are in an accident, and they were underinsured. Monica and her husband reduced their insurance coverage from 'comprehensive' or full coverage to 'collision' to save money. Unfortunately in this situation, the gentleman who hit Monica, while evidently insured, fled the country. His insurance company has not been about to resolve the pending insurance claim in his absence.

Monica's insurance coverage was inadequate. Their policy did not provide for coverage of their own property or losses, only for the losses of others. Monica and her husband had just arrived at their new duty station and Monica had not found a job yet. As a junior enlisted couple they were not in a position to just purchase another vehicle, but that is what they were forced to do.

Unfortunately Monica's story isn't unique. Many of us are looking for ways to reduce our living expenses and cut costs. Insurance is not necessarily the best place to accomplish that. June Walbert, financial specialist at USAA, encourages couples to consider if they can absorb the cost of being underinsured. In Monica's case, they had no vehicle, no resources and

were forced to use their TSP to purchase a vehicle.

How much insurance is enough? Ms. Walbert reminds us that insurance is about risk management. Accidents happen and we want to manage our risks. Having adequate insurance while it may appear optional really isn't. In light of today's prices June recommends the following as a rule of thumb for car insurance: Bodily injury coverage (to cover injuries sustained in an accident deemed your fault); maintain \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per incident. Property damage (paid to others for damages sustained deemed your fault) maintain \$100,000 in coverage. Uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage would have helped Monica's situation. Your coverage levels should be equal to what you carry on in bodily injury; \$100,000 per person/\$300,000 per incident. Note, this is what will cover you in the event you are in an accident involving an uninsured/underinsured motorist. In addition, consider Personal Injury Protection to cover any lost wages or other medical expenses you may need covered for you. Finally, it is worth adding towing, labor, and rental reimbursement to your policy. This coverage at these levels will help make sure that you are covered and out of pocket expenses are minimal.

The cost of insurance can be managed by the amount of deductible you choose. Your deductible is the amount of money you pay before your insurance begins to pay. A deductible can be as low as \$250. By choosing a higher deductible, \$500 or even \$1,000, you will see your insurance premiums drop. But before opting for that higher deductible assess your current financial situation. Do you have savings in place to cover that deductible? If your financial picture is

already tight, perhaps you are paying off debtload, a higher deductible may not be the right choice till your financial picture is improved. It may cost a few dollars more now but will save a \$1,000 car repair bill that you may not be able to afford.

Monica found not all insurance policies are the same and the minimums required by state law do not necessarily provide the protection we need. Take time to shop around, comparing rates and coverage.

Questions or comments for Beth? Email her at beth@homefrontfocus.com.



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Phil Sea Recognizes SOQs

By Ensign Patrick Shelton

USS Philippine Sea PAO

USS Philippine Sea recently announced its Sailors of the Quarter for First Quarter 2008. Once again it was another tough competition, and the candidates were all deserving of commendation for their superior performance. After much deliberation, the following sailors were selected from an outstanding group of nominees: Sailor of the Quarter, Fire Controlman 1st Class (SW) Jeremy R. Rasnick, Junior Sailor of the Quarter, Operations Specialist 2nd Class (SW/AW) Richard English III, and Bluejacket of the Quarter, Gas Turbine System Technician Mechanical Fireman Robert L. Davis. Congratulations Shipmates!

Rasnick has consistently demonstrated a superior level of leadership requisite for his selection as Philippine Sea's Sailor of the Quarter. As LPO of CF Division, Rasnick exhibits organized and poised leadership managing nineteen technicians that maintain and operate the AEGIS Weapon System. Additionally, his superb leadership was also exhibited in his assumption of responsibility as Command Mentor Coordinator and Holiday Party coordinator. Rasnick continues to impress his superiors.

"Rasnick is the driving force for his workcenter and a primary success behind his division's success. He is a leading troubleshooter and project manager, he basically runs the division. What can I say; he does it all and is my right hand man - that is the reason I nominated him, stated Senior Chief Fire Controlman (SW) Wilcox."

Even amongst such an elite group of deserving peers, the performance of English stood out, earning him the distinction of being selected as Philippine Sea's Junior Sailor of the Quarter. English is a hard charger whose performance and reliability resulted in the mission success of Philippine Sea OI Division. English's accomplishments are many: he is the Command SARC Assistant, a member of Combat Systems Training Team, Seamanship Training Team, SAVI representative, CIC Watch Supervisor and the only E5

to act as Duty Operations officer. Additionally, English is also the Training petty officer for OI division, directly responsible for assigning training goals and actively mentoring 20 junior personnel. Under his tutelage, nine of his subordinates advanced during the most recent advancement cycle. English has become the go-to-guy for OI division.

"English performs at the level of a senior First Class Petty Officer," said Lt. Joe Sortillon. "He shows great respect for his seniors, peers, and subordinates alike. He always takes care of his people and his motivation and high morale are contagious."

Davis has always been recognized in the Engineering Department as a top notch fireman and now his abilities have been rewarded through his distinction as Bluejacket of the Quarter. Davis serves as the Repair Parts petty officer for Main Engine Room No. 2. He was responsible for ensuring the timely repair of over three dozen maintenance items during the pre deployment maintenance availability period. Additionally, he ordered, tracked and installed numerous parts for multiple degraded systems.

Davis is also one of only four qualified Engine Room Operators for Main Engine Room No. 2, an accomplishment that demonstrates both Davis' technical competence and the confidence of his chain of command. Davis is already performing at the level of a third class petty officer, demonstrating superior leadership and technical ability.

"Davis embodies the ideal fireman for the fleet today - hard charging, positive and respectful of his superiors and peers alike," said Gas Turbine System Technician Mechanical 1st Class Roy Flores. The process of submitting his Bluejacket of the Quarter was painless. He was an obvious choice."

In light of his outstanding character, strong work ethic and performance, Davis was well deserving of the honor bestowed upon him as Philippine Sea's Bluejacket of the Quarter.

Earning The Cap



-Photo courtesy of USS Klakring

Pictured with Klakring's Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Ian R. Pollitt, far right, and Command Master Chief (SW/AW) Richard "Deano" Dean, far left, are the newest recipients of Klakring ball caps. When new Sailors arrive on board, they are required to complete training in basic DC before they can wear them. Several Klakring Sailors successfully completed damage control training recently and earned the right to wear the Klakring's ball cap. Pictured from left is Sonar Technician 3rd Class Domingo Cabrera, Fireman Aaron Leak, Sonar Technician 3rd Class Dallas Mease, Electrician's Mate Fireman Christian Sotollado, Sonar Technician 3rd Class Lewis Tudor, Seaman Malcolm Yarbrough, Electrician's Mate Fireman Acie Warner, Gas Turbine Systems Technician Mechanical Fireman Quashaun Haynes, Quartermaster 3rd Class Danny Herrera, Seaman William Stershic, Ships Serviceman Seaman Recruit Shontrez Hughes and Seaman Kevin Filyaro.

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FRCSE Sailors Volunteer For NB Elementary Field Day Spectacular

By Lt.j.g. Robert Jones
FRCSE Mayport

Approximately 23 Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Site Mayport (FRCSE) Sailors participated in Neptune Beach Elementary School's 2008 Spring Field Day in early April.

The Sailors helped 325 youngsters from pre-kindergarten to fifth grade.

"I did not know what to expect; however, it was an outstanding opportunity to give back to the community. It was a great experience that I will never forget," said Yeoman 2nd Class William Early.

The Sailors assisted in a variety of events including refereeing, score keeping, providing moral support for the athletes, handing out awards to tournament winners, and general clean up after the tournament.

"I now appreciate, at a whole new level, how heroic our children's families are. I think it's important military members come out and show their support," said Aviation Machinist Mate 2nd Class Sean Lloyd. "It helps give back to the community and it's a great morale booster. We get to come out and help the athletes and see the smiles on their faces."

"Volunteers give back to a 'greater good,' he added. "We

help here in Mayport, while someone else volunteers in Jacksonville and someone else volunteers somewhere else, but in the end, every child gets the attention and assistance they need."

Teamwork, cooperation, and communication were the focus of the events. The kids participated in numerous activities to solve and overcome problems in order to be successful. Some of the challenges included building towers more than two meters tall, tug-of-war and relay races.

The day proved to be successful as the students became more and more effective at cooperating and problem solving throughout the events.

"There are many things that would not get done if there were no volunteers. You have to ask yourself, if not me, then who? And if not now, then when?," said Rebecca Howell, Neptune Beach Elementary School's Physical Education Instructor. "Because so many moms and dads can be and often are deployed, we've redoubled our efforts to support the children of those parents. Volunteers don't just make a difference, they are the difference."

For Aviation Support Equipmentman 1st Class Jonathan Deluna, organizing



Volunteers from Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Mayport gather at the Neptune Beach Elementary School 2008 Spring Field Day to work with 325 students throughout the day. The volunteers helped with refereeing, score keeping and cheering the students during the events.

this community outreach has rewards for both the community and the volunteers.

