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## Antwone Fisher To Speak At NS Mayport

Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Mayport will host screenwriter/speaker and U.S. Navy veteran Antwone Fisher on April 16 in conjunction with Child Abuse Prevention Month activities scheduled in April.

A New York Times Best Seller, Fisher is best-known for the major motion picture based on his life and produced and starring Denzel Washington. He is also an accomplished speaker, who tours the United States to talk about his life in the foster care system, child abuse and overcoming adversity. Lunch tickets are available for purchase at ITT for \$8. The presentation will be held from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Ocean Breeze Conference Center. Tickets must be purchased by April 10.

According to his biography, Fisher was born in prison to a teenaged mother. He became a ward of the state of Ohio and was placed in foster care immediately. He spent two years in a loving foster home, but when it was apparent that the foster mother had become too attached to Antwone, deeming a reunion with his birth mother too difficult for the child, he was placed in a foster home where he would suffer 12 years of abuse at the hands of the foster family.

He survived the cruelties of foster care and the brutalities of homelessness and set on a course of healing after joining the United States Navy where he served his country for 11 years.

At age seventeen, Antwone made the critical decision to join the United States Navy. Graduating as an official recruit of the U.S. Navy, Fisher experienced a purity of feeling he'd never felt before: pride. "My life was beginning," he writes. "Not another chapter in my sad history, but another book, another life entirely, with every possibility of every good fortune ahead of me."

In the course of his 11 years, with the Navy, every ship and every station provided him with essential lessons. He learned how to walk with his head high, literally. He learned to trust others and came to understand that others could rely on him. He also befriended a navy psychiatrist, Commander Williams, who listened to Fisher's story and helped him see that his life had not begun as a foster child.

## Free Hamburgers At NEX Mayport

The main NEX Mayport will host the Char-Broil tour sponsored by Miller Lite, which will be stopping at the NEX parking lot on April 10 from 3-6 p.m. Stop by and enjoy the festivities and look at the latest models of cooking grills and accessories.

# Mayport Dedicates New BEQ

## Building 2105 Now MCPON Del Black Barracks

By MC3 Sean Allen  
Navy Public Affairs Support Element  
East Detachment Southeast

What better way to celebrate the birth of the Navy Chief Petty Officer than to name a barracks after the first Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON). Naval Station Mayport (NS) dedicated their newest barracks in honor of the first MCPON, the late Delbert D. Black, in a ceremony held April 1.

Black enlisted in the Navy in March 14, 1941 and completed a career which spanned thirty years. He assumed the duties of MCPON on Jan. 13, 1967 and held the title four years, retiring on April 1, 1971. Black served as a Gunner's Mate aboard nine warships, including USS Maryland (BB 46) in Pearl Harbor when Japan struck Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Ima Black, Delbert's wife, attended the ceremony and spoke about her husband's career.

"When my husband became the MCPON, I said my husband is the top enlisted man in the Navy, and some 40 years later I still believe that holds true."

Guest Speaker for the event was retired MCPON John Hagen, who held that position from 1992 to 1998.

"Del Black was a true leader, a Pearl Harbor survivor, and battle tested Sailor, who cared deeply for our junior enlisted and wanted to do everything in his power to improve their quality of life," said Hagen. "It is truly fitting that a barracks which will improve our Sailor's quality of life is being named after him."

The new barracks is part of the Navy's Homeport Ashore Program (HPA) which gives junior personnel who are on sea duty, and not eligible to receive housing allowance, the opportunity to live in a barracks when their ship is in port.

"It is all for the motivation of our young Sailors, to show them how successful they can be. MCPON Black is a great example of this, and we are pleased that we could dedicate this building to him," said Capt. Aaron Bowman, Commanding Officer of Naval Station Mayport.

"I wish I could have met him," said NS Mayport CMC Deborah Davidson. "What a presence he commanded through his hands-on approach and his words. When he took office,

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-Photo by Paige Gnann



Above, Chief Petty Officers stand in formation during the dedication of Naval Station Mayport's Barracks 2105 to the first Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Delbert D. Black on a rainy April 1, which is also the birthday of the Navy's Chief Petty Officer. Left, NS Mayport CMC Deborah Davidson presents Ima Black, the widow of MCPON Black, with a collage of their time in the Navy. A exact copy of the collage also hangs in the barracks.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton



-Photo courtesy of USS Stephen W. Groves  
Cmdr. Edward S. Gettins talks to the crew and guest during the April 2 USS Stephen W. Groves (FFG 29) change of command ceremony Gettins relieved Cmdr. Dan A. Starling as commanding officer.

## Gettins Takes Groves Helm

From USS Stephen W. Groves Public Affairs Office

USS Stephen W. Groves (FFG 29) held a change of command ceremony on April 2 at Naval Station Mayport. Cmdr. Dan A. Starling was relieved by Cmdr. Edward S. Gettins.

Capt. Glenn W. Zeiders, Commander of Destroyer Squadron 14, was guest speaker.

Gettins arrives from a

staff tour at the Pentagon's Assessment Division and an individual augmentation deployment to Iraq as a Brigade Electronic Warfare Officer.

Starling will proceed to the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Millington, Tennessee, where he will assume duties as the director for Full-Time Support Enlisted Detailing.

## Taking Step Against Child Abuse



-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Naval Station Mayport Commanding Officer, Capt. Aaron Bowman, kneeling, Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Representatives Helen Williams, left, and Jaye Meyer, second from left, visit the off-base Child Care Development Center to kick of the beginning of National Child Abuse Prevention Month on April 2. Bowman signed a proclamation pledging the base's support in preventing child abuse. In accordance with the month, New Parent Support Program at FFSC will sponsor an English Tea for Expectant Moms on April 29 from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. at the Base Chapel. Registration is required. Please call the FFSC at 270-6600, ext. 1701 to register. Seating is limited and childcare is not available.

# CO Column

Welcome back goes out to the men and women of the USS Underwood, HSL-48 Detachment Two and U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment 101. They came home last week after six months of conducting counter illicit drug traffic deployment to the Eastern Pacific. While deployed, this amazing team seized more than 53,000 pounds of contraband worth an estimated street value of more than \$1.6 billion from drug smugglers.

Welcome is also in order for the crew of the USS Samuel B. Roberts and HSL 60 Detachment Two who arrived just a couple of days after Underwood. They too were on a Counter Narcotic Terrorism deployment. Operating under the tactical control of Joint Inter-Agency Task Force-South, Sammy B traveled the high seas in support of the Department of Defense and U. S. Southern Command's role in the fight



**Capt. Aaron Bowman**  
against drugs. Through Inter-agency cooperation, high-speed pursuits, and plenty of true grit, Sammy B was able to make five separate drug busts, capturing more than 7.9 metric tons of cocaine, with a street value of approximately \$557 million. Again, well done and welcome back to everyone.

My special thanks goes out to our Command Master Chief

Deb Davidson and EVERYONE who had a hand in last week's naming of building 2105 in honor of our first MCPON Delbert Black. The barracks that now bears his name is an excellent example of what MCPON Black was all about. He was a ringleader who fought for quality of life for Sailors and his legacy lives on as we more and more enjoy the benefits of improved quality of life here at the station and in the Navy. He would be proud. Again, thank you to everyone who made this a truly special occasion.

Our sea turtle season begins on May 1 and ends 30 September. There will be a meeting on May 1 at 1900 here in building one to discuss the next nesting season. The meeting is open to anyone that spends time on our beaches and may want to volunteer with this year's season. We have an exceptional environmental program here and our pristine coast

and sea turtles are a big part of that. In fact, the current "All Hands" magazine has a feature in it about our turtles, starring our own Art Burt!

We have kicked-off this year's Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive and the challenge is on. The drive ends April 17 and this year our goal is \$200,000. Last year, Mayport assisted nearly 1,500 clients and provided loans and grants totaling more than \$925,000. Each and every dollar donated will go to help a shipmate or family get through a tough time. Those tough times can range from getting help with car repairs, emergency travel, rent, utility payment or groceries on the table. Please participate in this very worthy program.

Speaking of Navy Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS), the TPC this year is doing some great things for the military. Active Duty and retirees will be allowed in free for all day

for practice rounds Mon-Wed May 4-6th. During the competition rounds, active duty and retirees will be allowed in free after 1500 till completion of the round. Children sixteen and under will be allowed in free with adults. For everyone else, TPC is now selling Prime Time tickets for admission after 1500 for \$25 per day. If those tickets are purchased through the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society website (<http://www.nmcrcs-mayport.org/>), TPC will donate \$22 per ticket to NMCRS. TPC is also having 6 May be Military appreciation day and is recognizing President George Herman Walker Bush with a lifetime achievement Award--Navy Volunteers will line the 18th fairway for the presentation. Please get the word out on purchasing tickets and make sure you thank the TPC for such hospitality and recognition of your service.

Last but not least, I want

to give a belated "Happy Birthday" to all of our Chief Petty Officers. This year marks 116 years that you as a mess have provided the leadership and mentorship that is needed just as much now as it did back then. Your Sailors might not often express it, but they appreciate your sage advice and the expertise you give as they make their own way up the ladder to success. Thank you so much for what you do and happy birthday Chief.

Please keep an eye out while you go through your day and don't hesitate to let me know if you see a better (or safer way) to do business around the base. Your concerns are my concerns, so keep those suggestions rolling in to the CO's suggestion box located at the base galley, or email them to [aaron.bowman@navy.mil](mailto:aaron.bowman@navy.mil).

## Chaplain's Corner

What does Easter mean to you? It can mean many different things to a variety of people. To be sure, like so many other holidays, Easter has taken on a commercial flavor in our culture. The seasonal marketing of the ubiquitous Easter Bunny increases the profit margin for many retail shops. Easter fashions mark the changeover from winter to spring and the all-important Easter-egg hunt brings smiles to the faces of countless children. As Easter ushers in the season of spring it brings a sense of freshness and renewal that inspires many to reaffirm the goodness of life itself.

However Easter, in its very essence, is a spiritual expression born in an historical event so magnificent in its nature that to this day challenges the imagination and faith of numerous people. For to believe in Easter



**Chaplain Joe Molina**  
CDS40 Staff Chaplain

is to believe in life itself. The Easter story and its claim of resurrected life is God's way of saying "I forgive you." If the historical claim of Easter is true, and I believe it is, then it shows me how far God is willing to go to extend his forgiveness and grant me peace of mind about the future. Easter is God's great

and definitive statement that The Almighty has offered us a second chance at life, (of both the temporal and eternal variety).

