



Chief petty officer selectees perform "America the Beautiful" during a remembrance service at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The service was held to honor the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

## Guantanamo Bay Commemorates 9/11 Anniversary

Story and photos by MCC(SW) Bill Mesta

Leading Chief Petty Officer

Chief petty officer selectees held a 9/11 memorial service at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay Cuba's chapel, Sept. 11.

The service was held to honor the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorists attacks in New York, Washington D.C. and Shanksville, PA.

"On September 11, 2001, a group of radical extremist changed the United States of America forever," said CMDCM J.D. McKinney, the NS Guantanamo Bay command master chief. "We shall never forget the images of planes flying into the World Trade Center or the smoke rising from the Pentagon. We shall never for-

get the courage and compassion of men and women racing into burning buildings to save the innocent or those heroes who died in a Pennsylvania field."

Service members and civilians from GTMO's various commands attended the memorial service.

"When the terrorist hijackers struck on September 11, 2001, their goal was to put fear into the hearts of all Americans," said McKinney. "They wanted to disrupt and change the way of life we have enjoyed for more than 200 years using violence and death to achieve that goal."

## Attendance Low For Recent Recreational Diving Safety, SCUBA Stand Down

### Registered Divers Who Did Not Attend Restricted From Diving

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In an effort to increase diver safety awareness, the Port Operations department at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay conducted a SCUBA safety stand down and registration review in the Bulkeley Hall auditorium, Sept. 6-9.

During that period, recreational diving was secured at NS Guantanamo Bay until Sept. 11.

The safety stand down was held to re-enforce the naval station's policies and guidelines for recreational SCUBA divers as well as address recent violations of the installation's policy.

"Those who did attend were educated on the Naval Station SCUBA diving instruction, including the re-vamped punishment matrix for violations, wildlife regulations, and take-limitations for local fish," said NS Guantanamo Bay Port Ser-

vices Officer Lt. Thomas Ware.

Approximately 238 registered recreational divers attended the stand down.

"Registered divers who did not attend the training will not be authorized to dive until they have attended a stand down straggler session," said Ware.

The next straggler session is scheduled for Oct. 7 at noon.

"Recreational diving at NS Guantanamo Bay is a privilege at the Commanding Officer's discretion," said Ware. "Continued abuse and violations of the installation's policy may result in the loss of the program."

Ware said personnel should contact NS Guantanamo Bay's Port Control or Security Dispatch to report any violations of the installations recreational diving policy.

"Self-policing amongst the dive community at large is the most effective deterrent to the loss of the program," said Ware.

## Supply Department Achieves 5-Star Accreditation

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The Supply Department at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba was awarded the 2011 Five Star Accreditation for food service excellence, Sept. 8.

The award, presented by Commander Navy Region South East (CNRSE) Food Service Officer Chief Warrant Officer (CWO4) Herman McCrarry, showcases excellence in food sanitation, food production, and financial accountability.

"We strive to do everything right at all times," said NS Guantanamo Bay Supply Department Master Chief Petty Officer Patrick Campbell. "This keeps us from having to overcome challenges that would otherwise keep us

from reaching our goals."

To be recognized for five star accreditation, organizations must pass an initial inspection from Region Food Service Program Managers, before moving on the semi-finalist stage. Once in the semi-finals, organizations are inspected by the Commander Naval Installations Command Food Service Program director, determining eligibility as a finalist.

The recent award marks the third time NS Guantanamo Bay has been recognized with five star accreditation.

"We were recently notified that we passed the inspection and have moved into the final round," said Campbell. "That inspection takes place near the end of November."

### REGULATION DID-YA-KNOW

Driver use of any portable, personal listening device worn inside the aural canal, around or covering the driver's ear while operating a motor vehicle, except for fire and emergency response or law enforcement/security purposes, is prohibited. Listening devices include wired or wireless earphones and headphones (including Bluetooth or similar technology), and do not include hearing aids or devices designed and required for hearing enhancement.