"I enjoy the feeling of help-

ing out, it's important for children to see their parents are helping - it tells the child 'you are important, that's why I'm

here,'" Deluna said. "I think it's important our children's teachers see us and our families for what we are, members of the

local community, not mystical or mythical entities, but actual citizens. Volunteering really makes that point."



Aviation Machinist Mate 2nd Class Sean Lloyd cheers on students participating in a relay race.



Children play tug-o-war during the field day.



Children bounce down the field during the day's events.



Lloyd watches as a child runs a relay race.

Regional Security Education Comes To George Washington Strike Group, USS Farragut

By Capt. Jean Roberts
George Washington Strike Group Public Affairs

Regional Security Education Program (RSEP) personnel were aboard USS George Washington (CVN 73) April 7 - 17 and then were airlifted to USS Farragut (DDG 99) and USS Kauffman (FFG 59) to conduct training for their respective crews.

As part of Partnership of the Americas 2008, three experts in Latin American studies were employed to facilitate members of the George Washington Strike Group in cultivating a

genuine appreciation for the history, culture, and people of South American.

Professor Daniel Masterson from the Department of History at the U.S. Naval Academy specializes in Argentina, Brazil, and Peru. His research areas are Latin American militarism, immigration, race relations, terrorism and counter-terrorism. For 30 years, he has researched Peru and is currently finishing a book on the history of Peru.

Richard Feinberg earned a Ph.D. from Stanford and teaches at University of California,

San Diego, Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies. His expertise is U.S. Foreign Policy in Latin America, and his research areas are U.S. foreign and security policy, multilateral institutions, trade & investments, globalization, democratization and non-governmental organizations. His country specialties are Chile and Nicaragua

Capt. Timothy Doorey, is a Senior Intelligence Officer at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif., where he specializes in National Security

Affairs and Strategic Studies, focusing primarily on Panama and Colombia. He was a Navy Federal Executive Fellow at Harvard University's John M. Olin Institute for Strategic Studies.

"I have been very gratified by the ship's support of our RSEP mission," Masterson said. "The strong attendance at our briefings was indicative of the high priority Rear Admiral Cullom (commander of the George Washington Carrier Strike Group) and Capt. Dykhoff (commanding officer of USS

George Washington) place upon our message about Latin America and the concept of a Partnership for the Americas."

"This was great training," said Aircraft Ordnance Airman Apprentice Randell Austin, a Sailor serving aboard George Washington. "At first I wasn't sure this was needed, but I did learn a lot of interesting and useful information that is going to change the way I interact with the people I meet. I want to learn more about them now."

Cullom expressed the importance of the training and how

it would give Sailors a better understanding of the mission.

"RSEP training is a tremendous asset to members of the George Washington Strike Group because each of us is an ambassador for our country," said Cullom. "Knowing and appreciating our South American neighbors helps enhance our relationship as equal partners in making this a more stable, secure, and prosperous hemisphere."

Service From Home Brings Smiles To Sea

By Ensign
Rebecca Lawrence

USS Carney PAO

Sailors aboard USS Carney (DDG 64) were surprised with a heart-warming gift from home.

More than 300 boxes of Girl Scout cookies were awaiting the crew as they gathered on the messdecks for the evening meal. The cookies were compliments of the Ladies Congeniality Club of Alice B. Landrum Middle School in Ponte Vedra, Florida.

The Ladies Congeniality Club is a service-based Girls Club at the middle school and is under the direction of Gwynn Paton, Donna Jawor, and Traci Wurstner. Student members of the organization help identify and plan service projects that benefit members of the community.

This year, in addition to donating their time, members of the Ladies Congeniality Club raised money through cookie dough and candy sales to ensure that every Sailor would receive a box of Girl Scout cookies. In an email to the command, Paton described the origin of the sentiment behind the special shipment.

"These servicemen and women support our country everyday. We are thankful for their service and appreciate them immensely."

The cookies were arranged by variety and stacked high on the tables. Though a few of the Sailors went straight for the Thin Mints and Samoas, many of the Sailors had a different initial reaction.

Machinery Repairman 1st Class Shawn Story didn't reach for the cookies: his attention was drawn to a folded piece of brightly-colored construction paper with a hand-drawn American flag on the front. Inside the card were the grateful sentiments of an LCC student, thanking the Sailors for their service and wishing them a safe and swift return home.

"This is my favorite part of packages like these," he said as he put down the first card and picked up another. "You can tell the kids are so excited to be doing this."

The homemade cards, drawings, and letters from the students quickly found a new home among the traditional awards, commemorative plaques, and historical pictures that decorate the bulkheads of Carney's messdecks.

USS Carney is currently deployed with the Harry S. Truman Strike Group to the Middle East in support of Maritime Security Operations (MSO).



USS Carney's crew poses with the 300 boxes of Girl Scout cookies sent to the ship by the Ladies Congeniality Club of Alice B. Landrum Middle School. The ship is currently deployed with the Harry S. Truman Strike Group to the Middle East.

-Photos by Ensign Rebecca Lawrence



Damage Controlman 2nd Class Lawrence Madison and other crew members look through the boxes and letters sent to the ship.



Gas Turbine System Mechanical 3rd Class Jason Isaacs posts up letters from the middle school students that were included in with the Girl Scout cookies.

Savannah Delivers To USS Samuel B. Roberts

By Ensign Molly Harris

USS Samuel B. Roberts PAO

Three months after the official adoption of USS Samuel B. Roberts by the Savannah Navy League, a reunion was held.

As part of their strengthening relationship, Savannah's chapter arrived, gift boxes in tow, to present awards to the Sailors of the Year, in addition to some mementos to the crew. Despite the fact that the Sammy B. is amidst a major SRA maintenance period, that did not stop the crew from convening on their barge's 0-3 level for some quality "family time."

One of the city's goals is to honor these distinguished Sailors, as a way of thanking them for a job well done and recognizing the hard work of Sammy B. One of the tokens present to each Sailor of the Year was a book selected from the CNO's recommended naval leadership list, specific for the particular Sailor's rank. Damage Controlman 1st Class (SW) Christopher Nelson, Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class (FMF) Garret Castro and Yeoman 3rd Class (SW) Esparza were this year's Sammy B. Senior and Junior Sailors and Bluejacket (respectively) of the Year.

At the conclusion of the cere-



Damage Controlman 1st Class Christopher Nelson is given a book by the Savannah Navy League for his selection as USS Samuel B. Roberts' Sailor of the Year.

mony, the Commanding Officer Cmdr. Wally Lovely conducted a typical "ball capping ceremony," held when a new member has checked on board the ship. After demonstrating that they are familiar with the proud Sammy B. history, the CO usually asks the Sailor's division if they feel he is ready for a Sammy B. ball cap; in this case, the "new" Sailor was the Savannah Navy League!

The crew of the Sammy B. responded with overwhelming cheers and clapping when asked

if they thought Savannah's executive council was ready to sport their ball caps.

Overall, it was a great day that further strengthened the already tight relationship that has formed between Sammy B. and the Savannah Navy League. An upcoming Family Day Cruise was even discussed, in order to give Savannah the true experience of life underway. There certainly is no higher honor than being able to call Savannah Navy League part of the Sammy B. family.



USS Samuel B. Roberts crewmembers stand with representatives from Savannah Navy League after they are presented with the ship's ball cap. Savannah has adopted the crew. The Savannah Navy League adopted the ship and crew three months ago and received the ball caps as a way for the ship to welcome them into the "family." Along with books from the CNO's reading list, the Navy League members brought gifts for the crew as a thank you for the work they have done. Among the gifts were Wii game systems and games.

GW/CSG Sailors Lend Helping Arm, Give Blood

By MC3 Laura L. Rabe

USS George Washington Public Affairs

Dozens of Sailors from USS George Washington (CVN 73) (GW) and Carrier Air Wing 17 donated blood in Rio de Janeiro, April 22 as part of a U.S. Consulate-sponsored blood drive to assist local victims of dengue fever.

Sailors took a break from sightseeing during their four-day scheduled port visit and volunteered to help supplement the blood supply during a recent outbreak of the mosquito-borne illness.

"It is important that people give blood, because we are dangerously low in supply," said Fabio Baptista of the U.S. Consulate in Rio de Janeiro. "In some of the most severe cases of the disease, a person can actually lose so much blood they could bleed to death.

They need transfusions and with the low supply, we need as much blood as we can get."

Many Sailors said they were more than willing to take a few minutes to help replenish the supply.

"I'm happy to do my part to help out," said Aviation Ordnanceman 3rd Class Jesus Valverde. "We're here and blood is needed, so there's no reason not to. I'll leave here today with a sense of goodwill knowing that it could just as easily be me on the other end of a transfusion."

Lt. Cmdr. Shane Vath, GW's physical therapist, said that as a member of the ship's Health Services Department, he's fully aware of the need for blood and blood products.

"I am giving blood because I am fortunate to have the ability to,"

he added. "Giving blood takes as little as 30 minutes, so I want to do my part to help where I can."