This reality is beautifully illustrated in the biblical account of the very first Easter. It is a most human story about friendship, betrayal, forgiveness and renewal. Its two principal players are Jesus of Nazareth and Simon Peter, Jesus' most stalwart follower. In Simon Peter we may see a character that we can identify with. He will touch our hearts with his very human and imperfect qualities. Known for his bold, outspoken and courageous nature, Peter possessed great potential for greatness. More than once, he promised never to disown his master and leader. Yet, when the moment of truth came, not only did he disown Jesus once, but he denied him three times.

Wanting to save his own neck, he personally betrayed a most cherished friendship. Finally, realizing the depravity of his act, Simon Peter begins to weep bitterly. They were tears of sorrow and regret overflowing from the deepest crevices of his soul.

I don't know about you, but I can identify with this man. I can identify with this struggle of faith and loyalty to the things of God. But, I too am prepared and open to embrace God's unconditional offer for a second chance. The miracle of the resurrected life is God's way of saying "I'm here for you!" It is God's way of giving us a hand and inviting us to personal renewal and hope.

I must admit that as an ordained minister I have a tendency to expect too much of Easter. After all, it is Easter! My expectation is to see every

single heart captured by the power of God's eternal source of power for living. Yes, I am confident that we can expect a great deal out of Easter. I believe that God wants us!

I guarantee you that we are not expecting too much out of Easter if we ask God to help us overcome all that is hindering our lives. The gospel of the second chance restored a man broken and despairing over his personal act of betrayal. Simon Peter embraced God's offer of forgiveness and restoration and his life was changed. I submit that it is not too much to expect the same miracle for us. Surely, nothing, nothing is impossible with God!!

The gospel of the second chance teaches me that there is no rock so deep that I can't move it (with God's help). That is, I can change for the better. I can start life over. The Easter

story reminds me that there is no dream so lost that I can't get it back. God is the rebuild of broken dreams. While life may have dealt me a bad hand I just need to hang in long enough to experience the restorative power of God's grace. Don't give up! The Easter account informs us that there's no pain so great that we can't endure it. I do not know much about pain but I have had some experiences. In retrospect I have learned that when life is at its worst, God has put an invisible net under me. I have found myself standing when I would rather run. God's unrelenting promise has been to give me what I need in order to get through the experience.

So, this is the day to be renewed and be rebuilt (inside and out) by God's resurrection power. This is the day that the Lord has made. Happy Easter!

## Holy Week At Chapel

**By Chaplain Rita Love**  
NS Mayport Chapel

About 2000 years ago an event occurred in the Middle East that changed the world, and the world would never be the same again. In fact, we date our calendars by this event. Every time we write a date, we are using the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ as the focal point. A.D. and B.C. History was split by this one event.

Holy Week is just as important. We know the events happened to Jesus (e.g., the procession into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday), the Last Supper (Maundy Thursday), His death on the cross (Good Friday), His resurrection (Easter), so why should we continue to observe Holy Week? When we think about the state of our economy, in particular the escalation of violence in our communities and near our borders, we tend to ask the question why? There are many current stories that convey the answer; I believe this story captures the essences of why the observance of Holy Week is important for such a time as these.

On Dec. 14, 1878, Prime Minister, William Gladstone, in announcing the death of Princess Alice to the House of Commons, told this touching story. The little daughter of the Princess was seriously ill with diphtheria. And so the doctors told the princess not to kiss her because by kissing her she would endanger her own life by breathing in the child's breath.

Once when the child was struggling to breathe, the mother, forgetting herself entirely, took the little one into her arms to keep her from choking to death. Rasping and struggling for her life, the child said, "Momma, kiss me!" Without thinking of herself, Princess Alice tenderly kissed her daughter. And as a result she contracted diphtheria herself and died after some days.

Real love forgets self. Real love knows no danger. Real love doesn't count the cost. Jesus gave his followers one very specific instruction on how to demonstrate the Christian faith. It was in the upper room the night before He was crucified. We refer to it as Holy Thursday or Maundy Thursday. The word Maundy is from

the Latin "mandatum" a new command. "A new command Jesus said I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this will all people know that you are my followers, if you love one another" John 13:34-36. In other words-Jesus is not interested in what we achieve or what we do but rather in our motivation to love.

Holy Week is a marvelous opportunity for Christian growth. It offers incredible potential to satisfy spiritual hunger and to remind us to love one another through acts of kindness, forgiveness and understanding. What affects one eventually impacts us all-just turn on the news.

While Christians anticipate the events of Holy Week; the Jews will begin preparing for the Passover which begins April 8 at sundown until April 9. This commemorates the fact when the Jews left Egypt in a hurry, and did not have time to allow their bread to rise. Passover can also be a symbolic way of removing "arrogance and pride" from one's life.

Greek Orthodox observance of Holy Week begins April 12 and ends on April 19. I think one of the main differences between the Eastern Orthodox Easter, and the Western date concerning Easter is; Eastern Orthodox, or Greek Orthodox Christians will never celebrate Easter before the Jewish Passover. Because the Orthodox, believe that Jesus celebrated Easter before the "Pascha" (Easter.) An Orthodox Christian believes Easter will always fall after the Jewish Passover, not before.

For the past 10 years, St John Divine, Greek Orthodox Church has invited Sailors to participate in Holy Week. All Sailors are invited to participate in the events. Sailors are asked to wear their uniform to participate in the burial and resurrection of Jesus. The church is located at 3850 Atlantic Blvd. For additional information call 396-5383. Finally, whether Christian or Jew this time of year is an opportunity for us all to meditate and pray; for ourselves, for our families, our communities, for the economy and our country, as well as, for world peace, to end hunger and war.

Schedule for Holy Week:

- Catholic Sacred Triduum**  
April 9, **Holy Thursday**, 7 p m  
April 10, **Good Friday**, 12 p m and 7 p m.  
April 11, **Holy Saturday**, 8 p m.  
April 12, **Easter Sunrise**, 7 a.m., Ocean Breeze Conference Center Gazebo, breakfast following at the Oasis Galley ; **Sunday Worship Service**, 10:30 a.m.
- Protestant**  
April 9, "**Maundy Thursday**," 5:30 p m  
April 10, **Good Friday**, 5:30 p m  
April 12, **Easter Sunrise Mass**, 7 a.m., Sea Otter Pavilion, breakfast following at the Oasis Galley; **Sunday Mass**, 9 a.m.
- Greek Orthodox**  
April 12, **Palm Sunday**, 10 a.m.  
April 17, **Good Friday**, 7 p.m., April 19, **Easter**, 11:30 a.m.



**Roman Catholic Mass**  
Sunday 9 a.m.  
Monday-Friday 11:30 a.m.  
Confessions: before & after mass or upon request  
CCD: Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Baptisms: class 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month

**Protestant Worship**  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school 9:15 a.m.  
Baptism: For information contact your chaplain

**Women's Bible Study**  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.  
**Protestant choir**  
Wednesday 7 p.m.

**Interdenominational MOPS (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers)**  
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**Marriage**  
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For more information, call 270-5212.

### NWCA Installs Officers



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*The Navy Wives Clubs of America, Mayport Chapter #201 start off their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year by holding a formal ceremony to install five new members and the new Board Officers for 2009. The ceremony took place on February 21st at the Adele Grage Community Center in Atlantic Beach. Officers from left are Vice President/ Treasurer- Diana Bower, President-Geri Bergh, Installing Officer- Eastern Regional President- Kathy Moore, Recording/ Corresponding Secretary- Marie Adams, Chaplain- Ethel Hardesty.*

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# Hue City Sailor Qualifies OOD Underway



By SA Rochelle Cole

USS Hue City

Quartermaster 1st Class (SW) Eric Parrish recently became the first First Class Petty Officer to qualify Underway Officer of the Deck (OOD) in USS Hue City's memory.

After months of preparation and studying, Parrish completed his Officer of the Deck board, expertly fielding questions from the commanding officer, executive officer, and all department heads. The board lasted approximately three hours and included questions relating to every facet of USS Hue City, from the Engineering Plant to Combat Systems. In order to pass the board, the OOD must know about all aspects of the ship and be an expert in seamanship, navigation, and ship-handling.

In addition to passing the Officer of the Deck board, he also recently became board eligible for Chief Petty Officer, which means his record can now be reviewed and sent up for approval.

When asked how he felt about the recent developments in his professional career, he stated, "It is a lot of responsibility, and a heavy load, but at the same

time, it is a great privilege and honor."

He plans on staying in the Navy for as long as he can serve, and doing any job they have for him.



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Quartermaster 1st Class (SW) Eric Parrish recently qualified as Underway Officer of the Deck (OOD) on USS Hue City.



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Yeoman 2nd Class Leshonta Williams speaks about the Grimké Sisters, 19th Century abolitionists and women's rights activists, during USS Hue City's Women's History Month celebration.

## USS Hue City Celebrates Women's History Month

By Ensign Nicholas Watts-Fernandez

USS Hue City PAO

USS Hue City spent the month of March commemorating Women's History.

The theme of this year's observance was Women Taking the Lead in Environmentalism, which featured discussions focusing on renowned environmentalist and author Rachel Carson.

In addition to an Ice Cream Social/Movie Night held during a recent underway, USS Hue City held an all hands celebration on the mess decks.

Lt.j.g. Kaitlyn O'Connor officiated the festivities and introduced the speakers. Yeoman 2nd Class Leshonta Williams spoke about the Grimké Sisters, 19th Century abolitionists and women's rights activists. Information Systems Technicians 1st Class Jermaine Profit discussed Rear Adm. Michelle Howard, the first African-American woman to command a ship and the first female Naval Academy graduate to attain the rank of Admiral.

Sonar Technician Surface 2nd Class Rebecca Love commented on Carrie Chapman Catt, woman suffrage leader and founder of the League of Women Voters. Chief Cryptologic Technician Maintenance Jason Roberts discussed Master Chief Hospital Corpsman Jacqueline DeRosa, and CMC Kevin Blade educated the crew on the effect of Tailhook on the role of women on combatant ships.

The celebration was concluded by Culinary Specialist Seaman Recruit Ryan Ramsey explaining the three periods of Women's History in the Navy demonstrated on the cake he decorated for the observance.

**Suns Start the 2009 Season This Week!**  
**April 9th - 13th vs. Tennessee**  
**April 14th - 18th vs. West Tenn**

**Thur. April 9 at 7:05PM is Opening Night!** The first 3,000 fans receive a special 25th Anniversary Collectible Coin to help celebrate 25 years of Bragan family ownership of the Suns! Sponsored by Coca-Cola, First Coast News 12 & 25 and Country Legends 100.7. Plus it's Military Appreciation Night - get 50% off a regular price ticket with a valid military ID courtesy of Outback Steakhouse!

