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## OFF THE DECK

### Volunteers Needed For Tax Program

Beginning in January, NS Mayport will offer free tax preparation services to active duty, dependents, retirees, and reservists on active duty for more than 30 days.

Through this program, service members not only can save hundreds of dollars on tax preparation fees, but they also get their refund in just a couple of weeks.

The only way to offer such a service free of charge is to enlist the aid of volunteers through the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. Through the VITA program, volunteers are trained by IRS employees using IRS-approved software. Volunteers will attend an intensive week-long course from Jan. 5-9 and upon successful completion of the course volunteers will be certified tax preparers.

Full-time volunteers are needed beginning Jan. 1 until the middle of April. Volunteers should be given no-cost TAD orders. All potential volunteers should check with their supervisors before volunteering.

If you want to sign up or have any questions please contact Lt.j.g. Marsh at (904) 270-5445, Ext. 3011 or kirtland.marsh@navy.mil.

### Gates To Close For Holiday

Seminole Gate, leading into Hanna Park, will be closed to all inbound traffic from Dec. 15-Jan. 12 during the holiday standdown period.

### Holiday Standdown For The Mirror

The Mirror newspaper will not publish the weeks of Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 due to the holidays. All submissions for the Jan. 8 edition should be received no later than Dec. 31. For more information, call PAO office at 270-5226, Ext. 1011.

### Spreading The Holiday Cheer

The Giving Tree program, sponsored by Navy Exchange Mayport, is underway.

The Giving Tree is a special military community outreach program designed to extend holiday warmth to special children in need throughout the Mayport military community. NEX patrons are asked to enhance the Christmas holiday and makes dreams come true for special children.

This program will end on Dec. 19. To participate, select an ornament with a child's description on it from the Giving Tree. Register your name with a Giving Tree staff member. Purchase and/or make a gift for the child and then return it unwrapped and the ornament to NEX within seven days. Nominations to receive gifts as part of the program will be accepted at the USO until noon on Dec. 19.

## Mayport Road Improvements Complete

By Kristen Beach

City of Jacksonville

Naval Station Mayport Commanding Officer Capt. Aaron Bowman, Jacksonville Mayor John Peyton, Atlantic Beach Mayor John Meserve and other community leaders officially cut the ribbon marking the completion of the Mayport Road resurfacing and median construction project on Dec. 3.

"Mayport Road connects two of our community's most treasured assets, our beaches and Mayport Naval Station," said Mayor Peyton. "I am pleased with the work that has been done to help this critical area to reach its full potential and commend these local entities for their partnership, and I'm grateful for Mayor Meserve's vision for this crucial safety and beautification enhancement."

"Today, we're seeing the results of an effort that started in 2001 to make Mayport Road a 'boulevard' we can all be proud of," said Mayor Meserve. "From an Atlantic Beach perspective, this is not the end, but the beginning of an area transformation. While enhanced esthetics from the tree lined medians are an important element, the real benefit has always been aimed at traffic safety. Averaging 140 accidents and several deaths per year, we believe the medians will both calm traffic, and provide safe shelters to pedestrians and bicycle traffic crossing the road."

The improvements along the 3.5-mile stretch of Mayport road are meant to create both a safer and more aesthetically-pleasing path of travel along the busy thoroughfare. The road has been resurfaced from Mayport Flyover/West Seventh Street northward to Mayport Naval Station. In addition, 14 new landscaped medians (three in Atlantic Beach and 11 in Jacksonville portion of road) were constructed with the goals of reducing the vehicular accident rate, increasing pedestrian safety by creating raised island refuges and reducing speed due to traffic calming.

Improvements to Mayport Road, which were completed two months ahead of schedule, cost approximately \$5.5 million and were supported by a joint effort of the FDOT, the City of Jacksonville and the City of Atlantic Beach.

The FDOT contribution toward resurfacing, signaliza-



-Photo by Bill Austin

Jacksonville City Councilor Art Graham, Jacksonville Mayor John Peyton, Neptune Beach Mayor Harriette Pruette, Atlantic Beach Mayor John Meserve and NS Mayport Commanding Officer Capt. Aaron Bowman officially cut the ribbon that marks the completion of the Mayport Road resurfacing and median construction project on Dec. 3.

tion upgrade and maintenance of the state road totaled approximately \$3.5 million. The City of Atlantic Beach also contributed approximately \$500,000 toward the improvements. The City of Jacksonville utilized its Tree Trust Fund (\$707,000) and Town Center Program (\$828,000) to facilitate design work, median improvement funds, project management and construction.

Projects funded by the Town Center Program are guided by a vision plan created by interested citizens and business owners in the area of the project. The median work was initiated by Mayor Meserve and the City of Atlantic Beach Commission. Various landscap-

ing schemes were presented to the public for selection of the final plan, and there was coordination between the two entities to ensure a seamless and uniform landscape scheme throughout.

The project incorporated a broad and intensive public outreach effort including multiple community and business association meetings. Council members from the Cities of Jacksonville and Atlantic Beach, along with representatives of FDOT, Mayport Naval Station, the Cities of Jacksonville and Atlantic Beach Public Works Departments and the City of Jacksonville Planning Department collaborated on the project.



-Photo courtesy of USS Samuel B. Roberts

Cmdr. Wallace G. Lovely turns over command of USS Samuel B. Roberts to Cmdr. Chuck L. Sellers during a change of command ceremony held aboard the ship on Dec. 2.

## USS SBR Holds Change Of Command At Sea

From USS Samuel B. Roberts Public Affairs

USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG 58) held a change-of-command ceremony at sea Dec. 2, while conducting counter-illicit trafficking operations in the Eastern Pacific Ocean.

After serving as Commanding Officer since June 2007, Cmdr. Wallace G. Lovely turned over command to Cmdr. Chuck L. Sellers.

Sellers stated that he was very excited to be taking over command of the ship from Lovely. "USS Samuel B. Roberts is one of the best ships in the Navy due to Commander Lovely's leadership and it is an honor to receive the mantle of command from him," said Sellers.

Lovely began his command tour near the end of a counter-illicit trafficking deployment during the summer of 2007. During that deployment, Samuel B. Roberts provided Humanitarian support

to Nicaragua in the wake of Hurricane Felix and participated in PANAMAX 2007, an annual multi-national maritime exercise.

Upon return to the ship's homeport in Mayport, Fla. in September 2007, Samuel B. Roberts went into a Selected Restricted Availability period to gear up the ship's material condition for an upcoming training cycle. During the availability, Samuel B. Roberts' Supply Department worked diligently to acquire significant habitability funds, which were used to improve morale and living conditions. Under Lovely's leadership, Samuel B. Roberts' Mess Decks, Chief's Mess and Wardroom all saw significant improvements. The crew's lounge, named the "B's Nest," was also completely renovated to include new computer workstations, new couches, and a TV which is compatible with the ship's Wii entertainment gam-

ing system.

To prepare for the current deployment, Samuel B. Roberts began a three-month workup cycle, which included an Aviation Certification (AVCERT), Unit-Level Training Assessment Certification (ULTRA-C), and Unit-Level Training Assessment Engineering (ULTRA-E), as well as training exercises with Destroyer Squadron 24 (DESRON 24) during Group Sail.

During his tour, Lovely worked to form an inclusive command atmosphere where all Sailors from the most junior to the most senior learned about the ship's history and vision. Now, when a new Sailor checks onboard, no longer are they immediately handed a ship's ball cap as they cross the Quarterdeck; new Sailors now have a few days to learn Samuel

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## New Skipper For USS Farragut

From USS Farragut

Cmdr. Philip Sobeck assumed command from Cmdr. Scott Dugan during a change of command ceremony on Dec. 5.

Dugan took command in June of 2007. He led the Farragut through two major dry-dockings, the Basic Phase Training Cycle, fulfilling duties as Air Defense Commander for the George Washington Carrier Strike Group, and most recently her maiden deployment in support of Partnership of the Americas 2008. Now it will be CDR Sobeck's turn to rise to the challenge of continuing Farragut's reputation for excellence and the fighting spirit evidenced in the ship's motto, "Prepared for Battle!"

Sobeck enlisted in October of 1985 as a Machinist Mate (nuclear). He was then appointed to the United States Naval Academy, where he graduated in 1991.

At sea, Sobeck has served on numerous ships in the Atlantic Fleet including Auxiliaries and Main Propulsion Assistant on USS Hawes (FFG 53), Plankowner and CIC Officer on USS Gonzalez (DDG 66), Operations Officer on USS McFaul (DDG 74) and Operations Officer on the staff of COMDESRON 50 and Commander Middle East Force. Sobeck's last sea assignment was Commanding Officer of MCM Crew Impervious embarked on USS Avenger (MCM 1) and USS Ardent (MCM 12).

Ashore, Sobeck has served as PERS 410(b) Bureau of Naval Personnel, Executive Assistant to the Commandant U.S. Naval Academy, and Fellow in the Washington DC Intern Program. Sobeck's last assignment was deputy director for Flag Officer management and detailing, BUPERS Liaison, Washington, D.C.

Dugan is a native of Flushing, New York. A 1988 graduate



Cmdr. Philip Sobeck



Cmdr. Scott Dugan

of the University of Rochester, he earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics. He received his officer commission through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Program. At sea, Commander Dugan served his division officer tour as Combat Information Center Officer and Damage Control Assistant in USS Leahy (CG 16). He served his department head tours as Operations Officer in USS Rentz (FFG 46), Operations Officer in Destroyer Squadron Seven (CDS 7), and First Lieutenant in USS Constellation (CV 64). He served as executive officer in USS Sides (FFG 14), deploying to the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Ashore, Dugan served as a Cruise Missile Instructor during the standup of the Afloat

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# Jacksonville Household Hazardous Waste, E-Waste Mobile Collection Schedule Announced

From the city of Jacksonville

The City of Jacksonville Solid Waste Division will host six household hazardous waste and electronic waste (e-waste) mobile collection events throughout the city.

The 2008-2009 schedule is as follows:

Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Oceanway Park, 12215 Sago Ave.

Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Ed Austin Regional Park, 3450 Monument Road

Saturday, March 7, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Blue Cypress Park, 4012 University Blvd. N.

Saturday, March 14, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Crystal Springs Park, 9800 Crystal Springs Road

Saturday, April 4, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Mandarin Park, 14780 Mandarin Road

Saturday, April 25, 2009, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

•Atlantic Beach City Hall parking lot, 800 Seminole Road E-Waste

With the impending digital television transition (DTV) and the approaching holiday season, the division is also prepared

to accept e-wastes as residents replace older televisions and other electronics.

Residents are encouraged to utilize a mobile collection or the Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 2675 Commonwealth Ave., for the recycling of electronic wastes. The HHW Facility is open Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Types of waste which may be brought to one of the mobile events or to the HHW Facility include:

Televisions, computer monitors, computer terminals, CPUs, keyboards, printers, scanners, stereo equipment, radios, VCRs,

DVDs, camcorders, desk and mobile phones, pagers, power tools, small kitchen appliances (i.e. microwaves, toaster ovens), health and beauty appliances. There is a limit of 3 Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) and televisions per customer.

These items will be collected as part of normal garbage collection service if left at the curb. However, once these items enter the waste stream with normal garbage they cannot be recycled and are disposed of in the landfill.

These items are only collected from residences. Businesses should check for available recycling centers to arrange for the recycling and/or disposal of any e-wastes.

Household hazardous wastes cannot be collected curbside with regular trash. Residents may bring these items, however, to one of the scheduled mobile collection events or they may take items to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility located at 2675 Commonwealth Ave.

Types of waste which may be brought to one of the mobile events or to the HHW Facility include: paint, paint thinners and paint strippers, rechargeable batteries, photographic

chemicals, thermometers and thermostats, drain cleaners, pool chemicals, aerosol cans, pesticides, antifreeze, fertilizer, acids, gun powder, ammunition and fireworks, fluorescent bulbs and tubes, including CFL light bulbs

For more information or to arrange for special handling of unusual waste material, call (904) 630-CITY (2489) or visit [www.coj.net](http://www.coj.net) keyword search hazardous waste. For more information on the national transition to digital television, visit [www.coj.net](http://www.coj.net) key word search DTV.

## Organizations Make It Easy To Send Holiday Cards

From DoD

Holidays are just around the corner, and for those looking to send a card, gift or care package to troops who will not be able to spend this time of the year with their families and friends, there are many options available to send your gratitude and holiday cheer to our service members.

**American Red Cross and Pitney Bowes' Holiday Mail for Heroes**

For the second year, the American Red Cross and Pitney Bowes will deliver one million holiday cards to service members, families and veterans around the world. Please send your cards, with a greeting such as "Dear Service Member" to the address below:

Holiday Mail for Heroes  
PO Box 5456  
Capitol Heights, MD 20791-5456

All cards will be screened and reviewed before they are sent to service members, families and veterans, and must be post-marked no later than December 10, 2008. For more information, please see: <http://www.redcross.org/email/saf/> Free cards are available to download and print on the Red Cross Web site and you may even post your greetings on the Red Cross' Facebook page, which Red

Cross volunteers will then put into cards for you.

Walter Reed Army Medical Center will no longer accept cards addressed to "A Recovering American Soldier" and hospital officials encourage those interested to send their cards through the Holiday Mail for Heroes program.

**AAFES Gift Cards**  
You can send AAFES Gift Cards, which are redeem-

able at any AAFES, Navy or Marine Corps exchange facility worldwide, to service members through different organizations, including the Red Cross, Fisher House and USO. Please see <https://thor.aafes.com/gcs/default.aspx> for more information.

**Operation USO Care Package**  
For \$25, you can sponsor a care package worth \$75 that will be sent to a deployed service

member. <https://www.uso.org/donate/custom.aspx?id=565&>

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Find out more information on nonprofit groups that support our service members through care packages, donating airline miles, scholarships or wounded warrior care. <http://www.americasupportsyou.mil/americasupportsyou/help.html>

## Base Chapel Holiday Calendar

From Staff

Base Chapel has released its holiday calendar for Catholic and Protestant services. Catholic dates are as follows:

Dec. 6, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Greening of the Chapel

Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., Mass for Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dec. 24, 5 p.m., Vigil Mass of Christmas

Dec. 25, 10 a.m., Mass of The

Nativity of the Lord  
Jan. 1, 10 a.m., Mass for Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of God

Protestant service dates are as follows:

Dec. 6, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Greening of the Chapel

Dec. 14, 10:30 a.m., Christmas Cantata

Dec. 21, 10:30 a.m., Children's Pageant

Dec. 24, 7 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

## American Red Cross Teaches CPR, AED

From American Red Cross

American Red Cross is offering first aid, CPR and AED programs Dec. 13 from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the USO on Mayport Road.

The programs are designed to give participants the confidence to respond in an emergency situation with skills that can save a life. Red Cross courses prepare participants to prevent and respond to life-threatening emergencies.

Adult, Infant and Child CPR and First Aid with AED-Teaches emergency procedures that prepare individuals to deal

with breathing and cardiac emergencies for infants and children (birth to age 8) and adults (age 9 and up), and administering first aid to all ages. Participants learn techniques such as rescue breathing, chest compressions, CPR and Automated External Defibrillation; as well as bandaging, splinting and treatment for burns.

Anyone with a Military ID card gets a \$5 discount.

For more information or to register, please call the Mayport Service center at 246-1395.

## Rougheads Release Holiday Greeting

By MC2(SW) Rebekah Blowers

Chief of Naval Operations Public Affairs

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Adm. Gary Roughead and his wife, Ellen, released a holiday greeting to the fleet Dec. 6.

CNO and Mrs. Roughead wished Sailors and their families serving at home and abroad a safe and happy holiday season.

"While we all celebrate the holiday at home with friends and family, let's keep in mind

our shipmates who are serving forward. Because of them, we can enjoy this special time," Adm. Roughead said.

"Wherever you are spending the holidays this year, please know that we appreciate your service. What you do preserves our way of life and makes a difference in our Navy and our nation," Mrs. Roughead said.

They also reminded Sailors and their families to use good judgment and to be responsible while celebrating.

