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Welcome Back, Boone

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Quartermaster Seaman Jackson Chiesa of USS Boone gives a welcoming kiss to his girlfriend, Chelsey Scott, after reuniting with her pierside during the ship's homecoming. Boone returned July 7 from a six-month deployment with NATO Standing Maritime Group One.

By Lt. j.g. George Naughton
USS Boone Public Affairs

USS Boone returned to Mayport on July 7 after a highly productive six-month deployment with NATO Standing Maritime Group One (SNMG1).

Boone's deployment included two major NATO operations and two major NATO exercises. The deployment covered 13 port visits in four continents, two transits through the Suez Canal and English Channel and four transits through the Strait of Gibraltar.

Upon reaching the Gulf of Aden, Boone undertook the counter-piracy mission of NATO's Operation Ocean Shield. SNGM1 assumed the duties of Combined Task Force 508 with the Danish destroyer HDMS Absalon serving as flagship. CTF 508 worked alongside more than 20 U.S. and foreign warships representing several task forces to patrol the perilous waters off the coast of Somalia. Boone was tasked to patrol along the Internationally Recognized Transit Corridor (IRTC) to deter pirate attacks and to escort vessels vulnerable to pirate attacks. Additionally, Boone educated the maritime community on various preventive measures. On multiple occasions Boone's Visit, Board, Search & Seizure (VBSS) team visited local dhows and skiffs to strengthen rapport and goodwill with local fishermen.

In March, Boone headed north through the Suez Canal with SNMG1 to port visits in Turkey and Italy. In Turkey, Boone hosted senior Turkish military officers and local dignitaries for a NATO reception. In Italy, the crew enjoyed six days of liberty with trips to Rome and Naples.

Boone's next stop was in Germany to prepare for Exercise Brilliant Mariner '10. Brilliant Mariner is a major joint exercise utilized to certify SNMG1 as NATO's Response Force, and this year's exercise involved participants from nine countries.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Justin Marcum proposes to his girlfriend, Alicia Schaff, upon the ship's arrival to Mayport.

The SNMG1 force, consisting of Boone, Absalon, the German frigate FGS Karlsruhe and German replenishment ship FGS Spessart, was tested on its ability to conduct anti-air warfare, anti-submarine warfare, surface warfare, and maritime interdiction operations at sea. After passing the certification with flying colors, Boone enjoyed a week-long port visit in Copenhagen, Denmark. Following the port visit, Boone and the SNMG1 ships transitioned to real world operations.

For three weeks in May, Boone participated in Operation Active Endeavor (OAE). OAE is NATO's longstanding collective self-defense mission to deter and disrupt proliferation of drugs and weapons that support international terrorism. For the third time this deployment, Boone entered the Mediterranean Sea and actively patrolled the coast of North Africa conducting information operations. Boone hailed and queried more than 100 motor vessels to raise awareness of the OAE mission and to gather information about unusual maritime activity in the area. Boone concluded its time in Sixth Fleet with a short port visit to Cadiz, Spain to prepare for the trans-Atlantic crossing to Canada.

Boone spent its final month of deployment in Canada taking part in multiple activities with SNMG1. First, Boone visited St. John's, Newfoundland and hosted another NATO reception as

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HSL-48 Det Helps Rescue Mariners

From U.S. Naval Forces Central Command Public Affairs

The U.S. Navy frigate USS Elrod (FFG 55) and NS Mayport-based HSL-48 Detachment Three rescued 16 Pakistani mariners stranded in a life raft near the wreckage of their fishing vessel 144 miles west of Socotra Island off the Horn of Africa July 5.

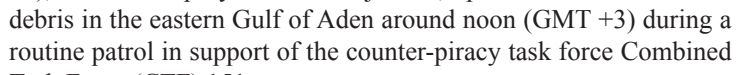
A U.S. Navy P-3C Orion aircraft, from Patrol Squadron 16 (VP 16), forward-deployed out of Djibouti, spotted the life raft near debris in the eastern Gulf of Aden around noon (GMT +3) during a routine patrol in support of the counter-piracy task force Combined Task Force (CTF) 151.

Elrod, the nearest vessel with search and rescue (SAR) capabilities, dispatched an SH-60B Sea Hawk helicopter to conduct SAR operations while the Elrod was en route to the mariners' location. The helicopter crew rescued 12 men by air, and when the frigate neared the life raft, they sent a rigid-hull inflatable boat to pick up the remaining four men.

Once the survivors were aboard Elrod at 5 p.m. (GMT +3), interpreters confirmed that all crew members had been rescued. The medical team aboard Elrod assessed them to be in good health.

The mariners' vessel, the Pakistani-flagged fishing skiff Al An Wari, sank in the Gulf of Aden due to cracks in the hull. The skiff had pulled into port in Yemen June 29 for repairs, returned to sea July 1 and sank July 2. The crew was drifting at sea in a life raft for more than 48 hours before the frigate rescued them.

Elrod transferred the Pakistani nationals to the Pakistani Navy destroyer PNS Babur (D 182) July 6 to be taken home. Babur is in the region conducting counter-piracy operations in support of CTF 151.



-Photo courtesy of USS Carney

USS Carney's "Salty Dogs" has been selected as a finalist in the Scion "Battle of the Builds" contest after being selected for their customization design.

USS Carney Customized

From Scion

USS Carney's "Salty Dog's" concept.

Scion announced that the three finalists for its unique car customization challenge for teams of active duty military personnel includes NS Mayport-based destroyer USS Carney (DDG 64).

The "Battle of the Builds" contest is designed to tap into the creativity, teamwork and can do attitude of today's U.S. Military and challenge them to build a customized Scion xB.

The three team finalists were chosen based on the individualism, originality, inspiration and creativity of their submissions, as well as their passion for automotive tuning and the results of public voting at www.battleofthebuilds.com.

The three finalists are:

Team: The Salty Dogs
Concept: The Squid
Military Branch: United States Navy
Base: Naval Station Mayport, FL
Team Members: 6

Team: Kai Hei Tai
Concept: xB Assault

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Counseling For Deployment Issues

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With so many individuals deployed overseas at this time, the emotional effects are spreading from the immediate family to extended family members and into the school room and the community itself. While a military parent may understand a child's reactions to deployment and have learned to spot these reactions, other family members, teachers, and friends may not. So how can you prepare this larger community to support your child during a spouse's deployment?

You can prepare the child first and foremost by educating yourself, your family, and the teacher on spotting and dealing with potential reactions to the experience. The adults in your child's life can help by letting the child honestly express feelings and concerns. Limiting exposure to media coverage of the war will help the child feel encouraged and safe at a time when the world seems a dangerous place.

While emotional responses vary from child to child, there are some similarities in how children feel when their lives are impacted by war or the threat of war. Some common responses include the following:

fear,
loss of control,
anger,
loss of stability, and
isolation.

If the child is exhibiting these responses and seems to need help beyond what you can provide or the school, there are resources available to the military family to provide help for your child and you.

Counseling services are provided by a number of organizations. **The Fleet and Family Support Centers** (FFSC) offer various programs which range from crisis and information, to stress management and parenting workshops. Each center has professional counselors available for individual and family consultations. It is part of the Fleet and Family Support Center's mission to ensure that Navy families have the support they need to deal with a child's response to deployment. Contact the FFSC at NS Mayport by calling 904-270-6600. **Military OneSource** provides access to face-to-face counseling; short-term solution-focused telephone consultation; and online consultation for Active Duty, Guard, Reserve (regardless of activation status), and their families. Contact Military OneSource 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 1-800-342-9647 or www.militaryonesource.com. The **Military and Family Life Consultant Program** also provides short-term, situational, problem-solving counseling services to Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, and their families. Their **Child and Youth Behavior Program** addresses the military's impact on children, and their services can be provided on or off military installations. Contact Jackie Hardy, the child/youth consultant, at 904-738-3657.

Extra support, consistency, empathy, and patience will help your child to return to his/her more usual behavior patterns. But while you are providing extra help to your child, don't forget to take time for yourself. You, too, are dealing with your own reactions to the situation. The organizations indicated above will also provide assistance to you in dealing with not only your child's reactions but yours too. Caring for yourself is one of the most important – and often the most forgotten – things you can do as a parent who is carrying the load while a spouse is deployed. When your needs are taken care of, your child will benefit as well.

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Don't Let Arrogance Replace Good Deeds

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NS Mayport Chaplain

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Benjamin Franklin was an outstanding observer of human nature. What he could see in others, he was equally capable of identifying in himself.

As a young man he set upon the idea of naming certain personal qualities he thought he should develop and certain passions needing to be controlled. To help in this undertaking, he made a list of those items needing attention. He created a sort of ledger. Across the top of the graph were written the traits he would track, those to be developed or curbed. Down the side were listed days of the week. Into a corresponding box he put a check as each was addressed, tracking his progress throughout a period of time. Indeed, he could track his progress. But what he discovered was that along with curbing certain "sins," and growing other positive qualities he was encouraging an attitude of pride.

The endeavor was having an unintended consequence. The lesson to be learned was that humility is a fragile asset in the garden of personality traits and it can be overwhelmed by personal zeal. A wise person needs to constantly attend it and cultivate it.

In the Gospel, Matthew recounts an encounter between a certain rich young man and Jesus. The conversation begins with a question from the young man.

"Teacher, what good must I do to gain eternal life."

Jesus answered him, "Why do you ask me about the good? There is only One who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments."

"Which ones?" persisted the young man.

When these were listed for him he responded that he has observed them all. It was at this point that Jesus directed the young man's attention away from what he had accomplished through his self-disciple and towards greater things that could be accomplished through him if he could just let go of them. Jesus invited him to be generous and then come follow him.

Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come follow me."

Although important in achieving "perfection," it is not just about self control or curbing passions. If it is just about self control it can in the end lead to an attitude of self satisfaction. And in that create a worse situation, arrogance.

When Jesus invited the young man to let go of his accumulated wealth, it was too much for him. The rich young man went away sad. But I wonder if it was not so much because he had been asked to give up so much wealth, but rather when he realized that he had so much of himself invested in it. It was not just the physical wealth but also that which attends it, self satisfied attitudes, opinions, power, and accolades and so on.

A much older and wiser Benjamin Franklin was a delegate at the constitutional convention when the representatives of the 13 individual states were having difficulty coming to an agreement as to which powers should be retained by the individual states and which should be entrusted to the federal government. It was Franklin who sagely remarked that the participants should forgo some of their infallibility and trust that what they were accomplishing was for the good of all.

What we do for ourselves matters less than what we do for others. Generosity covers a multitude of sins.

Do You Know What The Service Flag Stands For?

By Beth Wilson
Military Spouse Contributor

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I recently moved into a new neighborhood. Part of my normal 'decorating' is hanging a "Service Flag" in my window to honor and support my husband. As I was leaving my home to walk my dogs my new neighbor came over to introduce herself and welcome me to the neighborhood. She pointed to the Service Flag in my window and asked its meaning. I gave her a quick answer but her question gave rise to my own questions. What is the Service Flag…?

The Service Flag, also called "Blue Star Banner" or 'Sons in Service Flag' has a rich heritage. While many may be aware of its popularity during WWII it was actually first hung in WWI by Army Captian Robert L. Queissner of the 5th Ohio Infantry who had two sons serving on the front line. This symbol of support gained immediate support by the public and government officials alike. In September, 1917 an Ohio congressman read into the Congressional record: "The mayor of Cleveland, the Chamber of Commerce and the Governor of Ohio have adopted this service flag. The world should know of those who give so much for liberty; the dearest thing in all the world to a father and mother – their children."

The flag, a white field with a red border, displays stars representing those family members who serve. A gold star with blue edges represents a family member that died during service (not necessarily killed in action). A blue star signifies a family member on active duty. The colors are symbolic in that the blue star represents hop and pride and the Gold Star represents sacrifice to the cause of liberty and freedom.