**Fri. April 10 at 7:05 PM is Magnet Schedule Giveaway!** ALL fans receive a Suns magnet schedule, perfect for your refrigerator! Presented by Process Master, WJXT TV-4 and 96.9 The Eagle. After the game, enjoy NAPA Friday Family Fireworks!

**Sat. April 11 at 7:05 PM is a Schedule Poster Giveaway!** The first 3,000 fans receive a 2009 Suns schedule poster! Sponsored by Coca-Cola, Sysco, Comcast Spotlight, WFXJ 930 The Fox and 97.9 KISS FM.

**Sun. April 12 at 3:05 PM is a Kids' Easter Egg Hunt!** All kids receive an Easter egg! Come early for an egg hunt on the field starting at 2PM! Free kids' tickets at Gate locations while supplies last! Sponsored by Egglad's Best, Dixie Egg, Gate, Comcast, Fox 30 and Lite 96.1. After the game, Kids Run the Bases, courtesy of La-Z-Boy!

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# Underwood, HSL-48 Det 2 Is Back

From USS Underwood Public Affairs  
 USS Underwood (FFG 36) pulled back into homeport at Naval Station Mayport April 4 after a six-month counter illicit trafficking (CIT) deployment to the Eastern Pacific with embarked Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 48 Detachment Two, and U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment (LEDET) 101.

Underwood departed Mayport Oct. 5, 2008, and transited through the Panama Canal en route to the Eastern Pacific. The primary mission throughout the deployment was drug interdiction in the Eastern Pacific, and throughout the deployment Underwood seized and disrupted more than 53,000 pounds of contraband worth an estimated street value of more than \$1.6 billion.

The first three months of deployment resulted in several drug busts for Underwood as well as an extremely successful Theater Security Cooperation (TSC) port visit to Golfito, Costa Rica Nov. 18, 2008. In an attempt to strengthen international relations between the Costa Rican government and the United States, Underwood hosted a reception onboard with the U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica and several Costa Rican military and government officials. The guests took a tour of the ship and attended a frocking ceremony. Following the reception onboard the Costa Rican government held their own reception at a local hotel and invited members of the wardroom and crew.

The port visits also provided Underwood Sailors with



Storekeeper 3rd Class Frank Cetrano of USS Underwood is greeted by fiancée Jeng Reyes and her daughter, Izabella, 6, after reuniting pierside on April 4. Underwood pulled back into homeport after a six-month counter illicit trafficking (CIT) deployment to the Eastern Pacific with embarked Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 48 Detachment Two, and U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment (LEDET) 101.

-Photos by Paige Gnann

liberty and the opportunity to interact with the host nations. Underwood's Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) set up numerous trips during the port visits for the crew to get a chance to experience different aspects of the host nations. These trips included scuba diving, white-water rafting, deep

sea fishing, city tours and shopping, and volcano climbing. Other port visits included Panama City, Panama, Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala, Acapulco, Mexico, and Cartagena, Colombia.

On Dec. 30, 2008, a potential drug interdiction turned into a rescue at sea when Underwood

recovered 43 SOLAS (Survival of Life at Sea) survivors. As Underwood approached the vessel suspected of drug smuggling, Underwood's boarding team discovered many battered passengers whose nationalities ranged from Ecuadorian, Columbian and Chinese (PRC). It was later determined that

these passengers had been adrift for over a week with minimal food and supplies. After it was deemed that the fishing vessel lacked sufficient fuel or food to return to port, Underwood executed its AMIO (Alien Migrant Interdiction Operation) plan, embarking all 43 survivors including 14 females, 28 males,

and a 3 year old girl. Once on board, each survivor was documented and processed before being medically screened. The following morning, through a combination of helicopter operations and small boat transfers, the 43 survivors were transferred over to the USNS Saturn which had been supporting Underwood during her Eastern Pacific CIT deployment.

Several community relations (COMREL) projects were conducted throughout the deployment. In Golfito, Underwood Sailors helped build classroom walls for a local elementary school, painted walls for a local library, and distributed medical supplies to the local retirement home. In Panama, projects included the renovation of Casco Viejo, a poverty and crime-stricken area in Panama, as well as the refurbishment of a Panamanian schoolhouse located in the San Felipe area. Towards the end of deployment Underwood visited a Colombian school in the Ternera neighborhood of Cartagena, where Sailors donated equipment towards the school's recreation department as well as attended a ceremony hosted by the Colombian National Police (CNP).

Underwood Sailors achieved success on all levels, as a unit and individually. During the deployment 48 Sailors earned their Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialists (ESWS) pins.

"I'm very proud of the crew's performance during the deployment. Even though this was the first CIT deployment for many

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Chief Gunner's Mate Chad Clause is surrounded by his family after returning to Naval Station Mayport with USS Underwood.



New dad Yeoman 1st Class (SW/AW) Jeremy Campbell carefully takes 2-week-old Talon from wife, Ebony, to get his first look at his son.



Interior Communications Electrician 3rd Class (SW) Mike Bean is greeted by his fiancée Tina Coley after returning with USS Underwood Saturday.



Boatswain's Mate Seaman Juan Cano is greeted with the first kiss by his wife Laura after returning to NS Mayport on Saturday.



Yeoman 1st Class Mark Leet gets a kiss and hug from his wife Jane and 7-year-old son Braiden.



Information Systems Technician 2nd Class (SW) stands with his wife Jessica and 11-month-old daughter Salena.

# SBR, HSL-60 Det 2 Return To Mayport

From USS Samuel B. Roberts' Public Affairs

Family and friends of Sailors aboard USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG 58) gathered on the pier to welcome the Sammy B back home April 6 from their 2008-2009 Counter Narcotic Terrorism deployment.

Operating under the tactical control of Joint Inter-Agency Task Force-South, Sammy B. traveled in support of the Department of Defense and U. S. Southern Command's role in the fight against drugs. Their assistance came in the form of support in intelligence, detection and monitoring, training, planning, and communications support.

To aid with the counter illicit trafficking mission, the "Smooth Operators" of HSL-60 Detachment 2 from Mayport embarked on Sammy B. Also embarked were three separate U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachments (LEDET) from Miami, Florida; LEDETs 402, 403, and 408.

The first half of Sammy B's deployment began with a transit from Mayport down to Panama, through the Panama Canal, earning the crew the Order of the Ditch citation. Once through the canal, Sammy B immediately began patrolling the Eastern Pacific with great success.

By way of keen lookouts, inter-agency cooperation, high speed pursuits, and the partnering of capable pilots and Sailors, Sammy B. was able to make five separate drug busts, capturing over 7.9 metric tons of cocaine, with a street value of approximately \$557 million.

In the process of patrolling, Sammy B. received word of a vessel in distress, and thanks to some quick reaction time, was able to safely recover four Mexican fishermen whose vessel had swamped. The fishermen were later delivered to USCG authorities for further transport back to Mexico.

During the first two and a half months of deployment in the Pacific, from Oct. 5- Dec. 12, the crew was able to enjoy some well deserved time



-Photos by Paige Gnann

Gas Turbine System Technician Electrical 2nd Class (SW) Jose Diaz of USS Samuel B. Roberts holds his arms out to his children, Fernanda, 4, and Antonio, 2, as his wife, Yuossie watches the pierside reunion. SBR returned to Mayport Monday after returning from a Counter Narcotic Terrorism deployment.

off in the liberty port of Vasco Nunez de Balboa, Panama City on multiple occasions.

In November, one such port visit was abruptly cut short as Sammy B was ordered underway in support of the humanitarian effort from severe

flooding in Panama. The "Smooth Operators" stepped up to the plate and flew multiple surveillance missions to help determine the extent of the damage.

On Nov. 21, at 084° 39.0' West, the pollywogs of Samuel B. Roberts

became honorable shellbacks as they crossed the equator, in an arduous and time-honored ceremony. This was a proud moment for every Sammy B crew member.

As the first half of deployment came to a close, Samuel B. Roberts wel-

comed Cmdr. Chuck L. Sellers as its new commanding officer. Sellers, whose most recent assignment was as a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, quickly became

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Chief Hospital Corpsman (SW/SCW/FME) John Coates gets a kiss from 6-year-old daughter Rowan after greeting her and his other family members, wife Kimberly and 11-year-old son Richard.



Quartermaster 3rd Class Alan Motsinger of USS Samuel B. Roberts holds his family, daughter Allie and wife Natasha.



Friends and family wave and shout to their Sailors aboard USS Samuel B. Roberts as it pulls pierside Monday.



Ensign Christian Seymour gets the first kiss from wife, Laura, after returning to Mayport with USS Samuel B. Roberts on Monday.



Operations Specialist 3rd Class James Worsley gets down on one knee to propose marriage to Ja'Mel Robinson. She said yes.



-Photo by Colleen Scott

From left, CNP Official, Yeoman 1st Class(SW/AW) Jeremy A. Campbell, CNP Official, Information Systems Technician 1st Class(SW/AW) Frank R. Flores, and Navy Counselor 1st Class(SW/AW) Alex Roque deliver sport equipment in support of an underprivileged school in Cartagena, Colombia.

## USS Underwood Sailors Participate In COMREL

By YN1(SW/AW) Jeremy A. Campbell

USS Underwood

On March 27, Underwood Sailors embarked on the final Community Relations (COMREL) project of their 2008-2009 counter illicit trafficking deployment.

Underwood Sailors delivered sports equipment to the Colombian National Police's (CNP) Cartagena office. The CNP sponsors the Colegio Nuestra Senora De Fatima School, which is comprised of over 200 students ages 5 to 17. Located in the Terner neighborhood of Cartagena, the school's primary focus is to provide an alternative to drugs, violence and crime for the students.

"The equipment Underwood provided for the school's sports and recreation department will go a long way for the underprivileged students and will help provide healthy and fun activities for them," said Information Systems Technician 1st Class (Surface Warfare/Aviation Warfare) Flores. "I am humbled and honored to be able to provide to the children and truly applaud the CNP for their efforts in providing alternatives to crime."

This COMREL project marks the culmination of six months of arduous, rewarding, and historic achievements for Underwood. Their presence in the Cartagena community serves to further strengthen the relationship between the United States and neighboring countries. Underwood Sailors have displayed the highest qualities of professionalism and demonstrated the utmost respect towards host nations during the deployment. They have been fine representatives of the Navy and continue to be a shining light in communities abroad; making differences and changing lives.

Underwood, homeported in Mayport, Fla., is currently deployed in Latin America under the operational control of U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (NAVSO) and U.S. 4th Fleet, conducting counter illicit trafficking operations in support of Joint Interagency Task Force-South (JIATF-S), U.S. Law Enforcement and U.S. and participating nations drug control policy.

## SBR Strong Partners In Honduras

From USS Samuel B. Roberts Public Affairs

During a port visit in Honduras, Sailors deployed with USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG 58) conducted several community relations (COMREL) projects March 10-12.