-CNIC Instruction 5530.14, Portable Listening



NAVY DIVER  
FIRST CLASS  
**William Davis**

- **Job/department:** Dive Locker LPO/ Port OPS
- **Age:** 32
- **Hometown:** Atlanta, GA.
- **Quote:** "I'm red hot and ready and light on my feet."
- **Hero:** NDC Hajduk
- **Favorite TV show:** Top Gear
- **Favorite hobby:** Diving
- **Favorite book:** Moby Dick
- **Favorite movie:** Smokey N' The Bandit
- **Favorite musician:** Metallica
- **Favorite GTMO restaurant:** Bayview
- **Favorite sports team:** Georgia Bulldogs
- **Greatest passion:** N/A
- **Greatest accomplishment:** My son
- **Ambition/Goal:** Bachelors Degree
- **How the Navy has improved his life:** The Navy made a man out of me
- **Sailor of the Week because:** Performed emergent diving operations on USCG Resolute, for inspection of critical operational gear.

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# USNH Prepares GTMO For Flu Season

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The U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) staff at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba will administer mandatory influenza vaccinations for active-duty military personnel, beginning Oct. 5.

The combined H1N1 and seasonal influenza vaccine will be offered at the Windjammer Ballroom to combat the spread of the virus during the flu season. The flu season usually begins in Oct. and can last until May.

“Service Members will be required to fill out a medical questionnaire, and depending on their answers, will be provided either the injectable or inter-nasal mist vaccine,” said NS Guantanamo Bay Preventive Medicine representative Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Clint Messerschmidt.

The recommended vaccine will be available for civil-



Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Clint Messerschmidt, administers the H1N1/Seasonal flu vaccination to Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Commanding Officer Captain Kirk Hibbert.

ians and government contractors at NS Guantanamo Bay at a later date.

“No one likes getting sick, so the best thing to do is get the flu shot,” said Messerschmidt. “Administering the vaccine is a precautionary measure to prevent and or subside the symptoms of influenza.”

For more on influenza see [Flu Season Safety Tips](#) • Page 8



## Chaplain's Corner

### Appreciation of Chaplains

LCDR Dennis Kucharczyk U.S. Navy Chaplain

Whenever there is a crisis - anywhere in the world - one of the first questions the president asks is, “Where are the carriers?” An aircraft carrier is a versatile platform that is able to go into battle or assist with humanitarian missions at a moment’s notice. The people aboard are trained, prepared and ready for action.