While blue and gold stars are the only colors specified for use some use silver stars to represent those discharged from service because of wounds or convalescing at home. Recently both the House of Representatives and the Senate have passed the Silver Star Service Banner Day Resolution. Silver Star Families of America (www.silverstarfamilies.org), an organization supporting those wounded, ill or dying members of the Armed Forces, spearheaded this resolution. May 1st is Silver Start Service Banner Day.

Today the Service Flag is an official banner authorized by the Department of Defense. The DoD specifies that family members authorized to display the (indoor) flag include the wife, husband, mother, father, stepfather, parent through adoption, foster parents, loco parentis, children, stepchildren, foster children, siblings including step-siblings of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States and should be displayed in the residence of the immediate family member.

During WWII the display of the Service Flag was widespread. Virtually each home and organization displayed banners to indicate the number of members of the family or organization serving in the Armed Forces. While not popular during the Viet Nam era these flags are again surging in popularity as a sign of support for both the service member and the family supporting them.

Service Flags are available from many sources including your local base exchange. You can receive a free Service Flag from www.mybluestarflag.com/freebluestarflag. These flags are provided to every service member, "to pay tribute to your hard work, dedication and service to our country by Grantham University.

The Service Flag, a rich tradition. Let us fly ours proudly.

Email Beth at beth@homefrontinfocus.com. Check out this Enlisted Spouse Radio at www.blogtalkradio.com/nht.

Gates Reviews Military Spouse Career Program

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates is grappling with the best way to reopen the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program to new applicants, concerned that the program has morphed beyond its original intent and cost estimates, Pentagon Press Secretary Geoff Morrell.

Gates believes the program, commonly known as MyCAA, was designed to provide military spouses portable career skills that would help them find jobs after making permanent change-of-station moves, Morrell said.

But in many cases, Morrell said, the MyCAA program has become an avenue for military spouses to pursue four-year degrees and other, longer-term educational opportunities now provided through the new Post-9/11 GI Bill.

"That is not what MyCAA was designed for," the press secretary said.

Enrollment in MyCAA skyrocketed in January, overwhelming the system and causing the program to nearly reach its budget threshold. As a result, the Defense Department temporarily halted new enrollments in February pending a top-to-bottom review.

As the secretary considers the best way to resume the program fully, he is wrestling to determine, "given the sudden groundswell of interest in this program, how do we manage that interest, how do we focus it on what it was meant for [and] how to we handle it from a budgetary perspective?" Morrell said.

Gates must decide: "Do we refine this back to what it was originally intended to be - an opportunity for people to relatively quickly gain a very portable skill that would make them employable wherever they lived, or what it has morphed into -- an opportunity for people to pursue a range of educational opportunities?" Morrell said.

Morrell said he expects a decision relatively soon.

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DASN Environment Tours Region Southeast

By MC2 (SW) Jacob Sippel
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The Honorable Donald Schregardus, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment, recently took time to tour the Navy Region Southeast area to evaluate environmental issues and concerns.

Schregardus is the principal policy advisor on environmental programs, including conservation of natural and cultural resources, compliance with environmental laws and regulations, cleanup of contaminated sites and programs for pollution prevention.

Schregardus toured the Jacksonville tri-base area making stops at NS Mayport, NAS Jacksonville and NSB Kings Bay.

"I understand the critical nature of the activities that are done in this area and there are a number of important environmental issues that have come up down here," said Schregardus. "I've been able to tour and see first-hand these facilities and assess the circumstances."

While touring Mayport, Schregardus visited USS Philippine Sea (CG 58) and talked in-depth about topics such as fueling and spill prevention, marine mammal protection measures, pollution prevention and waste minimization initiatives.

"It was a pleasure to host Mr. Schregardus and to give him a first-hand look at the exceptional environmental programs and capabilities we have in place both on shore and aboard our sea going commands," said Capt. Aaron Bowman, NS Mayport commanding officer.

After touring Mayport, Schregardus made his way to NAS Jacksonville where he stopped by their newest aircraft hangar to speak with members of Patrol Squadron Five (VP-5).

"We discussed the hazardous waste and stowage programs and about how we protect the environment when we perform maintenance on the airplanes," said Lt. Cmdr. Andy Barlow, VP-5 Maintenance Officer. "We're dedicated to protecting the environment, even when we are performing routine work."

Schregardus' last stop on his tour was NSB Kings Bay where he visited various areas including port services where he was given a marine mammal brief and presentation.

Schregardus represents the Department of the Navy on the Department of Defense Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Board and coordinates for the Department of Defense Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act issues of importance to the military services.

-Photo by MC2(SW) Jacob Sippel

USS Philippine Sea (CG 58) Commanding Officer, Capt. Herbert Hadley and the Honorable Donald Schregardus, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment, discuss marine mammal protection measures during a recent tour aboard the guided missile cruiser.

Pres. Obama Announces Return Of The SAVE Award

By Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

President Barack Obama wants federal employees to submit their ideas for eliminating government waste and saving American taxpayers' money as part of the 2010 SAVE Award program.

Obama made the announcement in a video on the White House website July 8.

"If you see a way that the government can do its job better or do the same job for less money, I want to know about it," he said.

The program - its acronym stands for "securing Americans' value and efficiency" - began last year and was an instant success.

"In just three weeks, federal employees submitted more than 38,000 ideas identifying opportunities to save money and improve performance," said Peter Orszag, director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Nancy Fichtner, a fiscal program support clerk at the Colorado Veterans Affairs Hospital in Grand Junction, Colo., received the 2009 SAVE award for her proposal that saved about $2 million. She suggested that the Veterans Affairs Department find a way to reuse medicines that are prescribed by physicians, but not used by patients.

The deadline for submissions is July 22, with the winners being announced in September.

"In a change from last year, we also are asking federal employees to help rate the submissions from their fellow workers," Orszag said. "This new feature will allow employees to apply their insight to the evaluation process, making sure the best ideas make it into the fiscal 2012 budget."

Some of the most innovative ideas for efficiencies and savings come from those federal employees on the front lines, Obama said.

Civil servants interested in submitting their ideas should go to http://SAVEAward.gov.

Carney

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Military Branch: United States Marine Corps

Base: Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center 29 Palms, CA

Team Members: 5

Team: Sapper

Concept: R&R 2011

Military Branch: United States Army

Base: Fort Leonard Wood, MO

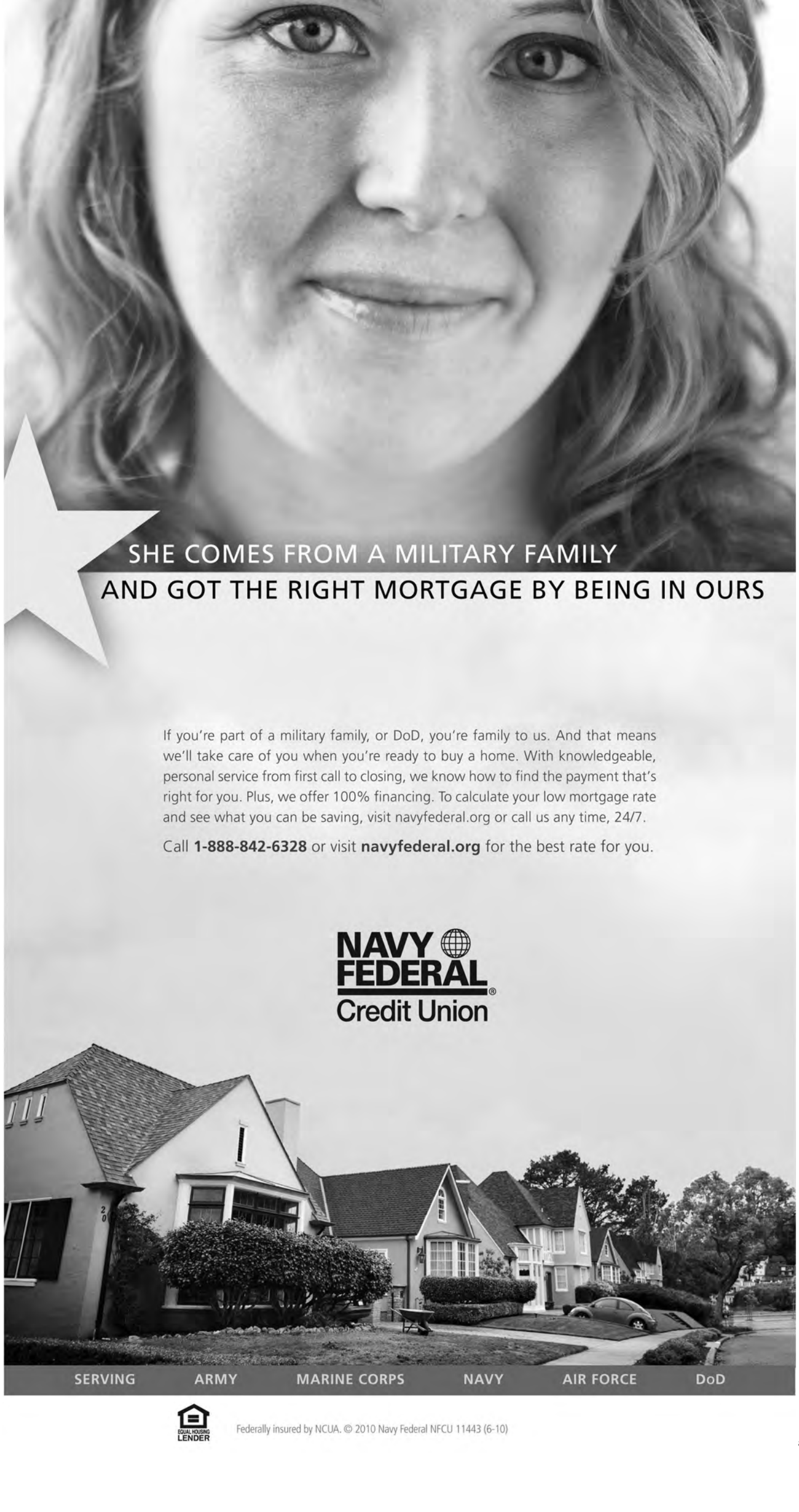
Team Members: 5

The three finalists will receive use of a 2011 xB along with their build budget of $15,000 starting July 14. Teams will have until Oct. 5 to use their creativity, technical and mechanical training, and teamwork to transform their conceptual sketches into reality.

On Oct. 18, one of the xBs will be selected as the Grand Prize winner and announced on www.BattleoftheBuilds.com. The entire Grand Prize winning team will be invited to the 2010 Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) show in Las Vegas to showcase their modified xB in the Scion booth.

Car enthusiasts, team supporters, and other interested parties can visit www.BattleoftheBuilds.com to follow the progress of each xB project as it is being built. The projects can also be viewed by visiting Scion's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/scion.

"Scion knows and appreciates the job our military does every day," says Jack Hollis, vice president of Scion. "Members of our military work as a team and have unmatched technical and mechanical skills. This contest is designed to let our service members showcase these talents in a fun and exciting way. Creating a design competition especially for the military is one of the ways Scion thanks and salutes our country's finest.



Celebrating Freedom With MWR

-Photo by Stephanie Edwards

Three-year-old Joey Shelott doesn't back down against 17-year-old Brice Carmichael in the joust game.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Children stand in line for wet and dry inflatables provided by MWR Mayport.

By Stephanie Edwards

MWR

Authorized patrons of Naval Station Mayport, their families, and guests enjoyed an afternoon of fun and beautiful weather at MWR Mayport's annual Freedom Fest celebration on July 3.