Samuel B. Roberts and embarked helicopter detachment, Helicopter Anti-submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 60, Detachment 2, lent their services to a local elementary school in Coxen Holo, a small island off the coast of Roatan. The volunteers painted four classrooms, installed multiple ceiling fans and assisted with general cleaning and repairs in the elementary school during the two-day project.

One of the participants, Ensign Nicholas Kutchak, Samuel B. Roberts' combat information center officer, felt the community relations project was very successful.

"We are out here on deployment helping to protect America's interest abroad; however, this project allowed us to expand our boundaries and give the children of Honduras a better environment in which to learn and grow," said Kutchak.

The school, Elfreda Brooks Primary School in Coxen Hole, is a community-based public bilingual school with 278 children in grades 1 to 6. The school has expanded in recent years from two to four classrooms thanks to the contributions from local and international groups, including other U.S. Navy ships deployed in the area who have conducted similar projects.

Additionally, Samuel B. Roberts' crew donated to the community Project Handclasp medical items and toys for the children. Medical and first aid supplies were delivered to Clinica Esperanza and Little Friends Foundation. Children's

toys, including bikes, rollerblades and yard games were donated to the Honduran Department of Education for use in local schools such as Elfreda Brooks Primary School.

Samuel B. Roberts also participated in several other events to improve community relations with the people of Honduras. On March 10, a group of 11 Honduran Sailors came aboard the ship to compare and discuss each country's shipboard lifestyle. Members of Samuel B. Roberts' visit, board, search and seizure (VBSS) teams gave demonstrations of their boarding techniques while the repair division had an open house of damage control gear and fire fighting evolutions. The Honduran Sailors even stayed overnight to experience more of the Samuel B. Roberts way of life.

On March 12, the ship opened its brow to many officials of Honduras for a tour of the

ship. The U.S. Ambassador to Honduras, Hugo Llorens; the Deputy of the Honduran Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Estado Cuellar; the Deputy Chief of the Honduran Navy, Capt. Ivis Moreno; Roatan Mayor Dale Jackson and many staff members from the U.S. military group were all guests on board Samuel B. Roberts. While on board, the guests were taught about the ship's history to learn a bit more about the guided-missile frigate.

"It was a pleasure to have these distinguished guests on board to see our fine ship and meet some of her crew," said Cmdr. Chuck L. Sellers, Samuel B. Roberts' commanding officer. "I am very proud of our Sailors and glad that Samuel B. Roberts was able to play a role in building closer relations between the United States and Honduras."

## Underwood Sailors Enjoy Liberty In Cartagena, Columbia

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Sailors from USS Underwood (FFG 36) enjoyed a three-day port visit to Cartagena, Colombia March 26-29 prior to completing a highly successful counter illicit trafficking (CIT) deployment in the Latin America.

Cartagena, the largest and most secure harbor on the north coast of Colombia, is located on the Caribbean coast of Colombia and is the country's main getaway for sea trade. While in port, Sailors participated in a community relations project, Morale Welfare Recreation (MWR) tours, and some well deserved liberty.

Supporting the local community, Sailors volunteered at a low-income school, COLEGIO NUESTRA SEÑORA DE FATIMA, donating much needed sports equipment and supplies. From the Colombian Navy, the wardroom and crew of A.R.C. Antioquia (FM-53) extended their hospitality to Underwood's wardroom by allowing an officer function to be held in their Officer's Club. Lt. Cmdr. Cory Applebee, Underwood's Executive Officer, mentioned, "The gracious hospitality of A.R.C. Antioquia's crew indicated the strong relationship we share with Colombia's Navy."

A city rich with history, Cartagena offered sailors numerous opportunities for sight-seeing and souvenir shopping. There was no shortage of top-dining establishments to choose from, many of which were located in the historical Old City. In the evening, street vendors, musicians, and performers would flood the Old City, selling souvenirs or dancing to traditional Colombian music.

Underwood Sailors had the option of spending a day at the beach, enjoying volleyball, music, and snorkeling thanks to the MWR team's dedicated service. Boatswain's Mate Seaman Juan Cano stated "It was great having time to relax and enjoy the beach." An overall outstanding port visit for Underwood, Cartagena offered the crew a chance to relax and enjoy South American culture one last time prior to making her journey home.

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During a port visit in Roatan, Sailors from the guided-missile frigate USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG 58) pose for a photo after painting the walls of the Elfreda Brooks Primary School in the Coxen Hole area of Roatan.

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# Calendar

## On Base

### Tuesday, April 21

The USS Hue City Family Readiness Group will meet from 6-7 p.m. at Ribault Bay Community Center in off base housing every third Tuesday of the month.

## Out in Town

### Thursday, April 9

Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Penman Road, Neptune Beach, Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held in the Church Sanctuary at 7 p.m. For information contact the office at 249-5370; www.neptunebeach-umc.org

### Friday, April 10

Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Penman Road, Neptune Beach, will hold its Good Friday Service Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m. This service of lessons accompanied by the gradual extinguishing of lights in remembering the events from the Last Supper to Crucifixion. For information contact the office at 249-5370; www.neptunebeach-umc.org

The Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 is hosting a "Grilled Chicken Dinner" 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, April 11

The City of Atlantic Beach Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Fun Day will be held at Jordan

Park. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. with bounce houses, egg hunt for children 12 and under, games, crafts, and refreshments. Be sure to bring a basket and your camera for this fun day at the park. Jordan Park is located off Mayport Rd at 1671 Francis Avenue. For directions or more events visit our website at www.coab.us/parks or call 247-4038 or 247-5828.

Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Penman Road, Neptune Beach, will have fun, food, bounce house and games for kids of all ages at Easter Eggstravaganza. Easter Egg hunt begins at 10 a.m. and the Easter Bunny will visit for pictures with the kids. For information contact the office at 249-5370; www.neptunebeach-umc.org

Palm Valley Baptist Church, 4890 Palm Valley Road in Ponte Vedra Beach, will host an Easter egg hunt from 10 a.m.-noon. All children bring an empty basket. There will be a hot dog lunch following the hunt. Individually wrapped candy and plastic eggs are greatly appreciated. There is a collection box in the fellowship hall.

Join a park ranger at 1 p.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.

### Sunday, April 12

Greek Orthodox Holy Week is April 11-18. St. John the Divine Greek Orthodox Church, 3850 Atlantic Blvd., will hold a Palm Sunday service at 10 a.m. on April 12. Good Friday service will be April 17 at 6:30 p.m. Please wear dress blues or military equivalent (officer/enlisted) as part of the Honor guard for our Lord's burial. Holy Saturday service will be held

at 11 p.m. on April 18. Please wear dress whites or military equivalent (officer/enlisted) as part of the Honor guard for our Lord's resurrection.

Easter Sunrise Service hosted by Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Penman Road, Neptune Beach, will take place at 6:30 a.m. on the beach at the end of Atlantic Boulevard, next to the Ocean One Hotel (formerly Sea Turtle). Pastor Nancy Stiles will offer an uplifting, spiritual service. All in our community are welcomed. All are cordially invited back to our church fellowship hall for a free community Easter breakfast from 7:30 - 9 a.m. Join us at 10:15 a.m. for a traditional Easter Service in our church sanctuary. For information contact the office at 249-5370; www.neptunebeach-umc.org

Easter Service at Isle of Faith United Methodist Church, 1821 San Pablo Rd., will feature the Easter Praise Musical "East to West, From One Scarred Hand to Another." Come experience the Resurrection presented by the 55-member choir. Services are held at 9 and 10:30 a.m. with coffee in the Fellowship Hall between services. Child care is available at both services. For directions go to www.iofunc.org.

### Wednesday, April 15

The Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 290, invites you to participate in its "Wings-N-Things" from 5-8 p.m., at the Branch Home, 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach. Snacks will be available for a donation of \$1.50 to \$5. Watch the Dart League competition; then stay and enjoy the music of Doug Bracey from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

### Friday, April 17

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 290, is hosting a

SOUL FOOD DINNER from 5-8 p.m. at the Branch Home, 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach, FL. A donation of \$8 is requested for each dinner. Carry-out orders are accepted. Happy Hour precedes the dinner from 4-6 p.m.; all bar drinks are 50¢ off. After dinner, enjoy the music of Doug Bracey from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. As always, the public is invited to attend.

### Saturday, April 18

New Friendship Baptist Church is having a Fish Fry, Spaghetti Dinner and Bake Sale from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fish Sandwich is \$4, Fish Dinner and Spaghetti Dinners are \$6 each. Eat in or take out. New Friendship Baptist Church is located at 1996 Mayport Road in Atlantic Beach. For more information, call Kaye at 241-3609.

Bring the whole family for a great dinner and a movie at Christ United Methodist Church, 400 Penman Road, Neptune Beach. Join us for a spaghetti dinner at 5:30 p.m., \$4 for adult, \$3 for children. The movie starts at 7 p.m. and is free. Bring your chairs and blankets to watch the movie. Call the office at 249-5370 for details! www.neptunebeach-umc.org

Drop your ear buds and get ready for your taste buds to be tickled. The New 96.9 The Eagle Wing & Rock Fest is bringing live classic rock tribute bands and tasty chicken wings to the grounds of the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena on. From noon-8 p.m., festival-goers of all ages will enjoy hot wings, cold beer and great music. This free all-day outdoor festival will be held on Duval Street and the grounds surrounding the arena. The entertainment lineup will comprise of four tribute

and cover bands bring classic hits to life. For more details, visit www.wingandrockfest.com, www.jaxevents.com, or www.969theeagle.com.

### Sunday, April 19

Mayport Chapter MOAA is proud to introduce Capt. Gregory Streeter, USN Ret. as the guest speaker at the Amelia Island National Golf and Country Club at 12:30 for a Social Hour and Brunch. Streeter is Commander General (elect) of the Naval Order of the United States, which is the driving force in the creation and dedication of a monument to the USN at Normandy. All Officers and their wives are encouraged to attend by calling 646-0944, or on line, at mpmoa.org for their reservations.

The Northeast Florida A&M Club invites you to join us for an Aggie Muster at 1 p.m. at Millhouse, 1341 Airport Rd., Jacksonville. The deadline is April 7. Cost is \$16.50 per adult, \$3.50 per child 12 & under. Please send checks to Debby Scerno, 11543 Apostle Island Trail, Jacksonville, FL 32256

904-232-2805, dscerno@gmail.com. Muster will be "family friendly." Remember to stay connected by checking out the NEW web tool www.MyAggieNetwork.com It's free for Aggie former students and allows you to post emails, articles and even have a blog. Sign-up and check out what's new for Aggies in NE FL.