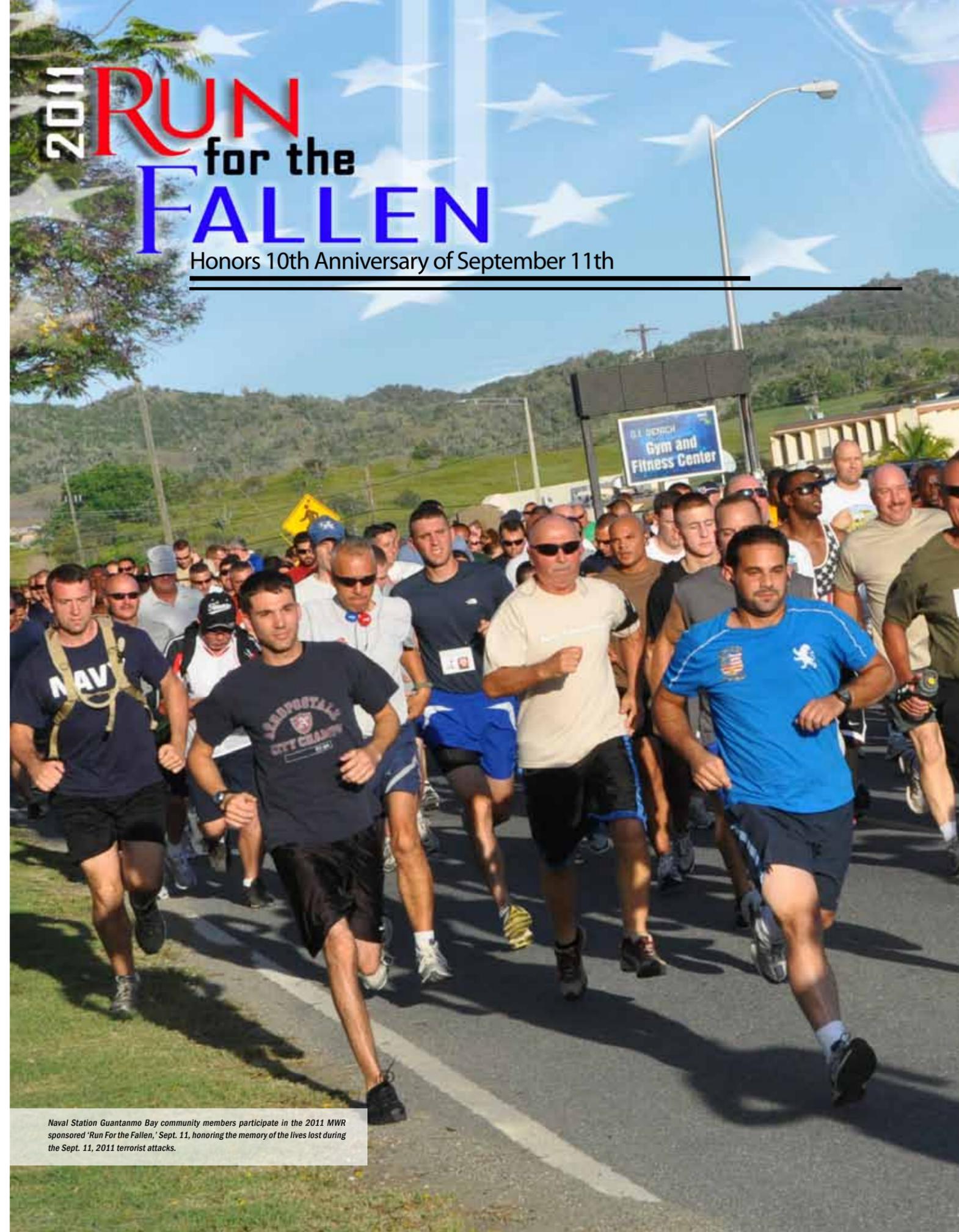
In a similar way - when there is a crisis situation on base - the Commanding Officer asks, “Where is the chaplain?” A chaplain is well-trained and ready to serve on many aspects of human need, faith, religion, outreach, and counseling. A chaplain is someone who listens and cares, offering prayer and encouragement. In an emergency or crisis, the chaplain is a valuable asset.

Many times, when a sailor or soldier is having a problem, one of the first people the leadership thinks to contact is the chaplain. This is good! In this article I am certainly not overlooking or unap-

preciative of the services offered by those who serve the Fleet and Family Support Center. They too offer very good counseling, and outreach services. I am simply looking at the role of the chaplain. The chaplain plays an important part in the overall picture of the command.

Most times, chaplains do not “toot their own horn” - they go about their task, making pastoral visits, seeing how people are doing, celebrating services in the chapel, offering a helping hand to anyone in need, and not expecting accolades - simply a “Thank you.” So this is a way of tooting the horn for all chaplains as they serve; here at GTMO, the JTF and around the world.

As a reserve chaplain, coming aboard for twenty-five days to serve, it has been an honor and privilege to be apart of your community. I was welcomed with open arms and have truly enjoyed my stay and ministry among you. God bless all of you.



Naval Station Guantanamo Bay community members participate in the 2011 MWR sponsored 'Run For the Fallen,' Sept. 11, honoring the memory of the lives lost during the Sept. 11, 2011 terrorist attacks.



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More than 500 runners and walkers participated in the Morale, Welfare and Recreation's (MWR) "Run for the Fallen" 5k at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Sept. 11.