The George Washington Carrier Strike Group is commanded by Rear Adm. Philip Hart Cullom and is in the U.S. Southern Command area of focus to participate in UNITAS 49-08. UNITAS, Latin for "unity," is an annual multinational operation designed to enhance mutual cooperation, understanding and interoperability through complex maritime scenarios, as well as cultural exchanges.

The strike group is composed of the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier George Washington, Carrier Air Wing 17, and Destroyer Squadron 40, which includes the guided-missile frigate USS Kaulfman (FFG 59) and guided-missile destroyer USS Farragut (DDG 99).

MWR Happenings

Teen Lock-In May 3-4
Middle and high school students are invited to a Lock-In at Club Teen 8 p.m. May 3 until 7 a.m. May 4. Cost is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door and a permission slip is required. Early registration is recommended. For more information on teen programs, call 270-5680.

Pool Season Passes on Sale May 1
Individual and family season passes for the base swimming pool go on sale at 9 a.m. May 1

at ITT. Cost is \$60 for an individual pass or \$120 for a family pass. The base pool will be open for recreation swimming (open swim) starting Memorial Day Weekend. Summer open swim hours beginning May 24 are Sunday-Friday 1-6 p.m. and Saturdays and holidays 11 a.m.-6 p.m. For season pass information call 270-5145. For all other pool related questions call 270-5425.

Foc'sle CPO Club
All hands, Theme Night (Hawaiian Luau) is 4-8 p.m.

May 8 at the CPO Club. Cost for food and entertainment is \$9 for adults and \$6 for kids (ages 2-10). Tickets are on sale at the CPO Club. 270-5431

ITT
Tickets are on sale now for Band Camp 2008 May 9 at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center. This live concert features performances by Shinedown, System of a Down's Serj Tankian, Filter, Ashes Divide, Theory of a Deadman and Hurt. Cost is \$29 and \$1 from each ticket sold benefits the Greater

Jacksonville Area USO. For more information, visit www.myspace.com/bandcampjacksonville. 270-5145

Outdoor Adventures
Let's go diving Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-26, at Deerfield Beach. Cost is \$425 and includes round trip transportation, lodging, six boat dives over three days, use of all scuba gear and air fills (Nitrox is extra). Pre-registration is required. Sign up at Outdoor Adventures. 270-5541

Starting May 1, summer lap swim hours begin: Monday-Friday 6-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Open swim begins Memorial Day Weekend, May 24. Pool season passes go on sale May 1 at ITT. 270-5425

Sports
The annual Military Classic Softball Tournament is May 16-18 for C and D divisions. Cost is \$225 per team. Registration deadline is May 9. 270-5451
Windy Harbor Golf Club
The Base Golf Championship is May 17-18 with a shotgun

start at 8:30 a.m. both days. This tournament is open to active, reserve and retired military and their dependents, and DoD employees with established handicaps at Mayport. Cost is \$75 and includes lunch on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, a tee prize and awards banquet. Each player is responsible for their own green and cart fees. Sign up at the Windy Harbor Pro Shop no later than May 12. 270-5380

Liberty Call

The following activities are reserved for single or unaccompanied Sailors. A complete calendar of events is available at Planet Mayport Single Sailor Center or call 270-7788/89 for Liberty Program information.

May 4: Introduction to Flight. Join Liberty on a trip to learn the basics of flying a small aircraft followed by a chance to fly with an instructor for approximately 30-40 minutes. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is

required.

May 6: Comedy Zone Trip. Join the Liberty Program on a free trip to the Comedy Zone in Mandarin. Admission, transportation and appetizers are included. There is a one drink minimum purchase. Minimum age is 18 years old. Van will leave from Planet Mayport at 6:15 p.m.

May 8: Jacksonville Suns Baseball Trip. Liberty is going to the baseball grounds to watch

the Jacksonville Suns take on the Birmingham Barons. Van departs Planet Mayport at 6:15 p.m. Sign up now at Planet Mayport. This trip fills up quickly.

May 17: Kennedy Space Center Trip. Blast off with the Liberty Program on a trip to Kennedy Space Center and NASA's launch pad. Cost is \$20 and includes admission and transportation. Deadline to sign up is May 15.

Kids Corner

The following events are reserved for school age children (grades K-12th). For more Youth Program information, call 270-5680.

May 1: Summer Day Camp Registration Begins. Registration begins at 9 a.m. at the Youth Activities Center. Summer camp is open to ages 6-12 (age 5 if completed kindergarten in the 07-08 school year).

Cost is based on total family income. Registration will continue Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. until all spaces are filled. Junior Camp Counselor registration for ages 13-15 begins at 9 a.m. May 15. 270-5680

May 3: No Open Rec.

May 3-4: Teen Lock-In. 8 p.m. Saturday until 7 a.m. Sunday at Club Teen. Middle and high school ages only. Cost

is \$12 in advance or \$15 the day. Pre-registration is recommended. A permission slip is required.

May 5: Cinco de Mayo Taco Party (Grades K-5th). 4-5:30 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center. Free.

May 5: Cinco de Mayo Taco Party (Grades 6th-12th). 4:30-5:30 p.m. at Club Teen. Free.

The Sullivans' Spring Fling



-Photo courtesy of Sarah Otto
USS The Sullivans' Sailors and family members stand in line at a dunking booth during the ship's spring carnival held at the Sea Otter Pavilion. Approximately 250 people attended the event. The ship has not been able to have a Christmas party for the past two years. The carnival was sponsored through the ship's MWR.

USO News

USO Mayport will host a No Dough Dinner on May 5 starting at 5:30 p.m. for Sailors and their families. Space is limited, come early.

Birdies for Charity Pledge drive ends soon. Your opportunity to make a pledge to USO Jacksonville ends May 5. You still have time to make a donation to help USO Jacksonville provide service members and their families with HELP ON THE HOME FRONT. To participate in this fun charity event, please visit www.usojax.org and select the Birdies For Charity brochure link. Follow the brochure instructions to pledge per birdie or you can designate a flat pledge donation. This year's pledge minimum is \$.02 per birdie or a flat pledge of \$25.

Mayport USO will hold a Community Yard Sale from 9

a.m.-2 p.m. on May 31. Inside tables may be purchased for \$10 each, outside tables may be purchased for \$5 each. All tables must be paid for by May 29. For more info, call 246-3481 and ask for Janet.

Active duty and retired military can enjoy free admission to the Pirates Dinner Adventure in Orlando during May. All guests receive \$10 off admission.

The USO will not be accepting block ticket requests from commands for the upcoming Jacksonville Jaguar football season until June 16.

Special USO ticket prices on sale for the PBR Built Ford Tough Series Professional Bullriding Sept. 19-20. Stop on by the USO to order your tickets - they will go fast. This is the last round before the finals in Las Vegas. Tickets are \$18.25

(USO) - Upper Arena Sections; \$31.50 (ITT NAS JAX and Mayport USO only) - Outside of the club (Sections 105-111 end-zone sections); \$48.25 (USO) D Outside of the club (Section 103-104 side sections).

All University of North Florida athletic events are free to active duty service members and their dependents. Just show your military ID card at the gate.

Mayport USO is looking for volunteers to help with visitors, answer phones, copying, filing and light administrative assistance. A working knowledge of Excel and Word is preferred. Email wendy@usojax.com for more information. Be sure to indicate Mayport Volunteer in

the subject line.
Band Camp 2008 Concert tickets are on sell. The concert is on May 9 at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center, 13611 Normandy Blvd. Tickets are \$29 each.

USO is selling tickets for the Dayton International Speedway "2008 Coke zero 400" on July 5. This is a night time race under the lights. Tickets must be pre-paid for, in person, and then ordered by your Mayport or NAS Jax USO. You will be notified for pick-up when your tickets arrive at the USO. Ticket packages are as follows:

Military Superstretch Offer - one Superstretch ticket row 1-32, \$46 each; All American Offer - one Superstretch Terrace

Rows 33-61 + an all you can eat Pre-Race Buffet, \$83 each; From the Turns Offer - one Oldfield/Lockhart Seat, \$59 each; From the Turns Tower Offer - one Oldfield/Lockhart Tower before June 1, \$106 each. After June 1, one Oldfield/Lockhart, \$131 each; Sprint Fanzone - \$49 each.

Tickets to Adventure Landing, on Beach Boulevard, are now available at the USO!

USO sells discounted tickets to AMC Movie Theatres, Disney World, Sea World, Busch Gardens, Wet N' Wild, Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure, and Adventure Landing.

There is a computer resource center available to all service

members with email, Internet and word processing. Fax, copy and free notary service is also available.

Watch TV or a movie from the video library. Service members can also enjoy video games or use the sports equipment.

There is a full kitchen, showers, a quiet reading room and a meeting room available at the USO. The USO is available for meetings, support groups, receptions, parties and pre-deployment briefs.

For more information about activities or meeting availabilities, call 246-3481 or stop by the center at 2560 Mayport Road. USO is open from 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday.

Thursday, May 1st - 7:05 pm
Thursday Night Throwdown & Chevy Night!
Enjoy Buds for a buck & other drink specials at the hottest spot in Jacksonville during the Summer.
Plus, check out the hottest rides from your Southern Chevy Dealers

Friday, May 2nd - 7:05 pm
Southpaw's Birthday Party!
All kids will receive a birthday cake ice cream treat on entrance!
Don't miss the postgame Friday Family Fireworks!