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 pavilion one on Little Talbot Island.

### Tuesday, April 21

Duval County Extension Agency, 1010 N McDuff Ave., will hold a Make and Take Rain Barrel Workshop from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come learn water conservation tips and make your own rain barrel to take home. Please mail a check made payable to DCOHAC for \$50 to Rain Barrel Workshop, 1010 N. McDuff Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32254. For questions, please call 387-8850.

### Saturday, April 25

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.

### Thursday, April 30

Duval County Extension Agency, West Branch Library, 1425 Chaffee Road S., will hold a Butterfly Gardening Workshop from 6-8 p.m. Come hear staffers from the Duval Co. Extension Office teach about what plants to plant to attract butterflies and how to maintain them. Please call 387-8850 to pre-register. Class is free.

### Saturday, May 2

Skater registration for the City of Atlantic Beach 4th Annual Bowl Bash is now open for the skate competition at the Oceanside Rotary Skatepark. Skaters, in age-groups and pro, can register at the Department of Recreation and Special Events office located at Bull Park, 7th Street and Ocean Blvd. Skaters will compete for awards and cash prizes. Age groups - eight and under, 9-12, 13-15, and 16 plus - can register for \$20; open pro registration is \$40. Registration after April 24th is \$25 and \$45 per skater. Registration forms are available online at www.coab.us/recreation.

# FFSC Classes, Workshop Schedule Set

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.

April 9, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC

April 10, 9-11 a.m., **Establishing A Sound Family Budget**, FFSC

April 13, 1-3:30 p.m., **Smooth Move**, FFSC

This workshop is designed for inexperienced, as well as experienced military members on permanent change of station (PCS) orders. The Personal Property Shipping Office will provide information on how to deal with movers and personal property entitlements. The travel section of Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) will present a section on travel pay and allowances. FFSC staff will discuss the emotional cycles of relocation, budgeting for a PCS move and provide some strategies for families.

April 13-16, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., **TAP Retiree Workshop**, Building One Room 104

April 14, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC

April 14, 1-4 p.m., **Leadership Life Skills for E7 & Above**, Base Chapel

April 14, 9-11 a.m., **Parenting Class (8 Steps)**, FFSC

The program is based on Dinkmeyer & McKay's

## Learn how to establish a sound family budget from 9-11 a.m. on April 10 at FFSC Building One.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (8 STEPS). The program is designed to assist you and your family put into practice the skills learned in the class. Specific parenting skills that are discussed as well as the challenges that are faced by all families include: understanding yourself and your child, the four goals of misbehavior, beliefs and feelings, encouraging and listening to your child, helping children cooperate, discipline that makes sense, and how to choose your approach. Each week a different topic is thoroughly covered via discussion, video vignettes, and handbook information. Participation in all 8 sessions is required.

April 15, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., **Tottletyme Playgroup**, USO

Parents and children together meet to share parenting concerns, ideas, and fun! The group invites professionals to address specific areas of concern such as nutrition, toilet training, etc. We even take field trips several times a year to local parks, museums and playgrounds. This group is designed for moms new to the area or moms who want their child to interact with other children their child's age. All children age four and below are invited to attend.

April 15, 8-11:30 a.m., **Stress Management**, Wellness Center

April 15, noon-4 p.m., **Leadership Life Skills for E4 & Below**, Base Chapel

April 16, 8-11 a.m., **Anger**

**Management**, FFSC

April 16, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC

April 17, 9-11 a.m., **Credit Report**, FFSC

April 20, 9 a.m.-noon, **What About The Kids?**, FFSC

Children who witness family violence are often forgotten as the unintended victims. A wide range of child adjustment problems has been found to be associated with exposure to domestic violence. Parent's need to see and understand the effects of domestic violence on children as encompassing behavior, emotion, development and socialization. Parents need to understand that there is an intergenerational cycle of violence and they may be creat-

ing a legacy for their child of learned violent behavior. The purpose of this program is not to shame parents for events that have already happen, but to instill hope that things can change. The knowledge that the violence, which many parents incorrectly believe is unseen by their children, is negatively impacting their children's growth and development and may provide an additional motivator for ending the violence and seeking intervention.

April 21, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC

April 22, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., **Tottletyme Playgroup**, USO

Parents and children together meet to share parenting concerns, ideas, and fun! The group invites professionals to address specific areas of concern such as nutrition, toilet training, etc. We even take field trips several times a year to local parks, museums and playgrounds.

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April 22-23, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., **SAVI Refresher Training**, Building 460

April 23, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC

April 24, 9-11 a.m., **Home Buying**, FFSC

April 27, 6-7 p.m., **Ombudsman Assembly**, USO

April 27, 8 a.m.-noon, **FERP-Career & Job Readiness Class**, FFSC

April 27, 1-2:30 p.m., **FERP-Federal Employment Class**, FFSC

April 27-30, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., **TAP Separatee Workshop**, Building One Room 104

April 28, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., **Leadership Life Skills for E5 & E6**, Base Chapel

April 28, 9-11 a.m.,

**Parenting Class (8 Steps)**, FFSC

The program is based on Dinkmeyer & McKay's Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (8 STEPS). The program is designed to assist you and your family put into practice the skills learned in the class. Specific parenting skills that are discussed as well as the challenges that are faced by all families include: understanding yourself and your child, the four goals of misbehavior, beliefs and feelings, encouraging and listening to your child, helping children cooperate, discipline that makes sense, and how to choose your approach. Each week a different topic is thoroughly covered via discussion, video vignettes, and handbook information. Participation in all 8 sessions is required.

April 28, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review Assistance**, FFSC



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## Group Wants Ship Museum

The non-profit ADAMS Class Veterans Association (ACVA) may have found a home in Jacksonville for the soon-to-be Naval Ship Museum of the ex-USS Charles F. Adams.

The Jacksonville Historic Naval Ship Association (JHNSA) has become the ultimate "owner and operator" of the ADAMS Naval Ship Museum.

This museum will be a major tourist attraction, but will also be educational tool for the Duval County Public Schools, ROTC/JROTC and others.

Bert Watson, President of the JHNSA and board member of the ACVA has stated that although financial participation is needed; there is much still required to be completed, but the museum also will require participation from volunteers.

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# USS Halyburton Hosts NATO Admiral

By Ensign Michael Hanna  
USS Halyburton Public Affairs

USS Halyburton, assigned to Standing NATO Maritime Group - 1 (SNMG-1), was privileged to host the Commander of SNMG-1 while two of Halyburton's Sailors were exchanged for a visit of the NRP Corte Real, a Portuguese frigate.

SNMG-1 Commander, Rear Adm. Jose Domingos Pereira da Cunha was transported from the Corte Real by HSL-46 Detachment Two Grand Masters Air Detachment to USS Halyburton.

Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Mike Huck, Executive Officer, Cmdr. Eric Lindfors, and CMDCM Mickey Riley greeted the SNMG-1 commander and his staff upon arrival.

Cunha and his staff were given a tour of the ship followed by a catered lunch prepared by Halyburton's culinary specialists. During lunch the Halyburton Wardroom and SNMG-1 staff discussed mutual mission objectives, shared sea stories, and exchanged casual conversation. Cunha went as



Standard NATO Maritime Group - 1 (SNMG-1) Commander, Rear Adm. Cunha addresses the crew on board USS Halyburton on the flight deck. Halyburton and her crew were described as assets to the mission and thanked for their ongoing contributions.

-Photo by Ensign Michael Hanna

far to explain that his love for the Portuguese football club FC Porto was the inspiration for the

dragon on his commands crest. After lunch, the crew assembled on the flight deck for an

all hands call with the SNMG-1 Commander. Cunha introduced himself, explained the objec-

tives and mission of SNMG-1 while they were conducting their out of area deployment, and how Halyburton fit in as a true force multiplier.

Cunha expressed his appreciation for the hard work Halyburton had already executed and wished Halyburton the best as he set her out on task.

All the while, two of Halyburton's own, Information Systems Technician 1<sup>st</sup> Class John Hunt and Information Systems Technician 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Melvin Scott cross-decked for the afternoon and visited the Corte Real.

Halyburton's Sailors were given a tour of the ship and experienced the differences between the Spanish Navy's way of life and our own while out to sea. Our Sailors were served a delicious Spanish style lunch and then flown back to Halyburton.

Scott expressed, "I was truly grateful for the opportunity to experience something so unique. Even though the everyday workings onboard the Corte Real was different in so many ways, it's a great feeling

to know we're all on the same team."

Halyburton's Department Heads and the Senior SNMG Staff members worked diligently during the visit to further develop a robust plan that maximized all the groups' assets. The result not only fully supported the SNMG-1 out-of-area deployment requirements, but also those of the Commander, FIFTH Fleet.

Lt. Cmdr. Tony Mortimer, Halyburton's Operations officer, stated that, "the visit facilitated an easy solution with all the key parties in the same room and not trying to kluge together an operation via message traffic or email and chat."

Halyburton continues to support Standing NATO Maritime Group (SNMG-1) in the FIFTH Fleet AOR.

## Halyburton Foils Pirates

By Ensign Michael Hanna  
USS Halyburton Public Affairs

USS Halyburton, a Mayport, Florida based frigate, assigned to Standard Nato Maritime Group - 1 (SNMG-1), foiled a piracy attack in the Gulf of Aden while deployed in support of CSF operations.

Halyburton received a late-evening distress call from a civilian yacht, reporting that they were being attacked by pirates. A group of seven pirates, armed with AK-47s and a Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) Launcher fired several shots in an attempt to capture the vessel.

Within minutes of receiving the distress call, one of Halyburton's SH-60B helicopters, piloted by HSL 46 Det 2 Grand Masters Air Detachment, was launched to assess the developing situation while the ship made best speed to arrive on scene. Halyburton's Visit, Board, Search, and Seizure (VBSS) team prepared to board and apprehend the suspect vessel if the need arose.

HMDS Absalon, a Danish warship, supported the mission by also quickly launching one of their helicopters and closing in on the position of the attack.

The prompt action, excellent teamwork, and clear communication by all units in SNMG-1, convinced the group of pirates to give up their attack and flee the scene.



USS Halyburton's Visit, Board, Search, and Seizure (VBSS) team makes its way down to the Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) to situate themselves in better position to conduct operations.

-Photo by Lt.j.g. Mike Price



USS Halyburton (FFG 40) is assisted by tugboats upon arrival for a routine port visit to Souda Bay as the Military Sealift Command fleet replenishment oiler USNS Big Horn (T-AO 198) prepares for departure. Halyburton is and is assigned to Destroyer Squadron 14.

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# Klakring Hosts President of Republic of Georgia

By Ensign Peter Goodman

USS Klakring Public Affairs

USS Klakring (FFG 42) welcomed the President of Georgia, Mikheil Saakashvili, for a recent shipboard April 2 while in port at Batumi, Republic of Georgia.

The visit gave the president, a supporter of the United States, a chance to visit with the crew and discuss the importance of a strong United States - Georgia relationship. Eight side-boys piped the president aboard, where he was greeted by Klakring's Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Scott M. Smith.

Along with the president, the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia, the Honorable John F. Tefft, and his wife Mariella, visited the ship. The president and the ambassador discussed the importance of the ship's visit to Georgia and the growing relationship between the two countries.

"Our relationship with the United States is very important to us," said Saakashvili.

While in Batumi, the ship is hosting visits and participating in theater security cooperation activities - activities which develop both nations' abilities to operate against common threats and create a safer maritime environment.

Klakring, homeported in Mayport, Fla., is currently in the U.S. Sixth Fleet area of responsibility during a regularly scheduled deployment. It is assigned to Commander, Destroyer Squadron 14.



-Photo by Ensign Peter Goodman

President Mikheil Saakashvili arrives aboard USS Klakring (FFG 42) during its port visit to Batumi, Republic of Georgia, April 2. Klakring is in the Black Sea conducting Theater Security Cooperation engagements with regional nations. Klakring, homeported in Mayport, Fla., is currently in the U.S. Sixth Fleet area of responsibility during a regularly scheduled deployment. She is assigned to Commander, Destroyer Squadron Fourteen.

# RGB Enjoys Port Liberty In Italy

By MCSA Whitfield Palmer

USS Robert G. Bradley

Sailors on deployment to Africa with USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG 49) arrived in Civitavecchia, Italy April 1 for a four-day liberty port visit after recently circumnavigating Africa.

"Sailors were free to explore the city on their own and do whatever they chose to do," said Ensign Jeffrey Taves, the ship's Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) officer. "About 95 percent of the crew chose to spend at least part of that time in Rome."

Sailors enjoyed Italy by visiting many historical sites such as the Coliseum and St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. Many took advantage of open-air bus tours that stopped at many of Italy's famous landmarks and allowed them to get on and off at sites as they chose.

"My liberty buddies and I went to the Spanish Steps, the Coliseum, and the Vatican," said Aerographers Mate 3rd Class Jonathan Graham. "It's a beautiful country, and I'd like to come back here because there is so much to see."

Robert G. Bradley has been deployed to the Africa Command area of responsibility since Nov. 21 and has made numerous port visits across the African continent and the Mediterranean Sea in support of Africa Partnership Station (APS) and Theater Security Cooperation (TSC).

After Rome, Robert G. Bradley will continue the remaining two months of the deployment with further TSC engagements and multinational exercises in the Mediterranean Sea before crossing the Atlantic Ocean and returning to Mayport.



-Photo by Ensign Peter F. Goodman

In the hangar bay aboard USS Klakring (FFG 42), here, Damage Controlman 2nd Class (SW) Lanard Legare explains the ship's damage control equipment to Ukrainian Sailors, March 27. Klakring was in Ukraine as part of a six-month deployment to help maintain maritime safety and security in the Black Sea region.

# US Strengthens Ukraine Partnership

By Ensign Peter Goodman

USS Klakring Public Affairs

USS Klakring (FFG 42) completed a scheduled port visit here with a luncheon and reception held on board her flight deck and hosted by the United States Ambassador to Ukraine, the Honorable William Taylor, on March 27.

The visit to the Black Sea port city strengthened the partnership between these two countries and was intended to help maintain regional maritime stability and security, a vital component of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Maritime Strategy.

Beginning with a tour for the ambassador and several senior members of the Ukrainian Navy, the ship hosted a luncheon, award ceremony, and an evening reception where the Ambassador Taylor and Ukraine

Chief of Naval Operations, Vice Admiral Ihor Tenyukh, discussed his country's hopes for expanding the Ukraine Navy.

During the awards ceremony, the ambassador presented Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) pins to Information Systems Technician 1st Class Raymond Doyle and Cryptologic Technician 2nd Class (AW) Richard Howell, and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal to Operations Specialist 3rd Class Timothy Tingle.

For Howell, a Richmond, Virginia native, receiving his pin was the reward for months of hard work.

"It was nice to be recognized, [especially] with the ambassador presenting the awards in front of our divisions," he said. "I am just thrilled."

# Black

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he had to figure it out from scratch. No one was really sure what to make of this position. He was responsible for initiating the Command Master Chief program throughout the Navy to ensure proper enlisted leadership and representation."

Once the barracks is at full capacity, they will house more than 500 Sailors. Occupants will have their own bedroom and share a common area with one other person, which will feature a television, microwave, stove

and refrigerator. "[Black] was quoted as saying 'The Navy is and always will be a part of my family. I never consider myself retired from the Navy, just less active. Anything I can do to help Sailors, it is my privilege to do, and I always will,'" Davidson said. "For the Sailors that live in this barracks, we hope they feel his presence."

Personnel are currently being transitioned from the ships' berthing to the barracks.

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## Underwood

of the Sailors, their performance was nothing short of outstanding," said Command Senior Chief Matthew T. Miesle. "They were highly successful with the drug seizures and humanitarian rescues represented Underwood in a highly professional manner in every port visit; many volunteering their free time to help several countries during multiple community relation projects. These are great Americans serving their country, and should be proud of

their accomplishments over the last six months."

During the deployment, Underwood was under operational control of U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (NAVSO)/U.S. 4<sup>th</sup> Fleet conducting counter-illicit trafficking operations for Joint Interagency Task Force-South in the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) Area of Focus (AOF). Once the ship returned to Mayport, U.S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fleet took over operational control.

NAVSO, the Naval Component Command of SOUTHCOM, directs U.S. Naval Forces operating in the Caribbean, Central and South American regions and interacts 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.

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-Photo by Paige Gnan

Seaman Joshua Hughes of USS Underwood gets a big hug from girlfriend Selina Bowling after the pair reunite pierside.

## SBR

accustomed to Sammy B, and embraced her legacy of "No Higher Honor."

In December, the Sammy B returned to Mayport for a planned maintenance period, which allowed the ship to be outfitted with the necessary tools to ensure a successful second half of its deployment.

On Dec. 27, Sammy B once again began the trek south to interdict drug runners, remaining in the Western Caribbean to conduct its operations.

Throughout the second half of deployment, Sammy B enjoyed port visits in Colon, Panama, Cozumel, Mexico, and Cartagena, Columbia. While in Cartagena, the Sammy B. hosted the Director of the Columbia Naval Academy, Adm. Ordonez onboard for a tour with 12 Columbian Ensigns.

Throughout the second half, Sammy B. worked closely with the Columbian Navy on several occasions which was rewarding and helped to strengthen U.S. relations with Columbia.

Each nation was able to assist the other in the detainment of narcotics, as well as support multiple search and rescue operations.

Samuel B. Roberts' Visit Board Search and Seizure Team directly assisted the LEDET in

boarding two vessels, which was a great opportunity for the VBSS team to assist in countering the drug traffic in the western Caribbean and strengthen their boarding skills.

Additionally, Sammy B hosted U.S. Army aviators from Joint Task Force-Bravo onboard to support the unit in their deck landing qualifications and giving the flight deck crew of Sammy B. the opportunity to hone their skills by diversifying their flight deck evolutions.

Sammy B. continued her work in the Caribbean until it was time to pull into Roatan, Honduras for some well-deserved liberty. While at anchor, Sailors spent two days engaged in a community relations project with Elfreda Brooks Primary PROHECO School in Coxen Hole, Roatan, a community-based public bilingual school for 278 children grades 1-6.

In addition to community service, Sammy B, hosted 12 Sailors from the Honduran Navy aboard for two days of VBSS demonstrations, Damage Control practicals, and the ability to experience what life is like as a Sammy B. Sailor.

The strengthened relationship developed between the Honduran and U.S. Navy cul-

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minated in a friendly soccer game and ceremony, at which time Sammy B, donated many Project Handclasp items to local schools and clinics.

The port visit also included a visit and tour of the ship by the U.S. Ambassador to Honduras, several officials, members of the Honduran Navy, the Mayor of Roatan, and members of the U.S. Military Group in Honduras. Sammy B was truly honored by the visit and proudly showed off the hard work of the crew to keep her in top shape. She beamed with pride as she displayed her rich history and top notch crew.

During the lingering weeks of deployment, Sammy B, ventured north for one last liberty port visit in the Grand Cayman Islands, a welcome reward for six long months at sea. On April 4, 42 Tigers, comprised of crew friends and family members, joined the ship in Port Everglades, Florida for a two day Tiger Cruise that gave Tigers the opportunity to sample the life on board the Sammy B. Six months and one day after departing Naval Station Mayport, the Sailors and Tigers of Samuel B. Roberts manned the rails for an emotional and much anticipated homecoming ceremony.



-Photo by Paige Gnan

Gas Turbine System Mechanical 3rd Class Craig Arsenault kisses his wife Alison on the crowded pier as families and friends of USS Samuel B. Roberts Sailors reunite at the ship's homecoming.



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## Milestones

### Retirement Popola

Master-at-Arms 1st Class (SW/AW) Thomas J. Popola retired from the Fleet in a ceremony held at the Navy Legal Service Office on March 27. In attendance were his wife Patty and daughter Meghan, as well as close family and friends. USS Farragut Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Philip Sobek, presided over the ceremony, while the Master of Ceremonies was Senior Chief Gas Turbine System Technician (SW) Bruce Robbins. Remarks were given by Farragut's Navigation Officer, Lt.j.g. Fitz-Gerald, and

by one of MA1's friends, Mr. Kevin McCaw. Both spoke of MA1's dedication to serving others and of his commitment to his shipmates, friends and family. After the remarks, the traditional ceremony included passing the flag from junior to senior sailors. The Surface Warfare shadowbox was presented by USS Farragut First Class Petty Officers Association President, FC1 (SW) Wall.

MA1 began his career in 1985 in the Florida Army National Guard. He enlisted in the Navy in 1989. Following recruit training in Great Lakes, IL, he went to MS "A" school in San Diego,

CA and served on the USS St. Louis (LKA 116) out of Sasebo, Japan; at Naval Air Facility, Masawa, Japan; and at Naval Training Center Orlando, FL. He then went to MA "A" school and served aboard USS John F. Kennedy, Mayport, FL; Naval Airstation Keflavik, Iceland; Naval Station Police, Mayport, FL; and USS Farragut (DDG 99), Mayport, FL.

Popola intends to stay in the Jacksonville area and become a law enforcement officer with the JSO.

**Rhodes**  
On March 27, 2009, Fleet Readiness Center Southeast

Detachment Mayport, Florida honored Aviation Electrician's Mate 1st Class (AW) Lucretia V. Rhodes as she retired after 20 years of faithful naval service. Rhodes has been with FRCSE Detachment Mayport since June 2007; her positions included Production Control Chief and 600 Division's Leading Petty Officer.

She began her naval career on June 6, 1989 and attended boot camp at Recruit Training Center, Orlando, Florida. In March 1990, Rhodes reported to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico to Composite Squadron Eight. In October 1992, Rhodes

reported to Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia for 10 weeks of instruction on Electrical/Instrument/Automated Flight Control System Organizational Maintenance and connector repair on A-6 aircraft. Upon completion she reported to Attack Squadron 42.

In October 1994, Rhodes checked into Helicopter Squadron One (HS-1). In Nov 1995, Rhodes reported to Framp at NAS Jacksonville and completed 8 weeks of Electrical Organizational Maintenance training for the P-3 aircraft. Upon completion of training she reported to Patrol Squadron

Five, "VP-5 Mad Foxes". In June 2000, Rhodes reported to AIMD Jacksonville, Florida as workcenter supervisor of 62A/E. In June 2003 Rhodes reported to Patrol Squadron Eight, "VP-8 Fighting Tigers" Brunswick, Maine. Rhodes reported to Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Detachment Mayport, Florida in June 2007.

Rhodes plans on residing in Jacksonville with her daughter, Vence Rhodes & her son, Fernando Casanova.

## CWO5 Hicks Retires After 31 Years Of Service

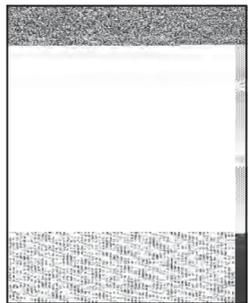
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Chief Warrant Officer Lana Hicks, the Navy's first African American female CWO5 retired April 3 after 31 years of naval service.

Hicks said that during her tenure in the Navy, the biggest change she has seen is the opportunities available for women.

"When I joined in 1978 there were very few non administrative rates open to women," she said. "We were not allowed into ratings that involved combat. There was very limited opportunity for us to go to sea. I started out as a Corpsman and had to change rates because the rating was overmanned with women. In the early 80s, we couldn't go to ships or with the Marines so I had to change rates. That's why I became an Aviation Electrician's Mate. I can remember when the first women went to aircraft carriers and the Navy opened more rates for us. Now women fly in combat; are CO's of fighter squadrons and ships."

Hicks said that she thinks



CWO5 Lana Hicks

Sailors should take advantage of "every opportunity the Navy has to offer," including education.

"Decide early if the Navy is going to be your career," she said. "If you decide to Stay Navy find out what's required to be successful in your field and do it. The Navy is downsizing and keeping only the best people. Advancement is very competitive and it requires extra effort to get promoted. Find a good mentor. Listen to what they say. I've had several

the advice they gave me was key to my success."

Those mentors and the Navy have taught her several life lessons, including discipline, teamwork, goal setting and confidence.

"I've learned that when we work together any task can be accomplished. You can't do it alone," she said.

"Being a mentor and knowing that I may have contributed to the success of Sailors that I've served with [is the most rewarding aspect of being in the Navy]," she said. "What I think is rewarding is being able to help a Sailor get the orders they want, helping good performers get promoted by giving career advice and being the kind of officer that Sailors want to ask for help or advice. What the Navy gave to me, I was able to give back."

Another rewarding aspect of the Navy is the relationships she has developed, she said.

"When you are deployed or stationed overseas the Sailors you work with are like family," Hicks added. "I don't think that

happens in the civilian community. One of the things I'll really miss about the Navy is the camaraderie."

Hicks enlisted in the United States Navy as a Hospital Corpsman in February 1978, she attended Recruit Training Command (RTC), Orlando Fla. After RTC, she attended and graduated with honors from Hospital Corps "A" School. Later that year, she reported to Naval Regional Medical Center, Portsmouth Va. In February 1980 she transferred to Naval Hospital Roosevelt Roads, PR where she qualified as an Emergency Medical Technician and worked in the Emergency Room. She was discharged in March 1982 and reported to MEDCRU 119 as an active reservist in April 1982.

In 1982 she came back on active duty and reported to RTC, Orlando as a NAVET. After attending Aviation Electrician's Mate "A" School in Millington, TN, she was assigned to NAF Diego Garcia, AIMD where she completed a one year tour. In 1985 she was assigned to

TACAMO, (VQ-3) "Ironmen" in Barber's Pt, HI. During this tour of duty she advanced to First Class Petty Officer and obtained several maintenance qualifications.

In 1988 she transferred to NAS Moffett, AIMD where she was a Work Center

Leading Petty Officer, Quality Assurance Representative, Micro-miniature Repair Tech, and earned her designation as an Enlisted Aviation Warfare

Specialist. In 1991 she reported to (VQ-1), World Watchers, where she qualified as Maintenance Control Chief and earned her Safe for Flight designation. She was selected and pinned as a Chief Petty Officer in 1992.

In 1993 she reported for another year tour at NAF Diego Garcia, AIMD which was cut short when she was selected as a Chief Warrant Officer. She reported to AIMD Key West, FL for eight months while she awaited her commissioning date.

In 1995, Hicks commissioned

and after attending Mustang

University, Pensacola, FL she reported to (VQ-2) Rota Spain. While assigned she served as Detachment Maintenance Officer and Avionics and Aircraft

Division Officer and did multiple deployments throughout Europe. In

1998 she reported to USS Tarawa (LHA-1) home ported at Naval Station 32nd St, San Diego.

She reported to HSL-47 in 2001. During the tour she completed a Bachelor's of Arts degree at National University. In 2004, Hicks reported to HS-7 "Dusty Dogs." In 2008 she was assigned to the "Airwaves" of HSL-40, where she served as Assistant Maintenance Officer and Material Control Officer. While assigned she completed a Master of Arts degree and was recognized as HSL-40's Maintenance Officer of the Year.

## DESRON 14 Bids 'Fair Winds' To Capt. Madden

By Bill Austin

PAO

"This is a day 35 years in the making that culminates a career of selfless sacrifice, honor, courage and commitment," said DESRON 14 Commodore Glenn Zeiders, as he spoke to a packed room of family and friends at the retirement ceremony of Captain John L. Madden III on April 3.

Zeiders spoke about his retiring Deputy Commander with words that rang with sincerity and gratitude for a job well done. "I relied daily on his advice, and I can honestly say that the ships in the squadron are in a higher state of readiness thanks to Captain Madden," said Zeiders.

Madden, who hails from Livingston, New Jersey, began his journey to his retirement ceremony with an education from the Naval Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in International Security Affairs and earned his commission in 1979.

After school, he reported to the USS Butte (AE 27) where he served as Combat Information Officer and Second Division Officer in Deck Department.

In 1982, he reported to the USS Jessie L. Brown (FF 1089) as Combat Information Center

Officer where he completed a UNITAS deployment and a West African Training Cruise. He then transferred to Navy Recruiting District, New Jersey and served as Officer Programs Officer until 1986.

Upon completion of Department Head School, he was assigned as Operations Officer on the USS Elmer Montgomery (FF 1082) where he completed a Persian Gulf deployment that included combat action against Iranian Naval Forces.

He transferred to the staff of Destroyer Squadron Eight in 1988 as Operations Officer and Scheduler. He reported to USS Aubrey Fitch (FFG 34) as Executive Officer in 1992 and deployed on an extended counter-drug operation.

Upon completion of his Executive Officer tour he attended the Naval War College and received a Master's degree in Security and Strategic Studies.

In 1994 he was assigned to the U. S. Transportation Command where he served as CINC briefer and Team Chief in the J3/J4 Operations/Logistics Directorate, responsible for planning, coordinating and monitoring global strategic

transportation operations.

Madden reported as Deputy Commander and subsequently Commander, Afloat Training Group, Mayport in 1997. In 2001, he reported to Fleet Training Center, Mayport as Commanding Officer.

In May 2003, he transferred to Commander Naval Surface Group Two as Operations Officer and then as Chief of Staff. In August 2004, he reported to Destroyer Squadron Fourteen as Deputy Commander.

The ceremony, as in other naval ceremonies, was filled with plenty of pomp and circumstance appropriate for a man who attributed his success in the Navy to the Sailors he served with along the way.

"Collectively, everyone in this room and countless others are the reason I am standing here today," said Madden. "I can now leave the Navy knowing it's in good hands."

Before closing his remarks at the podium, Madden looked to his two children Sean and Emily and paid an emotional tribute to his late wife by saying, "Although your mother cannot physically be here today, her presence here is undeniable. She will always be your guardian angel."



-Photo by Bill Austin

Capt. John Madden III, Deputy Commander for DESRON 14, shakes hands with DESRON 14 Commodore Glenn Zeiders during Madden's retirement ceremony on April 3.

"The legacy he leaves behind is his mentorship and tireless dedication to his shipmates," said Chief Staff Officer Cmdr. Pat Pickard. "He will always be a mentor and friend to me and he will be greatly missed and never forgotten here at the squadron."

## Farragut Celebrates Women's History

By Ensign Melanie Stolzenberg

USS Farragut PAO

USS Farragut (DDG 99) held a program to celebrate Women's History Month on March 25 at the Ocean Breeze Conference Center.

This year's Women's History Month theme is "Women Taking the Lead to Save Our Planet."

Chief Culinary Specialist Wendell Heyward, USS Farragut Command Managed Equal Opportunity Officer, invited Katrina E. McCray, the principal of Mayport Middle School, to be guest speaker for this event.

McCray, originally from Monrovia, California, enlisted in the Air Force after high school as an Aircrew Life Support Specialist. This rating allowed her to train aircrew members on land and water survival techniques.

She said her favorite memory of her time in the Air Force was when she participated in "Operation Babylift" during the evacuation from Vietnam, when she helped transport orphaned children from Vietnam and process them for adoption in the United States. She said she enjoyed the feeling of having a direct impact on someone else's life and looked for similar opportunities in her future careers.

After she got out of the Air Force, McCray earned a Bachelor of Science in Electronic Engineering and became employed by Hughes Aircraft Missile Systems Division, where she served as a member of the Space Defense Initiative Star Wars program. She later earned a Master of Science degree in Elementary Education and taught mathematics at Twin Lakes Academy Middle School, where she was selected as Teacher of the Year, and at Fletcher High School.

In 2005 she earned a Master of Education in Education Leadership and became Assistant Principal at Fletcher High School, then went on to become Principal of Mayport Middle School.

In light of women's history, McCray's life and career illustrate many of the challenges women have faced since the early 1970s, which is when women were first allowed to join the Armed Services.

