



*Tom Riney, senior energy engineer, SAIN Engineering looks for the capacity, model number, size and condition of the HVAC unit atop the Naval Station's headquarters roof.*

## Naval Station GTMO Facilities Undergo Energy Audit

**Terence Peck**

Public Affairs Officer

Twelve members from an engineering firm completed a three-week energy audit and building assessment of Naval Station Guantanamo Bay facilities Jan. 26.

SAIN Engineering and Associates arrived on Jan. 4 to assess 146 buildings covering over two million square feet.

The company, headquartered in Birmingham, Ala. has approximately 115 employees worldwide and is an exclusive subcontractor of CH2M Hill. CH2M Hill has a contract with the Department of Navy to do energy audits and building assessments on its installations worldwide.

"One of our main business lines is Resource Efficiency Managers," said Bob Starling, Director of Army Programs

for SAIN. "A resource manager is a contractor who sits permanently on a military base assisting in developing energy savings and meeting energy mandates and goals."

In 2011, SAIN Engineering audited over 2 billion square feet of Navy facilities, according to Riney.

The SAIN team in GTMO was comprised of mechanical and electrical engineers, experts in lighting, renewable energy and building envelope. Building envelope involves items such as the roof installation, windows, and doors.

"The development of electricity and water at GTMO costs the government \$100,000 per day, so anything we can do to help reduce those costs is very beneficial," said Riney.

When the team surveys facilities at an installation, they look for low cost ways to conserve energy. They put these

# GTMO MWR To Host Weekend Extravaganza

**MC2 Justin Ailes**

Gazette Editor

Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba will host the 13.1-mile Rock and Roll Half Marathon, Jan. 28.

Held at the Downtown Lyceum, the event will also feature an MWR 'Expo', craft fair, and musical amusement from recording artists "Something Distant" and "Cartel."

"The GTMO running community has voiced that they would like longer distance running challenges," said Jennifer Norton, NS Guantanamo Bay MWR Fitness Director. "This group of events allows for the entire community to be a part of a grueling task for runners. The half marathon in itself is a chance for runners, volunteers and those who live along the run route to be a part of a first-time event in GTMO."

Beginning at 7 a.m., The marathon route will treat participants to "cheer

stations" featuring musical and motivational performances from community volunteers, as well as Something Distant's performance at the Navy Exchange, and Cartel's performance at the finish line.

"The Expo is going to allow all departments of MWR to showcase their programs, what we offer in our facilities, and allow customers to ask questions from the pro's," said Norton. "The craft fair will give everyone a chance to get those special, one-of-a-kind gifts that are only available in GTMO."

Prior to the event, Something Distant will perform at O'Kelly's Irish Pub, Jan. 27, and Cartel will perform at the same location, the evening of Jan. 28.

"We encourage everyone to come out and be a part of this great GTMO event," said Norton. "We'd also like to offer a special thanks to all the volunteers and base residents ahead of time. Without you this event would not be possible."

eliminated. These Sailors would have had a minimum of six opportunities for advancement before reaching HYT.

Policy changes outlined in the NAVADMIN will take effect July 1, 2012. Effective July 1, active and full time support E2 and E3 Sailors with active service in excess of these HYT length of service gates must separate by Mar. 31, 2013, unless advanced or waived.

HYT waiver procedures can be found in MILPERSMAN 1160-120.

Sailors who have been granted a HYT waiver for a specific assignment and cannot fulfill their commitment will have their HYT waiver canceled and will have to separate, transfer to the Reserves or retire.

These HYT changes will not affect Sailors who have reached sanctuary, which occurs at 18 years of cumulative active duty. Additionally, nuclear rated Sailors will be managed separately by their community manager. HYT policy for E-4 through E-9 has not changed.

For more details on the HYT changes, read NAVADMIN 030/12 by visiting the Navy Personnel Command website at [www.npc.navy.mil](http://www.npc.navy.mil).



**MASTER AT ARMS  
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**Job/department:** Leeward LPO/Security

**Age:** 24

**Hometown:** Chester, Va.

**Hero:** My Grandfather

**Quote:** "Never lose faith in yourself."

**Favorite sports team:** Pittsburgh Steelers

**Favorite hobby:** N/A

**Favorite book:** No Right to Remain Silent

**Favorite movie:** Steel Magnolias

**Favorite GTMO restaurant:** Jerk House

**Favorite musician:** Jason Aldean

**Favorite TV show:** Toddlers and Tiaras

**Greatest passion:** Spending time with my daughter

**Ambition:** Advance to MA1

**Currently working on:** Re-enlisting

**How the Navy has improved her life:** The Navy has presented me with many opportunities to grow as a person that I would not have received outside of military life.