Saturday, May 3rd - 7:05 pm
George Winterling Autographed Umbrella Giveaway
The first 3,000 fans will receive these high quality, weather resistant umbrellas.

Sunday, May 4th - 3:05 pm
Dog Tag Giveaway & Kids Clinic on the Field!
Dog tags feat. photos of Suns players & more! Come early to participate in the Kids Clinic instructed by Suns coaches & players. Free kids tickets at area gate locations.

Monday, May 5th - 11:05 am
Celebration of Reading Day
School kids from all over the Jacksonville area are invited to enjoy this late morning game. - No Beer sold today

Tuesday, May 6th - 7:05 pm
Fifty Cent Family Night & Feast PTA Appreciation Night
50c hotdogs, peanuts, & ice cream treats! Plus get \$2 off at the box office with your SAMS Membership Card!

Wednesday, May 7th - 1:05 pm
Businessperson Special
Enjoy a box seat, hot dog, & beverage of choice all for \$14!

Thursday, May 8th - 7:05 pm
Return for Thursday Night Throwdown!
Buds for a buck & other great drink specials

Friday, May 9th - 7:05 pm
Strike Out Stroke Night & Scout Camp Out Night
The Suns honor stroke survivors. Postgame camp out & midnight movie.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST	316 ATLANTIC BLVD.	JAX	JIFFY LUBE	13560 ATLANTIC BLVD	JAX
COAST GUARD STATION (EXCHANGE STORE)	A1A HWY	JAX	JIFFY LUBE	1067 ATLANTIC BLVD	ATL BCH
COMFORT INN	MAYPORT RD.	JAX	JIFFY LUBE	1672 S 3rd ST	JAXBCH
COMMISSARY (INSIDE RACKS)	MAYPORT RD.	JAX	JIFFY LUBE	8379 BAYMEADOWS RD	JAX
DAYS INN	1401 ATLANTIC BLVD.	JAX	JIFFY LUBE	5295 SUNBEAM RD	JAX
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GATE	220 A1A N	PVB	LA CRUISE GIFT SHOP	A1A HWY	JAX
GATE	619 A1A N	PVB	LIL CHAMP	9615 HECKSCHER DR. - FT. GEORGE	JAX
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GATE	463779 SR 200/A1A	YUL	LIL CHAMP	13967 McCORMICK RD.(MT PLEASANT RD)	
GATE	3230 EMERSON ST	JAX	LIL CHAMP	5001 HECKSCHER DR. - BLOUNT	JAX
GATE	3938 HENDRICKS AVE	JAX	LIL CHAMP	1310 S. 3rd ST.	JAX BCH
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GATE	9540 SAN JOSE BLVD	JAX	SPRINT	2810 SR A1A N	ATL BCH
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Underwood Helps Navy Move Into New Phase

By Lt.j.g. Brenna Montgomery
USS Underwood
 Innovation and integration are key parts of why the United States Navy continues to thrive in an ever-changing environment. USS Underwood has been selected to help further both of these ideals by proving a new Special Warfare Concept is possible.

The Naval Special Warfare Group 4, stationed out of Little Creek, Va., transited to Mayport to meet Underwood on their prototype vessel, NSWG Sea Lion on the April 15.

The sleek, camouflaged, 77-foot-long craft silently pulled alongside a moored Underwood to go through a practice run of a replenishment-at-sea (RAS).

The starboard side of

Underwood was packed with Sailors who were curious to see the newest addition to the Navy and a sample of the Special Warfare Community operations.

The Officers in Charge of Sea Lion, SBC Francis Mielkey and SBC Michael Esposito were ready to field all the questions, give tours, and even take some of Underwood's crew out for trial runs.

Sea Lion is a SEAL insertion vehicle, made especially for speed and low radar cross section. It only sits four feet above the water and is hard to distinguish at even 200 yards in the Mayport Basin.

Its lithe form is reminiscent of a cigarette racing boat, but its intent is all business; protecting SEALs as they transit to their missions.

This important integration of the Surface and Special Warfare communities will allow for a more proficient warfare force in the constantly evolving Global War on Terrorism.

Underwood's Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Wes Smith, will be heading this integration trial by rendezvousing with Sea Lion underway to perform a RAS and an astern towing evolution. By proving both evolutions successful, Sea Lion will be able to determine its underway endurance for future missions.

Careful coordination, safety precautions, and flexibility will be necessary as Underwood proves the theories of new warfare concepts and furthers the future of the U.S. Navy.



-Photo courtesy of USS Underwood
 The Navy's prototype NSWG Sea Lion pulls along side USS Underwood during a special testing phase held in conjunction with the ship. Sea Lion is a Special Warfare Concept vessel.

Mayport Tax Center Remains Open

By Lt.j.g. Jessica Wilcox
RLSO
 NS Mayport Voluntary Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) tax center is still open until June 15 to provide free basic tax preparation services by appointment only. The center is located at 707A Everglades Court.

The VITA Tax Center hours of operation will be from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday.

VITA is the only free tax preparation service on base. Private tax preparers can charge \$50-\$100 or more per return and can result in Sailors paying high rates to get their refunds more quickly. VITA E-files almost all returns, ensuring fast refunds. VITA is run entirely by volunteers who have been certified by the IRS in basic tax preparation.

Who is eligible for free tax preparation through VITA?

- All active-duty service members and their dependents
- All retirees and their dependents
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- Reservists within 30 days of demobilization and reservists involved in pre-mobilization

What to bring to the tax center:

- All 2007 W-2's and 1099's
- Copies of Social Security cards for taxpayers and dependents
- Taxpayer(s) military ID cards
- Bank account numbers and routing numbers
- Any other tax records including copies of 2006 tax returns if available

If you do not bring either a copy of your Social Security card or a previous year's tax

return, they will not be able to prepare your return. You must also have this documentation for all dependents.

Couples wishing to file joint returns should come to the tax center together. If a spouse is unavailable, the spouse preparing the return will need to bring a Power of Attorney that specifically covers tax filing purposes, or an IRS Power of Attorney Form 2848 (available at www.irs.gov)

If you have a complex return please call ahead and make an appointment. All taxes are done by appointment or by walk-in, which is on a first-come-first-serve basis.

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From FFSC

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May 1, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance, FFSC

May 1, 9 a.m.-noon, New Parent Support Playgroup, USO

Parents and children together meet to share parenting concerns, ideas, and fun! The group invites professionals to address specific areas of concern such as nutrition, toilet training, etc. This group is designed for moms new to the area or moms who want their child to interact with other children their child's age.

May 2, 9-11 a.m., Car Buying Tips, FFSC

May 5, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., FERP - Job Hunting Made Easy!, FFSC

May 5-8, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., TAP Retiree Workshop, RBCC

Designed for Military personnel within 180 -90 days of leaving the military. The seminar focuses on benefits for service members and their family members. Participants receive help in translating their military acquired skills into civilian language and are exposed to the civilian job market and how to successfully compete in the civilian employment arena; learning about resumes, employment interviews and marketing themselves. If you are within a minimum of 180 days of leaving the military see your career counselor for a quota for this highly successful program.

May 6, 9-11 a.m., Parenting Class, FFSC

This 8-class program is designed to assist you and your family put into practice the skills learned in the class. Specific parenting skills that are discussed as well as the challenges that are faced by all families.

May 6, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance, FFSC

May 7, 9 a.m.-noon, Tottletyme Playgroup, USO

May 8, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance, FFSC

May 8, 9 a.m.-noon, New Parent Support Playgroup, USO

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May 9, 9-11 a.m., Establishing A Sound Family Budget, FFSC

May 12, 8:30-9:30 a.m., FERP- Career Advancement Account Workshop, FFSC

May 12, 1:30-3:30 p.m., FERP- Starting Your Own Business, FFSC

May 13, 9-11 a.m., Parenting Class, FFSC

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May 13, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance, FFSC

May 13, noon-4 p.m., Leadership Life Skills for E4 & Below, Building 1 Room 104

May 14, 9 a.m.-noon, Tottletyme Playgroup, USO

May 15, 8-11 a.m., Anger Management, FFSC

What does anger do for you? Communicate for you? Keep people at a safe distance from you? Keep you in charge? For many people, anger serves them many uses, but all too often, it is at a high cost...usually of relationships, unhappiness in the workplace, and a general feeling of disdain. If you want to be able to break out of the "get angry/get even" syndrome, come to this class. Participants learn how anger and judgment are related, about irrational beliefs and faulty self-talk, what "E + R = O" means, and the roles of stress and forgiveness in anger.

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May 16, 9-11 a.m., Credit Report Review, FFSC

May 16, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Leadership Life Skills for E5 & E6, Building One, Room 104

May 19, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Military Spouse 101, FFSC Mayport

The Fleet and Family Support Center offers this class to military spouses new to the area, and those new to the military way of life. Guest speakers from the military and civilian communities will present useful information to help you have a pleasant tour here at Naval Station Mayport.