To view the holiday greeting, visit [www.navy.mil](http://www.navy.mil).

## Deployed Crews Receive Phone Cards For Holiday

By Kristine M. Sturkie

Navy Exchange Service Command Public Affairs

The Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) and AT&T announced Dec. 4 that for the seventh consecutive holiday season, military members underway will be given free phone cards to call loved ones back home.

"We are very excited to be able to provide these free phone cards once again to our military members who are away from home during the holiday season," said Jennie Zack, NEXCOM personal telecommunications specialist.

"Our military members do so

much for us throughout the year. This is our way of saying 'thank you' for all the work you do."

Each Sailor, Marine and Coast Guard member who will be deployed during the December holiday season aboard Navy ships or Coast Guard vessels equipped with AT&T Direct Ocean Service phones will receive a \$10 prepaid phone card. Sailors who will be deployed on submarines will also receive a card. NEXCOM expects to distribute nearly 38,000 free phone cards during the holidays.

## Mayport Thanks Students



Naval Station Mayport Commanding Officer, Capt. Aaron Bowman, and CMDM (SW/AW) Deborah Davidson present certificates of recognition to the Fletcher High School band and chorus students who performed at the Navy Ball.

## Navy Children Can SOAR With Online Educational Tool

From Fleet and Family Readiness Marketing, Commander, Navy Installations Command, Millington Detachment

Navy children now have access to a free Web site that provides students and parents with educational resources.

Navy Child and Youth Programs is bringing SOAR, Student Online Achievement Resources (SOAR), to Navy families through a grant from the Department of Defense, in partnership with the University of Northern Iowa, The Princeton

Review, Houghton Mifflin and the Military Impacted Schools Association.

"SOAR offers tools that can identify academic strengths and weaknesses in math and reading for students in grade 3 through high school," said Chuck Clymer, Navy Child and Youth Programs education manager, Commander, Navy Installations Command.

"With Navy families being highly mobile, SOAR provides

assessments that are aligned with state learning standards and provides immediate feedback to students and parents."

According to Clymer, the Web-based tool can be used to instruct students in math, reading and language arts through interactive tutorials. The lessons are self-guided and have audio components so students can work independently or with their parents.

SOAR also provides parents

with educational resources written specifically for them. They can access their child's account to see how their child has performed on the tutorial activities and tests. Links to state Web sites and other educational resources can help parents learn more about a state or district that the family may be moving to in the future.

For more information on SOAR, visit [www.soarathome.org](http://www.soarathome.org).



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Sunday school 9:15 a.m.  
Baptism: For information contact your chaplain

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Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

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# CNO Selects FLTCM West To Serve As MCPON

By MC2(SW)  
Rebekah Blowers

Chief of Naval Operations Public Affairs

The Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Adm. Gary Roughead announced his selection of Fleet Master Chief (FLTCM) (SS/SW) Rick D. West, as the 12th Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) in NAVADMIN 349, dated Dec. 5.

West is currently serving as Fleet Master Chief, U.S. Fleet Forces Command and previously served as Fleet Master Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet. He brings to this assignment 27 years of fleet experience, including six tours at sea highlighted by leadership positions aboard submarines and surface ships. In addition to his experience as Fleet Master Chief in the Pacific and Atlantic, he served as Chief of the Boat in USS Portsmouth (SSN 707), Command Master Chief in USS Preble (DDG 88), and Submarine Squadron 11, and Force Master Chief, Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet.

"From my earliest days in the Navy, and throughout my career, Chief Petty Officers have shaped and influenced me. Master Chief West has the experience, insight and confidence to continue to provide me that which I need to hear, not want to hear. He will have that degree of access and trust. I look forward to working closely with him



FLTCM Rick West

in all that is ahead," Roughead said.

In the NAVADMIN, Roughead also praised MCPON (SW/FMF) Joe R. Campa Jr., who took the helm in July 2006, citing numerous milestones Campa achieved in his time serving as the senior enlisted member of the Navy.

"MCPON Campa can take great pride in

his many contributions during his watch. His extraordinary leadership, keen insight, and sound judgment enhanced the role of the Chief Petty Officer. He authored the Chief Petty Officer's mission, vision, guiding principles, revitalized the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy's Leadership Mess, and empowered Fleet, Force, and Command Master Chiefs. Most importantly, he re-established the deckplate leadership that is the essence of a U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer. His efforts significantly increased the impact of Navy Senior Enlisted Leaders and, in doing so, improved the readiness of the Navy," Roughead said.

The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy serves as an advisor to the Chief of Naval Operations and to the Chief of Naval Personnel in matters of importance to enlisted personnel and their families. The MCPON is also an advisor to the many boards focused on enlisted personnel issues; is the enlisted representative of the Department of the Navy at special events; may be called upon to testify on enlisted personnel issues before Congress; and, maintains a liaison with enlisted spouse organizations.

## MCPON-Select Looks forward to Working with Sailors Around the Fleet

From U.S. Fleet Forces Public Affairs

The U.S. Fleet Forces Command fleet master chief, selected as the 12th master chief petty officer of the Navy (MCPON) Dec. 5, says he looks forward to working with Sailors around the fleet.

Master Chief (SW/SS) Rick West, a native of Rising Fawn, Ga., is currently serving as the U.S. Fleet Forces Command fleet master chief in Norfolk. He will relieve MCPON (SW/FMF) Joe R. Campa Jr., who took the helm in July 2006, later this month. "It's an exciting time personally, professionally, and I'm honored," said West. "I look forward to working

with and for the Sailors of our great Navy and the opportunities that lie ahead."

The master chief petty officer of the Navy serves as an advisor to the chief of naval operations and to the chief of naval personnel in matters dealing with enlisted personnel and their families. The MCPON is also an advisor to the many boards dealing with enlisted personnel issues; is the enlisted representative of the Department of the Navy at special events; may be called upon to testify on enlisted personnel issues before Congress; and maintains a liaison with enlisted spouse organizations.



Photo courtesy of USS Taylor  
USS Taylor's Rescue and Assistance Team boards FGS Spessart while conducting training during Turkish Exercise Dogu Akdeniz 2008.

# USS Taylor Hits Half-Way Point

By Ensign Lauren McCabe  
USS Taylor

As we pass the mid-point of our deployment, USS Taylor has taken part in two major North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) exercises since leaving Mayport in August.

Currently, Taylor is playing a vital role in Operation Active Endeavor as part of Standing NATO Maritime Group - 1 (SNMG-1) in the Mediterranean Sea.

Exercise Noble Midas 2008 is an annual NATO exercise conducted in the Mediterranean Sea. This year, Noble Midas served as the certification exercise for Standing NATO Maritime Group 2. It was a training exercise that consisted of over 30 naval vessels, submarines, airplanes, and helicopters from 16 different countries. The primary mission of this exercise was to flex the NATO Reactionary Force's (NRF) ability to enforce sanctions and embargos imposed by NATO.

Taylor was part of the opposition force, and did a super job harassing and testing of the NRF. Taylor forced its way through blockades, illegally searched cargo vessels, and ultimately initiated a confrontation with the NRF forces, all part of flexing the NRF's application of rules of engagement and their response to various "real world" situations.

Shortly after concluding Exercise Noble Midas 2008, Taylor was asked to take part in the annual Turkish Exercise Dogu Akdeniz 2008. This exercise consisted of four phases beginning with simple familiarization between ships and ending in simulated asymmetric warfare. The NATO and Turkish ships were put through an extensive Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nerve (CBRN) Defense drill while inport Askaz, Turkey. The final phase of the exercise provided valuable Visit Board Search and Seizure exercises, Rescue and

Assistance Drills, small boat attack and low slow flyer training. Taylor and her crew did a phenomenal job reacting to all simulated attacks and training evolutions.

Taylor is currently employed in the Mediterranean Sea participating in Operation Active Endeavor. This is a three week operation which assures the safety and security of the Mediterranean for all shipping, denies the use of the sea for terrorists, drug and human smugglers and also promotes the role

of NATO forces in the area.

As the holiday season approaches, Taylor will detach from Standing NATO Maritime Group 1 (SNMG1) to conduct independent operations in support of Sixth Fleet the Mediterranean, Aegean and Black Seas prior to returning to Mayport in February.



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# MWR Happenings

**Dec. 11: Bowling Turkey Shoot.** 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5 p.m.-close at Fast Lanes Bowling Center. Bowl three strikes in a row and win a turkey. \$1 per try. Limit one turkey per person. Pick up turkey on Dec. 18. 270-5377

**Dec. 11-12: Free 27-Point Vehicle Inspections.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Auto Skills Center. Drop-ins welcome. 270-5392

**Dec. 11: Thursday Team Trivia.** 7-9 p.m. at Bogey's. Free to play; everyone is welcome. 270-5143

**Dec. 15: Sports Program Holiday Stand-down.** Intramural sports resume on Jan. 12 with Intramural Basketball and Graybeard Basketball seasons currently in progress. 270-5451

**Dec. 15: Texas Hold 'Em (All Hands).** 7 p.m. every Monday at Castaway's Lounge. Free to enter. Everyone welcome. 270-7205

**Dec. 18: Thursday Team Trivia.** 7-9 p.m. at Bogey's. Free to play; everyone is welcome. 270-5143

**Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Celebration (All Hands).** Neurotic Butterfly plays 9 p.m.-1 a.m. at Castaway's Lounge plus free hors d'oeuvres and drink specials. 270-7205 or 7198

**Jan. 1: New Year's Day Bingo Extravaganza.** 12:30 p.m. start at Beachside Community Center. Tickets on sale now at Bingo; \$125 per person. Ticket includes buffet dinner, bingo, prize drawings, champagne and party favors. 270-7204

## Liberty Call

The following activities target single or unaccompanied Sailors. For more information, call 270-7788/89 or stop by Planet Mayport Single Sailor Center and pick up the monthly activity calendar with a complete listing of all upcoming Liberty events.

**Dec. 11: Comedy Zone Trip.** 6:15 p.m. departure from Planet Mayport (Free).

**Dec. 13: Jeff Dunham Live.** Cost is \$30 and includes transportation and admission. Trip departs at 5:30 p.m.

**Dec. 14: Jaguars vs. Packers Game Trip.** Cost is only \$5. Trip departs at 11 a.m.

**Dec. 15: Texas Hold 'Em.** 7 p.m. every Monday at Castaway's Lounge. Free to enter. Everyone welcome.

**Dec. 18: Jaguars vs. Colts Game Trip.** Cost is only \$5. Trip departs at 5:30 p.m.

**Dec. 20: Orlando Magic vs. LA Lakers Trip.** Cost is only \$15 and includes transportation to and from Orlando and admission. Trip departs at 3 p.m.

**Dec. 21: Ice Skating Trip.** Cost is only \$5 and includes transportation, skates and skate pass. Trip departs at 6:30 p.m.

**Dec. 23: Bowling Tournament.** Free tournament at Fast Lanes Bowling Center

begins at 6 p.m. Transportation will be provided from Planet Mayport.

**Dec. 25: Planet Mayport is Open Christmas Day.** Holiday hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Dec. 27: Golf Scramble.** Free golf tournament at Windy Harbor Golf Club. Transportation provided from Planet Mayport departing at 1 p.m.

**Dec. 28: Indoor Rock Climbing Trip.** Cost is \$5 and includes admission and transportation. Trip departs at 12 noon.

## MWR Sports/Fitness

A new fitness schedule is now in effect.

The Surfside Fitness schedule is as follows:

**Monday**  
7 a.m., TRX with Ruthie and Emily

9:30 a.m., Power Walking with Ruthie

9:30 a.m., Broken Hearts with LaPlace

1 p.m., Moms in Motion with Traci

4:30 p.m., Zumba with Emily

**Tuesday**  
6:30 a.m., Yoga with Mia

9:30 a.m., LolImpact with Emily

11:30 a.m., Advanced Mind Body with Mia, Ruthie and Emily

1 p.m., Strength Solutions & Flexibility Fix-Ups with LaPlace

**Wednesday**  
6:30 a.m., Functional Flexibility and Stress Management with Mia

9:30 a.m., Intro to Mind Body with Mia

Noon, Lunch Crunch with LaPlace

1 p.m., Moms in Motion with

Traci

3 p.m., TRX with Ruthie and Emily

5:30 p.m., Kids Clinic with Ruthie

5:30 p.m., Kickboxing with LaPlace

**Thursday**  
9:30 a.m., Pump and Grind with Emily and Mia

11:30 a.m., Zumba with Emily

1 p.m., Strength Solutions & Flexibility Fix-Ups with LaPlace

**Friday**  
7 a.m., Beach Bootcamp with LaPlace

9:30 a.m., Broken Hearts with LaPlace

9:30 a.m., Fitness Equipment Training with Ruthie

The Gym schedule is as follows:

**Monday**  
6 a.m., Weight Training for Warfighters with Ruthie

11:30 a.m., Circuit Senations with LaPlace

3 p.m., Command Row-bics with LaPlace

**Tuesday**  
6 a.m., Command Cardio

Pump with Traci

11:30 a.m., Resistance with Traci

3 p.m., Conditioning for Running with LaPlace

4:30 p.m., Spinning

5:45 p.m., Fitness Equipment Training with LaPlace

**Wednesday**  
7 a.m., Cardio, Combat and CORE with Traci

11:30 a.m., Spinning with Traci

**Thursday**  
7 a.m., Command Jump and Jab with Ruthie

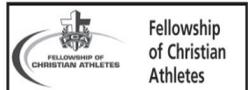
11:30 a.m., Row-bics with Ruthie

3 p.m., Victory PRT with Mia

**Friday**  
6:30 a.m., Command Spinning with Ruthie

9:30 a.m., Intro to Spinning with Mia

11:30 a.m., Strength Training Basics for Women with Traci



## Join Base CPO Spouse Auxillary

From CPOSA

Chief Petty Officer Spouse Auxillary's purpose is to provide a forum for Senior Enlisted Spouses as well as provide leadership and mentoring for spouses of junior Sailors. It was started in 2006 and active members must be spouses of a Chief Petty Officer, active, reserve, or retired.

In addition to monthly meetings (held the fourth Thursday

every month in Building 1 Room 114) at 6 p.m., CPOSA holds fundraisers throughout the year to fund activities for CPO spouses and actively support the Mayport Chief Community. This meeting will be for elections.

For questions about or more information on CPOSA contact mayportcposa@comcast.net.

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**Sunday, Dec. 14, 2008**

**12:30 p.m. start at Beachside Community Center**

**Admission: \$10 per person**

Includes bingo, pizza, soda, cookies and one (1) ticket for the prize drawings. All kids will go home with a goodie bag!

**Tickets go on sale Friday, Nov. 14th** at both ITT and Beachside Bingo (during normal Bingo hours).

**Ages 3-16\* welcome!**

\*Children ages 3-9 must be accompanied by an adult guardian. Adults must be accompanied by a child. Prizes will be awarded to both children and adults.

**Santa will stop by with treats for all!**

**Event Info:**  
**(904) 270-7204**  
**(904) 270-5145**

Everyone pays, everyone plays!

Space is limited... 300 tickets available.