The run, held in honor of the victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks, began and ended at at Guantanamo Bay's Denich Gym.

"It's not so much about the run,... it's more about getting the community out to remember those who have fallen," said Jen Norton, MWR Navy Fitness Director. "We may not be able to go back to the states and sup-

port 9/11 with the ceremonies there, but we can do our best in GTMO to show our support for our country and support for the military."

Norton said more than 100 volunteers, and 100 spectators attended Sunday's event, paying tribute to the tenth anniversary of 9/11.

"The event itself was amazing with the most people I've ever seen come together on this base," said run participant Seaman Joe Koerber. "The run wasn't about beating the best time, but about reflecting on what so many people have done for this country and what we will continue to do."

9/11 Anniversary • From Cover ←

The memorial service marked the 10 year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

"More than 3,000 citizens from America and other countries from around the world lost their lives because of the cowardice acts of the 9/11 terrorists," said McKinney. "The terrorists failed to reach their goal, because today Americans are even more steadfast in their commitment to peace, security, prosperity, and universal rights around the globe."

The memorial service included passage readings, a poem, a bell ringing ceremony for each flight that perished and Chief petty officer selectees lead singing.



Capt. Kirk R. Hibbert, the commanding officer of Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and Rear Adm. David B. Woods, the Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay commander, bow their heads during the benediction at the Sept. 11 remembrance service on base.

## Hispanic American Heritage Association Hosting Event Honoring Hispanic Heritage

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The Hispanic American Heritage Association (HAHA) is hosting a dinner/dance at the Windjammer Ballroom at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Sept. 24.

The dinner/dance, which begins at 6 p.m., is designed to showcase diversity and promote aware-

ness of Hispanic-American traditions, while honoring Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct.15).

"You don't have to be Hispanic, or part of our organization to participate," said HAHA Vice President Melanie Resto. "This is a great opportunity to learn more about Latino culture."

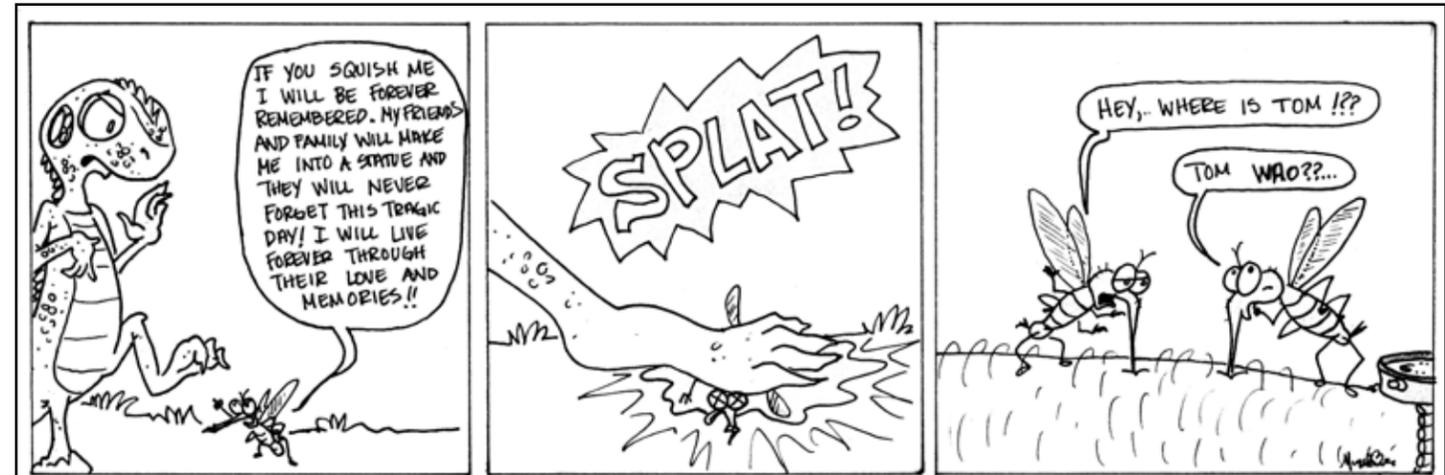
The HAHA dinner/dance will feature cultural dances, food, and music.