She discussed the difficulties of being both a mother and holding down a career; eventually she made the choice to leave her highly competitive job as an engineer to be a full-time mom. When she became involved with her second career as a teacher, she chose to pursue advanced degrees so that she could take on more leadership roles in the education system. She stressed her

commitment to the students as a keystone for her success as a leader.

McCray believes that she is saving the planet one child at a time, by striving to improve her school and the community her students live in.

Farragut Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Philip Sobek, reminded the crew that he holds a similar philosophy for USS Farragut: that we are all leaders and are all committed to each individual Sailor's success.

McCray's life story and discussion of leadership and values was entertaining and motivational, and the crew of USS Farragut looks forward to strengthening the ties with the local community and Mayport Middle School.

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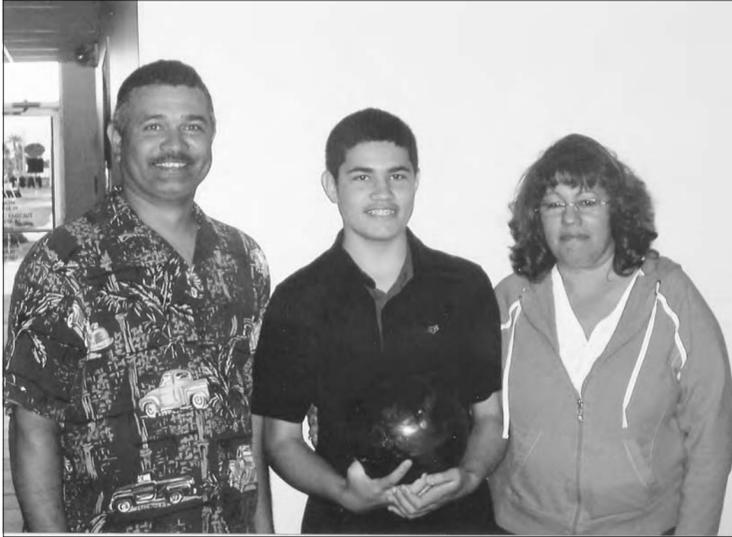
April 9: CPO Weekly Social Hour. Free hors d'oeuvres every Thursday 3-5 p.m. at Foc'sle CPO Club. Drink specials available plus all-you-can-drink soft drinks for only \$1. Weekly social hour is reserved for active and retired Chief Petty Officers and their guests. 270-5432  
 April 10: Deadline for USSSA Military Softball Tournament. Tournament is April 18-19 at Naval Station Mayport. Sign up online at USSSA.com.

All divisions welcome. Cost is \$245 per team. 270-5451  
 April 11: Saturday Cinema – Double Feature. The Pink Panther 2 (PG) at 7 p.m. Taken (PG-13) at 9 p.m. Movies will be shown in the Main Hall at Beachside Community Center on the mega 20-foot screen. Light refreshments available for purchase. 270-7198  
 April 12: Easter Sunday Colored Pin Bowling

Special. 1-8 p.m. at Mayport Bowling Center. \$25 lane rental special includes shoes and two hours of bowling for up to five people. Bowl a strike with a colored head pin and win a free game pass. Bowling must be completed between 1-8 p.m. 270-5377  
 April 12: No Bingo (Easter Sunday). 270-7204  
 April 14: 5K Run and 3K Walk. 8 a.m. start in front of the Gym. Free. 270-5451

April 17 & 18: Live Band, Neurotic Butterfly. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. both days at Castaway's Lounge. Free admission. [www.myspace.com/neuroticbutterflyrocks](http://www.myspace.com/neuroticbutterflyrocks) 270-7205  
 April 18-19: USSSA Military Classic Softball Tournament. 270-5451

## Mayport Stand Out At City Tourney



-Photos courtesy of MWR Above, Daniel Brandt, 14, bowled a perfect 300 game at the 44th Annual City Youth Bowling Tournament held in February at Bowl America Orange Park. This was Mayport's first 300 bowled in the City Tournament. Also shown with Daniel (center) are his parents, Larry and Sophia Brandt. Right, Rico Dodson, 15, took third place in both the boys Singles and All Events categories at the 44th Annual City Youth Bowling Tournament in February.



## 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.  
**April 9: Nacho Day.** Free nacho bar, while supplies last, at Planet Mayport starting at 5 p.m.  
**April 12: Sundae Sunday.**

Build your own sundae at Planet Mayport starting at 1 p.m., while supplies last.  
**April 13: Barracks Break In.** Free pizza and a movie in the lounge of Bldg. 2105 starting at 6 p.m. every Monday.  
**April 14: Texas Hold 'Em.** This free, progressive tournament starts at 6 p.m. every Tuesday in April at Castaway's Lounge (Beachside Community Center).  
**April 15: Four Corners Pool**

**Tournament.** This free, single elimination tournament starts at 6:15 p.m. at Planet Mayport.  
**April 16: Jax Suns Baseball Game.** Van departs Planet Mayport at 6:15 p.m.  
**April 18-19: Universal Orlando (Mardi Gras) Trip.** Hip Hop artist, Nelly, performs live at the park. Cost is \$50 and includes transportation, admission and one night lodging. Pre-registration is required.

## Kid Zone

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**April 11: Teen Easter Party.** 5-9 p.m. at Club Teen for middle and high school ages. 270-5680 or 246-0347

**April 13-17: Career Launch.** Program offered at 5 p.m. all week at Club Teen for teens looking for a job. 270-5680 or 246-0347  
**April 15: Summer Camp Open Registration Begins.** 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Youth Activities Center until all spaces are filled. Camp ages are 6-12 (age 5 if attended Kindergarten in the 08/09 school year). Camp is offered in

weekly sessions, June 8 through August 21. Fees are based on total family income. 270-5680  
**April 17: Freedom Friday.** 7-11 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center for grades K-fifth. Cost is \$7 in advance; \$9 day of (if space). 270-5680  
**April 17: Teen Movie Night.** 7-10 p.m. at Club Teen for middle and high school ages. 270-5680 or 246-0347

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by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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# Families Come Out For 'Eggstravaganza'



From Staff

Hundreds of Mayport families showed up early on Saturday to participate in the base's annual Easter Egg hunt at MWR's 2009 Easter Eggstravaganza (formerly Mayport-Go-Round).

This year's event was held at the Sea Otter Pavilion and kicked off at 10 a.m. with an egg hunt for 0-2 year olds. Egg hunters up to 9 years old made quick escapes with their bounties during the event.

After the egg hunts, families could enjoy free carnival games, prizes and inflatables.

The Easter Bunny was also on hand to take pictures with children, along with Mayport's Sparky the Fire Dog.

-Photo by Stephanie Edwards

An aerial shot shows the egg hunt for children in the ages 5-7 category.



-Photo by Paige Gnann

Children race to pick up Easter eggs strewn along the plaza at Sea Otter Pavilion. The eggs included small prizes and candy.



-Photo by Paige Gnann

Parents help their young ones pick up Easter eggs during the only event that they are allowed to participate, the 0-2 egg hunt.



-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Nadia Ewton, 2, dances with Sparky the Fire Dog during the Eggstravaganza.



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Dylan Brock, age 7, completes his turn in the giant inflatable caterpillar.

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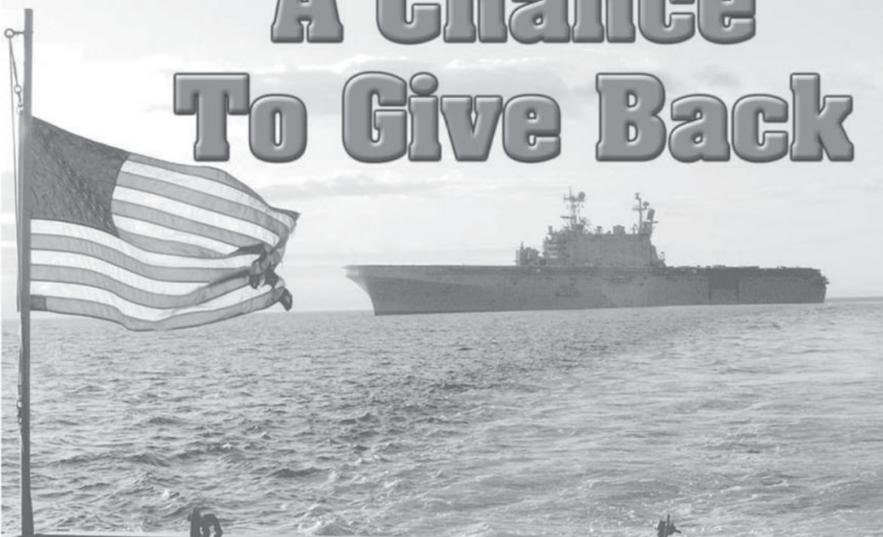
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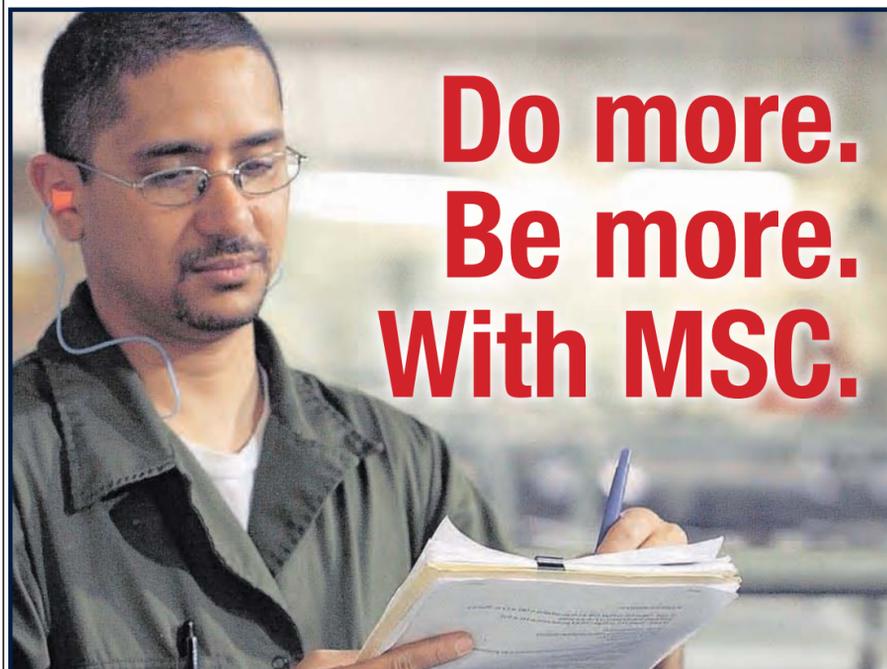


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