May 19-22, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.,

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May 20, 1-4 p.m., Leadership Life Skills for E7 & Above, Building One, Room 104

May 20, 9-11 a.m., Parenting Class, FFSC

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May 20, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance, FFSC

May 21, 8-11:30 a.m., Stress Management, Wellness Center

Stress is a normal part of everyone's life. It can be energizing and a factor in motivating us. But too much stress, without relief, can have debilitating effects. This program is designed to provide participants with an understanding of what stress is and how it affects them. It will also help participants begin to look at their own lives and ways they currently cope with stress. Participants will be challenged to develop behavior and lifestyle changes that will improve their ability to cope with stress.

May 21, 9 a.m.-noon, Tottletyme Playgroup, USO

May 22, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-in Review Assistance,

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May 22, 9 a.m.-noon, New Parent Support Playgroup, USO

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Are You Providing For Family Now And In Future?

By Lt. Craig Morris,
JAGC, USN

RLSO SE

Investing for the future can be a daunting task. This article is designed to provide some insight into what investment vehicles are available. The first thing you need to do is determine what your needs will be in the future, and then seek out a qualified financial planner that you trust to help you achieve those goals, if you are not investment savvy enough to go it alone. Here are some of the common ways to invest and provide for yourself and your family.

Provide for loved ones when you no longer can

The easiest thing that you can do is draw up a will. Having your wishes outlined in a will better prevents the inconvenience and expense of settling your affairs when there is no will. A will better ensures that your intentions will be followed and may help to prevent bad blood between competing relatives.

Another vehicle for providing for your family is insurance. There are many forms of insurance; here are some things that you should keep in mind. First, as an active or reserve servicemember, you are eligible for Servicemembers Group Life Insurance (SGLI). You can also elect to cover your spouse and dependents. SGLI is extremely affordable and, unlike some private commercial policies, will cover death resulting from an armed conflict.

Your local RLSO SE office can assist you in filling out your beneficiary designation form. If you determine that you need additional insurance, private commercial insurance can be purchased to supplement your SGLI, but be careful to do your research and comparison shop between insurers. There are many companies offering "financial" products to the military community, but several of these companies have been cited by Federal and State regulators for deceptive and misleading practices.

Provide for retirement

Many different vehicles are available for retirement planning. All of these options have their own advantages and disadvantages. You must research to find the best options for you. A recent vehicle that is now available to servicemembers is the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP). TSP is designed to work much the same as 401K plans that are provided by private employers.

TSP is in no way tied to military retirement, and is a separate account from the standard retirement. The plan allows servicemembers to begin contributing immediately with pre-tax dollars, and the account is portable if the servicemember leaves the military.

Boone

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the approach towards the Canal. A standard passage through the Canal takes approximately nine hours. With a Panamanian pilot onboard, the ship maneuvers through the channel and slows before entering one of three sets of locks. Fire Controlman 2nd Class Adam Yetter described the canal as "hot and humid, but both an incredible and unique experience."

The canal consists of artificial lakes, several improved and artificial channels, and three sets of locks. At the entrance of each lock a crew of Panamanian line handlers cast their lines down to small row boats. These row boats took the lines to miniature locomotives on tracks along the walls of the lock. These locomotives held the lines and pull the ship in and out of the lock. Once the ship reached the approved level of the next lock, a wide steel door opened in front of bow, and released the ship to maneuver further down the channel towards the next lock.

Quartermaster Seaman Apprentice Anthony Banaszek said "It's exciting that we finally get to carry out the mission that we have been training for many months."

Boone, homeported in Mayport, Fla., deployed April 5 under U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command to conduct counter illicit trafficking in the Eastern Pacific for Joint Interagency Task Force South.

TSP limits when you can take distributions without penalty (usually not until age 59 1/2, or in certain hardship cases), and where the money is invested (there is a limited list of funds in which you can distribute the money). TSP and 401K plans are great ways to start investing for retirement using money that will be tax-deferred until you retire and that will come out of your pay before you have a chance to spend it. In addition, since the contribution comes out pre-tax, it reduces your income and your tax liability.

Individual retirement

accounts (IRAs) and ROTH IRAs are another way to invest for the future. Again, IRAs have pros and cons about which you need to research or ask a qualified financial planner. IRAs also allow for the investment of pre-tax dollars, and grow tax-deferred, with restrictions on when the money can be withdrawn, but do not have restrictions on where the money can be invested. IRAs do have administrative fees associated with them.

It is best to shop around to different brokerage houses for the best rate on fees. ROTH

IRAs differ from traditional IRAs in that the money invested initially is with post-tax dollars. Finally, remember there are limits set by the federal government on how much of your pre-tax earnings can be invested.

If you are using several different vehicles to invest for retirement, be wary of not only the limits on each investment, but also the cumulative effect on your tax liability of all of your contributions across all of your investments. Remember, whatever manner of preparation for retirement that you choose, any planning is better than no

planning at all.

Provide for special needs

This is not an all-inclusive list of the financial planning options available, and research needs to be done by each individual investor on what is best. Other alternatives include 529 plans for education and Health Savings Accounts.

These plans are designed to create benefits to those with large education and health care expenses by deferring or alleviating tax consequences. These accounts limit when you can withdraw the money. RLSO SE can help you in your planning.

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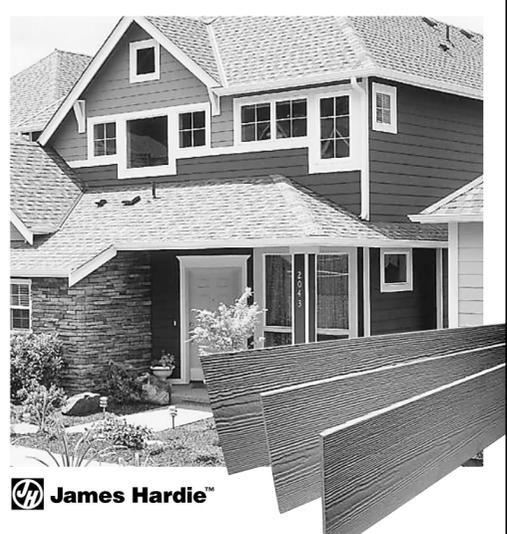
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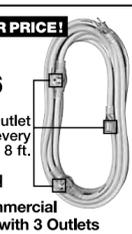
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Health Beat

NavHosp Jax Hosts Conference For 'Special Needs' Family Representatives

By Marsha Childs
NHJ Marketing
 Naval Hospital Jacksonville (NHJ) hosted its first Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Conference on April 10 for 28 Navy and Marine Corps southeast regional command EFMP representatives. The EFMP is designed to provide comprehensive and coordinated medical, educational, community and personnel support to active duty military families with special needs. NHJ EFMP Coordinator and conference organizer Galya Taborn was very pleased with the feedback from attendees. She said, "Overall, it was a great success. It was very well received and the participants learned a lot. It was very helpful, especially since some of them were new to the EFMP field and had not had any prior training." Taborn, who provided much of the training, explained the Operational Navy requirement for every command to designate and train an EFMP representative. She said, "It is essential

for regional EFMP points of contact to be well trained and familiar with local resources to better serve this special needs population." Regional EFMP representatives gained a better understanding of their role in educating and assisting service members who have family members with long-term medical, mental and/or special education needs. The reps were provided an overview of the program including eligibility, program benefits, the enrollment process, detailing requirements and community resources. Office of Chief of Naval Personnel Policy Analyst and EFMP Manager Marcia Hagood provided information on updated policies, newly developed initiatives and reinforced the importance of building a strong regional EFMP network. NHJ Career Counselor HMC Lori Curtis explained the detailing requirements for a sponsor's humanitarian assignment. This ensures the military sponsor's duty station, whether serving stateside or overseas, is located,

whenever possible, in an area where the family member's needs may be met, while still meeting the mission of the Navy. The EFMP program has been extremely successful in minimizing fewer early returns, unnecessary family separations, saving families and the Navy money and best of all improving the quality of life. NCC Lejune Chute, the Naval Air Station Jacksonville EFMP representative, attended the conference. She said, "I thought the training was outstanding and I would love to see more of it. I would like to see more people take EFMP seriously." Naval Hospital Jacksonville is offering the free training to all Navy and Marine Corps EFMP representatives. The next class is scheduled at the hospital on July 16 in the 2nd Deck Conference Room from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information about the program, upcoming classes or to register, contact Taborn at (904) 542-7348 or DSN 942-7348.



Photo courtesy of NH Jacksonville
 Naval Hospital Jacksonville Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Coordinator Galya Taborn provides an overview of the program for southeast regional EFMP representatives. It is designed to assist active-duty families with special medical or educational needs.