This year's event featured carnival rides such as the four-person tumbler and mechanical bull along with bounce houses, inflatable slides, paintball, and caricature artists. Clowns provided free face painting and balloon sculpting. Live entertainment kicked off with Mayport's own teenage band, Flying Nimbus, followed by local favorites Bite the Bullet and Blistur. Mutliple vendors were on hand selling food and beverages including hamburgers, sausages, pizza, cotton candy, candy apples, ice cream, and other summer favorites. After sunset, a spectacular fireworks show choreographed to music lit up the night sky along Mayport's beaches.

Freedom Fest is one of many special events offered annually by the MWR Department at Naval Station Mayport. Additional funding for Freedom Fest 2010 was provided by event sponsors Kids By The Hour, Navy Federal Credit Union, and USAA. For more information on upcoming events and activities, follow MWR Mayport on Facebook at www.facebook.com/mwrmayport.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Cotton Candy the Clown shows spectators the beginnings of the Spiderman face painting on Tyree Webber, 5.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Eventgoers visit the booths of event sponsors Kids By The Hour, USAA, and Navy Federal Credit Union along with MWR Mayport's Bowling Center.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Shaea Richards, 9, shares her cotton candy with her brother, Cole, 3.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Colin Spaer, 5, gets a caricature as part of the events provided at Freedom Fest.

-Photo by Stephanie Edwards

A group of paintball enthusiasts pose for a picture before entering the paintball combat area. Shown left to right: Chase Butler, 14; Jason Kilgore, 16; Gabriella Miller, 10; Andrew Miller, 14; Morgan Cox, 10; and Amber Seekins.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Children line up to take part in many of the free games provided by MWR.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Isabella Rodriguez, 3, learns to be a cowgirl on an inflatable mechanical bull.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

A group of fearless children test gravity in the four-person tumbler.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

CTNSA Bailey Smith from Corey Station Pensacola shows off an airbrush design created for her by one of the vendors.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Spectators line NS Mayport's one-mile beach in preparation for the night's firework show.

-Photo by Stephanie Edwards

A spectacular fireworks show lights up the beach at Freedom Fest 2010.

-Photo by Stephanie Edwards

A group of children wait to enter the mouth of the Dragon Hide n' Slide inflatable.

-Photo by MC1 Heather Ewton

Volunteers from the USO serve food to hungry eventgoers.

USS Klakring Hosts Foreign Navy Officers

By MC1(SW)
Michael J Scott
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USS Klakring (FFG 42), Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron (HSL) 42 Detachment 10 and embarked Commander, Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 40 welcomed aboard 14 naval officers from Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay June 30 in Callao, Peru.

The sailors toured the ship and ate lunch with Capt. Brian Nickerson, DESRON 40's commodore.

Klakring is on a six-month deployment to South America and the Caribbean as part of Southern Seas 2010 (SS10). SS10 focuses on conducting a variety of exercises and multinational exchanges to enhance interoperability, increase regional stability and build and maintain regional relationships with partner nations. Nickerson said the relationship building is something that the crew and visitors experienced first-hand.

"These sailors represent the countries we've visited as we've made our way around South America and the ones who participated in UNITAS LANT," said Nickerson. "Relationships have already been established, not only between the navies, but personally as well. Brazil will host next year's UNITAS exercises, and I'm sure we'll see some of these same officers there."

The officers embarked the USS New Orleans (LPD 18) in San Diego June 5 as part of operation Southern Amphibious Station and will remain on board through July 20. Their visit to Klakring gave them the opportunity to experience another platform, one a lot closer to the class of ships they're used to in their navies.

"I've enjoyed my visit on the Klakring. It reminds me of the ships in my navy," said Argentina Navy Lt. j.g. Juan Rosato. "It's smaller and older than the New Orleans, but it's a very nice ship."

Rosato said it's important these navies come together and learn from each other. He said opportunities like these help all sailors understand each other more effectively.

"Some things are the same. For example, the Shellback ceremony when you cross the equator is the same tradition for all navies," said Rosato. "However, there a differences. Our Navy uses officers for everything. But I've noticed in the U.S. Navy, chiefs man some positions our officers have. That's the biggest difference I see. But I think we can still work together."

The officers said they have thoroughly enjoyed their time on both the New Orleans and their visit to the Klakring, but they admitted they were a bit surprised at the openness and freedom they've had on both ships.

"I'm amazed at the amount of the things the U.S. Navy has allowed us to do," said Uruguay Lt. j.g. Federico Saravia. "We have gone to every corner of the ship and learned what each department does. From the lowest seaman to the most experienced officer, everyone has answered all of our questions and has been very helpful."

Saravia said he has felt very welcomed and feels a strong sense of unity from each navy.

"We all stand the same watches and go through basically the same routines. When you sit down and talk to people from all the different parts of the world, you discover we're all brothers and sisters because we all chose the same career," said Saravia.

Argentina Lt. Daniel Giudici, who serves as exercise and planning department head for DESRON 40, said he was honored to have such a position. Giudici said the visiting foreign sailors would take back to their navies a wealth of information that will enhance both their careers and lives.

"It is very important for the invited to see that there is a foreign officer working as part of a team, and of course, this helps to shortcut the distance between the different nations that are allied or have a good relationship with United States," said Giudici.

"Those officers will take back to their navies experiences, starting from having seen a female interacting on the unit, all the way up to costumes, behaviors, way of working and basically for some of them, just listening to experiences of other shipmates, to see that you are the same kind of Sailor sharing the same problems and seas."

Lt. j.g. Amelia Abbett, who served as one of the tour guides, said she noticed the foreign officers were very curious about the U.S. Navy and the ship's visit to South America.

"They are really informed about our ships and interested in the jobs we do everyday," said Abbett.

"They wanted to know about our duties and the places we have been and where we're going."

Cmdr. Scott M. Smith, Klakring's commanding officer, said opportunities like these give the officers another venue in which to learn.

"This visit provided an unexpected opportunity to see how U.S. Navy ships interact with one another and the different capabilities that each platform offers. This diversity of platforms, much like the diversity of our Sailors, is one of the strengths of our Navy," said Smith.

-Photo by MC1 Darryl Wood

Lt. Daniel Giudici and Lt. j.g. Amelia Abbett conduct a tour of the guided-missile frigate USS Klakring (FFG 42) to visiting partner nation naval officers during naval exercises off the coast of Peru. Klakring is on a six-month deployment to Latin America and the Caribbean as part of Southern Seas 2010, a U.S. Southern Command-directed operation that provides U.S. and international forces the opportunity to operate in a multinational environment.

DESRON 40, Peru Begin Silent Forces Exercise

By Destroyer Squadron 40 Public Affairs

U.S. Navy forces teamed up with their Peruvian Navy counterparts July 6 to begin Silent Forces Exercise (SIFOREX) 2010, a bilateral anti-submarine warfare (ASW) exercise, in Callao, Peru. The exercise is hosted by the Peruvian submarine force.

SIFOREX, which focuses exclusively on ASW operations, is the longest such exercise in which U.S. units will participate in 2010.

During the exercise, Peruvian naval surface units, including the frigates BAP Bolognesi (FM 57) and BAP Villavicencio (FM 52) will team up with Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 40, USS Klakring (FFG 42), HSL-42 Detachment 10 and Patrol Squadron (VP) 45 to practice ASW against three Peruvian Type 209 diesel submarines, BAP Arica (SS 32), BAP Pisagua (SS 33) and BAP Chipana (SS 34). The units will train in the waters off the coast of Peru until July 11.

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DANTES Modifies VOLED Testing Rules

By Ed Barker
Naval Education and Training Command Public Affairs

In an effort to ensure that service members adequately prepare for college credit examinations, the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) will only provide funding for initial testing for exams taken after May 20, 2010. If a retest is required, it will be at the expense of the service member.

The mission of DANTES is to support the off-duty, voluntary education programs of the Department of Defense (DoD) and conduct special projects and development activities in support of education-related functions of the DoD.

DANTES programs include providing various examinations, such as high school equivalency, college admissions and college credit, and an extensive number of certification and licensing exams. Funding for retesting had previously been provided by DANTES.

Effective immediately, DANTES will only fund a service member's initial examination fee for each College Level Entrance Examination Program (CLEP) exam, DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) and Excelsior College Examinations (ECE). Retests will continue to be funded through DANTES for service members who took a test prior to May 20 and take the retest before Dec. 11, 2010.

"The initial pass rates for military on CLEP, DSST and ECE exams are lower than the statistical average and more than half of those who try the same exam again, don't do much better." said Dr. Carol Berry, DANTES director. "With funded retesting, service members may have taken exams with little or no preparation. With the prospect of having to pay for a retest, we anticipate more studying before the tests, and better scores."

"The new retesting rules will not only save the Navy money, but will save the service members quite a bit of time," said Ann Hunter, voluntary education chief for the Chief of Naval Personnel. If you fail a CLEP, DSST or ECE exam, you have to wait 180 calendar days to retake the exam. Ensuring that you're ready for the test and can qualify for college credits immediately after taking the exam gives a service member a head start on their voluntary education goals."

"Service members need to remember that these exams equate to a final course exam and should be treated as such," added Hunter. "Navy College counselors will be advising Sailors who desire to take a CLEP, DSST, ECE exam to prepare first. Group study and preparation sessions will be particularly helpful before attempting the exams. Free exam study sheets are available at the Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) Web site under the learning tab, or on the DANTES Web site."

"This policy goes hand-in-glove with our latest tuition assistance management control that requires new-accession Sailors to be at their first permanent duty station one year before using Tuition Assistance (TA)," continued Hunter. "Although DANTES-funded exams are not under the same one-year restriction as TA, Sailors can use this time to prepare for the DANTES-funded exams."

Additional guidance on the DANTES retesting policy and specific details on retesting procedures and transcript information can be found in a Naval Administrative message to be released in the near future. For more information about DANTES, visit http://www.dantes.doded.mil.

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July 15: Thursday CPO Social Hour. 3-7 p.m. at Foc'sle CPO Club with thirty-five cent wings, drink specials and all-you-can-drink soft drinks for only $1. Thursday night is reserved for active and retired Chief Petty Officers and their guests. 270-5431

July 16-18: Beach Lifeguards on Duty. MWR Mayport's Beach Lifeguards are currently on duty 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Federal Holidays. 270-5425

July 16: Free Summer Outdoor Movie – The Spy Next Door (PG). Start time is at sunset (approximately 8:45 p.m.) at Sea Otter Pavilion. Bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets and bug spray, just in case. Snacks and beverages available for purchase. 270-7205

July 18: Bowling Family Fun Night. 4-7 p.m. every Sunday at Mayport Bowling Center. Cost is $9 per person and includes spaghetti dinner, All-You-Can Bowl with shoes, music videos, light show and colored headpin bowling for prizes. 270-5377

July 20: All Khaki Wings and Trivia Night. 3-7 p.m. at Foc'sle CPO Club with 35-cent wings, drink specials and all-you-can-drink soft drinks for $1. Trivia begins at 5:30 p.m. All Khakis welcome (Chief Petty Officers, Officers and their guests). 270-5431.