## Kid Zone

**Dec. 12: Freedom Friday, Holiday Movie Night.** 7-11 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center. Cost is \$7 in advance or \$9 the day of. Space is limited; early registration is recommended. Open to children in grades K-5th. 270-5680

**Dec. 14: Family Christmas Bingo.** 12:30 p.m. at Beachside Community Center for parents (or grandparents) and children ages 3-16. Admission fee is \$10 and includes bingo, pizza, soda, cookies and one ticket for the prize drawings. Everyone pays; everyone plays. Tickets on sale at ITT and Bingo. Limit 300 tickets available. 270-5145 or 7204

**Dec. 20: Teen Holiday Survivor Party.** 5-9 p.m. at Club Teen. Open to middle and high school ages. 270-5680

**Dec. 22: Holiday Scavenger Hunt.** 3 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center for grades K-5th. 270-5680

**Dec. 22: Teen Movie Night.** 5-7 p.m. at Club Teen for middle and high school ages. Soda and popcorn will be served. 270-5680

**Dec. 23: Elementary Christmas Party.** 5:30-7 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center for grades K-5th. Cost is \$3. 270-5680

**Dec. 23: Teen Christmas Party.** 7:30-10 p.m. at Club

Teen for middle and high school ages. Cost is \$3. 270-5680

**Dec. 29: Holiday Treasure Hunt.** 3 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center for grades K-5th. 270-5680

**Dec. 29: Teen Movie Night.** 5-7 p.m. at Club Teen for middle and high school ages. Soda and popcorn will be served. 270-5680

**Dec. 30: Elementary New Year's Party.** 5:30-7 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center for grades K-5th. Cost is \$3. 270-5680

**Dec. 30: Teen New Year's Party.** 7:30-10 p.m. at Club Teen for middle and high school ages. Cost is \$3. 270-5680

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# Don't Let Holiday Cheer Land You In Jail For DUI

From Health Promotion by the Ocean

December is recognized as National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Month to raise awareness of the human toll that driving impaired can take. It serves to remind us during the holiday season and year-round that celebrating responsibly and avoiding driving under the influence of alcohol is the right thing to do.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report 36 people in the United States die everyday and about 700 more are injured in motor vehicle accidents that involve an alcohol-impaired driver.

According to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO), from Jan. 1 to Dec. 2, 2008, the Traffic Homicide Unit, the Florida Highway Patrol, the Neptune Beach Police Department and the Atlantic Beach Police Department have responded to 122 traffic fatalities. Of those, 36 drivers were confirmed driving under the influence.

The JSO indicates nearly 1/3

of all traffic fatalities in Florida involve impaired drivers. A person with a .08 Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) is considered driving under the influence (DUI) in Florida. However, you can be arrested and convicted with a lower limit. Florida law prohibits the possession of open containers of alcoholic beverages in a motor vehicle. And anyone under the age of 21 with a BAC of .02 or above will automatically lose their driving privileges if apprehended. Florida takes a "zero tolerance" stance.

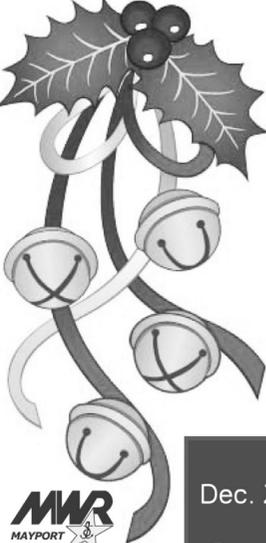
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) states about three in every ten Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some point in their lives. In one year, more than 1.4 million drivers were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or narcotics. This accounts for less than 1 percent of the 159 million self-reported episodes of alcohol-impaired driving among U.S. adults each year. From

these statistics it is clear that more Americans are driving under the influence. NHTSA offers some tips for keeping you, your family and friends safe for the holidays.

First, plan ahead. Always designate a non-drinking driver before any holiday party or celebration begins. Second, take the keys. Do not let a friend drive if they are impaired.

Third, be a helpful host or hostess. If you're hosting a party this holiday season, remind your guests to plan ahead and designate their sober driver. Always offer alcohol-free beverages and make sure all of your guests leave with a sober driver.

The holiday season is a time to spend with family and friends, a time to celebrate. Have a plan in place if you are going to be drinking or serving alcohol. Don't let poor judgment, a DUI conviction, or worse yet an auto accident "wreck" your holiday.



## JINGLE BELL DAY CAMP

FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH AGE 12

Registration begins  
Monday, Dec. 1 at 9 a.m.

Registration ends  
Friday, Dec. 19  
*or when all spaces are filled*

Camp Hours: 6:10 a.m.-6:20 p.m.  
Camp closes at 12 p.m. on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.  
No camp on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

Camp Drop-In Days:  
Dec. 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30, 31 and Jan. 2

Payment due at time of registration.  
Payment due Monday, Dec. 15, if currently attending the Before and After School Program.

**Additional Jingle Bell Day Camp Details...**

- ❖ Open to children currently attending kindergarten through age 12.
- ❖ Fees determined by total family income and a fee scale.
- ❖ Breakfast, morning and afternoon snack served; children will need a lunch daily.
- ❖ Activities and field trips scheduled daily. Field trip fees included in daily fees.
- ❖ Activity schedules available for pick-up beginning Dec. 1.
- ❖ Children are assigned to an age appropriate classroom with counselors that maintain a 1:12 (K) or 1:15 ratio in the building and 1:10 ratio out of the building.
- ❖ Space is limited.
- ❖ Hourly care is NOT available during the holiday period.

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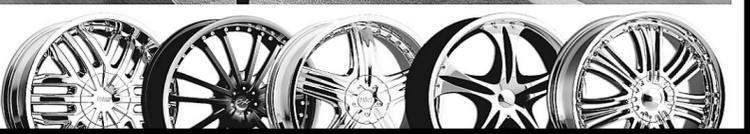
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# Pearl Harbor Remembered Aboard Mayport Ship



-Photos by MC1(SW/AW) Heather Ewton  
Pearl Harbor Survivors Charles Ellis and Alan Cory salute during the National Anthem at the beginning of the Pearl Harbor Day Memorial aboard USS McNerney.

Pearl Harbor attack survivors attended the annual memorial service held Dec. 7 aboard USS McNerney. This annual event has been held in conjunction with Mayport since 1966. Survivors included Alan Cory, Charles Ellis, Edward Kemic, Duane Reyelts and Harold Saly.



Representatives from Fleet Reserve Association throw bouquets overboard in honor of the service members who lost their lives in the Pearl Harbor Day attacks, signaling the beginning of World War II for America. More than 200 veterans and family members spent the day aboard USS McNerney in remembrance of the day.

From Staff

More than 200 veterans spent a day at sea aboard the USS McNerney (FFG 8) on Dec. 7 in remembrance of those who lost their lives during the 1941 attack at Pearl Harbor.

Sponsored by the Mayport Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290, this annual commemorative service has been a Mayport tradition since 1966. Guests from various veterans' organizations, including Pearl Harbor survivors attended this year's observance.

Ceremonies included a memorial service, wreath laying and burial at sea.



A woman throws kisses a rose that she is about to toss overboard in remembrance of her father.



USS McNerney Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Keither Wheeler, hands a flag to a spouse after a burial at sea ceremony. McNerney released ashes from 11 veterans during the Dec. 7 deployment.

## HSL-42 Crew Supports Iwo Jima ESG



-Photo by MC2 Jason R. Zalasky and MC1 Eric L. Beauregard  
Above, Naval Aircrewman 2nd Class David Hudson monitors vertical replenishment procedures from an SH-60B Sea Hawk helicopter assigned to Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 42 during a replenishment at sea between the Military Sealift Command fleet replenishment oiler USNS Laramie (T-AO 203) and the guided-missile cruiser USS Vella Gulf (CG 72). Vella Gulf is deployed as part of the Iwo Jima Expeditionary Strike Group supporting maritime security operations in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility. Right, An SH-60B Seahawk helicopter from Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 42 assigned to the guided-missile cruiser USS Vella Gulf (CG 72) lowers pallets onto the fantail of the Military Sealift Command fleet ocean tug USNS Catawba (T-ATF 168) during a vertical replenishment.

# Sailors Benefit As Navy Upgrades Detailing

By MCC(SW) Maria Yager  
Navy Personnel Command Public Affairs

The Navy announced the latest upgrade to Career Management System Interactive Detailing (CMS/ID) in a message released Dec. 9.

CMS/ID is the Internet-based career tool that allows enlisted Sailors to research billets and apply for their next assignment through their career counselor.

"It will complement the current process of working directly with the command career counselor (CCC) and allow the Sailor to be an active partner in the orders negotiation process. The CCC will still have the ability to view and submit Sailors' job applications and should continue to guide and mentor

all Sailors throughout the orders negotiation process," said Vice Adm. Mark E. Ferguson, chief of naval personnel.

An ongoing assessment and operational test of CMS/ID feature a self-service option which allows Sailors to apply for jobs on CMS/ID directly, without the assistance of a command career counselor. The Navy is currently conducting this test on a limited number of sea and shore platforms. Currently all other applications on CMS/ID are submitted through career counselors. A determination of when all Sailors can apply online will be made after the assessment is complete.

Among the upgrades announced in NAVADMIN 350/08:

CMS/ID will display a separate category for jobs supporting global war on terrorism (GWOT) assignments. GWOT assignments are distinguished in purple on the homepage and within the jobs tab of CMS/ID, making it easier for active-duty Sailors to view and apply for these career-enhancing and rewarding positions.

CMS/ID will link the Navy Enlisted Classification code (NEC) to the NEC manual which displays NEC details, course convening dates and prerequisites for awarding of the NEC.

CMS/ID will feature a shipboard server option that allows Sailors without Internet connectivity on participating ships to review and apply for billets.

Although all Reserve Sailors can currently apply online, this upgrade will bring near parity between the Reserve component and active component for a total force system.

All Sailors should review their professional data in CMS/ID to verify accuracy and completeness. Pay specific attention to perform-to-serve approval, exceptional family member status, security clearance, evaluations and fitness reports and NECs earned.

Sailors should also ensure their contact information is correct in case their detailee has any questions for the member when considering and reviewing applications.

CMS/ID continues to evolve as the replacement for the

Navy's Job Advertising and Selection System (JASS) and JASS Career Management System (JCMS).

"CMS/ID puts a tool in front of our Sailors. It allows the Sailor to make the decision that will decide their next duty assignment. They need to combine this tool and the advice from their chain of command to continue their success in the Navy," said Chief Navy Counselor (SW/AW) Ryan Romes, CCC aboard USS Pickney (DDG-91). Pickney is one of the select platforms testing the self-service application of CMS/ID.

"Allowing Sailors to submit their own applications provides a proactive approach in empowering Sailors to manage their

own careers. This functionality is part of the "Sailor Choice" concept, which dates back to the inception of JASS Career Management System (JCMS) in 2004 and aligns with the CNP's vision of a transparent and seamless detailing process for the Sailor," said Don Pellinen, CMS/ID functional representative.

Sailors can access CMS/ID from the Navy Personnel Command home page by selecting the link CMS Interactive Detailing.

For more information read NAVADMIN 350/08 available at [www.npc.navy.mil](http://www.npc.navy.mil).

# NHC Renamed, Elevated To Command Status

From Naval History and Heritage Command Public Affairs

The Naval Historical Center was renamed the Naval History and Heritage Command Dec. 1 to reflect the importance of naval heritage to the Navy's mission.

Retired Rear Adm. Jay A. DeLoach was named the director of the Naval Historical Center in June of 2008. He assumes responsibility for the new command.

"We believe that historical analysis is essential for naval

professionals and policymakers," said DeLoach. "It is our mission to preserve and interpret the Navy's hard earned experience and to protect and publicize the history of those of the sea services who sacrificed to defend our nation."

"Knowledge of the Navy's heritage enhances the morale and motivation of our dedicated enlisted personnel, our officers and our devoted civilians. The [Naval] History and Heritage Command subscribes to the statement of naval strategist,

historian and flag officer Alfred Thayer Mahan when he said, "The study of history lies at the foundation of all sound military conclusions and practice."

The renaming was precipitated by the consolidation of 12 major U.S. Navy museums under the Naval Historical Center, which doubled the center's personnel resources and greatly increased its fiscal responsibility.

The Naval History and Heritage Command traces its lineage to 1800 when then-

President John Adams asked Benjamin Stoddert, the first secretary of the Navy, to prepare a catalog of professional books for use by secretaries of the Navy.

Today, the command's management center located in the historic Washington Navy Yard in Washington, is the principal repository of the United States Navy's institutional memory for the operational fleet. At the command is the Department of Navy Library, a research institution, a reference service, pub-

lishers of Navy historic books, and the curators of Navy artifacts and historic documents.

The maintenance and repair of USS Constitution at the Boston Navy Yard is a Naval History and Heritage Command responsibility. Constitution is the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. It boasts 450,000 visitors per year.

The command also has an underwater archaeology program involved in research including the science and technology used to locate and study

shipwrecks. The team has dived on and recovered many historic artifacts now on display at the Navy museums.

Most archival and photographic collections are open to researchers. Official duties permitting, staff historians and archivists advise researchers on naval history at the command.

For more news from Naval History and Heritage Command, visit [www.navy.mil/local/navhist/](http://www.navy.mil/local/navhist/).

## Naval Academy Stomps Army In Football



-Photo by MC2 Kristopher Wilson  
The U.S. Naval Academy Midshipmen run off the field after beating the U.S. Military Academy Black Knights 34-0 in the 109th Army-Navy college football game at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia on Dec. 6.

-Photo by MCC Todd Cichonowicz  
U.S. Naval Academy midshipmen cheer the U.S. Naval Academy Midshipmen during the 109th Army-Navy college football game at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia. NS Mayport held a special viewing of the game during a celebration at Beachside Community Center.

# Oasis Galley

Weekday hours for The Oasis Galley are 6-7:30 a.m. for breakfast, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for lunch, and 4:30-6 p.m. for dinner. Weekend and holiday hours are 8-9:30 a.m. for breakfast, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. for brunch, and 4:30-6 p.m. for dinner. The Oasis Galley also offers a speedline and hot bars Monday through Friday. The Menu Line is 270-6857. For Service Assistance, call the Oasis Administration Office at 270-5373. Breakfast costs \$2.10, lunch and dinner is \$3.85. The Menu is subject to change by FSO due to food availability. The Thanksgiving meal is open to all personnel with DoD Identification Card, including retirees and family members.

**Friday, Dec. 12**

**Breakfast**

- Bacon
- Turkey Sausage Patties
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Tater Tots
- Oatmeal
- Lunch**
- Cream Of Mushroom
- Pizza
- Spicy Chicken Wings
- Waffle Fries

- Potato Chips
- Baked Beans
- Tuna Melts
- Green Beans
- Carrots
- Dinner**
- Cream Of Mushroom
- Herbed Baked Chicken
- Ravioli
- Steamed Rice
- Oven Browned Potatoes
- Tangy Spinach
- Corn
- Chicken Gravy

**Saturday, Dec. 13**

**Breakfast**

- Bacon
- Turkey Sausage Links
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Hashbrowns
- Grits

**Lunch**

- Chicken And Rice Soup
- Corn Dogs
- Onion Rings
- Peas And Carrots
- Pancakes
- Hashbrowns
- Bacon

**Dinner**

- Chicken And Rice Soup
- Meatloaf
- Chicken Tetrizzini
- Steamed Rice
- Mashed Potatoes

- Succotash
- Green Peas
- Brown Gravy
- Sunday, Dec. 14**
- Breakfast**
- Turkey Sausage Patties
- Ham Slices
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Tater Tots
- Oatmeal

**Lunch**

- Corn Chowder
- Grilled Chicken Sandwiches
- Waffle Fries
- Carrots
- French Toast
- Tater Tots
- Turkey Sausage Patties

**Dinner**

- Corn Chowder
- Veal Patties
- Bbq Chicken
- Steamed Rice
- Mashed Potatoes
- Brown Gravy
- Cabbage
- Corn

**Monday, Dec. 15**

**Breakfast**

- Sausage Links
- Bacon
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Tater Tots
- Grits

**Lunch**

- Asian Stir Fry Soup
- Sweet And Sour Pork
- Chicken Adobo
- Fried Rice
- Lyonnais Potatoes
- Vegetable Stir Fry
- Sesame Glazed Green Beans
- Grilled Cheese Burgers
- Baked Beans
- French Fries

**Dinner**

- Zesty Bean Soup
- Braised Pork Chops
- Meatloaf
- Steamed Rice
- Mashed Potatoes
- Beets
- Asparagus
- Brown Gravy

**Tuesday, Dec. 16**

**Breakfast**

- Corn Beef Hash
- Turkey Sausage Links
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Hashbrowns
- Oatmeal

**Lunch**

- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Tacos
- Chicken Fajitas
- Steamed Rice
- Parsley Buttered Potatoes
- Chicken Gravy
- Mixed Vegetables

- Cauliflower
- Bbq Pork Sandwich
- Baked Beans
- French Fried Onion Ring

**Dinner**

- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Braised Beef Cubes
- Dijon Baked Pork Chops
- Egg Noodles
- Steamed Rice
- Broccoli
- Squash

**Wednesday, Dec. 17**

**Breakfast**

- Bacon
- Ham Slices
- French Toast
- Tater Tots
- Grits

**Lunch**

- Cream Of Broccoli
- Meat Sauce
- Italian Sausage
- Boiled Pasta
- Italian Roasted Potatoes
- Marinara Sauce
- Mixed Vegetables
- Cauliflower
- Cannon Ball Sandwiches
- French Fries
- Onion Rings

**Dinner**

- Cream Of Broccoli
- Chicken Pot Pie
- Roast Pork

- Steamed Rice
- Lyonnais Potatoes
- Brussel Spouts
- Wax Beans
- Brown Gravy

**Thursday, Dec. 18**

**Breakfast**

- Sausage Links
- Corn Beef Hash
- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Hashbrowns
- Oatmeal

**Lunch**

- Clam Chowder
- Stuffed Fish
- Steamship Round
- Baked Potato Halves
- Rice Pilaf
- Broccoli
- Corn On The Cob
- Natural Pan Gravy

**Dinner**

- Clam Chowder
- Cajun Roast Beef
- Chicken Pot Pie
- Oven Browned Potatoes
- Brown Rice
- Spinach
- Carrots
- Brown Gravy

## FFSC Holds Workshops For Active Duty, Families

From FFSC

The following classes and activities are offered by the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) and are free of charge. Pre-registration is required and childcare is not available. For more information about the classes or to register call 270-6600, ext. 110. FFSC is located in Building One on Massey Avenue.