## Navy Updates High Year Tenure Policy

**Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs**

The Navy announced changes to the High Year Tenure (HYT) policy and the merging of the active and reserve policy into one Total Force policy in NAVADMIN 030/12, released Jan. 25.

"High Year Tenure is a vital and effective force management tool we use to properly size and shape the Navy," said Rear Adm. Tony Kurta, Director, Military Personnel Plans and Policy. "After a thorough review of the policy, we saw a need for updating the policy to keep pace with and support the other force management tools. This change will improve retention and advancement opportunity for top performers."

The NAVADMIN outlines several significant changes to HYT. Under the new policy, HYT for E-2 Sailors will be four years, down from six. Additionally, E-3 Sailors will reach HYT at five years vice six, and continuation to eight years for passing a Navy Wide Advancement Exam has been

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# Personally Identifiable Information Training, GTMO Essential

**MC2(SW/AW) Justin Ailes**

Gazette Editor

Training officials at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba are notifying service members and Department of Defense (DoD) civilians to complete the Personally Identifiable Information training (PII) as soon as possible.

The annual training requirement is designed to ensure Sailors and U.S. Navy civilians understand their responsibilities in the collection and protection of personal information and eliminate unnecessary collection and unauthorized disclosure of personal information.

"Service members are often entrusted with a great deal of personal information regarding their shipmates and it is crucial to ensure that everyone understands their role in safeguarding that information," said Lt.

Ryan Santicola, NS Guantanamo Bay Staff Judge Advocate and Privacy Act Coordinator. "This training is critical in reducing the likelihood that our shipmates will fall prey to identity theft."

Personnel can find PII training either at the Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) website or at the Navy's Total Workforce Management System (TWMS) website.

"PII educates members of the Navy (both military and civilian) to take the necessary precautions to protect the personal information that they handle in the course of their work," said Santicola. "The time spent completing this straightforward training goes a long way in building effective safeguards against unauthorized disclosures of personal information and, in turn, fostering

confidence on the part of those who entrust us with their personal information."

## Scheduling ID Card, CAC Appointments Online Speeds Service

**Terence Peck**

Public Affairs Officer

The mission of the Sailors working at Personnel Support Detachment – GTMO is to provide a variety of services to Navy and Marine Corps personnel, their family members, and civilian contractors.

The PSD is responsible for servicing the Naval Station GTMO headquarters, tenant commands and contractors.

Some of the services the PSD provides include processing identification cards, personnel pay and entitlements, administering advancement exams, along with checking personnel in and out of the duty station.

Serving more than 5,000 customers, the personnel at PSD have a large daily workload.

When customers fail to make an appointment with the PSD, they can find themselves waiting or not being served,

especially if they are looking to obtain a dependent ID or Common Access Card.

The PSD has only two workstations to process dependent ID cards or CACs. In addition, because of the limited number of personnel at PSD, there are no dedicated persons to process IDs or CACs.

In an effort to help ensure customers receive the services they need, it is recommended that the web-based CAC appointment schedule be used.

"Commands on the base must utilize the CAC appointment scheduler," LT. Michael Baldwin, Officer-in-Charge, PSD-GTMO. "It is a DOD-wide program for all the PSDs and we are directed to use that program instead of accommodating walk-in customers."

Failing to make an appointment also affects the ability of PSD personnel to assist other customers.

"It takes away from serving other customers if we have to take walk-ins," Baldwin said. "Walk-ins for IDs or CACs should only be under extenuating circumstances such as a CAC pin reset, lost CAC/ID or other things of that nature."

The CAC Event Scheduler CAC can be found at <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/> or on the Naval Station's intranet under GTMO links, then the PSD-GTMO link.



### Chaplain's Corner

#### My Country, My Pride

Chaplain Tung Tran

NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Chapel Services

In 1809, Napoleon's troops were nearing Vienna, and were uncertain of the road leading into the city. They approached a farmer coming back from working in the field, and wanted him to show them the right road. The farmer refused, and the French general offered him a purse full of money. When the farmer turned it down, the general threatened him: "If you don't show us the road to Vienna, I will have you killed."

"I prefer to die than to live as a traitor to my country," said the farmer.

Listening to these noble words, the general shook the farmer's hand and said: "Never mind, loyal citizen. We'll find the road somehow."

Perhaps one of the things that's good for me to think more about and to ponder more seriously about is my country. How important is my country? What are the issues that I need to weigh as I vote? Am I even going to vote? Am I a good citizen? Am I a loyal citizen? How can I serve my country better?

God bless America. God Bless you all.

*Motorists are reminded to abide by base regulations requiring vehicles using the ferry to be prioritized into one of the three marked lanes according to mission requirements at Windward and Leeward Ferry Landing*



# Life In The CORRECT Lane



## Base Community Reminded Of Proper Ferry Landing Lane Use

**MC2(SW/AW) Justin Alles**

Gazette Editor

Port Operations (Port Ops) officials at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba are currently reminding residents of Windward Ferry Landing Leeward Ferry Landing lane assignment rules and regulations.

The regulations require that vehicles using the ferry be prioritized into one of the three marked lanes according to mission requirements. Personnel using their vehicle for recreational purposes or convenience are required to use lane three, which is the lowest priority.

"Government and contractor vehicles in the execution of official business, not to include movement of personnel and baggage on flight days, should be utilizing assigned lane two," said Lt. Shawn Ware, NS Guantanamo Bay Port Operations Officer. "In reference to NS instruction (NAVSTAGTMOINST 9820.3U), government or contractor vehicles in use for the purposes of recreation or transporting personnel and/or

luggage to/from the Air Mobility Command (AMC) terminal do not meet lane two priority."

Lane one is reserved for government emergency vehicles engaged in an emergency operation, government vehicles carrying perishable and/or frozen food in a non-refrigerated truck, loaded U.S. mail vehicles and AMC terminal baggage trucks, contraband inspection units, U.S. Navy courier vehicles, official military vehicles carrying senior officers (O-6 and above), and vehicles authorized by the Port Services Officer.

"Basically, anyone desiring to use lane one submits a request through my office and may be given a signed pass," said Ware.

Vehicles in the incorrect lane will either be moved to a lane of lower priority or removed altogether, according to Ware.

"Port Ops personnel will more aggressively police the use of the ferry lanes and will be moving vehicles to the appropriate lanes as required," said Ware. "The bottom line is we can't afford to incur extra cost to the government for nothing more than convenience."

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savings into categories of no costs, medium costs and major projects.

"Some things are low cost, no cost," said Starling. "Turning off lights, for instance is low cost, no cost, which is easy to do, but hard to get everyone to accomplish sometimes."

While surveying the Naval Station's headquarters, the survey team found a no cost way to save energy in the building.

"We found a leak in the pneumatic air compressor in the boiling room," said Starling. "That air compressor controls the thermostats on the walls. It takes a wrench and about three seconds to tighten that fitting and make this work accurately."

The medium costs projects are things that the base could afford to do from available funds, and major projects requires programmed funding that an installation alone could not cover.

The company will now prepare a report that will go to Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southeast and the Department of the Navy for review.

"We believe that there is a tremendous amount of

energy dollars that can be saved for the Navy here at GTMO," said Starling. "By saving those dollars, the Navy should be able to invest that back into training and other areas that will improve quality of life for the people who live and work here."



*Tom Riney, senior energy engineer, SAIN Engineering measures discharge and return of air from an air conditioning unit while collecting room temperature using an infrared thermometer*

### UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL DID-YA-KNOW



U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay recognized its Sailors of the Year during command quarters held Jan. 20 in front of the hospital complex. Pictured (l-r) are: HM3 Andre Hall, BlueJacket of the Year; HM2(FMF) Angel Diaz, Junior Sailor of the Year; and HM1(SW/FMF) Glenn Farris, Senior Sailor of the Year. HM3 Hall is an EMT certified Corpsman and leading petty officer of the Emergency Department, and implemented a program that focused on Corpsmen skill development, patient focused care and discharge planning. HM2 Diaz is the leading petty officer of the hospital's Radiology Department, and performed more than 500 routine x-rays during a 25percent manning shortfall, and completed his Bachelor degree in Health Sciences Health Care Management with honors. HM1 Farris is the leading petty officer for the hospital's Public Health directorate, supervising the medical readiness staff and oversaw the process whereby the hospital was able to achieve an historic 100 percent medical readiness. - U.S. Navy Photo by Stacey Byington.

# GTMO SHOPPER

E-mail classified ad submissions to **PAO-CLASSIFIEDADS@USNBGTMONAVY.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 Justin Ailes at 4520 with your questions or concerns.

## VEHICLES

'06 BMW X3 Silver 52k miles, Automatic, leather, CD, moon roof, pwr everything. \$18,900 OBO, Call 79599 or 2086

'97 Ford F150. 148K miles. Runs strong. Moderate body damage. \$3000 OBO. Call Jake 78148 or 4330

'04 22-ft. Hurricane with 115hp Yamaha 4 stroke engine, runs great. Trailer, GPS, Sirius, fishing and tubing gear. \$12k OBO. Call 77077 or email cvk1031@yahoo.com.

'95 19' SkiBoat-Sunbird Corsair. Runs great, modified Bimini Top, \$5000. Call Tony (d)2632 (n)78810

'94 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo. Runs great, \$3300 OBO. Call 90139

22' USA Fiberglass Offshore Series. Tackle box approved. Needs new starter and battery. \$1000 OBO. FMI, call Jake 78148/4330

20' Center Console, w/2000 90HP Johnson & trailer, Garmin fish finder, capable of 1500ft. Out of Bounds Certified Boat "REEZEZY" moored behind BOQ. \$5,750 OBO. FMI, call Steve 77279

Scuba dive scooter (DPV) made by Dive Extras. Sierra Standard model. Travel case and smart charger for the battery. The entire scooter breaks down to fit the travel case and weighs under the 50 lbs. airline travel limit. \$2200.

## ELECTRONICS

SCSI modem with ethernet cable and power cord. \$55. Call 77806

50" Panasonic Plasma TV. \$600. FMI, call 75506

New still in box Toshiba Blu ray player. \$70. FMI, call 77001

HP Laptop G62 500GB hardrive 3G memory system, 15.6" display screen with webcam. \$300. Contact donwayne88@yahoo.com

Intova U/W camera IC800. 8.0 mega pixels. Only used 4 times. \$150. Intova flash set (new) unopened \$80. Both \$200. Call 79358

## OUTDOOR REC

2 dive lights, and 1 dive computer. 1 BCD, 1 Reg set and 10 lbs of weights in each dive gear set (1 Sm and 1 Med/Lrg) at \$625 per set (negotiable). 2 dive lights (\$62 lights for \$45 each, only used twice). Dive computer, Mares Mission Puck 3 (computer, compass, pressure gauge) with retractor \$350. Call 84517 or email fsuaf@yahoo.com for more info and pictures.

Men Full Wet Suit, Bare (tropical series) \$40. Call 78468

1 Lg. BCD. Mares/EGO/MRS. Less than a yr. old. \$375. FMI, call 84242 or 75736

3/2 Body Glove Shorty wetsuit women's size 11/12 \$20. 1mm full Aquaglo wetsuit women's size 12 \$50 (like new). 5mm boots Henderson size 8 \$30 (like new). Tusa Z3 Zoom fins size xs/sm (blue) \$50 (like new). Tusa Visalator mask (black) w/ Mares snorkel \$15. Contact Jodie Hurlbut at 78159

Men Full Wet Suit, Bare (tropical series) \$40. Call 78447 between 3:30pm and 10:30pm

## YARD SALE

Jan. 28-29, Nob Hill 3B, 0800-1200

Jan. 28, CC 24D, 0700-1200

Jan. 29, VL 19A, 0800-1200

## LOST AND FOUND

Lost Canon Powershot D10 Underwater camera, blue and gray, lost in Caribbean Circle. If found, please call Mark/Jessica at 75877

## HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Roper (made by Whirlpool) electric clothes dryer. \$100 OBO. Call 77806

Futon w/black cover and black metal frame. \$65 OBO. Call 77806

Sofa/couch. Seats 3. Light blue in color. Excellent condition. \$80. FMI, call 75749

Floor lamp \$20. Table lamp \$10. Take both for \$25. Call 77806

Wagner steam cleaner. Like new. \$75. Call 77806

File Cabinet (1) Drwr., On wheels w/ Shelf on top. \$15. Call 75749

Bunk bed with mattresses \$150. Med. bounce house w/ pump \$100. Pink peg pergo stroller \$50. Girls clothes sizes 5-8, dressers \$25 a piece. Much more. FMI, call 79599. All prices OBO

(2) 45lbs plates, (2) 25lbs plates, (2) springs, (1) long bar, (1) bench (MARCY) - model MCB-379, never used \$150 for everything. Please contact Joerg at jaschmitt@dckww.com. or 77010

# The SCOOP

## 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.

## JTF'S SAFE RIDE HOME.

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

## TUESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA AND PASTA

Tuesdays, Windjammer Cafe, Dinner: 1700-1900, Team Trivia: 1900-2100. Winning team eats free. FMI, call 75503.

## LEATHER CRAFT CLASSES

The Cermaics Shop is offering leather craft classes every Tuesday, 1900-2030. \$15 per class. Register at the Ceramics Shop. FMI, call 74795 or 84435.

## "SOMETHING DISTANT" CONCERT

Jan. 27, 1900, O'Kelly's Irish Pub (patio). Get ready for a rock n' roll weekend with the Jacksonville, Fl. based band. FMI, call 75503.

## CRAFT FAIR

Jan. 28, 0900-1300, Downtown Lyceum during the MWR Expo. FMI, call 74795 or 75351.

## ROCK AND ROLL HALF MARATHON

Jan. 28, 0700. Register at Denich Gym. Cost is \$25 per entrant, includes pre-race dinner and event t-shirt. FMI, call 77262.

## POST MARATHON EXPO

Jan. 28, 0900-1300. Join MWR for an Expo and Craft Fair after the Half Marathon at the Downtown Lyceum. Live music provided from 'Cartel,' beginning at 0930. FMI, call 2157.

## "CARTEL" CONCERT

Jan. 28, 2100, O'Kelly's Irish Pub. Rock out with Cartel on the patio. FMI, call 75503.

## SMOOTH MOVE CLASS

Jan. 31, 0930-1130, FFSC Bldg. 2135. Learn the 'tools of the trade' to make your next PCS move easier. FMI, call 4153.

## NEW AIR TERMINAL ANNEX HOURS

Beginning Feb. 1, the Windward Air Terminal Annex hours will be Mon. 1400-1900, Tues. 1400-1800, Friday 1200-1800.

## SUPER FISHBOWL TOURNAMENT

Feb. 4, MWR Marina, 0700-1200. Register by Feb. 2. \$6 per person. Prizes to 1st place male and female competitors for longest Mackerel, Jack and Snapper. FMI, call 2345.

## MEET MIAMI DOLPHIN CHEERLEADERS

Feb. 5, Windjammer Patio. Autographs and photos from 1630-1730, followed by a performance before the Super Bowl kick-off. FMI, call 75503.

## KICK, PASS, PUNT AND QB ATTACK

Feb. 5, Cooper Field, 1300. Get ready for the challenge

## PORT SERVICES UPDATE

The Port Services Desk will be closed the week of FEB. 6-10 for Facility Response Team Training. Normal business hours will resume Feb. 13.

## SHIP SHAPE GUANTANAMO BAY

Ship Shape is an 8 week comprehensive weight management program that meets one hour per week every Wed. Learn about proper nutrition and new techniques for weight management. FMI, call 72995. Course begins Feb. 15.

# GTMO JOB HUNT

## EDUCATIONAL AIDE AND TRAINING TECH

11-CUB-013 , GS-1702-04. Closes Feb. 1.

Apply online at Jobview.usajobs.gov. FMI, call W.T. Sampson at 3500 or 2207 for any inquiries regarding this position. DoD is currently accepting applications under examining authority of 10 U.S.C., Section 2164. This position may be used for the purpose of filling multiple positions throughout the school year.

## SUPERVISORY MEDICAL RECORDS TECH

LH11-054 GS-09, (USNH)

## COMMAND PERSONNEL LIAISON

LH12-001 GS-09, (USNH)

FMI Call 4441, or stop at Bulkley Hall Rm. 211. Positions are open continuously until filled.

## HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT (2)

Full time, \$30K-\$42K per year. (NF-03) CAC Card Eligible. FN hire, \$8.84-\$10.60 hr. (LGS-07)

## FITNESS INSTRUCTOR

Full time, U.S. hire, \$ Negotiable (NF-03). FN hire, \$8.84 hr.

## COOK (BAYVIEW) (2)

Flex, U.S. hire, \$10.94 hr. FN hire, \$6.25 hr.

## REC ASSISTANT

Flex, U.S. hire, \$8-\$12 hr.

## COMPUTER TECH

Flex, U.S. hire, \$7.25 hr.

## WAITER/WAITRESS (3)

Flex, U.S. hire, \$8.77 hr., FN hire, \$5.16 hr.

## BOWLING MANAGER

Full time, U.S. hire, \$31,305-\$49,740 per year (NF-04).

## FOOD SERVICE (4)

Flex, U.S. hire, \$8.77 hr., F.N. hire, \$5.16 hr.

## ID. CHECKER (BAYVIEW) (2)

Flex, U.S. hire, \$7.25 hr., F.N. hire \$5.86 hr.

## CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAMS ASSISTANT

Full time and Flex, U.S. hire, \$12.21-\$13.71 hr.

## LIBRARY AID

Flex, U.S. hire, \$7.25 hr., F.N. hire, \$5.86 hr.

To apply for a job, call the Human Resources Office at 74121 or stop by NAF HR in Bldg. 760.

## GUANTANAMO BAY WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN OVERSEAS PROGRAM: PART TIME

Requires a B.S. in Nutrition, Dietetics, or Home Economics, or a BSN in Nursing. Please call Marty at 2186 or email your cover letter and resume to mbledsoc@choctawcontracting.com

## MOVIES DOWNTOWN LYCEUM

**JAN. 27**

### FRIDAY

7 p.m.: **Jack and Jill (last)**

PG 91 min.

### 9 p.m.: **Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close (new)**

PG13 129 min.

**SATURDAY JAN. 28**

### 7 p.m.: **Happy Feet 2 (last)**

PG 100 min.

### 9 p.m.: **The Sitter (new)**

R 82 min.

**SUNDAY JAN. 29**

### 7 p.m.: **Immortals (last)**

R 110 min.

**MONDAY JAN. 30**

### **Joyful Noise**

PG13 118 min.

**TUESDAY JAN. 31**

### **Red Tails**

PG13 125 min.

**WEDNESDAY FEB. 01**

### **Twilight: Breaking Dawn**

PG13 117 min.

**THURSDAY FEB. 02**

### **The Muppets**

PG 120 min.

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# W.T. Sampson High School Welcomes Newest Members To Honor Societies

Terence Peck

Public Affairs Officer

A total of nineteen W.T. Sampson high school students were inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) and National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) during a ceremony Jan. 19.

Nine students were accepted into the NHS and ten became members of the NJHS.

The two organizations recognize outstanding high school and middle level students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character. For NJHS inductees, citizenship was an additional attribute.

"Selection to the NHS and NJHS is a privilege, not a right," said Joseph Meshan. "It's an excellent program to aid in the future success for all students."

More than one million students participate in the activities of the NHS and NJHS and have chapters in all 50 states, according to the NHS website.

The guest speaker at the ceremony was Army Lt. Col. Christopher V. Wynder, commander of the 525th Military Police Bn.

"Be proud of your accomplishments and don't look back and keep striving for excellence," Wynder said. "Don't accept that this is the limit that you can achieve, because you can achieve great heights. Don't be content with the success you have right now, don't rest on your laurels, now is the great time to establish some more goals and think about what you want to do over the next two to three years."

The number of NHS and NJHS students at W.T. Sampson high school is now 27 with the addition of the new members.

*Nineteen W.T. Sampson high school students were inducted into the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society, Jan. 19. Pictured are current and new inductees (L-R) Gian Colon-Trias, Forrest Welsh, Liana Merrill, Derek Sode, Tatiana Wynder, Rebecca Simon, Kassandra Rodriguez, Selena Murcin, Kyle French, Julian Amador, Aracelis Santana, Taeisha Wynder, Lyric Campbell, Zachariah Stone, Keanna Peck, Gregory Degroff, Braden Welsh, Jose Polica, Noel Lynn, Christopher Harris, Kourtnie Black, Paola Merrill, (not photo'd, Christian Thomas)*



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