July 23 & 24: Session 4 Swim Lesson Registration. 8-10 a.m. Friday and Saturday at the Base Pool. Session 4 meets Monday through Thursday July 26-Aug. 5; Adult and child lessons available. Cost is $40 per person, per session. For a complete 2010 swim lesson schedule, download the 2010 Aquatics Programs brochure at www.cnic.navy.mil/Mayport/Recreation or pick up a copy at the Base Pool. 270-5425

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July 23 & 24: Live Band – Mike Miller Band. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. both Friday and Saturday at Castaway's Lounge. No cover charge. www.mikemillerband.com 270-7205

July 26: Intramural Flag Football Begins. Sign up your Command team at the Gym. Captain's Cup league. 270-5451

July 28: All Hands Family Steak Night. 4-7 p.m. at Foc'sle CPO Club sponsored by FISC Jax CPOA. Cost is $10 for a steak dinner and/or $3 for a kid's meal (hotdog, chips, and drink).. Pre-purchase tickets from SHCM Brad Watson at 699-5982. Limited tickets available at the door while supplies last. All Hands welcome. 270-5431 or 5432

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July 16: Teen Masquerade Dance. 7-11 p.m. at Club Teen. Open to age 12 through grade 12. Cost is $2 and includes snacks/refreshments. 246-0347 or 270-5680

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July 22: Teen Adventure Landing Water Park Trip. 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. for age 12 through grade 12. Cost is $15 plus money for lunch and drinks. Pre-registration required. 246-0347 or 270-5680

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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.

July 15: Video Contest Deadline for Sign-Ups. Submit your video theme, genre, and name(s) for our month-long home video contest. Grand Prize is an iFlip. (Free)

July 15: Commit To Quit Sign-Up and Check-Up. Stop by and tell us how it's been going and encourage others to fight tobacco. Free pizza starting at 3:30 p.m.

July 16: Beauty Day. Get your nails and hair done and/or a massage at the Heritage Institute... males and females welcome! Stop by or call Planet Mayport for more details. (Free)

July 17: Dave and Busters Trip. Van departs Planet Mayport at 7 p.m. Cost is only $5.

July 19: Learn to Line Dance. 7 p.m. at Planet Mayport hosted by MWR Intern, Kristen. (Free)

July 20: Formula D Game Night/Warhammer 40K. 6 p.m. start at Planet Mayport. (Free)

July 22: Texas Hold 'Em. 6 p.m. start at Planet Mayport. (Free)

July 23: Movie Trip. Van departs from Planet Mayport at 6 p.m. for the movie theatre.

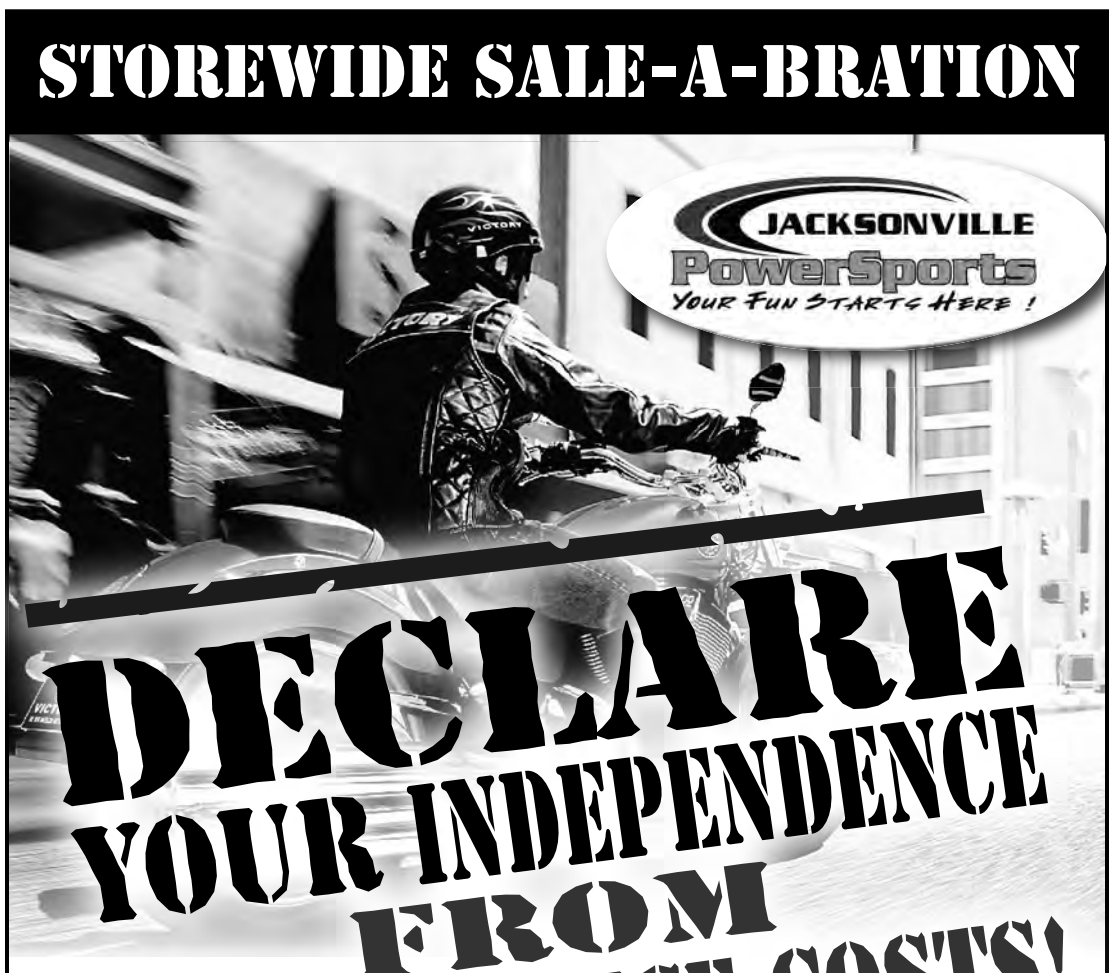
July 23: Video Submissions Due. Turn in your submissions for the video contest at Planet Mayport today.

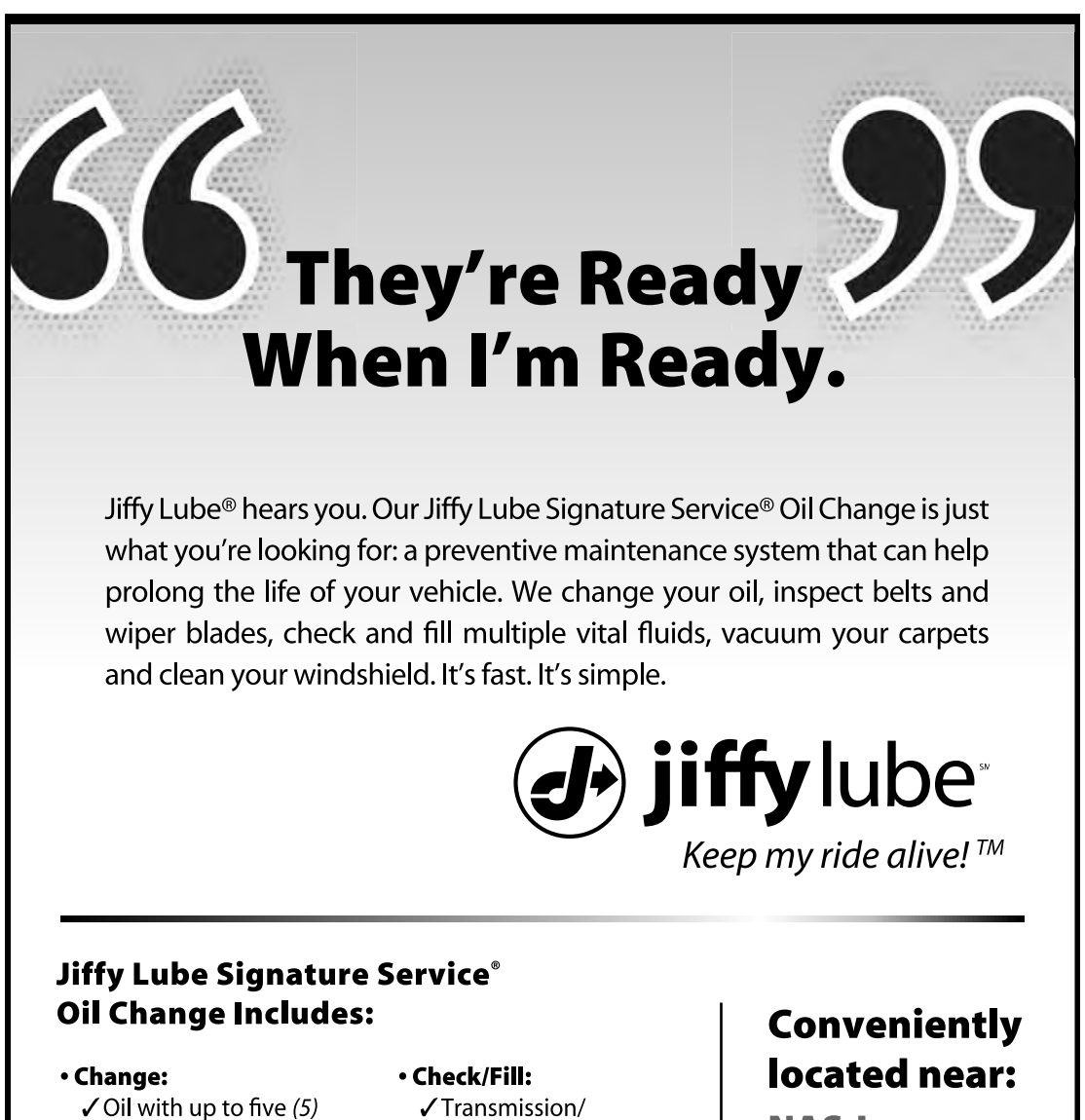
July 24: Skate Trip. Van departs from Planet Mayport at 4 p.m. for an afternoon of skating and arcade games at Skate Station. (Free)

July 25: Animal Shelter Volunteer Day. Van departs from Planet Mayport at 9:30 a.m. Gain service hours and make a difference volunteering.

July 30: Xtreme "Cosmic" Bowling Trip. Van departs from Planet Mayport to Mayport Bowling Center at 7:45 p.m. (Free)

July 31: Paintball Trip. Van departs from Planet Mayport at 9 a.m. Cost is only $5 and includes 500 paintballs, field rental, gear, and transportation.





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Sun. Oct. 3	Indianapolis Colts	4:05pm
Mon. Oct. 18	Tennessee Titans	8:30pm
Sun. Nov. 14	Houston Texans	1:00pm
Sun. Nov. 21	Cleveland Browns	1:00pm
Sun. Dec. 12	Oakland Raiders	1:00pm
Sun. Dec. 26	Washington Redskins	1:00pm

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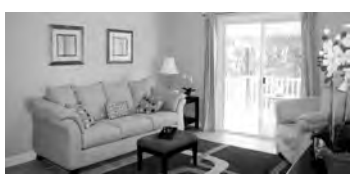

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Rear Adm. Victor Guillory, COMUSNAVSO, shakes hands with Derek Hammerstad after playing a tennis set on the newly restored Mayport tennis courts. The courts got a complete makeover in June and are now open for play. Players are needed for league play for the Men's, Women's A, B & C, Working Women's and Co-Ed Divisions in singles and doubles. Leagues are sanctioned through First Coast Tennis Association (FCTA) and United States Tennis Association (USTA). Leagues are open to Active Duty, Dependents (18 and up), DOD, Retirees and Civilians. Matches are played weekdays and weekends depending on the division. Local travel is also involved for all teams. For more information, contact Rita Hammerstad in the gym at 904-270-5451 or via email Rita.Hammerstad@navy.mil.

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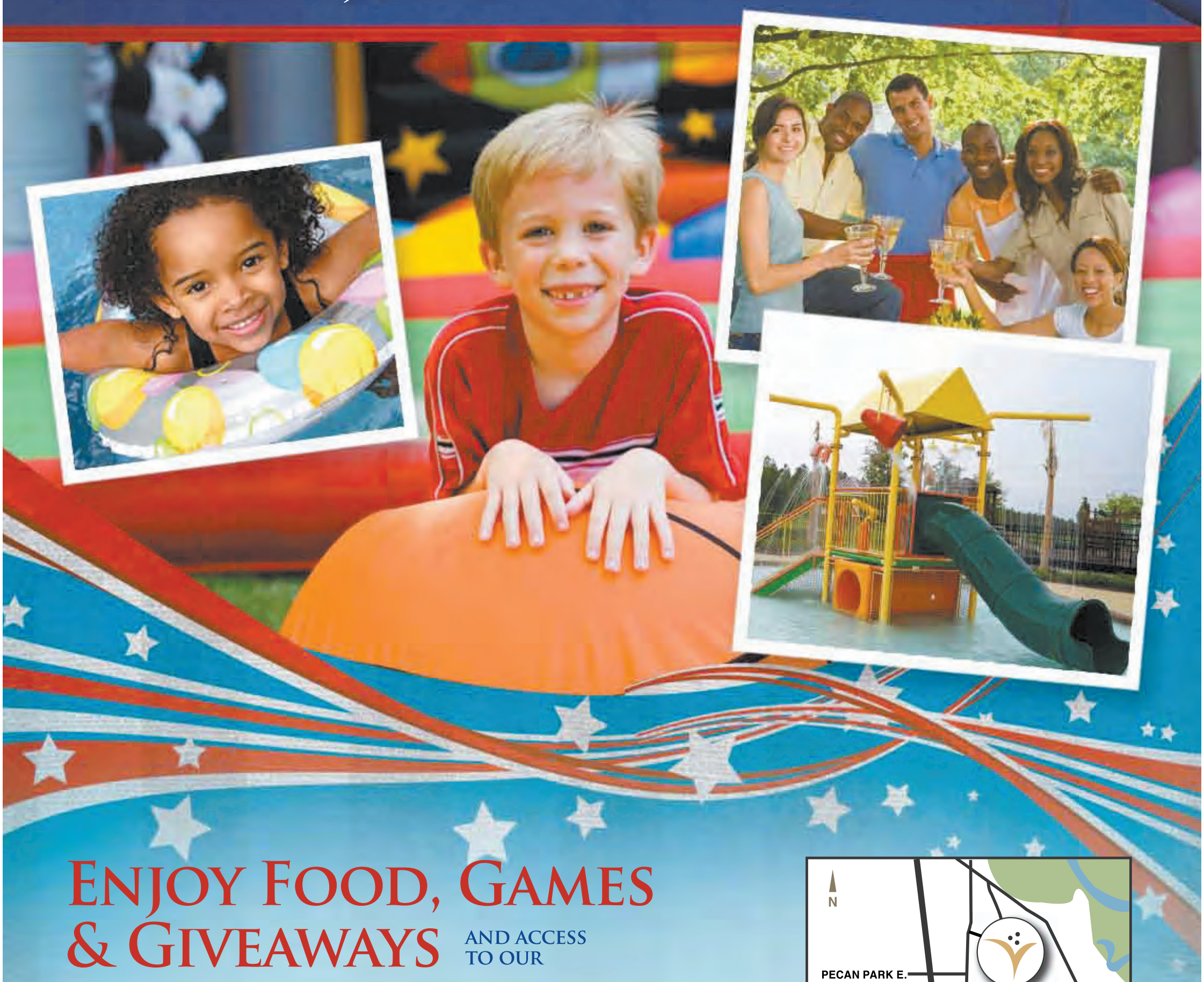

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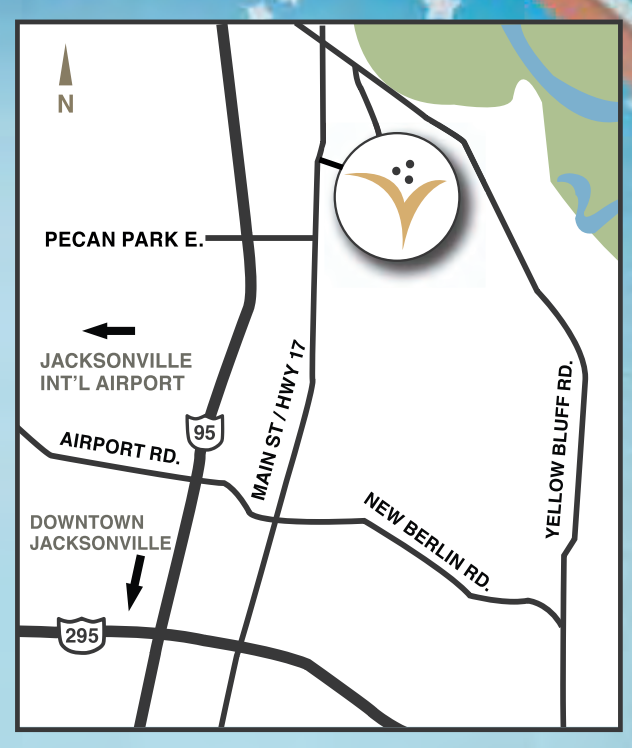

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Friends and family members wait pierside for USS Boone to return to NS Mayport.

Quartermaster 3rd Class Tony Banaszek hugs his young son after reuniting with him during the ship's homecoming.

A Sailor waves to his family after spotting them on the pier during the ship's homecoming on July 7.

Lt.j.g. Dustin Schultz shares a special moment with his wife and daughter after returning to Mayport with USS Boone.

Jaxson de Ville high-fives a young boy as friends and family members wait for USS Boone to return from deployment.

Boone

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well as tours for the general public. After a short transit up the St. Lawrence River, Boone stopped in Quebec City, Quebec for the Rendezvous Naval—Quebec's equivalent of Fleet Week. Boone then moved on to Halifax, Nova Scotia to prepare for the NATO Electronic Warfare Trials and Exercise Halcyon RV.

The NATO Electronic Warfare Trials consisted of three days of intensive missile threat simulation by jet aircraft that forced Boone's electronic warfare team to detect their radar emitters, classify them, and react with the proper countermeasures. The data collected during the event is being sent to NATO warfare experts to develop new baseline tactics for NATO forces in anti-ship missile defense. Exercise Halcyon RV was similar to Brilliant Mariner in that it focused on traditional naval warfare skills, maritime interdiction, and counter-piracy. The week-and-a-half long exercise was capped off with the Canadian Navy Centennial Celebration and International Fleet Review in Halifax.

The Centennial commemorated the 100th birthday of the Canadian Navy and Marines. More than three dozen ships, including fellow Mayport ships USS Gettysburg and USS Robert G. Bradley, descended upon the city for a week of festivities. There was a mini-Olympics between the sailors from the different navies. The U.S. contingent, comprised of a mix of Sailors from each command in attendance, won first place overall after taking the gold in basketball, golf, and wacky Olympics and silver in sailing and soccer. There were also free concerts, fireworks, and a multitude of attractions in the lively city of Halifax. All of the ships moved out to anchorage for the International Fleet Review. Queen Elizabeth II, the Queen of England, reviewed all the fully dressed ships anchored in close formation. It was a unique opportunity for the crew to take part in the naval tradition of pass in review. The Centennial was the capstone of Boone's deployment, and from Halifax the ship turned southbound towards home.

During the course of deployment Boone traveled more than 37,000 nautical miles. The ship consumed more than 1.4 million gallons of fuel and safely executed 27 underway replenishments. Fifty-two Sailors earned their Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) qualification and four Officers completed their Surface Warfare Officer (SWO) qualification.

The deployment was intense and challenging at times, but overall it was rewarding and gave the crew a great sense of accomplishment. Boone ensured safety for merchant mariners in the Gulf of Aden, supported NATO goals in the Mediterranean Sea, and strengthened ties with allies through exercises and ambassadorship.

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RGB Hull Technician Makes It Happen

By Ensign Amy Hueter
USS Robert G. Bradley PAO

On the morning of June 4, USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG-49) got underway from Mayport Naval Base to participate in SEASWITI (South East Anti-Submarine Warfare Integrated Training Initiative) exercise thanks especially to the hard work of a crewmember.

Robert G. Bradley's ability to mask underwater noise and be an effective ASW platform was in doubt at the last minute due to a ruptured seawater cooling line for the ship's bleed air system. The leaking seawater pipe was detected the day before the exercise and threatened to reduce Robert G. Bradley's effectiveness ineffective as a sub-hunting platform.

But the bleed air system was up and running when Robert G. Bradley left her berth on the morning of June 4th thanks to the superb skill and "can do" attitude of Hull Technician 1st Class Eric Bell. Petty Officer Bell is the senior Hull Technician on board and the ship's most qualified welder. He worked through the night brazing the seawater piping on the cooling system. When the morning came, the system was tested satisfactorily and Robert G. Bradley was ready for action.

Appreciation for Bell's efforts extended beyond the lifelines of Robert G. Bradley. Commodore Simon Ancona, Commander, United Kingdom Carrier Strike Group, embarked on HMS Ark Royal, who had brought four ships from the United Kingdom to participate in SEASWITI, recognized Petty Officer Bell for his critical repair and "can-do" attitude during a visit to Robert G. Bradley while underway.

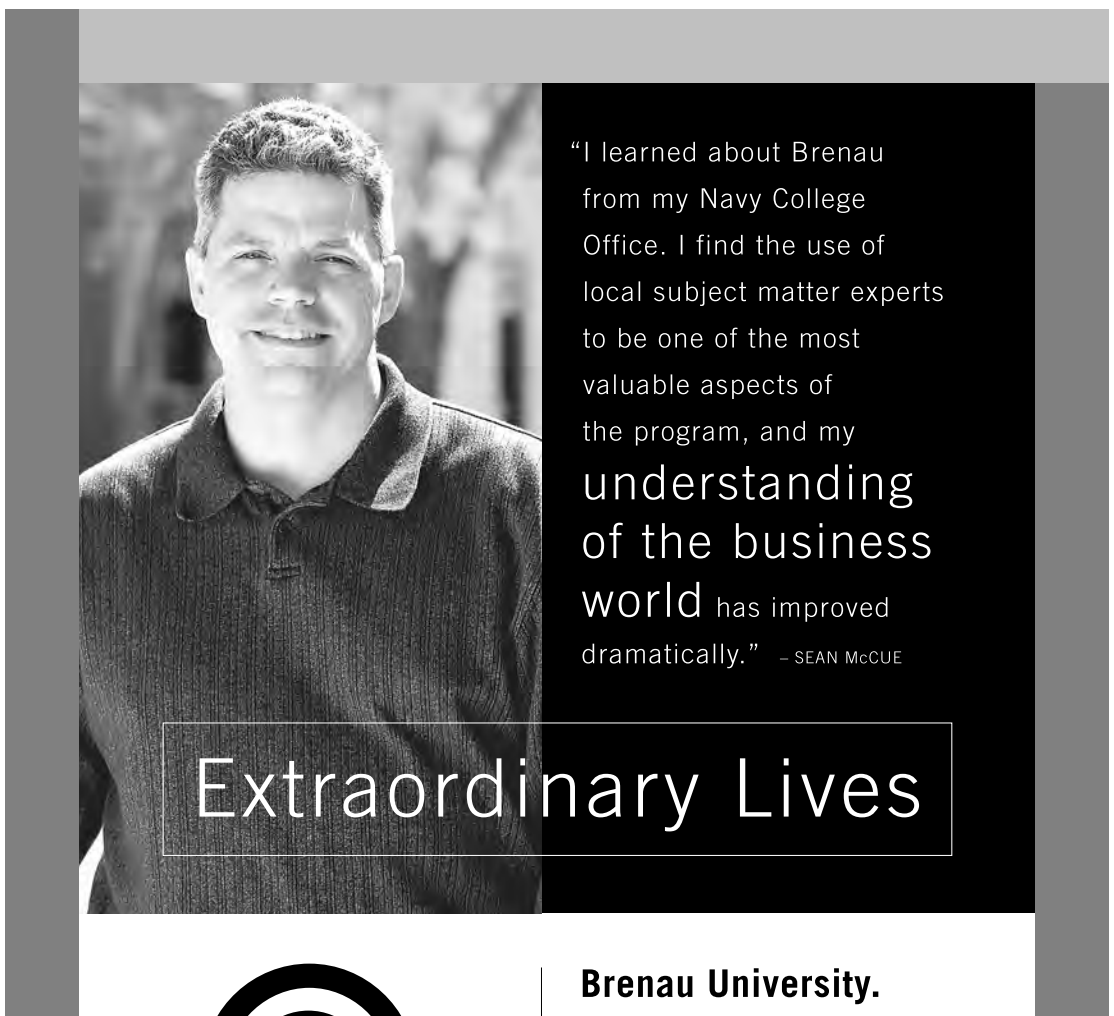
Ancona presented Bell with a personalized picture of the strike group and a Navy Achievement Medal signed by the Commanding Officer for his superb efforts.

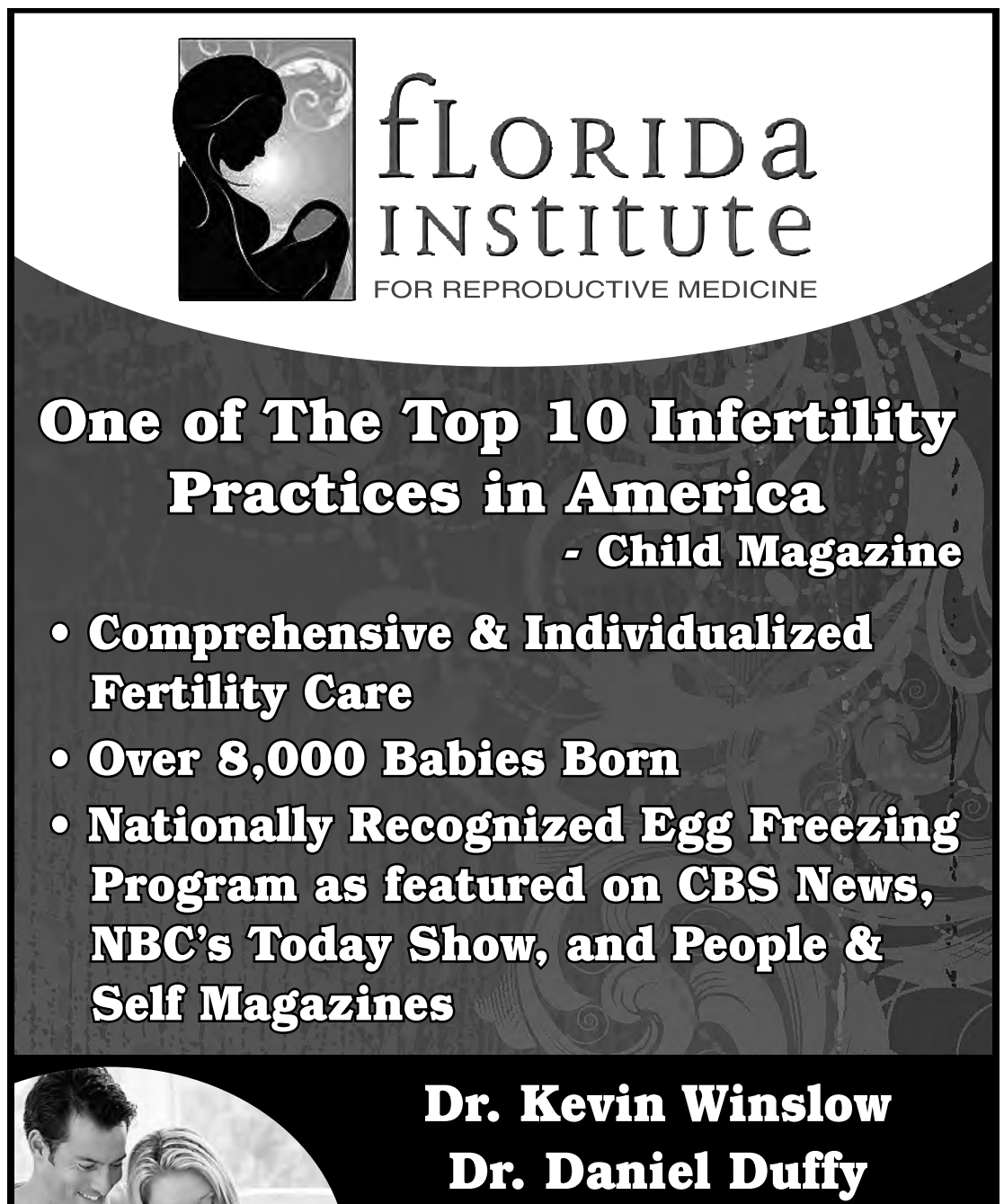
-Photo courtesy of USS Robert G. Bradley

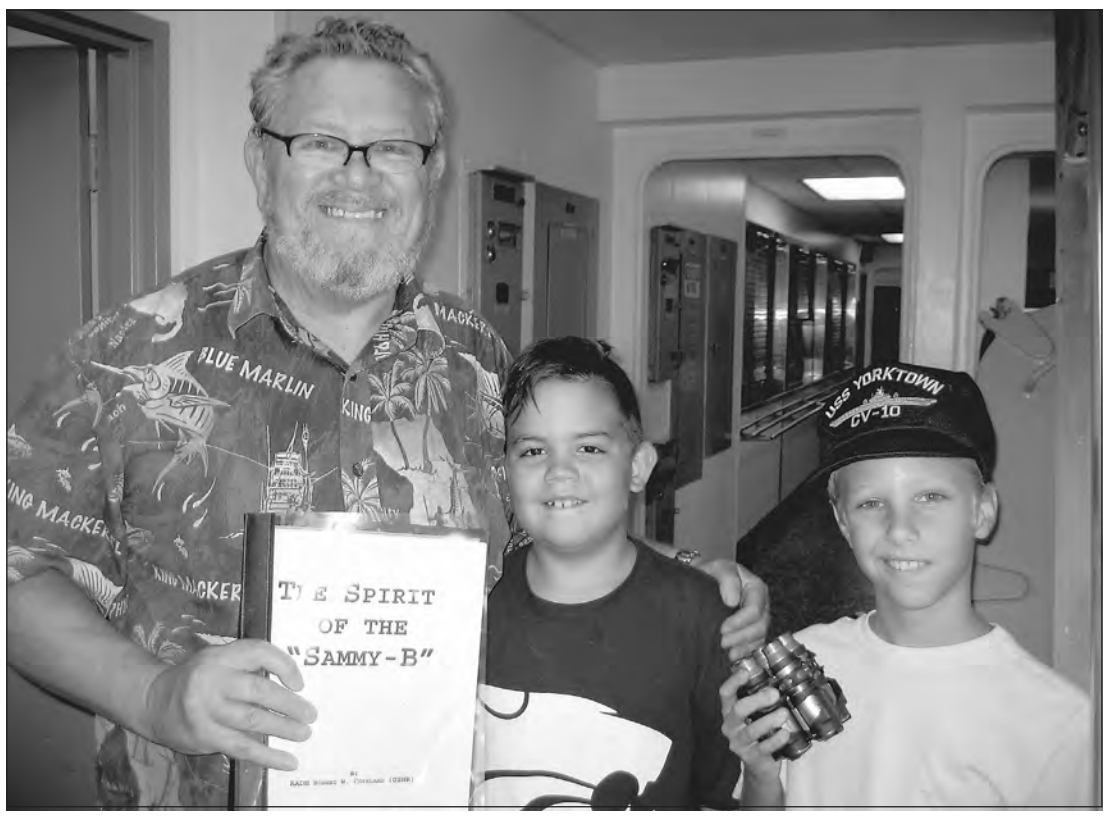
Commodore Simon Ancona, Commander, United Kingdom Carrier Strike Group, presents Hull Tecnician 1st Class Eric Bell with a personalized picture of the strike group and Navy Achievement Medal in recognition of his hard work repairing a ruptured seawater cooling line on USS Robert G. Bradley prior to their participation in SEASWITI.

-Official Navy Photo

USS Robert G. Bradley is currently deployed with the United Kingdom Carrier Strike Group.







-Photo courtesy of USS Samuel B. Roberts

Jim Randall with his grandsons, Christopher Lee Graham and Ethan Owen (Mohawk), with a manuscript of USS Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413) Commanding Officer Lt. Cmdr. R. W. Copeland's account of the Battle off Samar. Jim Randall is the son of Sherwood Randall, Copeland's cook on board DE-413, and lives just outside of the Naval Station Mayport main gate.

History Visits SBR

By Ensign Beth-Ann Dick

USS Samuel B. Roberts

USS Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413) was commissioned on April 28, 1944, less than two years after her namesake, U.S. Navy Coxswain Samuel Booker Roberts Jr., was killed in action in the battle of Guadalcanal. Roberts received a posthumous Navy Cross for his sacrifice while saving the lives of a group of stranded Marines under fire. DE-413 was the first of three ships to be named after Samuel B. Roberts Jr.

With Lt. Cmdr. R. W. Copeland in command, USS Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413), part of the 7th Fleet, conducted a transit of the Panama Canal in the summer of 1944 to join its task unit, "Taffy 3," in the Pacific.

"Taffy 3," along with two other escort carrier groups, was attempting to defend troop transports and supply ships in the Pacific. During the dawn hours of Oct. 25,1944, in the Battle off Samar, the centermost action of the Battle of Leyte Gulf, USS Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413) was sunk while engaging a superior Japanese Cruiser/Destroyer group.

USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG-58), commissioned in 1986, and the third ship to be named after Samuel B. Roberts Jr., was honored on 28 June 2010 with the visit of the son of one of DE-413's survivors. Jim Randall is the son of Sherwood Randall, Copeland's cook on board DE-413, and lives just outside of the Naval Station Mayport main gate. He came both to honor his father's memory, and to share his family history with his two grandsons, Christopher Lee Graham and Ethan Owen.

Sherwood Randall was thrown overboard by the captain himself and managed to stay alive while floating in the ocean for four days until the survivors of DE-413 were rescued and returned to U.S. soil.

Every day Sammy B. honors those who survived and those who were lost at sea by carrying on her name. During his visit, Jim Randall donated a manuscript of Copeland's account of the Battle off Samar, as well as Little Wolf at Leyte, by J. Henry Doscher, Jr., a book about USS Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413)'s heroic efforts in WWII. Sammy B. takes great pride in her history and is always humbled to receive visitors associated with that history.

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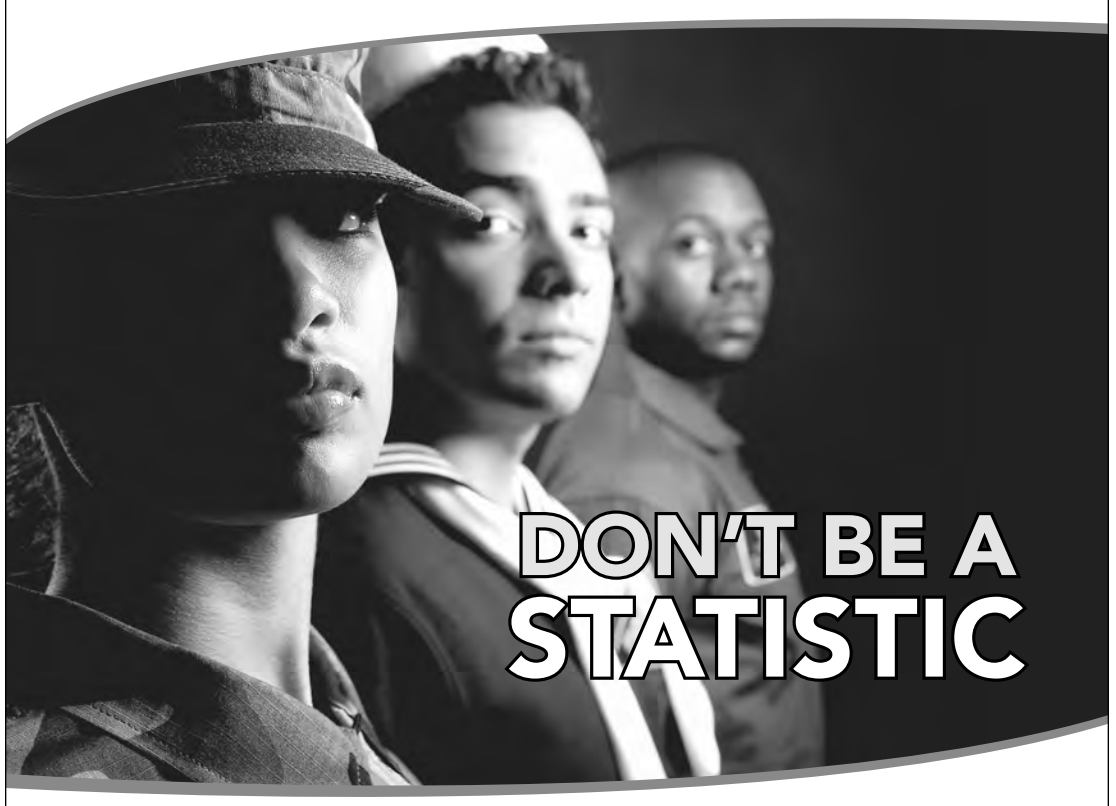

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BALTOPS 2010 Ramps Up With Serial Phase

Stephen W. Groves prepares to embark foreign petty officers during a cross pollination exercise. This exchange event allowed sailors to experience the customs and daily routines of different nations' warships.

-Photos courtesy of USS Stephen W. Groves

Commander Ed Gettins, Commanding Officer of USS Stephen W. Groves watches FGS Bayern maneuver alongside during a division tactics exercise.

By Lt.j.g. Timothy Shaffer
From USS Stephen W. Groves Public Affairs Office

USS Stephen W. Groves, along with USS Simpson and USS Mount Whitney, has performed admirably and adapted flexibly to the challenging serial phase of BALTOPS 2010.

Several days of roundtable sessions and planning syndicates at the Polish Naval Academy near Gdynia, Poland produced the schedule of events for the serial phase and established a cooperative baseline between the different nations and units involved. Above all, this pre-sail conference highlighted the importance of remaining flexible, as inclement weather and unforeseen circumstances would undoubtedly factor into the exercise.

Stephen W. Groves and the other ships of Task Unit 164.01.01 faced several challenges early in the serial phase, including severely restricted visibility in the Baltic Sea as well as minor equipment casualties. Although these factors forced the task unit to modify certain events, the ships overcame the challenges by quickly reallocating assets and settling on cooperative solutions.

Many of the best training opportunities of the serial phase developed out of the necessity to modify the original schedule, and these changes helped the units develop strong interoperability early in the exercise.

More than 30 surface combatants, submarines, and air units from 12 different nations have contributed to a successful serial phase, laying the groundwork for a culminating tactical exercise (TACEX) that will commence shortly. In the first nine days of BALTOPS, Stephen W. Groves conducted 10 coordinated anti-submarine warfare exercises, 17 air defense exercises, and numerous other demanding serials such as counter-piracy operations and gunnery exercises. Each of these events facilitated cooperation between the units of different nations, often requiring ships to respond creatively to unfamiliar procedures executed by another nation.

Lt. Brian Forster, Operations Officer on board Stephen W. Groves, commented, "Some of the maneuvers that the FGS Bayern displayed during our division tactics serial were very original and required our watch team to adapt and think critically rather than simply rely on the standard publication."

At all levels, Stephen W. Groves has embraced these opportunities to learn new procedures and work cooperatively with Task Unit 164.01.01 partner ships from Russia, Poland, Denmark, and Germany. Completing multiple evolutions throughout the days and nights of BALTOPS, the crew has maintained a high operational tempo and performed with remarkable energy.

USS Stephen W. Groves looks forward to a fast-paced and challenging TACEX phase as BALTOPS 2010 draws to a close. In light of the successful training that has already taken place, the crew expects to overcome more challenges and achieve even greater interoperability with its multi-national partners in the coming days.

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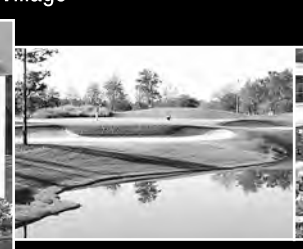

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Cmdr. Lyle Hall, commanding officer of the Oliver Hazard Perry-class frigate USS Taylor (FFG 50), is presented a piece of ribbon as a token of appreciation from Xaviei Beck, Mayor of Cap d' Ail.

The Oliver Hazard Perry-class guided-missile frigate USS Taylor (FFG 50) is moored at full dress in honor of independence day while in port at Villefranche, France. Taylor is on a scheduled deployment in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of responsibility.

USS Taylor Spends July 4th In France

By MC1(SW/AW) Edward Kessler
USS Taylor Public Affairs

USS Taylor (FFG 50) departed Villefranche, France, after a four-day port visit July 6. During the visit, Taylor's crew participated in several events, including the commissioning of a memorial to French sailors who were lost during World War II, a memorial honoring the American pilots of a downed B-24 Liberator and assisted in cleanup efforts in the flood-ravaged areas of Draguignan.

Cmdr. Lyle Hall, Taylor's commanding officer, and six Sailors attended the commissioning of a new memorial in Villefranche honoring French sailors who were lost during the battle of Mers-el-Kebir during World War II.

"I was very humbled to be part of such an event," said Navy Counselor 1st Class (SW) Robert Ehrhart Jr. "This was a historically significant event for the French, and I am glad I was a part of it."

After the ceremony, Taylor's crew hosted a reception aboard the ship that included 75 local officials from the U.S. Navy League, French Riviera-Monaco Council and the city of Villefranche.

"We wish to thank [Taylor and her crew] and all Americans that serve in the U.S. Armed Forces," said Villefranche Mayor Gerard Grosgogeat. "Because of your sacrifices, we can all live with liberty in life."

Members of Taylor's crew were hosted by both the U.S. Navy League and Grosgogeat in multiple events celebrating America's Independence Day. Cmdr. Jeremy Hill, Taylor's executive officer, and 15 Sailors attended the L'Equipage du Liberator memorial, which honors the American crew of a downed B-24 Liberator. The B-24 crashed following mechanical malfunctions during a bombing run on a German communication center May 25, 1944.

After the B-24's ceremony, the French Riviera Navy League hosted a luncheon for the crew of Taylor on the beaches of Cannes. Members of the Navy League of the United States, many of whom were children during the German occupation of France, shared their experiences with Taylor's crew.

"To have the opportunity to speak to people who lived through something that I have only read about is a once in a lifetime thing," said Boatswain's Mate Seaman Jordan Kareklas. "I have a new appreciation of the French people and what they went through."

Hall, Command Master Chief Steven Allen and several of Taylor's crew participated in the procession to the Feast of St. Peter Mass, which concluded with an at-sea wreath laying with Grosgogeat. During the ceremony, Hall assisted Grosgogeat in placing a wreath at sea in honor of former Sailors. Afterward, Rene Vestri, mayor of Saint Jean Cap Ferrat, also hosted Hall, Allen and the Taylor officers and crew to a luncheon. In addition to the ceremonies and receptions, 12 Sailors from Taylor took part in cleanup efforts in which they helped clean up the homes of local residents struck by massive flooding in the city of Draguignan, which caused more than 200 deaths.

"The last big flood they had here was over 200 years ago, and all of a sudden they had over 400 milimeters (17 inches) of rain in one day," said David True, a volunteer from Paris assisting with the cleanup. "All the people here appreciate the [U.S. Navy's] help, it was unexpected."

Taylor crew members spent the day removing debris and clearing dirt and mud that had accumulated as a result of the flood.

"To see what the city and the people went through was very heartbreaking," said Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (AW) Waltine Nauta. "It reminds me of my home in Guam. To be able to lend a hand and actually interact with the people brings me a great deal of joy and fulfillment."

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Saturday, July 17

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 is hosting a Pot Roast dinner, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Branch Home at 390 Mayport Rd. 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 The Mike Miller Band will entertain until 1 a.m. Happy hour precedes the dinner from 4 to 6 p.m., all drinks are 50¢ off.

Join a park ranger at 2 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 begin by pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

Friday, July 23

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Branch Home at 390 Mayport Rd. The menu will include garlic bread and salad. A donation of $6 is requested for each dinner. Carry out orders are accepted. Happy hour precedes the dinner from 4-6 p.m., all drinks are 50¢ off. The public is always invited to dinner. Starting at 9 p.m. the music of DOUG BRACEY will entertain until 1 a.m.

Saturday, July 24

The Fleet Reserve Association Branch 290 is hosting a Country-Fried Steak Dinner from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Branch Home at 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach, FL. 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 4-6:00 pm, all drinks are 50¢ off.

Join a park ranger at 2 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 three on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

Monday, July 26

Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 290, invites you to play Bingo at the Branch Home, 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach. Games start at 6 p.m. and are usually finished by 8 p.m. Snacks will be available for a small donation.

Saturday, July 31

Join a Park Ranger at 2 p.m. for a program that will introduce you to bird watching. Topics include the basic tools available to birdwatchers, and the basics of bird habitat, behavior, and identification. This program will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

Saturday, Aug. 7

Join a park ranger at 2 p.m. and learn about the life-cycle of the sea turtle and the importance of these creatures. The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission.

Saturday, Aug. 14

Join a Park Ranger at 2 p.m. for a presentation and leisurely guided hike through different Florida ecosystems on a quest to characterize tracks left by an assortment of critters. This program will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

Saturday, Aug. 21

Join one of our knowledgeable park rangers at 2 p.m. for an informative talk on the natural history of sea islands and their important role in coastal ecology. The topics addressed will include beach erosion, island migration, island formation and the natural communities present on such barrier islands today. This program will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

Saturday, Aug. 28

Join a park ranger at 2 p.m. to learn about the many common species that inhabit the natural communities of the undeveloped barrier islands of northeast Florida. The program will take place at pavilion one on Little Talbot Island. No reservations are necessary and the program is free with regular park admission

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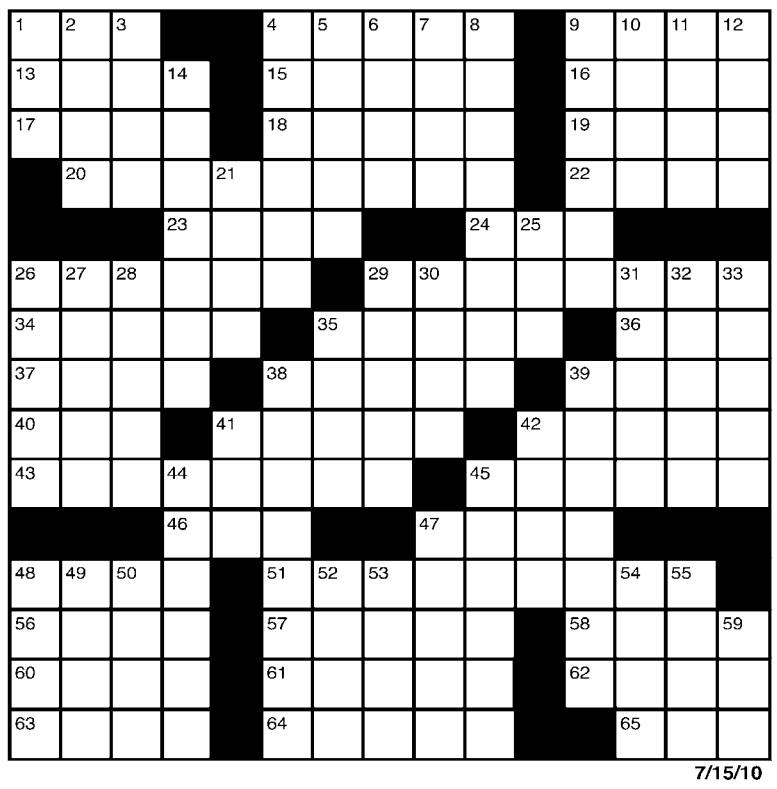