Dec. 11, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-In Review Assistance, FFSC

Dec. 11, 8-10:45 a.m., Stress Management, FFSC

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.

Dec. 11, 9 a.m.-noon, New Parent Support Playgroup, USO

### Improve Your English

The NS Mayport Navy College Office (NCO) is arranging free English as a Second Language (ESL) class on the base with instructors from the Florida Community College at Jacksonville (FCCJ).

The NCO will host an information meeting in Building 460 on Dec. 8 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Staff will be available to answer your questions, and enroll ESL students for the classes. The one-time application fee will be \$15.

Please contact Bridget Pogue at 270-6341 to sign-up for the information session.

Dec. 15-18, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., TAP Separation Workshop, Building 1 Room 104  
Dec. 16, 9-11 a.m., Parenting Class, FFSC

Dec. 16, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-In Review Assistance, FFSC

Dec. 17, 9 a.m.-noon, Tottletyme Playgroup, USO

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Dec. 18, 8-11 a.m., Anger Management, FFSC

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are related, about irrational beliefs and faulty self-talk, what "E + R = O" means, and the roles of stress and forgiveness in anger.

Dec. 18, 9 a.m.-noon, New Parent Support Playgroup, USO

Dec. 19, 9-11 a.m., Credit Report, FFSC

Dec. 23, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-In Review Assistance, FFSC

Dec. 23, 9-11 a.m., Parenting Class, FFSC

Dec. 30, 9-11 a.m., Resume Walk-In Review Assistance, FFSC

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Left, Engineman 2nd Class Jasper Sueklaming of Harbor Operations get prepped during Naval Station Mayport's Armed Services Blood Drive on Dec. 4 at Single Sailor Center. Right, Cryptologic Technician Technical 3rd Class Christal Fuller of NS Mayport gives blood during the drive. The blood will directly benefit troops deployed overseas in the war against terror.

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# Robert G. Bradley Begins AFRICOM Deployment

**By Ensign Joshua Cowart**  
USS Robert G. Bradley

On the afternoon of 21 November, the Sailors of USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG 49) set sail for what may prove to be one of the most interesting and rewarding deployments of their naval careers: Africa Partnership Station (APS).

Robert G. Bradley departed Mayport for a scheduled deployment in support of AFRICOM. On deployment, RGB will conduct Theater Security Cooperation missions to improve our interoperability with our African partners and to

help them improve their security capacity. The crew will help train the naval forces of the many African nations they visit in Visit, Board, Search, and Seizure (VBSS) operations. VBSS teams are tasked with boarding and securing suspect vessels, conducting searches, obtaining intelligence, and detaining persons of interest. RGB's VBSS teams will help train security forces and naval boarding teams in this vital warfare area, thus allowing African countries to deter illegal acts in their own waters. Additionally, RGB Sailors will help to train

African naval forces in basic damage control (DC). RGB's independent duty Corpsmen will help to train personnel in medical procedures, and the Boatswain's Mates will conduct training in small boat handling and seamanship evolutions.

In addition to training, service members will also participate in community relations (COMREL) opportunities. RGB Sailors will help to strengthen the bonds of friendship and trust between the United States and the many nations of Africa by helping communities and showing African citizens that

Americans take great interest in and care about their welfare.

Shortly after setting sail, RGB conducted an Underway Replenishment Refueling at Sea (RAS). The extra fuel was required due to the fact that RGB was diverted south to avoid a large low pressure weather system in the Eastern Atlantic Ocean. On the morning of the 22<sup>nd</sup>, RGB rendezvoused with USNS Kanawha (TAO 196) and took on 17 thousand gallons of marine grade diesel fuel. The RAS was executed flawlessly.

Also getting underway with

the Bradleymen is Professor Benjamin Hamby, a Program for Afloat College Education (PACE) instructor. Professor Benjamin Hamby grew up in the seacoast area of New Hampshire, just a few miles from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. He earned his undergraduate degree in Business Administration from the University of New Hampshire's Whittemore School of Business and Economics, and his Master's degree in Philosophy from San Francisco State University. Professor Hamby is teaching college classes on

Ethics and Philosophy over the next eight weeks to 42 Sailors aboard RGB and they are proud to have him aboard.

The Bradleymen have been eagerly anticipating this exciting deployment and are ready to answer the call. Following an extremely successful pre-deployment training cycle, RGB Sailors await the opportunity to put to the test all of the skills that they have spent the year refining, and they are looking forward to furthering the bonds of trust between the United States and many African nations.

## Navy Names Four Ships After American Pioneers

From DoN

Secretary of the Navy Donald Winter announced today the names of four new Lewis and Clark-class dry cargo/ammunition ships (T-AKE) as Matthew Perry, Charles Drew, Washington Chambers and William McLean. All of the Lewis and Clark ships are named in honor of American explorers and pioneers and are being built by General Dynamics NASSCO shipyard in San Diego, Calif.

The selection of Matthew Perry, designated T-AKE 9, honors Navy Commodore Matthew C. Perry (1794-1858), who led a squadron of ships to Japan in 1853 with the aim of opening that nation to trade. He served during the War of 1812 and the Mexican-American War, and was sent to suppress piracy and the slave trade in the West Indies.

The selection of Charles Drew, designated T-AKE 10, honors Dr. Charles R. Drew (1904-1950), a physician and medical researcher whose pioneering work in the late 1930s and early 1940s led to the discovery that blood could be separated into plasma. The model for blood and plasma storage

developed by Drew has saved untold lives and is the same process used today by the Red Cross. In 1943, he became the first African-American surgeon to serve as an examiner on the American Board of Surgery. T-AKE 10 will be the first Navy ship named after Drew.

The selection of Washington Chambers, designated T-AKE 11, honors Navy Capt. Washington Irving Chambers (1856-1934), a pioneer in naval aviation. Responsible for the Navy's nascent aviation activities, Chambers arranged the world's first airplane flight from a warship. The Nov. 14, 1910, flight by aviator Eugene Ely on the light cruiser the USS Birmingham (CL-2) confirmed the potential of carrier-based naval aviation. T-AKE 11 will be the first Navy ship named after Chambers.

The selection of William McLean, designated T-AKE 12, honors William Burdette McLean (1914-1976), who conceived and developed the heat-seeking Sidewinder air-to-air missile while serving as a physicist for the Navy. During World War II, McLean worked on ordnance equipment and testing at the National Bureau of

Standards in Washington, D.C. Following the war, he moved to the Naval Ordnance Test Station in China Lake, Calif., where he led the project team developing the Sidewinder missile. T-AKE 12 will be the first Navy ship named after McLean.

The T-AKEs are 689 feet in length, have an overall beam of 106 feet, a navigational draft of 30 feet and displace approximately 42,000 tons. Powered by single-shaft diesel-electric propulsion systems, the T-AKEs can reach a speed of 20 knots. As part of the Military Sealift Command's (MSC) Naval Fleet Auxiliary Force, the T-AKEs are designated United States Naval Ship (USNS). Unlike their United States Ship (USS) counterparts, the T-AKEs are crewed by 124 civil service mariners working for MSC, as well as 11 sailors who provide supply coordination. When needed, the T-AKEs can also carry a helicopter detachment.

More information on dry cargo/ammunition ships can be seen at <http://www.msc.navy.mil/factsheet/t-ake.asp>. More MSC news can be seen at <http://www.navy.mil/local/MSC>.

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Training Group Pacific. A 1995 graduate of the Naval Postgraduate School, he earned a Master of Science Degree in Business Management. After completing his Executive Officer tour, he attended the U.S. Naval War College and

earned a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies with distinction in 2004. Additionally, he is a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College and has completed a tour as Operational Concepts Branch Chief on the Joint

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Staff/J-8/Joint Theater Air and Missile Defense Organization (JTAMDO).

He will continue his impressive naval career at the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations Staff, Assessment Division.

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B. Roberts' history from their divisions and sponsors before they go before the Commanding Officer for their "Ball-capping Ceremony," where they are quizzed on the ship's history. The Capping Ceremony officially welcomes new Sailors to the Samuel B. Roberts Family and helps them better understand the ship's heritage and values by which its Sailors are expected to live.

In April, Lovely led a group of Sailors to Bath, Maine for the 20th Anniversary Commemoration of the FFG 58 Mine Blast in the Persian Gulf on April 14, 1988. This gave Samuel B. Roberts Sailors the opportunity to forge relationships with the ship's namesake survivor associations, a group of individuals who helped rebuild the ship after the tragic incident. The ship's delegation returned from Bath, Maine with plans to adorn the ship with bulkhead-sized murals detailing the history of each of the three U.S. Navy Ships that have gone by the Samuel B. Roberts name-

sake. The murals are now placed around the ship, in the ship's store passageway, the serving line passageway and the passageway leading into the crew's lounge. These murals help paint a vivid picture for the crew about the history of the Samuel B. Roberts.

For his achievements while in command of Samuel B. Roberts, Lovely was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. He and his wife, Mary, are transferring to Pearl Harbor for Lovely's next assignment to U.S. Pacific Command.

Sellers, who took over command, was a 1990 Virginia Tech graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics. His most recent assignment was as a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces from July 2007 until he checked-in aboard Samuel B. Roberts. Sellers, his wife Chandra, and their four children are now part of the Samuel B. Roberts team.

On Oct. 5, Samuel B. Roberts got underway for the ship's current deployment to the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) area of focus,

which encompasses the Caribbean, Central and South America and surrounding waters.

One week prior to the change-of-command, Samuel B. Roberts was diverted from their counter illicit trafficking deployment in the Eastern Pacific to provide aid and disaster relief to Panamanians affected by recent flooding in Panama.

During the deployment, Samuel B. Roberts is under the operational control of U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (NAVSO) and U.S. 4<sup>th</sup> Fleet.

NAVSO, the Navy component command of SOUTHCOM, oversees maritime operations throughout Latin America, including exercises and deployments, counter illicit trafficking support, and Theater Security Cooperation events.

U.S. 4<sup>th</sup> Fleet is the numbered fleet assigned to NAVSO exercising operational control of U.S. Navy units temporally operating in the SOUTHCOM area of focus.




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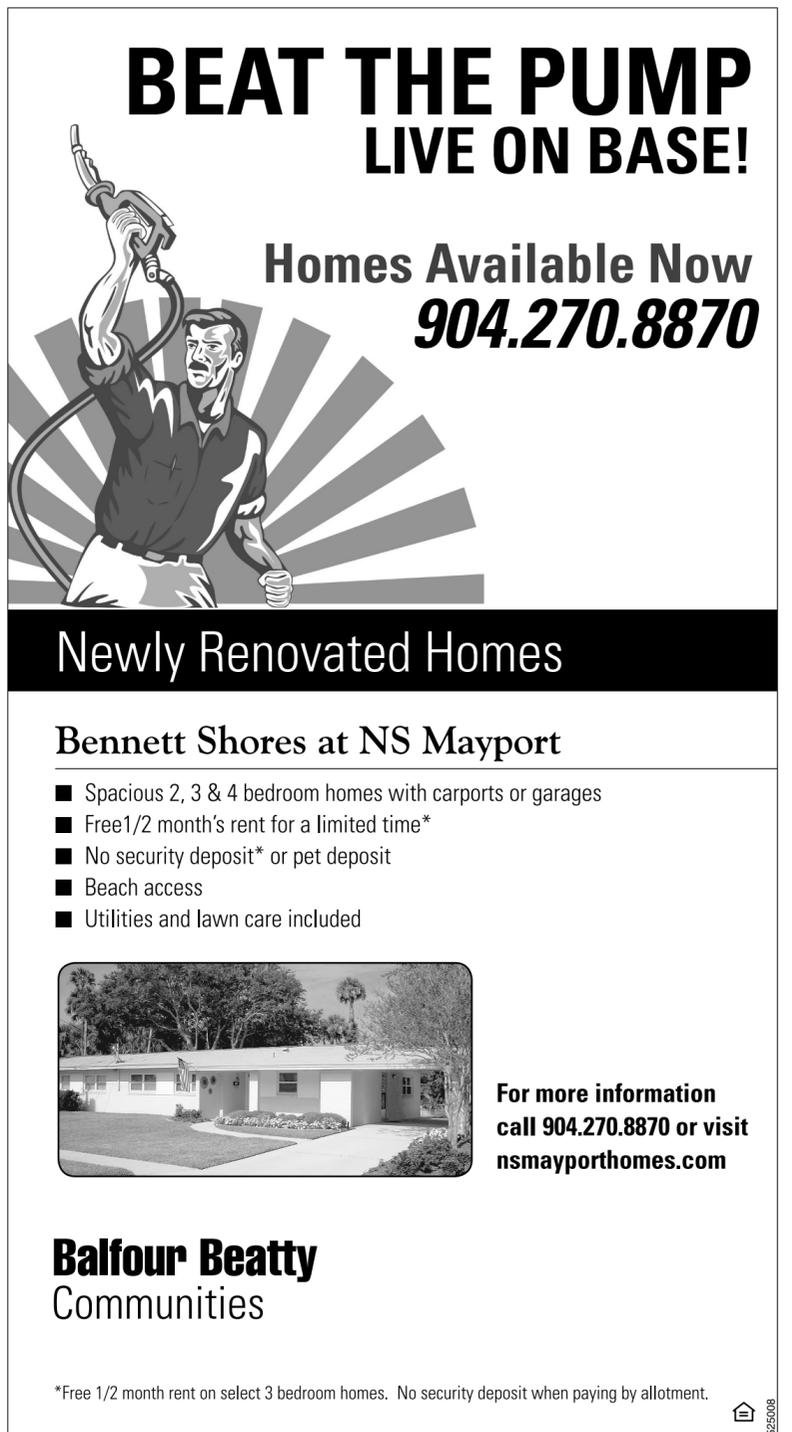
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# USS Roosevelt Honors Sailors' Last Wishes

**By Ensign Sophia Fischer**  
USS Roosevelt Public Affairs Officer

Sailors aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Roosevelt (DDG 80) held a burial at sea to send two former U.S. Navy Sailors to their final resting place off the coast of Africa Nov. 23.

The remains of Navy veterans Hull Technician 1st Class Robert Hausinger, who served for 30 years, and Aviation Machinist's Mate Reciprocating Engine Mechanic 1st Class John Marvin, who served for 20 years, were released to the sea in a ceremony held on Roosevelt's flight deck.

The burial service included traditional ceremonial procedures beginning with a scripture reading, and followed by a prayer, the committal of the Sailors to the sea, the Benediction, and closing honors.

Thirty Roosevelt Sailors volunteered in various roles during the service.

Gas Turbine System Technician (Mechanical) 3rd Class Ashleigh Mixon, a native of Cordele, Ga., was the bugler



-Photo by CTM2 Leslie Wiscovitch  
Chief Fire Controlman Eric Voegel and the firing squad salute during RSV's burial at sea ceremony.

for the ceremony. "I have been playing the trumpet for seven years, but this was my first time performing in a naval ceremony," said Mixon. "I was honored to play Taps for two of our departed shipmates."

Information System Technician 1st Class Patrick Miller recorded the service and compiled the video footage onto a DVD to provide the families.

"These two Sailors served our Navy," said Miller. "This was our way of saying thanks to them, and it was an honor to be a part of the ceremony."

Chief Fire Controlman Eric Voegele served as the firing squad leader during the traditional 21-gun salute.

"It's good for junior Sailors to be able to participate in naval honors and ceremonies, especially a ceremony such as this one that has not changed much over time," said Voegele.

An entry was made into Roosevelt's deck log, marking the time and place, making the burial a permanent part of Roosevelt's history. The video, photos, empty shell casings, ceremonial flags, and a chart

containing the latitude and longitude of the ceremony will be sent home to the next of kin.

The Burial at Sea was conducted under the leadership of Ensign Diane Cote, Roosevelt's first lieutenant.

"Ceremonies such as these allow Sailors to participate in something bigger than themselves, to recognize those who have gone before us," said Cote. "Roosevelt is proud to have been able to honor these two men who together dedicated 50 years of service to the United States of America."

Roosevelt is deployed to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations to conduct Maritime Security Operations (MSO). MSO helps develop security in the maritime environment. From security arises stability that results in global economic prosperity. MSO complements the counterterrorism and security efforts of regional nations and seek to disrupt violent extremists' use of the maritime environment as a venue for attack or to transport personnel, weapons, or other material.



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Gas Turbine Systems (Mechanical) Third Class Ashleigh Mixon plays TAPS.



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## Mine Warfare 'Shifts Colors' To Southern California

**By Fifi Kieschnick**  
Naval Station Ingleside Public Affairs

The Navy's mine warfare community is "shifting colors" from Texas to Southern California. The mine warfare ships, squadrons and support units will begin to leave prior to the end of this fiscal year 2009.

Sailors negotiating for orders in support of mine warfare (MIW) should know that the mine warfare community is planning to move from Ingleside, Texas, to Southern California.

Naval Station Ingleside has been the Center of Excellence for Mine Warfare since the base opened in 1992.

"Sailors know that there is a fleet concentration area here, specifically for surface mine warfare," said Chief Navy Counselor Malcolm T. Schneider, Navy counselor for the mine warfare community.

"Many Sailors who take orders here are either from Texas, want to retire here or know that because there is a surface mine warfare fleet concentration here, they can go from sea duty or shore duty and back without moving their families," said Ingleside's Senior Enlisted Leader Senior Chief Dewite Wehrman.

However, Naval Station Ingleside is slated to close in September 2010, based on a 2005 Base Realignment and Closure decision.

"The mine warfare community is shifting homeports beginning Spring 2009," added Schneider, an 18-year Navy veteran who is a native of Cleveland.

With that shift, goes the fleet concentration center. The mine

countermeasures ships, along with dedicated personnel, equipment and support will move to the San Diego area.

"As the transition of the ships and staffs take place, supporting systems such as CMS/ID (career management system/identification), will reflect the changes," Schneider said. "Sailors within their projected rotation date window now, who are negotiating for orders to any mine countermeasures (MCM) crews or ships, are headed to Southern California, not Texas."

In addition to the MCM ships moving, other mine warfare commands moving to the West Coast include MCM Crews, MCM Class Squadron, MCM Squadron 1, MCM Squadron 3, Mobile Mine Assembly Group, and Mobile Mine Assembly Unit 15.

"Having realistic expectations and maintaining a positive outlook for the impending move to San Diego is the best thing that Sailors can do," said Lt. Cmdr. Tracey Mays, who manages Sea Special Programs for Navy Personnel Command. "As many of the Sailors in this area have spent the majority of their careers in Texas and with the current economic situation, many will be faced with various challenges that will require tough decisions. As such, command leadership is vital to ensuring the smoothest transition possible for these Sailors."

Sailors interested in the exceptional opportunities within the mine warfare community, should speak with a detailer or command career counselor.

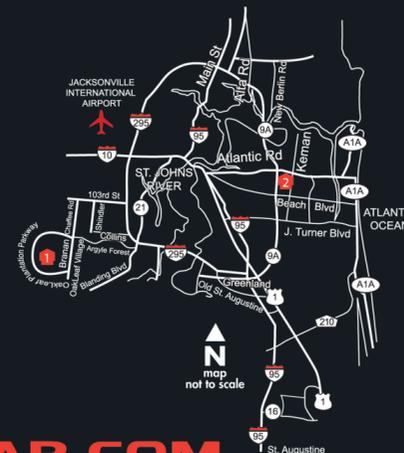
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The Swamp Foxes of HSL-44 coordinated a fly-in to P.V.P.V./Rawlings Elementary School in Ponte Vedra. The aircrew and HSL-44 Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Rich Davis, stand with students during the event.

## Ponte Vedra Students Look Skyward During HSL-44 Fly Over

By Lt.j.g. Adam R. Shreders

HSL-44 PAO

On Dec. 2, the Swamp Foxes of HSL-44 conducted a fly-in to P.V.P.V. Rawlings Elementary.

Lt.j.g. Lynne Edwards was at the controls, with Aviation Warfare Systems Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Noleberto Arango and Aviation Warfare Systems

Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Dustin Rethelford giving safety of flight calls as Magnum 446 landed on the soccer field at 1000. The aircrew and HSL-44 Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Rich Davis, were greeted by 1,100 students from all grades.

After a brief photo opportunity, the Swamp Foxes went on the schools closed circuit

television for "morning news" to give a question and answer session with the students. Prior to departure, the aircrew visited some of the classrooms for some face-to-face time with the students, giving more direct details about the HSL mission and the SH-60B Helicopter.

For the past five years, HSL-44 has been volunteering at

PVPV/Rawlings Elementary, helping to do everything from moving equipment and spreading mulch, to tutoring and reading to students. The school regularly sponsors deployed sailors, and today they greeted the aircrew with American Flags, made in art class and donations they had collected for military families in need.

NS Mayport will hold a blood drive n Dec. 16 from noon-4 p.m. in the Navy Federal Credit Union parking lot. Donors will receive a free long sleeve t-shirt.



## HSL-44 Detachment Gets Special Thanksgiving Visit From CENTCOM

From HSL-44

On Thanksgiving Day, the Commander of U.S. Central Command, General David H. Petraeus (CENTCOM), celebrated part of the holiday with the Sailors of USS Monterey (CG 61) and the embarked air Detachment from HSL-44 Detachment 2.

Petraeus arrived on Monterey by helicopter from USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) in time to tour the ship, meet the Sailors preparing the Thanksgiving meal, and participate in an awards/pinning ceremony.

HSL-44 Detachment Two "The Hooligans," embarked on USS Monterey, had the distinct honor of having five of their personnel receive their Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialty (EAWS) pin that day from General Petraeus. Aviation Structural Mechanic 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Hawk, Aviation Machinist's Mate 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Gambardella, Aviation Warfare Systems Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> Class McKinley, Aviation Electronics Technician 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Sonnet, and Aviation Electrician's Mate Airman Powers all studied extremely hard to meet this career milestone.

"As a detachment we are very proud of these five sailors who have worked so hard to achieve their warfare qualification," said Lt. Cmdr. Dicks, "The Hooligans" Officer in Charge. "I'm especially proud of the entire detachment in that with these five complete, The Hooligans are 100 percent warfare qualified. Having General Petraeus here to pin these sailors makes this a moment that we all will never forget."

The General spoke to the crew informally after the ceremony, making a special effort to thank those who have made multiple deployments in support of the War on Terror.

HSL-44 Detachment Two has been deployed as an integral part of the Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group since September in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The detachment has flown more than 400 hours on their current deployment as a main surface surveillance and control asset for the strike group.

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# Southern Partnership Station Begins On Swift

By MC1 Daniel Ball  
Southern Partnership Station Public Affairs

Military Sealift Command's High Speed Vessel Swift (HSV 2) along with various embarked Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force units departed Louisiana Nov. 25 for a five-month deployment in support of Southern Partnership Station (SPS).

Southern Partnership Station is an annual deployment of various specialty platforms to the U.S. Southern Command area of focus in the Caribbean and Latin America. The mission's primary goal is information sharing with navies, coast guards, and civilian services throughout the region.

"Southern Partnership Station provides an excellent opportunity to facilitate cooperation, interaction and communication between regional partners' civil and maritime services," said Rear Adm. Joseph D. Kernan, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command and U.S. 4th Fleet. "Working together alongside our partner nations, sharing knowledge and experiences through joint, multinational and interagency exchanges will help to build strong relationships, improve interoperability



-Photo by MC1 Daniel Ball  
The Military Sealift Command's High Speed Vessel Swift (HSV 2) prepares to deploy in support of Southern Partnership Station, a five month mission to Central America, South America and the Caribbean Basin. Swift has embarked Combined Task Group 40.9, comprised of Navy, Marine Corps and Naval Criminal Investigative Service training teams and translators. These teams will provide instruction to partner nations in various topics including port security, small boat maintenance, combat lifesaving and enlisted leadership.

and enhance regional maritime security."

Military training teams and subject matter experts embarked on Swift will provide partner nations with classroom and hands-on training in a variety of

subjects. "SPS provides us an opportunity to work with our friends, build partnerships and train together," said Cmdr. Christopher K. Barnes, SPS mission commander.

The ship is scheduled to visit El Salvador, Panama, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Barbados and Colombia.

The mission is coordinated through U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. Fourth Fleet (NAVSO/4th Fleet) with partner nations to meet their specific training requests. Swift embarked elements of the Navy Expeditionary Training Command from Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, Va., Marine Corps Training and Advisory Group from Fort Story, Va., and Naval Criminal Investigative Service Security Training Assistance and Assessment Team.

Members of the Navy Expeditionary Training Command will provide instruction in small boat operations, maintenance and repair, boarding techniques, armed sentry, search and rescue, combat lifesaving, leadership principles for junior and senior partner nation enlisted service members, and instructor training.

The Marine Corps Training and Advisory Group will advise partner nation servicemembers on a variety of different topics including marksmanship, martial arts, and non-lethal weapons

tactics. Naval Criminal Investigative Service Security Training and Assessment Team will provide port security instruction and advice.

Information systems technicians will help install and instruct partner nation servicemembers on the use of Integrated Automatic Identification Systems (IAIS). IAIS is a computer based vessel identification program that provides ports and other ships with real-time location and information on friendly vessels within their region.

"This is a great system, I really like the way it works," said Information Systems Technician 2nd Class German Rodriguez, IAIS instructor. "I'm excited to interact with our friends and

show them the great things this system can do."

As the Naval Component Command of SOUTHCOM, NAVSO's 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, Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief, military-to-military interaction and bilateral and multinational training.

Fourth Fleet is the numbered fleet assigned to NAVSO, exercising operational control of assigned forces in the SOUTHCOM area of focus.

## NEX Offers Bonus Bucks

From NEXCOM

NEX customers making a single purchase of \$100 or more on Dec 22 or 23 from 9 a.m. - 1:00 pm will receive a \$10 NEX Bonus Bucks coupon to be used towards a future NEX purchase. Customers will receive one \$10 NEX Bonus Bucks coupon for each \$100 purchase they make during this time period. A maximum of five NEX Bonus Bucks will be given per transaction. No rounding up will be allowed and multiple transactions cannot be combined to reach the threshold amount. For example, a \$150 transaction will qualify for one \$10 coupon and a transaction of \$499 or more will qualify for four \$10 coupons.

"We know our customers have a lot of different shopping options and we appreciate

their business," said Mike Conner, Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) Marketing Director. "NEX Bonus Bucks are our way of thanking our customers for shopping at their NEX during the holidays and to encourage them to come back in January for extra savings."

NEX Bonus Bucks will be redeemable from Jan. 4-31 in any NEX on all merchandise except uniforms, gasoline, NEX gift cards and concession merchandise. One coupon will be redeemable on a transaction of \$50 or more. Multiple coupons can be used when the transaction is for full multiples of \$50. For example, a \$250 transaction will qualify for use of up to five \$10 coupons.

## Navy NASCAR Driver Wins Two Awards

From Navy Motorsports Public Affairs

The No. 88 Navy NASCAR driver won two trophies at the Nationwide Series awards banquet Nov. 22 in Orlando, Fla.

Brad Keselowski, who brought home both a third place NASCAR Nationwide Series driver's championship and series Most Popular Driver award, expressed sincere gratitude to the Navy and the fleet for their support.

"I've had the chance to represent all the Sailors in the fleet every weekend, and it's been awesome," Keselowski said. "You can't ask for more than having the Navy as a sponsor on your race car."

Although 2008 is the last year for Navy's sponsorship of the No. 88 Chevy car, the Navy team and Keselowski reached a number of milestones for the year.

First was Keselowski's race win June 7 at Nashville Superspeedway -- the Navy's first in its seven years of NASCAR sponsorship. Then came the Navy and Keselowski's first pole award June 21 at The Milwaukee Mile, followed by a second race win by Keselowski and the No. 88 Navy team at the Bristol Motor Speedway Aug. 22. In addition, the team earned 11 top-fives and 20 top-10 finishes.

"It was awesome to get my first pole award and win this season with the Navy. They have been in NASCAR for quite a while now, and know-

ing that I was the driver to get it done for them is pretty special," Keselowski said.

With the Navy Motorsports' revamped Fleet Honoree program this season, 33 commands and more than 200 Sailors from the fleet had a front-row seat to experience the Navy team's success on-track.

Eight Sailors from each honored command received pit and garage passes to a Nationwide Series race, had their command names on the hood of the Navy car, received behind-the-scenes tours of the NASCAR garage area and got to get up close to the Navy No. 88 race car, team, driver and team owner, Dale Earnhardt Jr.

From Norfolk to Hawaii and from intelligence specialists to sonar technicians to Navy divers and most ratings in between, the Navy was well-represented by a diverse group of Sailors at the race track each weekend. "We are very proud of Brad, and all of the team at JR Motorsports for their performance on track this season," said Navy Motorsports Program Manager Andrea Ross. "We appreciate the time both Brad and Dale Junior spent with Sailors when they visited fleet commands this season. Brad would go out of his way to ask intriguing questions of individual Sailors about their jobs, and I know they appreciated that. It was a great season."

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# Calendar

## On Base

**Thursday, Dec. 11**  
USS Hue City command holiday party will be on at One Ocean Hotel & Spa (previously known as the Sea Turtle Inn) in Neptune Beach starting at 6 p.m. Cost varies by rank, and there will be a cash bar. Please come dressed in your holiday best. If your service member attends, they will have that Friday off. If you have any questions, please contact the FRG board at huecityfrg66@gmail.com.

**Saturday, Dec. 13**  
USS Hue City children's holiday party will be held at the Ribault Bay Housing Community Center on-base from 1-4 p.m. on. This is a new location. Make sure you come and see Santa! If you have any questions, please contact the FRG board at huecityfrg66@gmail.com.

**Thursday, Dec. 18**  
USS Philippine Sea family readiness group will meet and hold a potluck on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Mayport USO.

## Out in Town

**Thursday, Dec. 11**  
Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church presents "A Bethlehem Visit": an interactive city, with real animals and a cast of over 200 costumed participants portraying the local townspeople and merchants in an active marketplace setting.

An entire 8,000 square foot village is re-created to reflect the City of Bethlehem the way it might have been the night of Jesus' birth. Enjoy the sights and sound of history as you stroll through the city. Pet animals along the way as you make your journey to seek out the lowly Manger and the Christ Child. "A Bethlehem Visit" is the Church's gift to our surrounding communities. This is a free event for folks and families of all ages. This exciting evening tops off with a luminous bonfire and refreshments. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost. Donations may be given to the beggars in the city during the event. The church offers free shuttles to transport you from the parking area located at the PGA Tour lot off CR 210 to the church. We also are set up to accommodate visitors with special needs. Handicapped parking is located at the Church at 4510 Palm Valley Road. Make your plans now to attend "A Bethlehem Visit" Dec. 11, 12 and 13; 6:30-8:30 p.m. nightly at Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church. For more information go to www.pvpc.com or call 285-8225.

Just in time for the holidays. Join Mary Puckett, Duval County Extension Office staff and quest speaker, Master Gardener, Linda Cunningham, from 10 a.m.-noon for a make-and-take workshop at 1010 N McDuff Ave. You will take home your own strawberry pot with herbs and/or hanging basket with strawberry plants. The cost is \$15 for each pot or \$25 for both; \$5 to attend the lecture only. Please RSVP to Jeannie at 387-8850.

**Friday, Dec. 12**  
The Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 is hosting a "Fish Fry" from 5-8 p.m., at the Branch Home at 390 Mayport

Road, Atlantic Beach. A donation of \$8 is requested for each dinner. Carry out orders are accepted. The public is always invited to dinner. Starting at 9 p.m., the music of DOUG BRACEY will entertain until 1 a.m. Happy hour precedes the dinner from 4-6 p.m., all drinks are 50¢ off.

**Saturday, Dec. 13**  
The Youth of Christ United Methodist Church will wrap your holiday gifts in the parlor at the Church from 9 a.m.-noon at 300 Penman Road, Neptune Beach. Donations will be accepted!

The Beaches Museum & History Center will have a Free Admission Day to support the Marines Toys for Tots Drive. Bring a new unwrapped toy for the Toys for Tots Drive and you will receive one Free Admission ticket. While here at the Museum enjoy our beautifully decorated Lobby, shop in Ruby's Emporium Gift Shop and pick up information on how you can become a Member of the Museum. The Beaches Museum & History Center is located in Pablo Historical Park at the corner of Beach Boulevard and 4<sup>th</sup> Street North. The Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information call 241-5657.

Enjoy an evening of song and fellowship at 6 p.m., hosted by New Friendship Baptist Church, 1996 Mayport Rd. Guest musical performances by the Christian Fellowship Inspirational Choir and the Salvation Army Choir as well as the New Friendship Praise Team.

The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens, 829 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville will host classes in painting, printmaking, collage and construction with changing themes for children ages 6 to 8 from 10 a.m. to noon. Members \$10 per class, Non-members \$15 per class. For more information or to register, call (904) 355-0630.

**Sunday, Dec. 14**  
The Children and youth of Christ United Methodist Church will present their Christmas musical, "The Mystery of the Manger" at 6 p.m. Immediately following the play, join us for a delicious potluck dinner. Join us in Wilson Hall at 300 Penman Road, Neptune Beach. Call the Church Office at 249-5370 for more information.

Join a Park Ranger at 1 p.m. for a leisurely paced hike to discover the island's natural communities. Participants are encouraged to bring bug spray and bottled water. The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 hosts breakfast from 8-11 a.m. at the Branch Home, 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach, FL. Menu includes eggs, bacon or sausage, grits or hashbrowns, biscuits & gravy, pancakes or toast. Omelets are also available. Coffee is included with all meals. A donation of \$5 for a full breakfast, or \$3 for a breakfast sandwich, is requested. As always, the public is invited.

**Tuesday, Dec. 16**  
Have fun creating a plant arrangement using material from your yard, learn how to care for traditional Christmas plants and find out what's hot for gardening gifts at 10 a.m.-

1 p.m. with the Duval County Extension Office. Find out how to make a water hose wreath and decorate a gardening gift basket. Bring clippers and a bucket of flowers, foliage and long-stemmed twigs from your yard. Pre-register by Friday, Dec. 12 and mail check for \$10 made payable to DCOHAC to Becky Davidson, 1010 N. McDuff Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32254. Questions call 387-8850.

**Saturday, Dec. 20**  
Breakfast with Santa-Come enjoy a festive Pancake Breakfast on at Isle of Faith UMC, 1821 San Pablo Rd. Jacksonville, 32224, in the Fellowship Hall. Visit with special guests, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. There will be two seatings, the first at 8 a.m. and the second at 9:30 a.m., so reservations are needed. Get your photos with Santa. Tickets are \$3 (1-12 yrs.) and \$4 for adults (1+ yrs.) For more information contact Debbie at 514-9033. All proceeds go to the Dominican Republic Mission team. While your having fun with Santa, the team will wrap you presents for a donation.

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Join a Park Ranger at 11 a.m. and learn how to identify the most common snakes, their habitat and lifecycles. This interpretive program explores the snakes that are native to Florida and live at the Talbot Islands State Parks. Discover why these critters are important to a healthy and balanced natural community. This program will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

**Sunday, Dec. 21**  
The Beaches Veterans Association will hold a BBQ cook out for the Mayport USO's twice-monthly dinners provided to families of deployed service members. The cookout will include BBQ pork, cole slaw, baked beans and rolls for a \$7 donation. The event will be held at the American Legion Post 316 at 1-5 p.m. All proceeds go to the USO No Dough Dinners.

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**Wednesday, Dec. 24**  
Chabad @ the Beaches will sponsor a family oriented Chanukah Judaica, gift and fun Fair titled "Chanukah Wonderland", which will culminate in the lighting of a giant eight-foot public Menorah at the Hilton Garden Inn at 3 p.m. As in years past the event will include family entertainment, fun for children and adults, fabulous Arts and crafts fair, Menorah Making Workshop, and great traditional Chanukah foods. Beautiful gifts will be

available for purchase, as well as boutique-jewelry, toys, Judaica and all your last minute Chanukah needs, all types of Chanukah toys and merchandise, Menorahs & Judaica. Children will also have the opportunity to get their face painted, C rated (Chanukah rated) Video, and fantastic balloon related fun filled activities, plus many new additions for this year. The event will conclude with the lighting of largest Menorah at the beaches at the Hilton Garden Inn. The entire community is welcome to join in the festivities. Event is open to the public and there is no admission charge. Chanukah is the eight-day Jewish "Festival of Lights," this year begins at sundown Sunday Dec. 21. Each evening at sunset an additional candle is lit to commemorate the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem some 2,000 years ago. The holiday also celebrates the miracle of one day's worth of pure ritual oil burning for eight days until a new supply could be obtained. For more information about this or any other Chabad @ the Beaches activity or event, contact Chabad by phone at (904) 285-1588, by E-mail at info@chabadbeaches.com.

**Sunday, Dec. 28**  
Join a park ranger at 1 p.m. to learn about the many common species that inhabit the natural communities of the undeveloped barrier islands of northeast Florida. The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

**Saturday, Jan. 3**  
Join a park ranger at 11 a.m. for a discussion on the different types of shark teeth that can be found on the area's beaches.

The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

**Sunday, Jan. 11**  
Join a park ranger at 1 p.m. and discover the importance of estuarine systems that surround the inshore sides of barrier islands like those of the Talbot Islands State Parks complex. This ranger-guided hike along the salt marsh will help point out why these areas are one of the most productive ecosystems on Earth, the many roles the salt marsh plays, the plant and animal life found in this natural community, and the impacts humans have on this system. This program will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
Join a park ranger at 11 a.m. to learn about the many common species that inhabit the natural communities of the undeveloped barrier islands of northeast Florida. The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

**Sunday, Jan. 25**  
Join a park ranger at 1 p.m. for a walk on the beach 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 the Bluff's pavilion on Big Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with \$2 vehicle entrance fee.

**Thursday, Jan. 29**  
The 6th Annual Taste of Chocolate Challenge event is underway to fund programs at

The Family Nurturing Center of North Florida that help keep children and families safe during times of crisis. The event will be held at 6 p.m. at the Haskell Building. The Chocolate Challenge is a critical event to The Family Nurturing Center of Florida's ability to continue to provide protection, support and guidance in North Florida for many families who have been separated. This year's Chocolate Challenge is selling sponsorships and individual tickets to the event, which will include a live and silent auction. The event's theme challenges local celebrity chefs to create wonderful chocolate treats for guests to taste and vote for their favorite. For sponsorships, tickets or more information about how you can support Family Nurturing Center of Florida's 6th Annual Taste of Chocolate Challenge, please call Stella Johnson at 904.389.4244 ext. 204 or visit www.fncflorida.org.

**Saturday, Feb. 28**  
Trail of Tails Pet Walk & Festival Join the Jacksonville Humane Society for the first annual "Trail of Tails: Pet Walk & Festival." Register at jaxhumane.org prior to the walk or at 8 a.m. on walk day. The walk kicks off at 10 a.m. and will start and end at Friendship Fountain Park. Entrance is \$30 per person, \$25 per person for team members. Animals walk with their owners for free. A festival featuring food, drinks and fun for the entire family follows the event. Registration for festival vendors is available by calling 904-725-8766 or visiting www.jaxhumane.org. All proceeds benefit the Jacksonville Humane Society, a non-profit adoption and animal education center.



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# Navy News

## Navy Working Uniform Details, Video Released

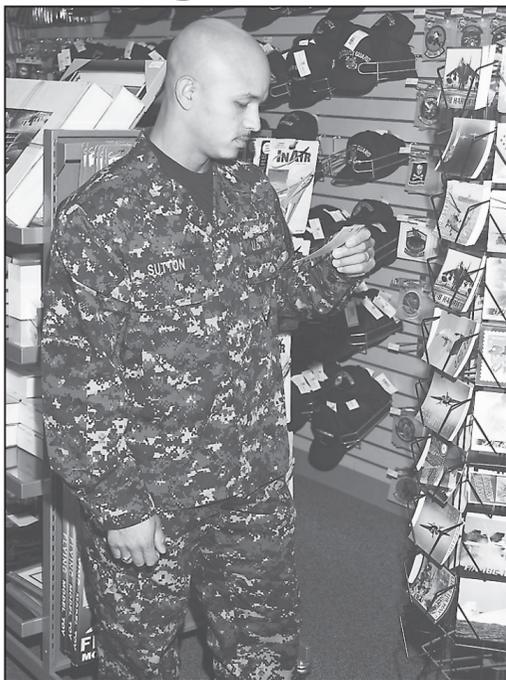
From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

The Chief of Naval Personnel released detailed information about the delivery schedule, manner of wear and occasion for wear for the Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Dec. 2 in NAVADMIN 343/08.

An instructional video was also posted on the NPC Web site [www.npc.navy.mil/commandsupport/usnavyuniforms/](http://www.npc.navy.mil/commandsupport/usnavyuniforms/) and on NKO at <https://www.nko.navy.mil/portal/alertscommunity/home/whatsnewonko>.

According to the message, the NWU is intended for year-round wear and shall be the standard working uniform ashore. The NWU will replace working utilities, tropical working uniforms, wash khakis, winter working blue, aviation working green, and non-tactical/environmental usage of camouflage utility uniforms.

The NWU is designed to be worn in sea and ashore environments that do not require special clothing (e.g., flight, flight deck, engine room, etc.). Unless otherwise prescribed by the regional commander, the NWU is authorized to be worn at all facilities on base, while commuting to/from work and home via POV, public transportation, and on government/military



-U.S. Navy Photo  
A Sailor wears the Navy working uniform (NWU) while shopping at the Naval Air Station Oceana Navy Exchange. The NWU is intended for year-round wear and will be the standard working uniform ashore by October 2010.

flights to/from OCONUS locations.

Routine stops while commuting are not authorized with an exception for genuine emergencies, such as medical emergencies and vehicle breakdowns.

For environmental extremes the following modifications are authorized when granted by appropriate authority.

(1) The NWU shirt may be removed on job sites or in work spaces.

(2) NWU trousers may be worn unbloused on job sites or in workspaces.

(3) During the winter or inclement periods, the parka hood is authorized for wear in addition to head gear. Black leather gloves are authorized.

The NWU will be available for purchase via designated Navy Exchange Uniform Centers as follows:

Dec 08 - Navy leadership (flag officers, commanding officers/OICs, (9580/9579/9578) command master/senior chiefs, and chiefs of the boat) via Navy Exchange Uniform Support Center at 800-368-4088 or 757-502-7450.

Jan 09 - Tidewater  
Apr 09 - Southeast  
Jul 09 - Northeast  
Oct 09 - Capital region  
Jan 10 - Western/northwest

Apr 10 - Gulf region  
Jul 10 - Hawaii  
Oct 10 - Europe/Japan/Guam

All existing working uniforms will continue to be authorized for wear until December 2010. Sailors who have not been issued NWU's at recruit training command or purchased NWU's while assigned to an active roll-out location must maintain their current working uniforms until the NWU is available in the area assigned. This policy also applies to Sailors wearing the new service uniform announced earlier in 2008.

FY08 and FY09 clothing replacement allowances have been adjusted to facilitate purchasing four sets of NWU shirts and trousers by December 2010. Reserve component Sailors will receive their uniforms via their respective Navy Operational Support Centers.

For more information on uniforms and uniform policy, visit the uniform matters Web site at [www.npc.navy.mil/command-support/usnavyuniforms/](http://www.npc.navy.mil/command-support/usnavyuniforms/).

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## Military Recruits Non-citizen Health Care Workers, Linguists

By Gerry J. Gilmore  
American Forces Press Service

The Defense Department has launched a year-long pilot program to recruit about 1,000 non-U.S. citizen health care workers and language and cultural specialists for service in America's military, a senior DoD official said here today.

The new program targets people who don't have "green cards" but do have visas and work permits. Those the military hopes to attract legally live and work in the United States and have capabilities highly valued by the military, Bill Carr, deputy undersecretary of defense for military personnel policy, told Pentagon Channel and American Forces Press Service reporters.

"These are going to be people that are legally present in the United States [and] have been here for years," Carr said.

People sought for the program include doctors, nurses, other health care professionals and those proficient in certain foreign languages and associated cultures, according to a DoD news release issued today.

The U.S. military services sign up about 8,000 foreign nationals annually, Carr said, and about 29,000 non-citizens serve in the U.S. military today. Non-citizen servicemembers normally possess a State Department-issued green card that authorizes them to live and work in the United States.

The pilot program is designed to assist the Defense Department in maintaining its requirement of about 24,000 doctors, dentists and nurses for the military services, Carr said.

"In those areas, combined, we're short almost 1,000 [people] against that 24,000 base, divided equally between physi-

cians and nurses," Carr said. All nursing specialties are needed, as well as neural surgeons, family practitioners, dermatologists and some other specialties.

Past accession programs failed to attract enough medical practitioners and linguists, Carr said, so the department decided to focus on foreign nationals.

"We observed there are tens of thousands of health professionals in the United States on a work visa who would be very interested in achieving green card status or, ultimately, citizenship," Carr said.

The pilot program provides successful applicants with a way to accelerate achievement of U.S. citizenship, Carr said, with the proviso that "they're willing to serve in our time of need to fulfill a vital national interest." Applicants are required to commit to specified periods of military service.

Applicants also will undergo security screenings and meet the same high standards required for every other person entering the military today, Carr said. Foreign nationals, he said, have provided exemplary military service throughout American history.

"If this program succeeds, it will leave us with a stronger medical care capacity, particularly in skills we're short of," Carr said, as well as providing much-needed linguists and cultural specialists.

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## Obama Taps Shinseki As Next Veterans Affairs Chief

By Jim Garamone  
American Forces Press Service

President-elect Barack Obama has selected retired Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki as his nominee to be secretary of veterans affairs.

"As we seek a new national security strategy that uses all elements of American power, we must also remember those who run the greatest risks and make the greatest sacrifices to implement that strategy - the men and women who wear the uniform of the United States of America," the president-elect said in announcing his choice.

Obama echoed the words of Abraham Lincoln when he said the nation has a sacred trust to serve those who have borne the cost of battle.

"We must show them and their families the same devotion that they have shown this country," he said.

If confirmed by the Senate, Shinseki will succeed retired Army Lt. Gen. (Dr.) James B. Peake in leading the second-largest federal department, with 240,000 employees. Some 23.4 million veterans are alive today, and the department is their point of contact for compensation and pensions, medical care, education and training, home loans

and other benefits. Last year, the VA had a budget of \$93.4 billion.

The government must do everything it can to help those veterans who suffer "from the signature injuries of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan - post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury," Obama said in Chicago.

The United States needs to modernize the VA, cut red tape there and eliminate shortfalls, the president-elect said.

"That is the kind of VA that will serve our veterans as well as they have served us," he said. "And there is no one more distinguished, more determined, or more qualified to build this VA than the leader I am announcing as our next secretary of veterans affairs -- General Eric Shinseki."

"No one will ever doubt that this former Army chief of staff has the courage to stand up for our troops and our veterans," he continued. "No one will ever question whether he will fight hard enough to make sure they have the support they need."

Shinseki retired as chief of staff in 2003 after a four-year term. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., and served two

combat tours in Vietnam as a young officer. He lost part of his foot in Vietnam, was awarded three Bronze Star awards and two Purple Hearts.

Shinseki said today's veterans "are a part of an unbroken line of heroes that stretches back to the American Revolution."

"Veterans who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, in particular, are confronting serious, severe wounds - some seen, some unseen - making it difficult for them to get on with their lives in this struggling economy," he said. "They deserve a smooth, error-free, no-fail, benefits-assured transition into our ranks as veterans, and that is our responsibility, not theirs."

"A word to my fellow veterans: If confirmed, I will work each and every day to ensure that we are serving you as well as you have served us," Shinseki continued. "We will pursue a 21st-century VA that serves your needs. We will open ... new doors of opportunity so you can find a good job, support your families when you return to civilian life. And ... we will always honor the sacrifices of those who have worn the uniform, and their loved ones."

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# Navy News

## Free Advancement Information, Advice Online

By Ed Barker

Naval Education and Training Command Public Affairs

Sailors prepping for advancement have all the tools they need available free of charge via Navy resources, including the Navy Advancement Center, but some sites on the Internet are charging Sailors money for advancement information.

Perhaps unknowingly, Sailors are spending their money by paying for what is available free of charge. The most current and authoritative advancement information for active-duty and Reserve Sailors is available from their command career counselors and visiting the Navy Advancement Center's Web site at <https://www.advancement.cnet.navy.mil>.

“Everything you need to be successful on the advancement exam is available for free from the Navy,” said Master Chief Electrician's Mate Robert McCombs, command master chief for Naval Education and Training Professional Development and Technology Center (NETPDTC), Pensacola, Fla. “In fact, our sites are where the commercial venues get a lot of their information. Sailors don't need to go out and buy commercial products in order to advance.”

Professional military knowledge and rating-specific references for advancement are just a click away. Two of the most popular products available through the Advancement Center Web site are the Sailor's profile sheet and the Advancement Exam Strategy Guide, said McCombs.

The profile sheet is specific to the individual Sailor and uses results from previous examinations to show the Sailor where his or her weaknesses are in comparison to their peers. The report shows them what areas they need to improve in order to be competitive on the test. Sailors can use their profile sheets to build their study program by topic and subtopic.

The Advancement Exam Strategy Guide contains a bibliography specific to the examination that the Sailor will take.

“A Sailor can go to the exam section, look up their specialty and download their information including the bibliography,” said McCombs.

“We give them the references we use for exam questions, so it's just a matter of becoming familiar with the material.”

To help Sailors understand what skills and knowledge exam developers are assessing, specific rating information is broken down by paygrade into topic and subject areas for all exams in the rating. This section of the Web site also includes information on “how to prepare for and take an advancement exam.”

“If a Sailor uses their past profile sheet(s), which shows their weak areas compared to their peers, along with the bibliography and topics/subtopics, they can develop a more focused study product than any commercial product can provide,” said McCombs.

Kirk Schultz, head of Advancement Assessment Concepts at NETPDTC, said that there are many other Navy-sponsored Web sites Sailors can visit to help with their advancement needs.

“Since just about everything has gone electronic, many Navy and Department of Defense instructions are available through the Web. Additionally, we intend soon to provide the capability for Sailors to link to many of their references directly from the advancement site,” said Schultz.

“Our site has features and helpful tools to better prepare for upcoming exams such as access exam to statistics by rating, non-resident training courses, as well as final multiple computations charts,” said McCombs.

Sailors without direct access to a computer should see their educational services officers or command career counselors for instructions on where computer access can be obtained and for other information they need to prepare for their next advancement examination.

## '09 Leader Development Guide Out

From Center for Personal and Professional Development Public Affairs

The Center for Personal and Professional Development (CPPD) completed the 2009 edition of the Naval Leader Development Guide (NLDG) and posted it to Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) Dec. 4.

“In this year's edition of the guide, you will find not only the annual calendar with important dates every naval leader should know but a host of other resources that will help in your day-to-day activities,” said Capt. Jonathan Picker, CPPD commanding officer. “From course listings that Sailors can use to further their development

to planning worksheets Sailors can use to organize professional growth. I hope everyone will find this guide a useful tool.”

NLDG brings together myriad information. This year's edition includes a 15-month calendar (January 2009-March 2010); a complete list of CPPD courses and services; Navy and Marine Corps selection board and fitness report and evaluation schedules; and the Navy and Marine Corps Professional Reading Program lists. Also returning is the personal and professional development section, which includes planning steps; goal development assistance and worksheets; and the mentoring compass.

“It is a unique privilege to work on a project like the NLDG each year, knowing that the information we're providing is being used by Sailors every day,” said Master Chief (SW) Gretchen Boals, CPPD command master chief. “Every time we visit our learning site or Navy college office host commands and bases and see the guide in use, I know we're making an impact in the lives of our Sailors.”

Commands can download the portable document format (PDF) version of the guide free from NKO or order copies from the Document Automation and Production Service by logging on to the Naval Forms Online

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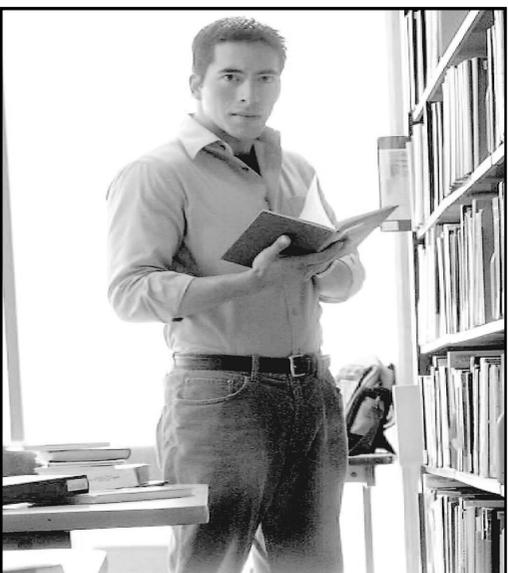
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## Sailors Must Have Proper Documentation to Receive Travel Reimbursements

From Commander Navy Installations Command, Millington Detachment

Navy Gateway Inns and Suites (NGIS) program managers are reminding military travelers that a certificate of non-availability (CNA) must accompany travel claims to receive reimbursement for lodging through the Defense Travel System (DTS), if NGIS and Navy Lodge rooms are not available.

“According to the Joint Federal Travel Regulations, military personnel traveling on official orders are required to check the availability of government quarters, which include NGIS and Navy Lodge facilities, at the installation to which they are assigned [on temporary duty] orders,” said Tamara Davis, head, Navy Lodging Policy and Programs, Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC).

“NGIS is the primary lodging facility for travelers in a [temporary duty] status,” added Davis. “When NGIS does not

have availability, the second option for a military traveler is Navy Lodge.”

When neither government lodging program has rooms, the traveler will receive a CNA from the NGIS central reservations/front desk and a suggested list of civilian lodging facilities in the area. Military travelers will be unable to receive reimbursement for lodging unless a CNA accompanies their travel claim when processing their liquidation documents through DTS.

Military and civilian travelers may make reservations for most NGIS operations by using the [www.dodlodging.net](http://www.dodlodging.net) Web site or by calling 1-877-NAVYBED.

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## New Navy Electrical Boxes Save Money

From Naval Sea Systems Command Public Affairs

Naval Sea System Command (NAVSEA) engineers announced Nov. 18 a new initiative to install composite-material electrical boxes on ships, a move that will save millions of dollars in maintenance expenses.

“Repairing and replacing ships' electrical boxes costs the Navy millions of dollars per year and was identified by the Navy in 1998 as “the biggest topside maintenance problem on aircraft carriers,” said Petter Kristiansen, program manager for NAVSEA's Capital Investment for Labor (CI-Labor) Program.

“These new boxes may seem like minor components, but there are 477 of them on an aircraft carrier, and the small savings associated with each box compound into large, positive savings for the fleet,” Kristiansen added.

Maintenance savings for a single aircraft carrier are expected to be around \$3.4 million more than 30 years. Projected fleetwide savings more than 30 years are \$353 million or \$11.7 million per year.

The electrical boxes, Kristiansen explained, are similar to electrical outlets mount-

ed on the exteriors of homes, in areas like decks and patios. On ships, they are located on the ship's weather decks, open to the harsh sea elements. The old boxes, he said, were constructed from brass, aluminum or steel and rapidly corroded in the salty environment, requiring frequent repainting and replacement every six years. Made from long-lasting composite materials that do not corrode or require painting, the new electrical boxes are virtually maintenance free.

“The fleetwide savings should be significant,” said Kristiansen, whose CI-Labor Program seeks ways to improve Sailors' shipboard quality of life while reducing their tedious maintenance duties. “The composite boxes are much safer than the metal ones, and they require little or no maintenance.”

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GATE	9144 BAYMEADOWS RD	JAX	SPRINT	1209 MONUMENT RD./LEE	JAX
GATE	11461 OLD ST AUGUSTINE RD	JAX	SPRINT	12743 ATLANTIC BLVD./GIRVIN	JAX
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GATE	9540 SAN JOSE BLVD	JAX	SPRINT	2810 SR A1A N	ATL BCH
GATE	1605 RACETRACK/SR13	JAX	SPRINT	14376 BEACH BLVD./SAN PABLO	JAXBCH
HOME FINDER'S REALTY	2550 MAYPORT RD.	JAX	SPRINT	300 BEACH BLVD./3rd ST.	JAX BCH
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# Health Beat

## Naval Hospital CPOs Give Back To Homeless

By Marsha Childs

*NHJ Marketing*  
Naval Hospital Jacksonville's Chief Petty Officer (CPO) community and other hospital personnel visited the City Rescue Mission in downtown Jacksonville on Nov. 21 to deliver clothing donations, tour the facility and feed the homeless.

This trip marked the hospital staff's second annual mission visit the week before Thanksgiving to show their support and give back to those less fortunate. The City Rescue Mission is a privately owned, nonprofit organization that has provided help to the homeless and needy in Northeast Florida since 1946. It offers food, shelter and counseling services including substance abuse, one-on-one and group counseling. The mission relies solely on private donations.

The hospital's group efforts were coordinated by Chief Hospital Corpsman Joshua Davidson who gladly volunteered for the assignment. He

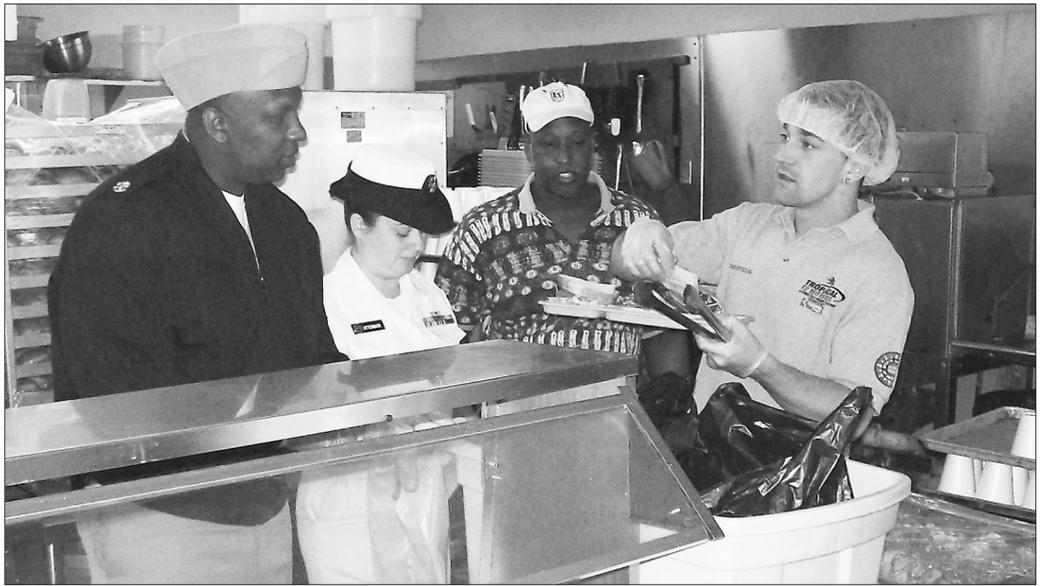
coordinated a clothing drive that netted donations of winter coats, clothing and bedding for the mission.

Davidson said, "It was a great opportunity to serve our fellow citizens." He knows firsthand how rewarding it is to give back. He said, "When I lived in Raleigh, N.C., I would serve food with a local church on Christmas morning. I only wish we could have fed more."

During their visit, the hospital staff served lunch to more than 75 of the mission's residents, many of whom did tours of duty in the Armed Forces. It is estimated that one in four homeless are military veterans.

They also had the unique opportunity to tour the facility and the overflow dormitory used to house the homeless when the temperatures fall to near freezing.

The CPOs, overwhelmed by the number of homeless in downtown Jacksonville area and the need for donations, are hoping to step-up their visits to every six months.



-Photo by Marsha Childs  
Chief Information System Technician Frank Butler and Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Jennifer Otterbach work with the mission's kitchen crew to prepare the meal service. The mission is a privately owned nonprofit organization serving the city's homeless.

## Eating Healthy For The Holidays Includes Portions

By Lt. Cmdr. Donna Sporer, Registered Dietitian

*Naval Hospital Jacksonville Nutrition Dept.*

Did you know you do not have to give up all of your favorite foods during the holiday season? If you watch your portion sizes—the amount you eat from each food group—you can still eat your favorite foods, maintain your weight and survive the abundance of holiday treats served at special meals and many holiday functions.

Here are some tips to help you. Make sure your plate is no bigger than nine inches—the bigger our plate is, the more food we put on them. Fill 1/2 of your plate with mostly low-fat vegetables. Put sauces, gravies and dressings on the side, you'll use less. Starchy foods like rice or potatoes should fill no more than 1/4 of the plate, about the size of a tennis ball. Meat should fill the remaining 1/4 of the plate, about the size of a deck of cards.

Portion control is the key to eating sensibly. Try not to over-look your plate. If it is there,

you will eat it. Instead, serve yourself a smaller portion and go back for seconds after waiting about 20 minutes. You will most likely find you don't want seconds anymore. Eat slowly. You will eat less. Have a fruit or high-fiber snack before you attend a function. This will help you eat less "party" foods that are loaded with calories.

Eating until you are satisfied, not stuffed, is also important. By eating slowly and waiting 20 minutes before you go back for seconds, you should eat considerably less food. If you have food left on your plate and you are not hungry, let it go to waste (not waist)! Drink lots of water. Eat meals regularly. Skipping meals will cause you to overeat later in the day. Remember, beverages have calories too. Stick to water, sugar-free beverages or small portions of your favorite drink.

Watch those extra calories. About 100 extra calories each day over the course of a year can add up to 10 pounds of weight gain. How many extra calories are you eating each day during

the holiday season? Read labels or visit [www.Mypyramid.gov](http://www.Mypyramid.gov) to get the calorie content of the foods you eat. For example, 3.5 ounces of fudge has about 450 calories, three pieces of assorted chocolates have 190 calories, and one sugar cookie has about 135 calories. Nibbling on treats throughout the day can increase your caloric intake contributing tremendously to holiday weight gain.

You should be exercising year round to maintain our weight. Do some type of activity daily: walk, play tennis, ride a bike, go to the gym with a friend. Visit [Mypyramid.gov](http://Mypyramid.gov) to determine how many calories you burn based on the type of exercise you are doing. Don't wait until the New Year rolls around to begin shedding those 10-20 extra pounds. Your goal should be to limit holiday weight gain, so start now. Exercising should be part of our daily routine. Schedule time just for this and make it a priority.

Maintaining a food log or daily diary makes you more aware of what you are actual-

ly eating and can help you to eat less. Add up the calories and use the Web site to see if you are eating the appropriate amount. Weigh yourself daily. If you see the pounds adding

up, you may be motivated to cut back on some of the holiday treats. Avoiding the scale does not solve the problem.

If you follow these simple guidelines for "most" meals,

you should be able to limit or better yet eliminate holiday weight gain. Don't wait for the weight to creep up on you, start today.

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## DoD Launches Personal Health Record Pilot

From DoD

The Department of Defense (DoD) is pleased to announce the successful launch of MiCare, the Military Health System's prototype personal health record (PHR) at Madigan Army Medical Center (MAMC) in Tacoma, Wa.

MiCare is designed to help members of the military and their families more easily and effectively manage their health and wellness, regardless of their location and as they seek care inside and beyond the Military Health System.

MiCare developed as a pilot project in partnership with Microsoft Corp. and Google. The project which began in March 2008, focused on incorporating the services and features offered by commercial vendors as a way to expedite the development and expand the capabilities of the military's PHR.

Dr. S. Ward Casscells, assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, praised the hard work and spirit of the partnership which made the development and launch of MiCare a success.

He said, "I am a strong advocate for the adoption and use of PHRs. They allow patients to take more responsibility for their healthcare needs and make patients and providers interactive partners in the healthcare encounter. I believe MiCare will empower our beneficiaries and significantly enhance both the quality and continuity of healthcare we provide."

Both Microsoft® HealthVault™ and Google Health™ serve as protected patient-controlled repositories for health information that is needed to support PHR functions. Regardless which platform the beneficiary chooses,

both provide a secure place to store, manage, and distribute their own personal health information.

Beneficiaries who choose to enroll in MiCare at MAMC will have access to their demographic information, active medication lists, their allergy data, lab results, radiology results, personal problem list, past visits, upcoming appointments and inpatient/outpatient documentation from AHLTA, the military electronic health record.

Using Microsoft HealthVault or Google Health, the beneficiary will also have the ability to store health records obtained from civilian providers, plans and pharmacies. Healthvault also allows uploading of data from health and fitness devices, such as pedometers, blood pressure monitors, blood glucose monitors and peak flow meters.

The beneficiary can choose to share this data with healthcare providers and a wide range of health and wellness applications and services connected on the HealthVault or Google Health platform.

Beneficiaries' health information will be protected under the new "Connecting for Health" guidelines developed by the Markle Foundation with the aid of Microsoft, Google and other vendors to establish the standards for keeping sensitive information private. The beneficiary has complete control over who looks at the data and what information they see.

Both Microsoft and Google expressed enthusiasm about the project and indicated that they were pleased to be providing services which will benefit military families.

"Providing one location to store and manage health data can make a significant impact on military families on the

move, for retirees seeking care, and for family health managers left behind as a parent is called to duty," said Peter Neupert, corporate vice president for Microsoft's Health Solutions Group. "We look forward to demonstrating the value of this pilot."

Likewise, Sameer Samat, Director of Product Management for Google Health said, "Google is pleased to be working on the MiCare pilot with the DoD. Helping military service members organize all their personal health information in one secure and central location will ultimately help them better coordinate their care as they move locations."

Plans for deployment of MiCare beyond the initial MAMC pilot location are under consideration and new features including secure provider/patient messaging and a provider portal will be considered for development and addition to subsequent versions.

Ultimately, MiCare will serve as a patient-centric health record, aggregating documentation and information from all sources of healthcare in a location accessible to the beneficiary and under their complete control.

The importance of the MiCare initiative was summed up by Mr. Charles Campbell, the Military Health System's chief information officer.

He said, "MiCare will not only meet the needs of our Service members and beneficiaries and improve the continuity of their care, it also supports the national goal to develop the foundation for secure, health information exchange between patients and providers."

## THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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  - 64 End of quip
  - 66 Guitarist Clapton
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  - 68 Cambodian currency
  - 69 Watered-down
  - 70 All over
  - 71 Swimmer Torres

- DOWN**
- 1 Big name in tools
  - 2 Biography subject
  - 3 Word of woe
  - 4 Readied
  - 5 Maritime cargo
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  - 8 Caustic stuff
  - 9 Fight back
  - 10 Traditional tune
  - 11 New York canal
  - 12 Wolfish look
  - 13 Lots and lots
  - 18 Matisse or Rousseau
  - 22 Dairy animals
  - 24 Perception
  - 26 Desert plants
  - 27 Enlightened one, in Buddhism
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| 55 Gush forth                | 65 Ill. neighbor                   |
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## USO News

The USO no longer sells Universal Studio or Sea World tickets. For free tickets to Sea World, visit [www.heraldsalute.com](http://www.heraldsalute.com). Universal Studios tickets may be purchased at your local base ITT office.

With the holidays quickly approaching the Greater Jacksonville Area USO is working with local organizations to provide to the 115,000 military men and women in the Jacksonville community during the holiday season.

USO volunteers will pack gift baskets with donated food items for the holidays. Because resources and monetary donations are limited, military points of contact will decide who will receive each basket, created to feed families of four. Serving those with a genuine need or hardship is the intent of the gift. The USO continues to accept food and donations; anything not used is stored for families in need throughout the year.

On Dec. 15, USO will hold the Cadillac Invitational Golf Tournament at Hidden Hills Country Club with a shotgun start at noon. Sponsored by Nimnicht Cadillac and hosted by 1010XL's Tom "MAC" McManus, the tournament will allow handicapped teams to compete

for the grand prize of playing in the four-day Cadillac Invitational National Finals in January 2009 at TPC Sawgrass. Non-handicapped players are eligible for other remarkable prizes. This division is open to golfers of all skill levels. All funds raised through this tournament will support the Greater Jacksonville Area USO, which is in much need of operating funds and is calling the Jacksonville Community to action, asking them to support those who serve our country everyday.

For more information regarding any of these events contact John Shockley at 904-778-2821 or [jshockley@usojax.com](mailto:jshockley@usojax.com).

About the Greater Jacksonville Area USO  
The Greater Jacksonville Area USO provides more than \$1 million annually of in-kind services to military men and women and their families through a wide variety of programs. Some of the programs include, but are not limited to, hosting 180,000 visitors each year at three different facilities, distributing almost 10,000 USO Care Packages to deploying service members, operating cyber cafes to keep families in touch, distributing over 12,500 calling cards each year to keep

families in touch, helping with deployment and homecoming engagements, providing discounted tickets to theme parks, movies and sporting events, and providing support groups to families with deployed loved ones. The new Priority Mail Large Flat Rate Box is now 50 percent larger (12 x 12 x 5 1/2) and for the first time in history, the U.S. Postal Service is offering a \$2 discount when sending the new larger box to an APO/FPO address, enabling customers to send more with one flat price of \$10.95. There are two versions of the new box; one branded with "America Supports You" (a Department of Defense-sponsored organization that supports overseas military forces) and includes an APO/FPO address block. Either version of the new Priority Mail Large Flat-Rate Box is eligible for the \$2 discount. The boxes can be ordered at <http://www.usps.com> free of charge.

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](mailto:wendy@usojax.com) for more information. Be sure to indicate Mayport Volunteer in the subject line.

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. A TV, VCR and overhead projector are available for use.

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.

## Do You Know About Titling, Registering Vehicles?

By Lt. Jeffrey Harper  
RLSO Mayport

A recent article on the topic of domicile made a number of recommendations on how to establish residency. One item in that list was to title and register your vehicles in your new state, to demonstrate your intent to permanently remain there. If you are married, you and your spouse have choices about how to title your wheels, choices which have pros and cons that should be considered. Generally, your choices come down to (1) title and register the vehicle jointly, or (2) title and register the vehicle in the servicemember's name alone.

### Titling and Registering the Vehicle Jointly

The title to an automobile defines ownership. The main benefit of titling a vehicle jointly is that if one of the owners of the vehicle dies, the surviving spouse automatically owns

the vehicle. Joint ownership comes with the "right of survivorship." For example: The Umptyfratzes own a Honda Accord which is paid off. The title to the Accord lists Petty Officer Umptyfratz and Mrs. Umptyfratz as joint owners. Petty Officer Umptyfratz is tragically killed in an accident. Because the Accord was titled jointly, with right of survivorship, Mrs. Umptyfratz owns the vehicle without having to go to court to "probate" Petty Officer Umptyfratz's estate.

The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) provides that property cannot be taxed solely because it is in the taxing jurisdiction because of the servicemember's "compliance with military orders." In other words, if Petty Officer Umptyfratz is domiciled in Virginia, but lives in Florida because his orders sent him there, Florida cannot collect per-

sonal property tax on either his Accord or other car. Whether Petty Officer Umptyfratz actually pays property taxes to the state of his domicile (here, Virginia) is irrelevant.

Unfortunately, there is a loophole in the SCRA – because this section of the SCRA does not specifically state it applies to jointly owned property, many states will tax jointly owned property under the theory that they are taxing property that is NOT owned by a servicemember. In other words, if the Umptyfratzes have titled their vehicles jointly, then some states WILL tax the vehicles because Mrs. Umptyfratz, who is not a servicemember, owns the vehicle.

### Titling and Registering the Vehicle in the Servicemember's Name Only

Naturally, titling the vehicles in only the servicemember's name presents the opposite

advantages and disadvantages – Petty Officer Umptyfratz, by titling the family wheels in his name alone, can avoid the loophole in the SCRA. The downside of course, is that if Petty Officer Umptyfratz dies, the car becomes part of his estate – the things he owned when he died. To change ownership, his wife will have to go to court to probate his estate. The new owner will be the individual named in Petty Officer Umptyfratz's will, or if he doesn't have a will, according to the state's default rules. Those rules would likely

give ownership of the cars to Mrs. Umptyfratz.

Neither one of these options is better or worse than the other – it's up to you and your family to determine which is best for you. If you think that loophole should be closed, exercise your right to write, and send your representatives in Washington, DC a letter letting them know that section 511(c) of the SCRA should be amended to specifically apply to jointly owned property.

This article is not intended to substitute for the personal

advice of a licensed attorney. Contact your local legal assistance office at Jacksonville, Florida at (904) 542-2565 ext. 3006; Mayport, Florida at (904) 270-5445 ext. 3017; Kings Bay, Georgia at (912) 573-3959; Charleston, South Carolina at (843) 764-7642/44; Gulfport, Mississippi at (228) 871-2620; Pensacola, Florida at (850) 452-3734; New Orleans, Louisiana at (504) 678-4692; Corpus Christi, Texas at (361) 961-3765; and Fort Worth, Texas at (817) 782-6009.

## Reaching Out

The following are just a sample of volunteer opportunities available through NS Mayport and Volunteer Jacksonville. For more information, call NS Mayport volunteer coordinator CS1 Hopkins at 237-5808 or 270-5373 or Dianne Parker at 542-5380 or you can immediately sign-up online for opportunities using [www.volunteer.gatewayjacksonville.org](http://www.volunteer.gatewayjacksonville.org).

### Jacksonville Zoo

The Jacksonville Zoo is asking for volunteers. Volunteers are needed to educate varied audiences about the natural world, teach conservation messages, beautify the grounds, assist guests in various areas of the park, input data, lend a hand in animal care areas, answer questions, drive trains and enhance guests' experiences. You provide the interest and enthusiasm, and the zoo will provide the training. Scheduling is flexible. Volunteers receive special discounts, free admission, newsletters and special programs only available to employees and volunteers. Take this opportunity to meet others who share your interests in the animal kingdom. New Adult Volunteer Orientations are held at the Pepsico Foundation Education Campus. All interested personnel please CS1 Hopkins or call 270-5373 for more information.

### YMCA of Jacksonville

YMCA of Jacksonville is looking for volunteers for their outreach programs geared towards males. For more information, contact Terra Herzberger at 265-1820.

### Children's Home Society of Florida

Children's Home Society of Florida is getting ready to permanently place seven or eight children in loving homes within the next couple weeks. Seeking children's furniture. Contact Nick Geinosky at 904-493-7738.

### Homeless Pet Shelter

Jacksonville Homeless Pet Shelter seeks volunteers. The new Homeless Pet Shelter is seeking help at a Temporary Clinic on surgery days. Days and hours vary. Contact [dfields@bellsouth.net](mailto:dfields@bellsouth.net).

### St Augustine Amphitheatre Seeks Volunteers

St. Augustine Amphitheatre seeks volunteers to be used as ushers, checking tickets, and pointing out seats. As a volunteer, you get to see the entire

show. For more information, contact Lisa Tomkins at 209-3750.

### Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring

Big Brothers Big Sisters is providing an in-school mentoring program at Mayport Elementary School. Little Brothers and Sisters are needed just as much as Big Brothers and Sisters! If you are interested in this opportunity, please visit our website for more information: [www.usojax.com](http://www.usojax.com)

### Navy-Marine Corp Relief Society Needs You

The Navy Marine Corp Relief Society is in need of Volunteers to give a couple of hours of their time each week to help others in need. The mission of the Navy-Marine Corp Relief Society is to provide emergency financial help and educational assistance to members of the Naval Services - active, retired, and family members - when in need: to assist them achieve financial self-sufficiency and to find solutions to emergent requirements. Navy-Marine Corp Relief Society firmly believes in personal financial responsibility. By helping the service member and family through difficult times and by assisting them to develop their own problem solving capabilities, they will achieve financial stability, increase self-worth and reduce the need for future financial assistance. Without their volunteers, the Society could not meet the needs of so many. If you are interested in volunteering and would like more information, contact Bill Kennedy at 270-5418, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

### Lea's Place

Lea's Place is a volunteer program, on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to help the Department of Children and Families take care of children who have been removed from abusive or neglectful situations or who have been abandoned. Volunteers assist Child Protective Investigators with feeding, bathing and playing with the children. They may also assist in the clothes closet, providing the children with clean clothing. 360-7091.

### I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless

Volunteering at the I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless The I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless serves more than 1,000 well-balanced,

nutritious and delicious meals per day, every day of the year. These meals are prepared and served with the help of more than 100 civic, religious and business organizations from the Jacksonville community. Annually, these Volunteer Meal Groups provide over one hundred thousand dollars in support and more than 13,000 hours of volunteer time. Serving meals at the Center is a fun and feel-good way to give back to the community. For information about volunteering at the I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless call 904.394.1356. Also, see [www.imhomelesscenter.org/volunteers.html](http://www.imhomelesscenter.org/volunteers.html)

### Dignity U Wear

Volunteers are needed to help process clothing in order to fulfill the needs of our clients. Volunteers are needed Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday. They also can help raise awareness of our mission, introducing us and our cause to their friends. Contact a Michelle Charron at (904) 636-9455 for information on volunteering.

### Children's Home Society

Children's Home Society (CHS) has been providing services to children and their families since 1902. Started in Jacksonville, CHS is a state-wide non-profit agency providing services such as foster care, adoption, child abuse prevention, group shelters, and mentoring. CHS's MODEL (Mentors Opening Doors Enriching Lives) Program matches volunteers with children ages 4-18 who have a parent incarcerated in prison. We are seeking volunteers that will commit to a minimum of one hour per week for one year with a child. Volunteers need to be at least 21 years old and complete an interview and background screening. We provide training and ongoing support for all volunteers. Volunteers build a friendship with a child while engaging in community activities such as going to the library, beach, park, or playing sports. For anyone interested in additional information or becoming a mentor, please contact Christine Small at 904-493-7747.

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