"We will be having a show consisting of typical dances and live entertainment with a fantastic dinner menu," said Resto. "This will be a fun event and we encourage all base residents to attend."

Tickets for the event will be available for purchase at the Naval Exchange Atrium beginning Sept. 16.

### IGUANA/JOE

GM1 Michael Braun Weapons Department



### GENERAL COURT MARTIAL DID-YA-KNOW

During a general court martial on board NAS Jacksonville, a petty officer first class (PO1) pled guilty on Sept. 9 to child molestation and possession of child pornography. The Military Judge sentenced him to 52 years confinement, reduction in rate to E-1 and a dishonorable discharge. A pre-trial agreement limited confinement to 25 years. The PO1 is expected to serve about 19-22 years with good time. Once released, he will be required to register as a sex offender.

- Commander, Navy Region Southeast

# GTMO SHOPPER

E-mail classified ad submissions to **PAO-CLASSIFIEDADS@USNBGTMO.NAVY.MIL.** If sent to any other e-mail, it may not be published. Submit your ad NLT noon Wednesdays for that week's Gazette. Ads are removed after two weeks. Re-submit the ad to re-publish. The Gazette staff and NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, page. The Public Affairs Office has final editorial discretion on all content. Call MC2 Leona Mynes at 4520 with your questions or concerns.

## VEHICLES

'95 Chevrolet S-10, 152K miles. Runs great and has new tires and cold AC - \$2700. Call Michael at 77798.

'93 Chevy Corsica. Working radio, good running car, past inspection. Have tint for windows. \$1300 OBO FMI, call 84910.

'81 Nissan 280ZX, 2.8L PW, PL, 5-speed, new tires, retro fit A/C R134, Pioneer MVH-P8200, freshly painted Catalina blue, sweet condition \$4600. Call 77610.

'07 Honda Ridgeline RTL fully loaded, leather seats, navigation, sunroof, and many extras. Selling for \$19,800. Call 4458/84979.

'86 Dodge Ram, Flatbed, Runs good, New Tires on front. No AC/Radio. No major problems. \$1400 OBO. Avail. 22 September. Call 77432/84907.

## ELECTRONICS

Netgear Wireless-G router, \$30. Call 84196

Wireless Netgear and Netzone Modem \$60. Mike X9823/C:84139

SCSI modem w/ ethernet cable, phone cord, power charger. \$55. FMI call 75749.

DVR with DVD player, \$100. (DVR works with GTMO cable box). Email leshabrenek@gmail.com.

JVC 56" HDTV and 6' satellite dish \$1500. FMI call 77610.

Acer-Aspire Laptop / AMD C-Series Processor Dual Core / 14" Display / DVD±RW/CD-RW drive / 250GB Serial ATA hard drive (5400 rpm) / Built-in 0.3MP webcam and microphone / Wireless Card / Microsoft Windows 7 Home Premium Edition 64-bit. Brand new. \$400. email gtmo345@yahoo.com if interested.

SCSI modem along with manual, instruction CD and intranet cables \$50 OBO. FMI call 78616.

SCSI modem \$50. Call 3016/84591.

SCSI modem \$55. Call 75749.

## YARD SALES

Sept. 17, 0630-1200 Villamar 2227B

Sept. 17, 0900, Villamar 41B

Sept. 17, 1100, Villamar 2208

## LOST AND FOUND

Keys lost near NEX downtown. Has a black key, silver, and gold VL key. If found please call 55075

Black iPhone 3GS in black leather case lost at Windjammer. If found pleas call 79217 for cash reward.