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1 Leprechaun
4 Furious
9 Make fun of
13 __ Lugosi
15 Caffè __; order at Starbucks
16 Above
17 Yogi or Smokey
18 Skin openings
19 African nation
20 Monthly bank summary
22 Angled pipes
23 Student __; school's population
24 Be victorious
26 Sarcastic wit
29 Rehearse
34 Imposing display
35 Suspicious
36 Hideaway
37 Godsend
38 Filled
39 Electromotive force unit
40 Australian bird
41 Competitor
42 Pretty woman at a ball
43 Not nuts
45 One with whom a renter signs a contract
46 Positive's opposite: abbr.
47 Wide trench around a castle
48 Formless mass
51 Weaken insidiously
56 Lion's cry
57 Former Secretary of Defense Melvin
58 Spanish painter
60 Persistent pain
61 Spring month
62 __ if; although
63 Dull sound
64 Vermin-infested
65 __ up; tally

DOWN

1 Flow back
2 Pinky & Bruce
3 No longer effervescent
4 Obstruct
5 Spacious
6 Land unit
7 At that time
8 Toward the Orient
9 Instant
10 Navy bean's shape
11 Prisoner's pen
12 __ Kristofferson
14 Horse breed
21 Conservative
25 Like slick winter roads
26 __ rattling; showy display of power
27 Bakery passer's delight
28 Freshwater fish
29 Part of a daisy
30 Film holder
31 False deities
32 Yo-Yo Ma's instrument
33 Barge in
35 Molten rock
38 Not plural
39 Leftover trace
41 Fish eggs
42 Smile broadly
44 Rooted in one's nature
45 Noble; august
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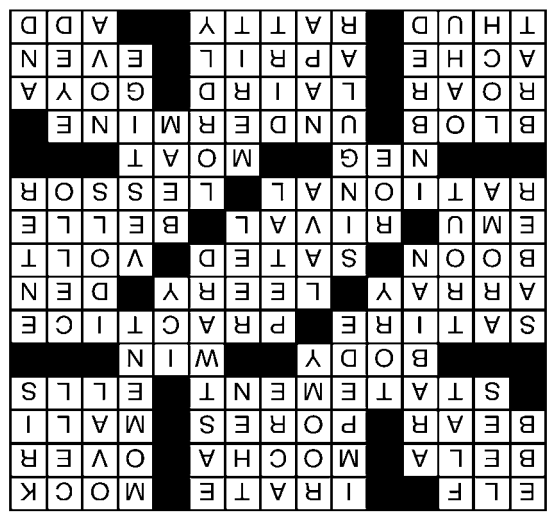

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July 15, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review**, Building One

July 15, 9 a.m.-noon, **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.

July 17, 10 a.m.-until, **IA Family Trip To Adventure Landing**, USO

July 19, 8:30 a.m.-noon, **FERP-Career & Job Readiness Class**, Building One, Room 702

July 19, 1-3 p.m., **FERP-Federal Employment Class**, Building One, Room 702

July 20, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review**, Building One

July 20, 9-11 a.m., **Parenting Class**, Building One, Room 702

July 20, 1-3:30 p.m., **Overseas Living**, Building One Room 719

Overseas Living is a class designed to prepare you for living in new and different setting. This class will provide helpful information about living on the economy to dealing with potential terrorist activities. You will have a chance to understand the emotional cycles of overseas living to making this tour the best part of your Navy career. Specific information about visas and absentee voting will be discussed.

July 21, 9 a.m.-noon, **Tottletyme Playgroup**, USO

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July 22, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review**, Building One

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July 26-29, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., **TAP Separatee Workshop**, Building One Room 1616

July 26, 6-8 p.m., **Ombudsman Assembly**, Building 1, Room 104

July 27, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review**, Building One

July 27, 9-11 a.m., **Parenting Class**, Building One, Room 702

July 27, 9 a.m.-noon, **Couples Communication Workshop**, Building One, Room 719

Whether you've been dating for 6 months or married for 20 years, effective communication is critical to keeping your relationship happy, healthy and strong. Come learn new techniques which will help you build on the strengths of your relationship and learn to identify barriers to effective communication.

Class is a one-time, 3-hour class. Couples are encouraged but not required to attend class together.

July 28, 9 a.m.-noon, **Tottletyme Playgroup**, USO

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July 29, 9-11 a.m., **Resume Walk-in Review**, Building One

July 29. 8 a.m.-noon, **FAP Key Personnel Training**, Building One, Room 1616

July 29, 9 a.m.-noon, **Tottletyme Playgroup**, USO

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Aug. 3, 9-11 a.m., **Parenting Class**, Building One, Room 702

Aug. 10, 9-11 a.m., **Parenting Class**, Building One, Room 702

USO News

The promoters for Shinedown are doing a Buy One Get One free ticket special for the concert on Friday, July 16. The concert starts 5 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Arena. There are going to be many bands involved including Puddle of Mudd, Chevelle, and Sevendust. To purchase tickets visit http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/220044A3AD5E3AC7?artistid=880497&majorcatid=10001&minorcatid=1 use password NAVY or visit the box office. This offer is valid now through Thursday, July 15th at midnight, you must have a valid military ID.

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The Mayport USO Center will host a yard sale July 31. This is a great time to get rid of all the goods you collected during spring cleaning! It will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., the cost is $10 for an inside table and $5 for an outside table. This cost applies even if you bring your own table. You must pay in advance at either the Mayport or NAS USO Centers.

The Thrasher-Horne Center for the Arts is proud to announce a special summer concert by the 4Troops. This great concert is set for August 6th, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets please www.thcenter.org or call 904-276-6750.

United Through Reading program makes it possible to share in the enjoyment of reading to the children in your life, even while thousands of miles apart. The Mayport Center and NAS Center can record you reading a book to your children and send it to them after you have gone on deployment. Please contact your local USO center for more information.

There is a computer resource center available to all service members with email, Internet and word processing. Fax, copy and free notary service is also available.

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For more information, call 246-3481 or stop by the center at 2560 Mayport Road.

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Ritch Shydner
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Jon Reep
Aug 5th – Aug 7th

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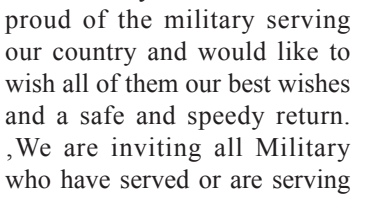

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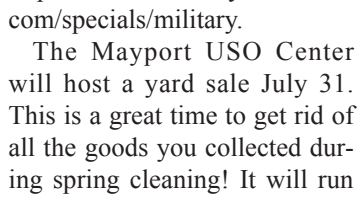

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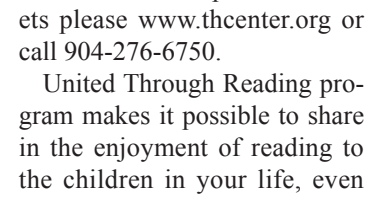

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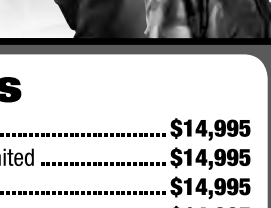

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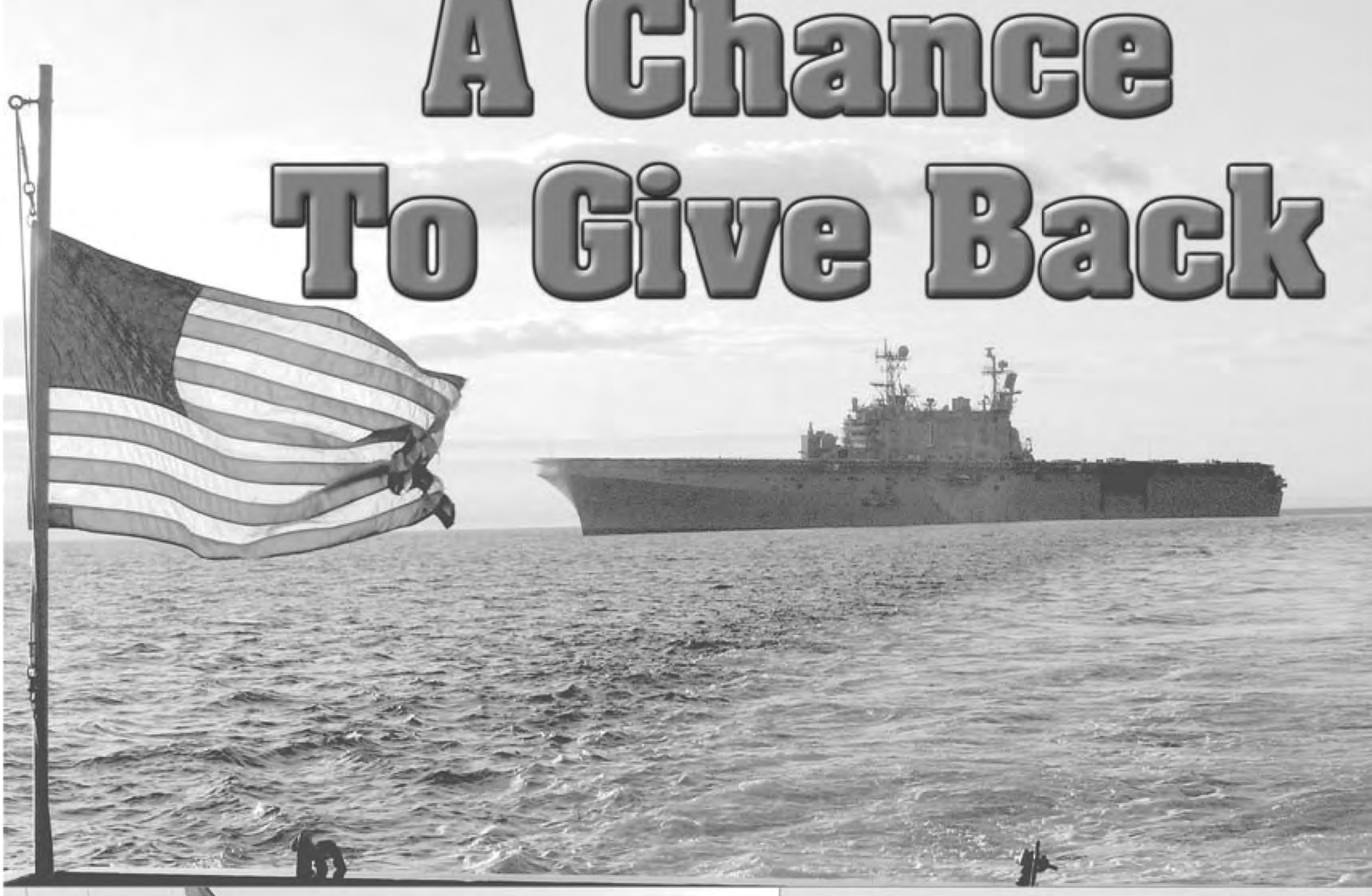

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