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Know The Benefits Of Regular Physical Activity

From Health Promotions by the Ocean
 Naval Branch Health Clinic Mayport Health Promotion recognizes May as National Physical Fitness and Sports Month. According to the Mayo Clinic, there are many benefits to participating in some form of physical fitness most or all days of the week. Listed below are 6 of the major benefits from regular physical activity. Exercise improves your mood. Exercise stimulates various brain chemicals which may leave you feeling happier and more relaxed than you were before you worked out. You'll look better and feel better when you exercise regularly, which can boost self confidence and self esteem. Exercise can reduce feelings of depression and anxiety. It can leave you breathing easier. It delivers oxygen and nutrients to your tissues. In fact, regular exercise helps your entire cardiovascular system. When your heart and lungs work more efficiently, you'll have more energy to do

the things you enjoy. Exercise combats chronic diseases. Regular exercise can help you prevent or manage high blood pressure. Your cholesterol will benefit, too. Regular exercise boosts high-density lipoprotein (HDL), or "good," cholesterol while decreasing low-density lipoprotein (LDL), or "bad," cholesterol. This keeps your blood flowing smoothly by lowering the buildup of plaques in your arteries. It can also prevent type 2 diabetes, osteoporosis and certain types of cancer. Exercise helps you manage your weight. This one is a no brainer. When you exercise, you burn calories. The more intensely you exercise, the more calories you burn and the easier it is to keep your weight under control. You don't even need to set aside major chunks of time for working out. Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Walk during your lunch break. Do jumping jacks during commercials. Better yet, turn off the TV and take a brisk

walk. Dedicated workouts are great, but activity you accumulate throughout the day helps you burn calories, too. Exercise promotes better sleep. A good night's sleep can improve your concentration, productivity and mood. And, you guessed it, exercise is sometimes the key to better sleep. Regular exercise can help you fall asleep faster and deepen your sleep. Exercise can be fun. Wondering what to do on a Saturday afternoon? Looking for an activity that suits the entire family? Get physical! Exercise doesn't have to be a drudgery. Take a dancing class. Check out a local climbing wall or hiking trail. Push your kids on the swings or climb with them on the jungle gym. Plan a neighborhood kickball or touch football game. Find an activity you enjoy, and go for it. If you get bored, try something new. If you're moving, it counts! Now, start reaping the benefits of physical activity today!

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TRICARE Offers No Stress Guide To Parenthood

From TRICARE
 New parents should be enjoying their new baby, not worrying about health care. TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) provides essential health care information for parents on its Web site. The Life Events section at www.tricare.mil guides parents-to-be from maternity to pre-teen health care. The site includes information about prenatal, post partum, pre-adoption, adoption and well-child care. One of the first and most important steps is enrolling your newborn in the Defense Eligibility and Enrollment Response System (DEERS). The TRICARE site shows parents how to effectively navigate the enrollment process, a crucial step that gets a child into the system where they can be recognized as an eligible beneficiary.

Parents can find essential information about their child's dental health at www.tricare-dentalprogram.com. Here, TRICARE conveys dental program options and enrollment information, and answers questions about oral care for children. The effort to provide new parents with health care options is part of TRICARE's recognition of April as the "Month of the Military Child." TRICARE, along with other military organizations and installations, is showing its support for military children during this month and all year long.

Sea Cadets Move Drill Day For TPC
 U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Mayport Division will work at TPC on May 10 and 11. The next regular drill will be May 31 at the C-12 hangar (Building 1338 across from McDonald's). This is a fun-filled, character-building program of adventure for young people, 10-18 years of age. Visitors are welcome. Come check us out. For additional information, visit www.mayportseacadets.org or call Instructor LeAnna Boudreaux at 904-412-3690 or Francis Floyd at 904-704-6987.

The Weekly Crossword By Alan P. Olschwang Huntington Beach, CA

ACROSS
 1 Good Hope or May
 5 Stable youngster
 9 Musical syllables
 14 River to the Caspian
 15 Sorenstam's org.
 16 A Hood
 17 Nota __ (note well)
 18 Rowboat needs
 19 Beginning
 20 Start of Zsa Zsa Gabor quip
 23 "Honor Thy Father" author
 24 Depressed
 25 Money-managing exec.
 28 Julie Andrews movie
 31 Start a trip
 33 Missouri feeder
 37 Part 2 of quip
 39 Bruins' home
 40 Recorded for later viewing
 41 Chills and fever
 42 Part 3 of quip
 44 Early anesthetic
 45 Complimentary
 46 Capitol feature
 48 Five before six
 49 __-pitch softball
 51 Lifts the spirits
 56 End of quip
 59 Bird call
 62 Mr. Knievel
 63 Up for the job
 64 Stock unit
 65 Battering wind
 66 Imperfection
 67 Hit hard
 68 Confederate
 69 Makes lace

DOWN
 1 Biblical length
 2 Boxing venue
 3 Jury
 4 Ecolite attendee
 5 Bloom
 6 Moonfish
 7 Taj Mahal locale
 8 Goes on and on
 9 Trampled
 10 Barrett or Jaffe
 11 Tummy muscles
 12 Fanciful story
 13 Aardvark's morsel
 21 Latin I lesson word
 22 Relaxed
 25 Doctor's request
 26 Bach work
 27 Survey choice
 29 Indian nursemaid
 30 Speedy
 32 Perfectly
 33 Expenditures
 34 Contempt
 35 Pond buildup
 36 Trot or canter
 38 Jules Verne captain
 40 Inventor Nikola
 43 Dropped in
 44 Sniggler's pursuit
 47 Jumbled assortment
 50 Last letter
 52 Toward the stern
 53 Indian drum
 54 Extraordinary brilliance
 55 Distorts
 56 Laura of "Jurassic Park"
 57 Elliptical
 58 Jodie Foster film
 59 Recipe abbr.
 60 What person?
 61 The water of Paris

By Alan P. Olschwang 5/1/08

Last Week's Answers

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Phoenix Express 2008 Tests Multinational MIO Capabilities

By MC3

Coleman Thompson

Nassau Expeditionary Strike Group
Public Affairs

During the two-week Phoenix Express 2008 (PE 08) exercise, that began April 8, service members from 11 different nations came together in an effort to improve their collective abilities to perform maritime interdiction operations (MIOs).

Altogether, 13 teams from nine countries participated in the MIO events. Specifically, teams from Algeria, Greece, Malta, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey and the U.S. all utilized the exercise as an opportunity to hone their collective skills both individually and as multinational teams.

These operations are how multinational navies confront possible threats from other craft that are encountered while out at sea. For the U.S. Navy, MIOs are handled by each ship's visit, board, search and seizure (VBSS) teams. VBSS teams help to ensure mission readiness while focusing on the importance of maritime security operations (MSO). MSO helps set the conditions for security and stability in the maritime environment and complements the counterterrorism and security efforts on the high seas and in nations' littoral waters.

"The mission of a VBSS team is to board a ship, whether it is compliant or noncompliant, and find out whether there are any extra personnel aboard the ship or any cargo they're not supposed to have, such as any contraband or weapons," said Marine Corps Capt. Nicholas K. Zetz, Marine Corps Security Forces Company, Rota, Spain.

The teams from each country practiced MIO throughout the PE 08 exercise, which was broken up into two phases, inport and at-sea. While inport Souda Bay, Crete, the teams worked with the newly established North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO) Maritime Interdiction Operational Training Center (NMIOTC), which provided a practical training environment for the teams. There, teams were able to hone skills in small arms training, fast rope insertion, tactical sweeps, crew control and multiple threat scenarios.

"The mission of our center is to conduct training necessary for NATO forces to better execute surface, sub-surface and aerial surveillance and special operational activities in support of maritime interdiction



-Photo by MC1 James C. Davis

The guided-missile frigate USS John L. Hall (FFG 32) sails the Mediterranean Sea to participate in a visit, board, search and seizure exercise as a launching platform for rigid hull inflatable boats for multinational forces during exercise Phoenix Express (PE) 2008. PE-08 is the third annual exercise in a long-term effort to improve regional cooperation and maritime security.

operations," said Hellenic Navy Commodore Konstantine Ifantis, commanding officer, NMIOTC. "The center has the potential to not only train Naval units in MIO, but also to provide proposals for new doctrines, tactics, methods and equipment in this growing field of maritime security operations."

The center offered a unique opportunity for the servicemembers from each of the participating nations to view and compare tactics on a first-hand basis.

"It's a good learning exercise, you get to learn what others know from the experiences that they have in their countries or other countries that they have had experience dealing with in their combat situations," said Marine Corps Cpl. John Young, squad leader for the Supreme Allied Command's Fleet Antiterrorism Security Team (SACFAST), 6th Platoon.

"MIO and VBSS are both dynamic products, it's a dynamic skill that changes year-by-year," said Lt.j.g. Reynel Saa, VBSS officer, Nassau Expeditionary Strike Group. "As a collective VBSS team with other countries, it's important to continue to train, because we can't do all the boardings. So as a coalition, if we can have some of the other countries helping out with those boardings, it makes our lives a lot easier."

The second phase of the exercise was performed at sea and offered the MIO teams several different chances and ways

to board simulated suspicious craft. With some of the naval vessels acting as boarding platforms, teams were offered multiple opportunities for practical training in an open, littoral environment.

"During the exercise we conducted fast-rope exercises and traditional RHIB embarkations," said Saa. "We also conducted helo-deck landings as well."

The simulated target vessels for these training exercise were often the amphibious transport dock ship USS Nashville (LPD 13) and the fleet replenishment oiler USNS Patuxent (T-AO 201). Landing craft utilities (LCU) from the amphibious assault ship USS Nassau (LHA 4) were also used as target craft in several scenarios. Nassau herself was utilized as a central hub for the exercise, hosting many liaison naval officers from the other participating countries.

"We served as essentially a hotel and command center for about a 150 people from 10 different nations," said Capt. James R. Boorujy, commanding officer, Nassau. "We carried a number of the boarding teams from several of the countries that participated, so we were very much the center of the operation."

Two helicopters from Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 28 provided transportation from Nassau's flight deck to the target vessels, often taking foreign teams who

had never flown in an American helicopter.

While not performing boarding exercises, the multinational teams also found other ways to improve their collective skills, including friendly competitions and small arms firing.

"The small arms training that we did aboard the ship was really a way to do a weapons exchange with other countries," said Zetz. "We gave them an opportunity to fire some of our weapons like the Mossberg shotgun or our Beretta 9mm's, and the Maltese let us fire their MP5s."

The at-sea phase of PE 08 came to a close April 19, in Augusta Bay, Sicily, where the participating countries met to discuss the outcome of the exercise.

"Looking at the reports, one of the common trends was the level of professionalism," said Saa. "That says a lot. If there's one thing that's really truly important when you're conducting VBSS it is professionalism. That may be the first time that that vessel's master ever meets an American, and you never get a second chance at a first impression. So you really need to show that you're a professional and you're not there to harm them. That's the message that we need to put out there every time we do this."

"One of the successes that Nassau can take away is that we can operate with many different countries," said Boorujy. "We can bring their helicopters in, we can bring the boarding teams in and they can work from this very capable platform."

PE 08 is the third annual exercise in a long-term effort to improve regional cooperation and maritime security. The principal aim is to increase interoperability by developing individual and collective maritime proficiencies of participating nations, as well as promoting friendship, mutual understanding and cooperation.

Klakring To Hold Clothing Drive

By USS Klakring Public Affairs

USS Klakring (FFG 42) will hold a clothing drive from May 21-May 29 to benefit the Jacksonville Area Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army has been chosen as the charity to receive the clothes due to its tradition of service to the people of Jacksonville.

The Salvation Army's Northeast Florida Area Command was established in 1891 by a Salvation Army officer who felt an obligation to help the people of North Florida. He settled in the Jacksonville area and established the foundations of today's Salvation Army network in this region.

The drive's organizer, Ensign Peter Goodman, came up with the idea for the drive while doing some spring cleaning at home.

"I saw how many clothes I had set aside to discard, and realized that if this was how many extra clothes I could come up with by myself, a whole ship getting involved could really make a difference," he said.

The Northeast Florida Command provides a spectrum of services to the local area.

"For over a century, the services provided to the First Coast have ranged from

emergency assistance during natural and man-made disasters to soup kitchens during the depression and camps for children," said Paul Stasi, gift drive coordinator at the Northeast Florida Area Command and the Salvation Army representative working with Klakring on the project.

"With current economic conditions affecting the population in very direct ways, such as rising commodity prices, we have seen the call for our social services increase over the past year," Stasi said. "More people are in need of all kinds of assistance from groceries, to a hot meal, to shelter care or drug treatment, to rent and utility assistance."

Final preparations for the drive are still underway. While ship repairs and preparations for Klakring's upcoming SRA will be in full swing during late May, the drive's organizers are confident that Klakring's Sailors will take the time to deposit items for collection, especially utility-type uniforms, for which the Salvation Army has expressed an especially acute need.

Anyone interested in donating clothes in support of this worthy cause may contact Ensign Goodman at goodmanp@ffg42.navy.mil.

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Phil Sea Sailors Take Plunge

By Ensign Patrick Shelton

USS Philippine Sea PAO

During a recent port visit to Haifa, Israel a group of USS Philippine Sea sailors had the opportunity of a lifetime to walk in the footsteps of Christ and be baptized in the Jordan River. While on a Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) tour of Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee, the group of over sixty Philippine Sea Sailors made an important detour to the Jordan River to support their shipmates as they received the sacrament of baptism.

Operations Specialist 1st Class James Reid, Information Technician 2nd Class Regena Daniels, Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Michael Hood, Cryptologic Technician Collection 2nd Class Joshua Anderson, Ensign Manuel Rosas, and Yeoman 1st Class Gracie Hudson were all baptized by Philippine Sea Chaplain Lt. Deirdre Green and her assistant Ship's Serviceman 1st Class Aaron Johnson in the shallow waters of the Jordan River.

The baptism took place at a special secure sanctuary reserved for the many Christian pilgrims who travel to Israel to be baptized in the same waters as Christ.

"The fact that it was in the same river as Jesus made it special," said Green. "It was an honor for me to baptize both those who wanted to rededicate their lives to Christ as well as those who were baptized for the first time." The event was moving to witness from the shore, but it was especially momentous for those who were baptized.

"It was a rededication of my life to God and a once in a lifetime opportunity to be baptized near where Jesus was

baptized by John," said Hood. "Spiritually, it brought me to a whole new level in my walk with God."

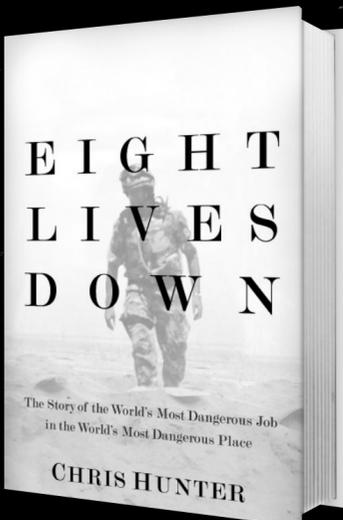
The baptism was held on Easter weekend in the Holy Land, and this heightened the significance of the event for

many.

"It was a unique and rare opportunity. We were lucky that our operational schedule coincided with the Easter holiday. I feel it was a gift from God," said Lt. Green.

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Calendar

On Base

Tuesday, May 6

The Naval Officers' Spouses' Association of Mayport will meet at 9:30 am at the USO on Mayport Road. Babysitting is available for a nominal fee. NOSA of Mayport is open to all spouses of officers, active duty and retired, from all branches: Navy, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Army and Air Force and spouses of Foreign Exchange Services. For more information, please check the NOSA website at www.orgsites.com/fl/nosamayport.

Wednesday, May 7

USS De Wert family readiness group will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. at the USO on Mayport Road. Childcare will be provided at no charge.

Thursday, May 15

USS DeWert family readiness group will hold a 'Gas and Glass' from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the base gas station.

USS Philippine Sea FRG will meet and hold a potluck on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Mayport USO.

Tuesday, May 20

The USS John L. Hall family readiness group is inviting all families and friends of the ship to our monthly FRG meeting at the USO on Mayport Road from 6:30-8 p.m. Childcare will be available for \$1 per child. Monthly meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of every month. For more information, contact the FRG at ffg32frg@hotmail.com.

Out in Town

Thursday, May 1

The Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 will hold their monthly General Assembly meeting at 8 p.m. at the branch home, 360 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach. All members and prospective members are invited to attend. The Fleet Reserve Association is a world wide veteran's organization that represents nearly 165,000 active duty and retired Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard members. The FRA Branch 290 is called the "active duty Branch" because of the number of active duty members. If you have served in any of the maritime services, no matter how long, stop by the branch home or call 246-6855. New members are always welcome.

Saturday, May 3

Retired CPO Nicholas Patrizio will be honored at the 3rd Annual Dolphin Cove Military Appreciation Day

Celebration for his 40 years of service. The celebration will be held at the Dolphin Cove Community Park (DeLeon Shores Park), in Ponte Vedra Beach starting at 11 a.m. The park is located off A1A about a mile south of JTB. A 28-year resident of Dolphin Cove, Mr. Patrizio enlisted into the U.S. Navy in June 1933, and his career saw his participation in WWII, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. All residents of Dolphin Cove and all surrounding communities are invited and encouraged to attend this event. A ceremony will also be held honoring those in the community who have served, or who are now serving, in the Armed Forces. Provided seating will be limited, please bring your own chairs or beach blankets. Food, sodas, snacks will be available. Parking is free but limited in the immediate area. Other scheduled events include: a fly in and a tour of a HSL-44 helicopter, a free rock wall climb, a pull up challenge, a Navy Dive Tank demonstration, a Drill Team exhibition by the Nease HS NJ ROTC, and many other activities. Military representatives will be on hand with exhibits and give aways. A banner that will be sent to Iraq will be on hand to be signed by all in attendance. For more information: www.dolphincovevb.com or contact Ronda McCoy at 285-3215.

Join a park ranger and learn how to identify the most common snakes and discover why these critters are important to a healthy and balanced natural community. This program will take place at 11 a.m. at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

Monday, May 5

The City of Jacksonville Canning Center in cooperation with the Duval County Extension Service will offer a strawberry preserves workshop from 9 a.m. to noon. Celebrate the gardening season by learning how to make strawberry preserves and take some home for your family to enjoy. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes all materials. You will take home approximately two half-pints. Space is limited. You must pre-pay to register. Send your \$20 check made payable to DCOHAC and mail to Canning, 1010 N. McDuff Ave., Jacksonville, Fla. 32254. Deadline is May 1. If your group is interested in making a different item, call our office for information at 387-8850.

Wednesday, May 7

The Atlantic Beach Women's Connection presents A Heavenly Makeover Brunch from 9:30-11 a.m. at Selva Marina Country Club with one of the professional stylists from The Master's Touch. Guest speaker Nikki Jatindranath will share her inspiring message "Running on Empty... Time to Fill Up!" Cost is \$12 inclusive. Complimentary childcare available with reservations. Call Kate @ 534-6784 or atlanticbeachwe@yahoo.com for reservations. All area women are welcome.

THE PLAYERS Downtown Experience kicks off, in conjunction with First Wednesday Art Walk, at the Jacksonville Landing with a celebration marking the 20th anniversary of local resident, Mark McCumber's victory at THE PLAYERS Championship. Mayor John Peyton will be in attendance with a proclamation recognizing THE PLAYERS Championship Week. Éfans can enjoy video clips of McCumber's career and win. The festivities begin at 5 p.m. and continue throughout the evening with live entertainment from Kort McCumber & the McCumberland Gap. Golf enthusiasts can catch up on the day's events with live sportscasts and championship highlights throughout the day on Thursday and Friday and nightly entertainment in The Jacksonville Landing courtyard.

On Saturday, May 10, fans can experience "Nine Holes at the Landing" complete with free golf experiences including a nine-hole putting challenge and other interactive games, drink specials, food merchants and autograph sessions by members of the PGA TOUR and Champions Tours beginning at 4:00p.m. É Live entertainment returns to the 19th Hole riverfront courtyard at noon. THE PLAYERS Downtown Experience host committee consists of representatives from Visit Jacksonville; THE PLAYERS Championship; the City of Jacksonville Special Events Department; the Duval County Tourist Development Council (TDC); Downtown Vision, Inc.; The Jacksonville Landing; Florida's First Coast of Golf; PRI Productions and the PGA TOUR. For more information and event updates, visit www.jaxdowntownexperience.com.

Saturday, May 10

Join a park ranger to learn about the lifecycle of the sea turtle and the importance of

these magnificent and gentle creatures. The program will take place at 3 p.m. at pavilion five on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

Sunday, May 11

Join Talbot Islands State Parks and the Kelly Seahorse Ranch from 2-5 p.m. for the fifth annual Ride-A-Thon and open house to benefit the Friends of Talbot Islands State Parks. The event consists of sponsored horseback rides and an interpretive program featuring archeological artifacts of the islands. The event is free to the public but donations will be accepted. For information on becoming a sponsored rider, please contact Kelly Seahorse Ranch at 491-5166.

Tuesday, May 13

Decorative Artists of Jacksonville are holding their regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m., Riverside Avenue Christian Church, 2841 Riverside Ave. Beginning artists welcome - no experience necessary. Visit www.decorativeartistsofjacksonville.org for more information and to see the wide variety of workshops and seminars planned for the year.

Saturday, May 17

Join a park ranger for a walk on the beach at 11 a.m. as they explain the importance of undeveloped beach habitat, including many interesting facts about sea creatures and common shells found in the area. The program will take place at pavilion four on Little Talbot Island. No res-

ervations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission. For additional information on the Wild Amelia Nature Festival visit www.WildAmelia.com.

Sunday, May 18

Join a park ranger at the Ribault Club at 11 a.m. for a leisurely-paced hour long hike to discover the island's natural communities. Bug spray and a water bottle are recommended. No reservations are necessary and the program is free. For additional information on the Wild Amelia Nature Festival visit www.WildAmelia.com.

Greggs Temple African Methodist Episcopal Church, 1510 W. 45th St., is holding its annual Women's Day with church school starting at 9 a.m. and morning worship service at 11:30 a.m. with Reverend Patricia McGeathy.

Saturday, May 24

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Fort Clinch State Park, 2601 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach, will hold a Memorial Weekend program in honor of the men and women who served in World War II on May 24-25. Admission to the park is \$5 per vehicle at the front gate and \$2 per person to enter the fort. Children under six are free. For additional information, contact the park at (904) 277-7274. The event will take place from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sunday.

Sunday, May 25

Join a park ranger and discover important bird habits,

and identification techniques. The program will take place at 1 p.m. at the pavilion behind the Ribault Club on Fort George Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

Saturday, May 31

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) will hold its first OLLI Gala dinner/dance fundraiser from 6-11 p.m. at Hyatt Regency, Jacksonville, Riverfront featuring music of the 50s, 60s, & 70s by the Fabulous Korvettes. Tickets are \$100 and a percentage of the ticket price is tax deductible. Cocktails, dinner, live music, dancing and a silent auction are included in the ticket price. Proceeds to help support Transformational Learning Opportunities (TLO) and the UNF Foundation for OLLI. The OLLI program is part of the Division of Continuing Education at UNF. It began 2 years ago to provide life enrichment opportunities for adults 50 and above. For tickets and more information, call Billie Lombardo, 620-1159, or the customer care team at 620-4200 or log onto www.unfolli.com.

Join a park ranger to learn about the species that inhabit the natural communities of the undeveloped barrier islands of northeast Florida. The program will take place at 11 a.m. at the pavilion behind the Ribault Club on Fort George Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

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Friday, May 2

Breakfast
Bacon
Turkey Sausage Patties
Pancakes
French Toast
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Lunch
Beef Noodle Soup
Chicken Wings
Pizza
Burgers
French Fries
Peas & Carrots
Cauliflower
Dinner
Beef Noodle Soup
Roast Beef
Savory Baked Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Steam Rice
Brown Gravy
Corn
Succotash
Saturday, May 3
Breakfast
Grilled Ham Slices
Corned Beef Hash

Pancakes
French Toast
Potato Rounds
Lunch
Chicken Noodle Soup
Bbq Pork Sandwich
Chicken Tenders
French Fries
Green Beans
Corned Beef Hash
Pancakes
Potato Rounds
Dinner
Chicken Noodle Soup
Beef Stroganoff
Roast Pork
Boiled Pasta
Oven Brown Potatoes
Lima Beans With Ham
Squash
Brown Gravy
Sunday, May 4
Breakfast
Bacon
Turkey Sausage Links
Pancakes
French Toast
Hashbrown
Lunch
Minestrone Soup
Chicken Fillet Sandwich
Bbq Beef Sandwich
Onion Rings
Mixed Vegetables
Bacon
Pancakes
Hashbrown
Dinner
Minestrone Soup
Yankee Pot Roast
Caribbean Chicken
Breast
Mashed Potatoes
Steam Rice
Carrots
Peas
Natural Pan Gravy
Monday, May 5
Breakfast
Corned Beef Hash
Sausage Patties
French Toast

Pancakes
Potato Rounds
Lunch
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Beef Stew
Dijon Baked Pork Chops
Rice Pilaf
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Carrots
Burgers
French Fries
Dinner
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Bombay Chicken
Salisbury Steak
Lyonnaisse Rice
Boiled Pasta
Chicken Gravy
Peas
Corn
Tuesday, May 6
Breakfast
Cream Ground Turkey
Bacon
Biscuits
Pancakes
French Toast
Hashbrown
Lunch
Chicken Noodle Soup
Shrimp Quesadilla
Chicken Enchiladas
Spanish Rice
Black Bean
Refried Beans
Mexican Corn
Broccoli
Chicken Tenders
French Fries
Dinner
Chicken Noodle Soup
French Fried Catfish
Italian Sausage
Paprika Potatoes
Parmesan Rice
Cream Corn
Wax Beans
Wednesday, May 7
Breakfast
Sausage Links
Corned Beef Hash

Pancakes
French Toast
Potato Rounds
Lunch
Cream Of Broccoli Soup
Lasagna
Chicken Parmesan
Boiled Pasta
Italian Roasted Potatoes
Carrots
Marinara Sauce
Mixed Vegetables
Cauliflower
Steak & Cheese Sandwich
French Fries
Baked Beans
Dinner
Cream Of Broccoli Soup
Cajun Roast Beef
Baked Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Steam Rice
Brown Gravy
Peas
Carrots
Thursday, May 8
Breakfast
Corned Beef Hash
Sausage Gravy
Biscuits
Pancakes
French Toast
Hashbrown
Lunch
Clam Chowder
Grilled Steaks
Baked Stuffed Fish
Rice Pilaf
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli
Corn On The Cob
Dinner
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2/1.5 Townhome, 300ft to Arlington River. Boatlift access across from pool, gym, clubhouse. \$121,000
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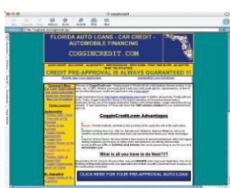
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