## TEXT BOOKS

Principles of Marketing by Philip Kotler and Gary Armstrong \$65. Boone&Kurtz Contemporary Business w/Audio Ch. CD \$75. Call 79587.

## HOUSEHOLD GOODS

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Dark brown baby changing station w/ 2 shelves, changing pad & cover \$15 OBO. Call 77491 or e-mail mipdnzr@hotmail.com.

3-pc Chicco Keyfit30 Travel System, newborn to 30 lb., Orange/Grey \$40. Pictures available. Call 77491 or e-mail mipdnzr@hotmail.com.

Ashley Coffee Table Set \$75 Call 79587

Ashley Sofa and Loveseat \$500 Call 79587

TV Stand for TV's up to 60in \$50 Call 79587

Sofa & Love Seat. Olive green fabric. In good condition. \$500 for the set. Call JoAnn at 75559

George Forman grill \$20, toaster \$10, coffee machine \$15. CALL 75749

Picnic table. \$50. Unique 2 pieces. Easy to move. Table top is split in 1/2 so each piece has a bench and half the table. Call 75749

## MISC

Akona Carry On Roller Bag, brand new. Fully padded and reinforced structure, bottom compartment stores AKONA Pro Regulator bag, 600D poly/natural fiber blend with polyurethane interior coating. Incredibly durable, water and stain resistant. 23"X16"X9," 7lbs. 13oz. \$125.00 call 84115.

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Floral artwork 38x33in, \$40; 74-inch octagon, fruit design, dark burgundy and green rug, \$30. FMI, call 75578.

2 color tv's, 20" and 21." \$30, 1 -19" combo tv/dvd player, \$35. Email cubabob@gmail.com.

FREE Kitten. 5-week old grey male. Has been de-wormed and will be ready for first vaccination in 2-3 weeks. Supply of food, dishes, and litter included. FMI, call x79051

## OUTDOOR REC

Portable Fish Finder. Fits all MWR boats. Paid \$170.00 Asking \$50.00 PH# 77619

Dive gear, 1 Aqua Lung dive mask & snorkel, \$35. Seasoft dive boots, SZ 11, \$40. FMI, call 84196.

Zircos 4000F Tackel Box w/Tackel, \$70. 70 CT IGL00 Cooler \$35. Tommy Bahama Beach Chair \$30. Mike x9823 C: 84139

(1) JBL Woody Sawed Off Speargun w/ breakaway tip \$240 OBO. (1)AB Biller Gun \$125. Mike x9823/C: 84139

DIVE GEAR : (1)100 STEEL Tank \$250. (2)80 Alum Tanks \$125 EA, LG. Oceanic Probe Bioflex BCD with integrated Octopus and attached spinner knife \$405. Scuba Pro Regulator Setup: S555/MK11/R295 \$450. SUUNTO COBRA computer w/computer software/connector \$695: both for \$990. Armor Lion Fish Bag \$40. Lobster & Shell catch Bag \$40. 2 lights \$30 EA./ ScubaPro Twin Jet MAX \$160. Akona Gloves \$35. XS Dive Bag \$40. Underwater Writing Table \$25. ALL OBO. Mike x9823, C: 84139

DIVE GEAR: TUSA M-16 Serene Mask - \$40, XS Scuba Sedona Elite snorkel - \$30, TUSA X-pert Zoom Adjustable strap Dive Fins - \$70, Medium Aqualung 1mm Full Wet Suit - \$70, Call Michael at 77798.

# The SCOOP

## CFL CERTIFICATION COURSE

Sept. 19-23, Denich Gym. Register online by Sept. 2. @ navyfitness.org. FMI, call 2113.

## FLOOR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Sept. 24, Denich Gym, time TBD. Register by Sept. 20. Coaches meeting Sept. 22. No skates required.

## HALF-OFF BOWLING

Every Sunday, 1300-2300, Marblehead Lanes. FMI, call 2118.

## R & B ENTERTAINMENT

Feat. Vaughn Anthony. Sept. 24, Tiki Bar, 2200. FMI, call 4882.

## PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Sept. 24, Child Development and Youth Center, \$10 per child. FMI, call 74658.

## PIRATES DAY FUN RUN

Sept. 24, Ferry Landing, 0800. Bring your friends, family, and pets. After the 2-mile run, dare to walk the plank! RRRRRR. No registration required. FMI, call 2113.

## JT'S SAFE RIDE HOME.

To prevent drinking and driving, those out drinking can take a safe ride home. Call 84913 or 84781.

## SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVEY

In an effort to determine the scope of sexual assault in the Navy, Secretary Ray Mabus has tasked the Department of the Navy Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Office (DoN SAPRO) to conduct a department-wide sexual assault survey assessing the functionality and effectiveness of the Sexual Assault Prevention & Response (SAPR) Program. The feedback will be solicited from Sailors and Marines worldwide. All commanders have been directed to encourage participation of Sailors and Marines in their commands. The confidential and anonymous online survey will be available through 30 Sept. 2011 and can be accessed at www.donsapro.navy.mil/survey.html.

## NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAYS

View your favorite game on one of eight monitors at O'Kelly's stating Sept. 11. FMI, call 75503

## MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SPECIAL

Bring a friend and enjoy a pitcher of beer or soda and one large one-topping pizza (\$13) while watching the game. FMI, call 75503

## BOXING PAY-PER-VIEW

Mayweather vs. Ortiz. Sept. 17, Tiki-Bar, 1900. Watch the fight on the big screen. FMI, call 75604

## BIL LEPP, STORYTELLER

Sept. 30, Windjammer, 1930. Enjoy outrageous, humorous tall-tales during this one hour free show. FMI, call 84616

## MWR/FFSC 5K FUN RUN

Oct. 8, Denich Gym, 0800. End the silence on domestic violence during this 5K fun run and 2 mile walk. No registration required. Free T-shirts to the first 100 participants.

## ADULT ONE MILE SWIM

Oct. 1, Marine Hill Pool, 0900. Sign up at the Windjammer Pool. FMI, call 2205

# GTMO JOB HUNT

**SECRETARY** (OA),GS-0318-06,(NAVSTA FFSC)

**OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH TECHNICIAN** GS-0640-07 (USNH)

**FAMILY LIFE SPECIALIST** GS-0101-09, (NAVSTA FFSC)

**INSTRUMENT MECHANIC** WG-3359-10, (NAVSTA)

**SUPPLY TECHNICIAN** GS-2005-07, (FISC)

**FN COOK (ASSISTANT)** LWG-7404-05, (USNH)

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# MOVIES DOWNTOWN LYCEUM

## FRIDAY SEPT. 16

8 p.m.: **Crazy, Stupid, Love** (new) PG13 118 min.

10 p.m.: **Cowboys and Aliens** PG13 112 min.

## SATURDAY SEPT. 17

8 p.m.: **The Smurfs** (new) G 103 min.

10 p.m.: **Friends with Benefits** R 110 min.

## SUNDAY SEPT. 18

8 p.m.: **Zookeeper** (last showing) PG 104 min.

## MONDAY SEPT. 19

8 p.m.: **Horrible Bosses** (last showing) R 93 min.

## TUESDAY SEPT. 20

8 p.m.: **Harry Potter ATDH 2** PG13 118 min.

## WEDNESDAY SEPT. 21

8 p.m.: **Captain America** PG13 124 min.

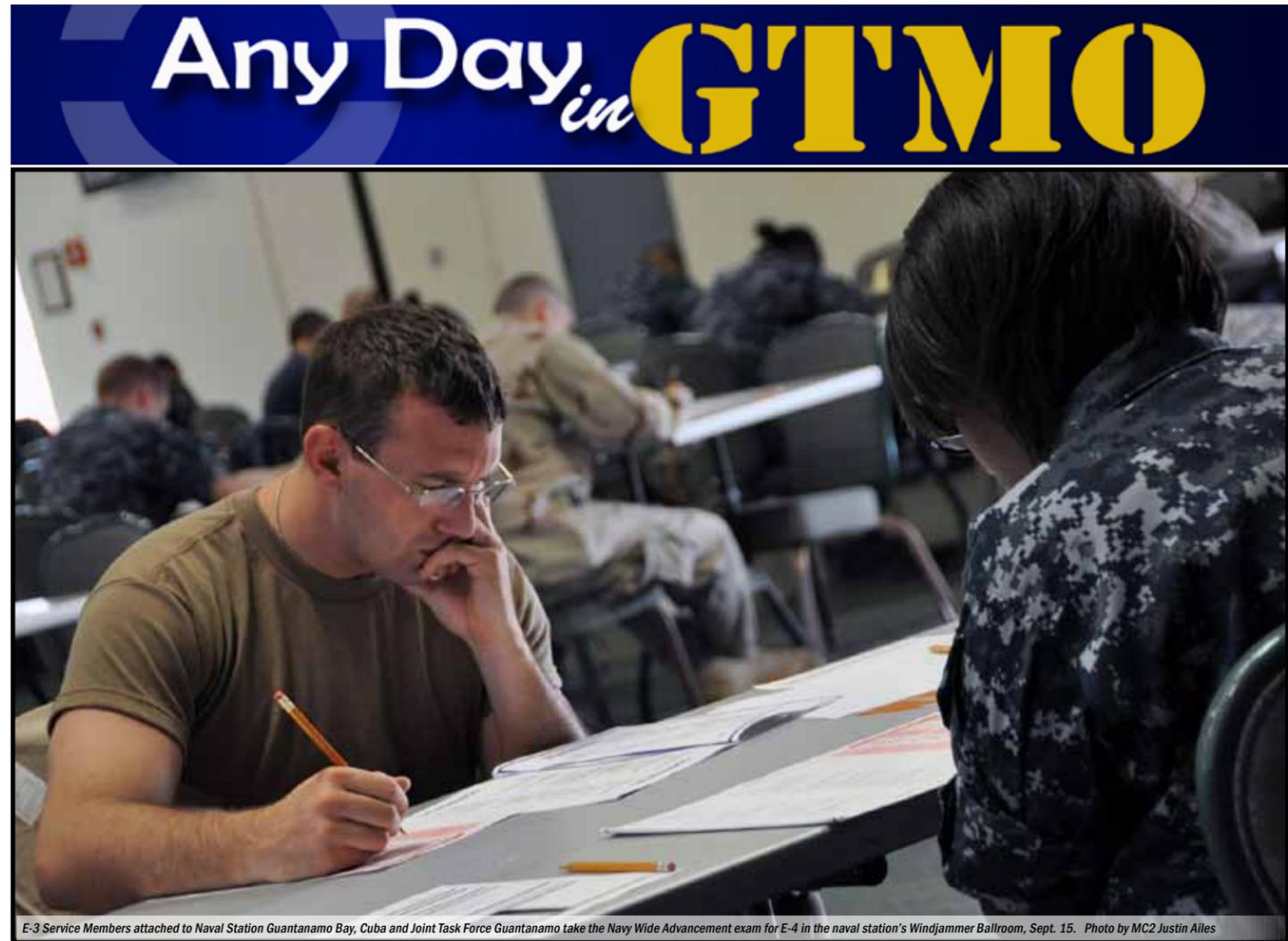
## THURSDAY SEPT. 22

8 p.m.: **Friends with Benefits** R 110 min.

**CALL THE MOVIE HOTLINE @ 4880**



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E-3 Service Members attached to Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and Joint Task Force Guantanamo take the Navy Wide Advancement exam for E-4 in the naval station's Windjammer Ballroom, Sept. 15. Photo by MC2 Justin Ailes

# Flu Season Safety Tips

From Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Take everyday preventive actions to stop the spread of germs:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.)
- While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue.