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Sheila McNeill is presented the Honorary Commander, Submarine Group 10 title from Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo by Lt. Patrick Shea.

Navy photo by MC2 Cory Rose



## Group 10 hails McNeill

Local community leader receives honorary award

From Commander, Submarine Group 10 Public Affairs

During the Submarine Group 10 Change of Command ceremony Nov. 22, Sheila McNeill received a huge surprise from outgoing commander Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo.

McNeill, a former national Navy League president and current president of the Camden Partnership, was appointed the title of honorary Submarine Group 10 Commander for her tireless efforts in supporting the Kings Bay military community.

In his remarks, Tofalo expressed gratitude to the civilian community surrounding the Kings Bay base.

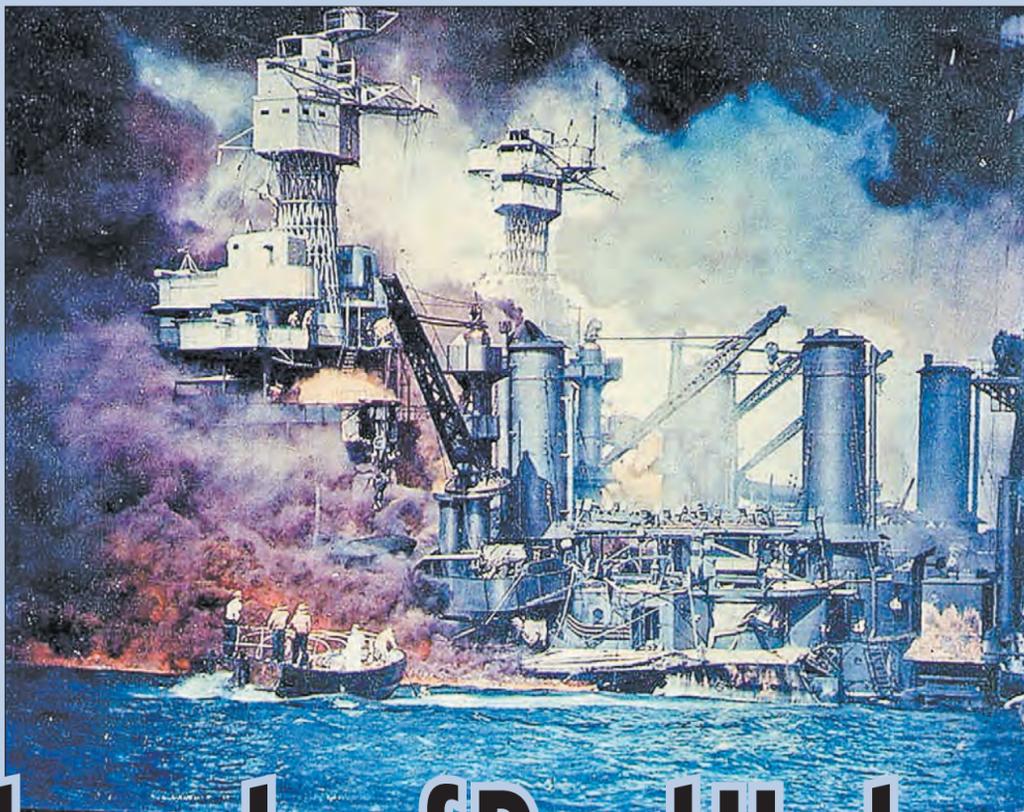
"There are few civilian communities that are as supportive as ours, and it's one of those things that just makes you feel great about being an American and living here Southeast Georgia and Northeast Florida," Tofalo said. "From the Navy League to the Camden County Partnership, to our congressman, mayors, county officials, school districts and first responders, we are so blessed to have the outstanding community support that we have."

Tofalo pressed on the theme of community

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Sailors in a motor launch rescue a survivor from the water alongside the sunken USS West Virginia (BB-48) during or shortly after the Japanese air raid on Pearl Harbor. USS Tennessee (BB-43) is inboard of the sunken battleship. This is a color-tinted version of the actual black-and-white actual color photograph.

National Archives/NHHC



## In the wake of Pearl Harbor

Five of seven out-of-action battleships would be back at sea over next six months

From Navy History and Heritage Command

Before dawn on Dec. 7, 1941, the American strategic center of gravity in the Pacific reposed in the seven battleships, then moored along "Battleship Row," the six pairs of interrupted quays located along Ford Island's eastern side in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Quay F-2, the southernmost, which usually hosted an aircraft carrier, was empty.

Northeastward, Battle Force flagship California was next, moored at F-3. Then came two pairs, moored side by side: Maryland with Oklahoma outboard, and Tennessee with West Virginia outboard.

Astern of Tennessee lay Arizona, which had the repair ship Vestal alongside.

Last in line was USS Nevada, by itself at quay F-8.

These seven battleships, ranging in age from 18 to 25 years, represented all but two of those available to the Pacific Fleet.

The Fleet flagship, Pennsylvania, was also in Pearl Harbor, drydocked at the nearby Navy Yard. The ninth, USS Colorado, was undergoing overhaul on the West Coast.

Together, these ships were one short of equalling Japan's active battlefleet. Clearly a worrisome threat to Japanese plans for Pacific Ocean dominance, they were the Japanese raiders' priority target.

Twenty-four of the 40 Japanese torpedo planes were assigned to attack "Battleship Row," and five more diverted to that side of Ford Island when they found no

battleships in their intended target areas. Of these planes' 29 Type 91 aerial torpedoes — each with a warhead of some 450 pounds of high explosive — up to 21 found their targets: two hit California, one exploded against Nevada and as many as nine each struck Oklahoma and West Virginia.

The latter two ships sank within minutes of receiving this torpedo damage.

Horizontal bombers, armed with heavy armor-piercing bombs, arrived just as the last torpedo planes finished their attacks, and other horizontal and dive bombers came in later. Together, these planes scored many hits or damaging near-misses on the "Battleship Row" ships: two on California, Maryland and Tennessee; a few on West Virginia.

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## Region Sailors unite

Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions growing

By MC1 Greg Johnson  
Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs

The concept of Sailors helping Sailors has been the underlying philosophy of the Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions since the program's beginnings at Navy Region Mid-Atlantic in 2010.

Since its inception, 300 chapters and thousands of Sailors Navy-wide have joined the coalition to promote good decision-making among peers.



Williamson

Navy Region Southeast accounts for 42 CSADD chapters with more than 800 active participants and that number continues to grow as Sailors throughout the region unite under the coalition.

"CSADD is a great program that gives junior Sailors a chance to have a positive influence on their fellow shipmates," said Rear Adm. Rick Williamson, commander, Navy Region Southeast. "I think it's important for them to have a program like CSADD that offers opportunities for leadership and a system of support. I encourage Sailors throughout the region to get involved and do their part to better themselves and better their shipmates."

CSADD is a peer-to-peer

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## Whales return to local waters

Navy helps celebrate annual migration at Jacksonville festival

By Steve Strickland  
Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs

The Navy helped celebrate the annual return of the right whale to its calving grounds in Florida and Georgia waters at the Right Whale Festival Nov. 23 at the Pavilion in Jacksonville Beach.

Rob Kalin, an operations environmental coordinator for U.S. Fleet Forces Command, said the festival has grown every year.

"It's a great way to engage kids and parents in a dialogue, and to show them what we do," he said. "We do a lot! The Navy is the largest sponsor of marine mammal research in the world."

Georgiana Herzberg lives in

the Mandarin neighborhood of Jacksonville and said this is the first time she has been to the Right Whale Festival.

"I think it's important to be aware of the world and our impact on it," Herzberg said. "I'm concerned about the Navy's impact on marine species."

Herzberg was impressed with the research the University of North Florida is doing.

"The UNF booth taught me a lot, and I think the Navy should link up with UNF for research," she said. "I know the Navy does research out in California, but linking up with other people is good."

Nancy Allen, a marine research specialist for Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southeast, said the Navy has been at the festival every year since it started. Allen and Steve Biemiller, a NAVFAC SE biologist, are regulars at the festival, as is Kalin.

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Navy photo by Steve Strickland

From left, Rob Kalin, Nancy Allen, and Steve Biemiller look up from making hats as giveaways at the annual Right Whale Festival.



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## Local news and views

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### Now hear this!

#### Stimson Gate work alters hours

During a security upgrade at Stimson Gate, on Friday, Dec. 6, all outbound lanes will be secured 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and all inbound lanes will remain open. At 2:30 p.m., all inbound lanes at Stimson Gate will be secured and all outbound lanes will be open until 6:30 p.m. and remain secured over the weekend. Stimson will re-open at 5 a.m., Dec 9. Throughout Dec. 9 to 13, the Stimson Gate outbound inside lane will be closed for short periods to accommodate construction. The Franklin and Madison gates remain open Dec. 9 to 13. In addition, approximately 200 feet before the entry to the Stimson Gate, the two inside lanes, inbound and outbound, will be secured to accommodate road construction in the median. Lane closures will be in effect through Dec. 23 or until construction is complete. Both inside lanes will be coned and/or barreled off and the speed limited reduced in the construction zone for the safety and protection of the workers. During peak traffic hours backups will occur. Proceed with caution, be alert for construction workers and slow your speeds in this area.

#### CFC Golf Tournament Dec. 13

Naval Submarine Base Kings Bays Trident Lakes Golf Club's Golf Tournament sponsored by the Combined Federal Campaign is Friday, Dec. 13, with shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. The event is open to all hands. Format is 4-person Captain's Choice. Entry is \$35, which includes lunch, green fees and cart. Call (912) 573-8475 for reservations.

#### Commissary sets holiday hours

Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay's Commissary will be open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, and 9 to 6 p.m., New Years Eve, Dec. 31, and is closed Christmas, Dec. 25 and New Years Day, Jan. 1.

#### Kingsland tree lighting Dec. 5

Kingsland's Christmas Tree Lighting will be 5 to 8 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 5 at the Kingsland Depot. Pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, Christmas caroling, hot coco and cookies, plus snow will be featured.

#### Santa at Dolphin Store Dec. 7

Cookies with Santa is 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday Dec. 7 at the Dolphin Store in Building 1066, 918 James Madison Road, on Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay. The store is open 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and the first and third Saturday of each month, but closed Dec. 22 to Jan. 5. Volunteers are needed. For more information, e-mail kbdolphinstore@hotmail.com.

#### St. Marys has Christmas events

The St. Marys Christmas Tour of Homes is 5:30 to 9 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the event and can be purchased at the St. Marys Welcome Center or the Kingsland Welcome Center. Other holiday events include Christmas in the Park and the Santa Express Train Rides Dec. 7, an original musical *Forever Christmas* at Theatre by the Trax Dec. 13, 14 and 15 and Cumberland Island's Plum Orchard Christmas Tour Dec. 15. Reservations are limited and should be made in advance. Call (912) 882-4335 for regular 9 a.m. or 11:45 a.m. ferry reservations and pay an additional \$6 fee to be included in the Plum Orchard Christmas Tour. For more information, contact the St. Marys Welcome Center at (912) 882-4000 or visit info@stmaryswelcome.com.

#### Base library sets holiday hours

During the holidays and due to on-base partner schools being between terms, the base library will have adjusted hours as provided: Open: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 9 to 12, 16 to 19; and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 6, 10, 20.

#### NSB Teen Driver class Dec. 27

Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Safety and Cape Fox will be conducting a Teen Driver Improvement class Dec. 27. Class, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fluckey Hall, Bldg. 1063, Room 127, is limited to 30; is open to dependents of active duty/reserve/retirees, as well as DOD civilians. Due to the high demand if your signed-up teen driver cannot attend, call to cancel so another future driver can be signed up. Teen drivers/future drivers need to have either their license or permit and something to write with. This class does not fulfill any of the State of Georgia requirements for teen drivers but may help with insurance depending on your insurance provider. To sign up, call Dean Merrill or Russ Prothero at (912) 573-2525 or (912) 573-0414.

## Admiral's papers going to Academy

By Lt. Teng K. Ooi, PhD, and Capt. Linda J. Beltra, MD  
Naval Academy/Missile Defense Agency and Naval Hospital Jacksonville

The United States Naval Academy Mathematics Department is honored to receive personal papers including books, photographs and other memorabilia of one of the USNA's most successful Trident Scholars, Navy four-star Adm. Donald Lee Pilling.

The items were donated by his widow, Dr. Barbara Orbon Pilling, in a dedication ceremony held recently in Chauvenet Hall, USNA in Annapolis, Maryland.

The Naval Academy established the Trident Scholar Program in 1963 to provide an exciting opportunity to a select number of exceptional midshipmen to pursue independent study and research during their senior year.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of this elite program. The program pairs each Trident Scholar with an assigned faculty adviser and other area specialists to coordinate and supervise a research project.

At the end of the academic year, the Trident Scholars present their findings at a research lecture hosted at the Naval Academy.

The most outstanding research project is awarded the Office of Na-

#### Naval Academy

val Intelligence Harry E. Ward Trident Scholar prize.

Pilling graduated fourth in his 1965 Naval Academy Class with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and was one of the school's first Trident Scholars.

His Trident Scholar project, *Distributivity and Completeness in Implication Algebra*, involved the study of partially ordered systems.

Under the direction of his adviser, the late Dr. James C. Abbott, Naval Academy Mathematics Department, Pilling won the Harry E. Ward Trident Scholar prize.

Pilling went on to earn a Ph.D. in Mathematics from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom in 1970 with a dissertation, *The Algebra of Operators for Regular Events*, under Dr. John H. Conway, University of Cambridge.

His clarity of critical thinking and demonstration of excellence was clearly evident in his early years.

He published articles in mathematical and professional journals and was the author of a 1989 Brookings Institution monograph, *Competition in Defense Procurement*.

Pilling enjoyed a distinguished naval career culminating with a tour

as the Navy's 30th Vice Chief of Naval Operations in November 1997. He retired as a four-star admiral in October 2000.

Adm. Pilling passed away on May 26, 2008 and rests on top of a hill at the Naval Academy Cemetery, overlooking the scenic Annapolis Harbor in Annapolis, Maryland.

Admiral Pilling is survived by his wife of 42 years, Dr. Barbara Pilling whose generosity of providing his works is gratefully acknowledged. They have two daughters, Kathleen Pilling Posivak and Jennifer Pilling Stopkey.

The Mathematics Department is truly excited to add this collection of Pilling's personal papers to the library's holdings of materials that continue to motivate, inspire and guide midshipmen.

The papers will be immensely valuable to contemporary scholars including faculty, staff and midshipmen, who will have the opportunity to study these documents and use them to supplement their studies of defense acquisition, national security issues, and foreign policy implications for future naval forces.

Readers will gain an insight into Admiral Pilling's decision making, logical reasoning, and methodical thinking process as well as his legendary intelligence and enduring wit.

## Physician assistants being recruited

By MC1 Brianna K. Dandridge  
For Navy Recruiting District Jacksonville

Navy Recruiting District Jacksonville hosted a Physician Assistant recruiting event Nov. 7.

Dozens of students from Nova Southeastern University, with an interest in pursuing a career in Navy Medicine, attended.

The event offered students the opportunity to learn about a career in Navy medicine as a commissioned officer in the Medical Service Corps as a Physician Assistant.

They were invited by the Officer Programs Health Care Recruiter and presented the many career options for Physician Assistant and Health Services Collegiate Program.

Under the PA program, candidates are potentially eligible to receive tuition assistance through HSCP or possibly bonus funds to repay graduate school loans through the Health Professions Loan Repayment Program.

HSCP provides financial incentives for college students in designated health care professions to complete degree and certification requirements and obtain a commission in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, or Medical Service Corps.

"The recruiting event was very informative," said Amanda Flynn, a student at NSU. "I'm still very open to serving in the military. I have to finish my clinical rotations before

#### Jacksonville Recruiting

making a final decision."

If applying as a new graduate, qualifying candidates are then commissioned as a lieutenant junior grade in the Navy's Medical Service Corps.

"The U.S. Navy is a wide open organization," said Lt. Cmdr. Kenneth Meehan, Orthopedic Physician Assistant, Naval Hospital Jacksonville. "There are tons of opportunities to succeed in this organization regardless of race, religion or gender."

According to Meehan, the goal is to give college students more information so they can decide for the right reasons why service in the Navy is a great potential career path for them.

Lt. Rick Baer, Navy Nurse Corps Officer Healthcare Recruiter, noted that there was no pressure for the students to make the decision to commission into the military immediately.

"Time is of the essence and anything we can do to help people with a timely decision is crucial as these very competitive programs fill quickly," said Baer.

Meehan spoke at length to students of NSU on his 32-year career and how service has given him personal fulfillment.

"The honor of serving and being a part of something bigger than my-

self, Meehan said. "I have the honor of serving heroes."

Meehan wanted potential candidates to understand they will be a part of a brotherhood of Navy medicine.

Members of Navy Medical Service Corps, care for Sailors, Marines and their families.

They also assist in U.S. Navy medical emergency and disaster relief missions worldwide.

"There is friendship and loyalty in the military that you won't find anywhere else," said Meehan.

Nationally, only 17 people will qualify for HSCP this fiscal year and only five people will qualify as new graduates or practicing professionals.

Ryan Winkgo is the son of a former military service member. Winkgo voiced his interest in physical therapy and wanted more information on the fellowship aspects of the presentation.

"I'm very interested in serving in the military," Winkgo said.

Once selected for the program, candidates will be enlisted by their recruiting district and assigned to the nearest Navy Recruiting District, and placed on an active duty status as an E-6, Officer Candidate First Class.

For more information on officer healthcare recruitment programs contact Lt. Rick Baer at (904) 347-3320 ext. 312 or e-mail fredrick.baer@navy.mil.

## Navy Lodge offers holiday values

By Kristine M. Sturkie

Navy Exchange Service Command Public Affairs Specialist

Book a room at a Navy Lodge for extra holiday guests this year. Guests of the Navy Lodge save 45 percent compared to other hotels and there are no extra person charges.

"Navy Lodges are the perfect place for guests of military members to stay during the holidays," said Navy Lodge Kings Bay General Manager, Linda Bird. "Navy Lodges offer a great value considering all the space, kitchen and other amenities we offer our guests. Guests will also enjoy a free breakfast in the morn-

#### Navy Lodge

ing along with free Internet access, in-room coffee and newspaper."

Every Navy Lodge guest room is oversized with queen-sized beds, cable TV with premium channels, a DVD/CD player, direct-dial telephone service, Internet access and a kitchenette complete with microwave, refrigerator and utensils.

Navy Lodges also offer house-keeping service, vending machines, convenient on-base parking, video rental service and guest laundry facilities as well as handicapped ac-

cessible and all non-smoking rooms.

Navy Lodges are conveniently located near other on base amenities, such as the gym, pool, restaurants and Navy Exchange.

As an added convenience, select Navy Lodges allow dogs and cats up to 50 pounds in weight to stay when traveling with their owners. Check with the Navy Lodge for more details.

To make a reservation at any one of the 41 Navy Lodges around the world, call toll free at (800) 628-9466 or you can log onto www.navy-lodge.com.

For other military lodging options, go to www.dodlodging.com.



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# Navy carefully preserves historic treasures

**By MC1 Tim Comerford**  
Naval History and Heritage Command Communication and Outreach Division

The staff of the Naval History and Heritage Command's Navy Department Library continued the renovation of its rare book room, Nov. 26, in order to better conserve the rare and unique documents preserved and stored in the room at the Washington Navy Yard.

As part of an ongoing overhaul of various NHHC headquarters, the room is receiving a new fire suppression system, the FM-200 made by DuPont.

The FM-200 uses a gas that will extinguish fire without damaging irreplaceable items, replacing a primary system of fire sprinklers that would have released damaging water onto priceless documents and artifacts.

The overhaul highlights NHHC's persistent commitment to professionalize the Navy's museums and curatorial rooms, bringing them level with the best of America's museums.

"Water on these documents would practically be as bad as fire," said Glenn Helm, Director of the Navy Department Library. "They would be ruined. It would stop the fire, but you would lose everything. The objective is to have a gas fire suppression system as the primary system. It will permeate everything but it won't damage the books."

"Instead of water it discharges Heptafluoropropane, a colorless, odorless gaseous halocarbon that is non-toxic," said Igor Boras, senior construction manager for Public Works Department Naval Support Activity Washington, about the new system.

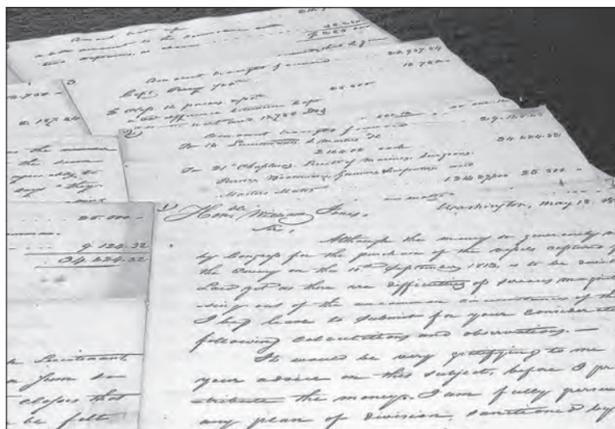
According to the manufacturer, the gas provides for rapid fire extinguishing by a series of chemical and physical mechanisms and yet is so safe the gas is used by pharmaceutical companies as a propellant in asthma inhalers.

While the gas is the primary system to put out fires, the room still retains a water system as a secondary measure.

According to a fire protection engineer for Naval Facilities Engineering Command there is a good reason to keep the water system as well.

According to the engineer, although water is very damaging to documents, actual fire incident history has shown that the damage from an unchecked fire is much greater than the damage from a fire that is controlled by sprinklers, even accounting for water damage.

NAVFAC provided the gaseous suppression system to reduce the likelihood of water discharge,



Pages of an 1814 message from Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry to Secretary of the Navy William Jones lay on an archival table inside the Navy Department Library's rare book room. Navy photo by MC1 Tim Comerford

but also maintains the sprinkler system to provide a fail-safe in the event the gaseous system is overwhelmed or impaired.

An added bonus is that the system is smaller than comparable systems so it will not take up as much space in the rare book room, where space is at a premium.

"The cylinders used to dispense the gas are smaller," Boras said. "So the system itself is smaller."

NHHC's Navy Department Library rare book room, a climate-controlled vault, features documents both unique and rare.

The room even boasts a whole shelf of books written before 1600. During the renovation process, the rare books have been put into a partitioned part of the room to keep these incredibly rare volumes and documents safe.

"It houses our oldest and most valuable material, both books and manuscripts," James Allen Knechtmann, the library's head of reference, explained about the room. "This is the holy of holies of Navy history. We have Nimitz's commissioning certificates, a certificate naming him an honorary Knight Commander of the Bath with King George VI's signature on it, a menu from USS Kearsarge signed by Kaiser Wilhelm II in 1903, a log from a Royal Navy warship captured during the American Revolution; there is a lot of rare material, much of it absolutely irreplaceable."

"It's literally a treasure house of the Navy. John Paul Jones' calling card collection from when he was with the Russian navy, documents captured on U-505 when Daniel Gallery boarded the sub - it's this fabulous selection of incredibly rare items. One can spend a day describing treasures in here," Helm added.

The books in the rare book room have proven invaluable to writers and researchers, including some who went on to fame for the works they wrote based on the rare book room's collection.

"One of the researchers that used the room was Rick Atkinson," Helm said. "He wrote a trilogy, one of

the volumes of which is called 'An Army at Dawn,' about the invasion of North Africa in 1942. He received a Pulitzer Prize for that book. My name is in the acknowledge-

ments to it, because I helped him when he was here. [Knechtmann] and most of the staff can say similar things."

The work on the room

is expected to be finished sometime in January.

"We hope by the end of January we are in the position to be putting the books back, as well as [wall] hangings and decorations and having a perfect new room," Helm said.

The system, the first of its kind to be installed anywhere at NHHC, is a way of making sure in the future that Navy Department Library rare documents and artifacts have a better chance of surviving a catastrophe such as a fire and bringing the room's safeguards in line with other major institutions. It's a job that Helm and Knechtmann both take very seriously.

"It's a job, but it is also an honor and privilege to

work with this material, to try to protect it and shepherd it into the future," Helm said. "As a professional it doesn't get any better."

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support, specifically recognizing McNeill's dedication to local military initiatives.

"Whether it's Camden Partnership activities, Georgia Military Affairs Council advocacy, pulling together state and local

leaders and educators to help me address our aging TRF demographic, or flawlessly executing the extremely successful recent Triad Council, Sheila gives her heart and soul to the advancement of Kings Bay," he said.

McNeill was presented with a specially monogrammed hat and certificate as a token of appreciation in addition to her honorary title.

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# Submarine Group 10

# Change of Command

Nov. 22, 2013 at NSB Kings Bay



Above, Krista Callahan sings the *National Anthem*, while saluting the Colors are, from left, Chaplain Cmdr. Ted Fanning, Vice Adm. Michael Connor, commander Submarine Forces, Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo, outgoing Group Ten commander, Rear Adm. Charles Richard, incoming Group Ten commander, and Capt. Stephen Gillespie, Group Ten deputy commander and chief of staff.



Right, Conner speaks at the podium in the NSB Kings Bay Fitness Center gymnasium.



Vice Adm. Michael Connor, Commander, Submarine Forces, presented the Legion of Merit to Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo for his outstanding job as Commander, Submarine Group 10.



A large group of family, well-wishers and Kings Bay personnel were in attendance. World War II submarine flags decorated the scene.

Rear Adm. Charles Richard arrives at the Change of Command, ready to lead Submarine Group 10.



Navy photos by MC2 Cory Rose and MC3 Ashley Hedrick



Chiefs and officers listen to the speakers during the Submarine Group 10 Change of Command ceremony.



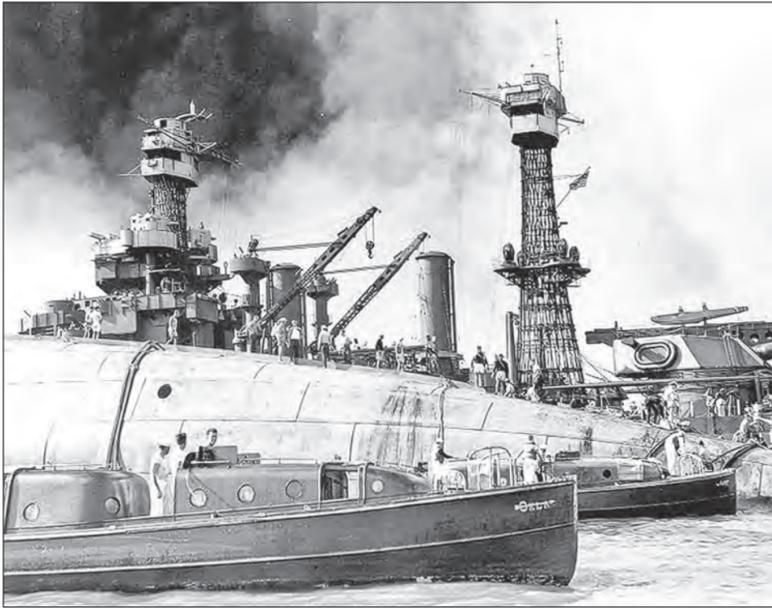
Lt. Patrick Shea presents flowers to Suzanne and Maria Tofalo.



Rear Adm. Richard address the crowd.

Navy Band Southeast played for the Change of Command ceremony.





Naval History and Heritage Command photo

Rescue teams at work on the capsized hull of USS Oklahoma (BB-37), seeking crew members trapped inside.



Naval History and Heritage Command photo

USS Oklahoma (BB-37) righted to about 30 degrees, on March 29, 1943. Although refloated, the Oklahoma never returned to action.

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Most spectacular of the bombers' victims was Arizona, which was struck many times. One bomb penetrated to the vicinity of her forward magazines, which detonated with a massive blast, immediately sinking the ship.

Nevada, which got underway during the latter part of the attack, attracted many dive bombers, was hit repeatedly as she steamed slowly between Ford Island and the Navy Yard, and, sinking and ablaze, had to be run ashore.

The Japanese had thus put out of action all seven battleships present on "Battleship Row."

During the weeks following the Japanese raid, a great deal of repair work was done by the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard, assisted by tenders and ships' crewmen.

These efforts, lasting into February 1942, put the battleships Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Tennessee; cruisers Honolulu, Helena, and Raleigh; destroyers Helm and Shaw, seaplane tender Curtiss, repair ship Vestal and the floating drydock YFD-2 back into service, or at least got them ready to steam to the mainland for final repairs.

The most seriously damaged of these ships, Raleigh and Shaw, were returned to active duty by mid-1942.

Five more battleships, two



Naval History and Heritage Command photo

Torpedo planes attack "Battleship Row" at about 8 a.m. Dec. 7, 1941, seen from a Japanese aircraft. Ships are, from lower left to right, Nevada (BB-36); Arizona (BB-39) with Vestal (AR-4) outboard; Tennessee (BB-43) with West Virginia (BB-48) outboard; Maryland (BB-46) with Oklahoma (BB-37) outboard; Neosho (AO-23) and California (BB-44). West Virginia, Oklahoma and California have been torpedoed, as marked by ripples and spreading oil, and the first two are listing to port. Torpedo drop splashes and running tracks are visible at left and center. White smoke in the distance is from Hickam Field. Grey smoke in the center middle distance is from the torpedoed USS Helena (CL-50), at the Navy Yard's 1010 dock.

destroyers, a target ship and a minelayer were sunk, or so severely damaged as to represent nearly total losses.

These required much more extensive work just to get them to a point where repairs could begin. Starting in December 1941 and continuing into February 1942, the Navy Yard stripped the de-

stroyers Cassin and Downes of servicable weapons, machinery and equipment. This materiel was sent to California, where it was installed in new hulls.

These two ships came back into the fleet in late 1943 and early 1944.

To work on the remaining seven ships, all of them sunk, a sal-

vage organization was formally established a week after the raid to begin what would clearly be a huge job.

Commanded from early January 1942 by Captain Homer N. Wallin, previously a member of the Battle Force Staff, this Salvage Division labored hard and productively for more than two

years to refloat five ships and remove weapons and equipment from the other two.

Among its accomplishments were the refloating of the battleships Nevada in February 1942, California in March, and West Virginia in June, plus the minelayer Oglala during April-July 1942.

After extensive shipyard repairs, these four ships were placed back in the active fleet in time to help defeat Japan.

The Salvage Division also righted and refloated the capsized battleship Oklahoma, partially righted the capsized target ship Utah and recovered materiel from the wreck of the battleship Arizona. However, these three ships were not returned to service, and the hulls of the last two remain in Pearl Harbor to this day.

All this represented one of history's greatest salvage jobs. Seeing it to completion required that Navy and civilian divers spend about 20,000 hours underwater in about 5,000 dives.

Long and exhausting efforts were expended in recovering human remains, documents, ammunition and other items from the oil-fouled interiors of ships that had been under water for months.

Uncounted hours went into cleaning the ships and otherwise getting them ready for shipyard repair. Much of this work had to be carried out in gas masks, to guard against the ever-present risk of toxic gasses, and nearly all of it was extremely dirty.

## Whales

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The festival is sponsored by the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric

Administration and the Sea and Shore Alliance. It celebrates the return to Florida and Georgia waters of the right whale to its annual calving grounds.

"Many people are unaware that the Navy, along with the Army Corps of

Engineers and the Coast Guard, pays for aerial right whale surveys and sightings," Allen said. "We also like to explain the mitigation measures the Navy has in place to prevent ship strikes, which are major cause of whale fatalities."

The Navy is a leader in whale protection, Allen said. "We care about our whales and other marine species, absolutely," he said. Biemiller said, "It's good to let people know what the Navy is doing and to show them the environ-

mental side of the Navy." Kalin has been at the Right Whale Festival for the last four years, to let people know what the Navy is doing. "I enjoy it," Kalin said. "It's a great opportunity

to meet people who don't know what we do. We show them we have a plan in place, and that we work closely with other agencies to help ensure that the right whale will be around for generations to come."

## CSADD

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mentorship program geared toward Sailors aged 18 to 25. The program not only deters Sailors from making destructive decisions, but it also helps build leadership and organizational skills, said Chief Aviation Maintenance Administrationman Scott Battle, Navy Region Southeast CSADD coordinator.

"The program's primary goal is obviously to help prevent Sailors from making decisions that put them in bad situations, but it also serves as a forum for junior Sailors to develop skills that will help them for the rest of their careers," Battle said. "The activities that chapters typically engage in require initiative, teamwork and coordination to make them happen and the Sailors who have the motivation to involve themselves in that process are definitely benefitting."

CSADD chapters typically sponsor a variety of social and volunteer events as an alternative to riskier activities, such as parties or the bar scene.

Events typically include comedy nights, talent shows and game nights, as well as numerous volunteer opportunities.

In addition, each chap-

ter holds monthly training meetings.

"Monthly training topics are the same for each chapter Navy-wide," Battle said. "It's a good opportunity for chapters to focus on Navy programs and policies, such as SAPR (Sexual Assault Prevention and Response) and suicide awareness."

Air-Traffic Controller 3rd Class Alexis Ray, president of the Naval Air Station Jacksonville CSADD chapter, said the program offers something for everyone.

"I think it's a good opportunity to help our fellow shipmates and to give back to the local community," Ray said. "I want to help Sailors maintain the best career path without getting into any kind of trouble or ending up at captain's mast."

The NAS Jacksonville chapter was only formed three months ago, but is already having an impact on the base and in the community.

The chapter participated in the 26.2 with Donna breast cancer awareness marathon Nov. 22, as well as the Run or Dye 5K run later last month. In addition, members also volunteer at Mandarin Food Bank and the Clara White Mission, which provides meals and job training programs for the homeless.

"We want to volunteer as much as possible," Ray said. "Any time there is a volunteer opportunity here

in Jacksonville, our goal is to be involved. I feel like the community does a lot of things to support us, so they should know that we appreciate them as much as they appreciate us."

One of the tools many chapters use to strengthen cohesion between their members, as well as other chapters, is social media. The NAS Jacksonville chapter uses Facebook to reinforce monthly training topics and advertise social and volunteer events.

"Social media is very important to our cause," Ray said. "You can communicate through e-mail, but it just doesn't have the same reach as social media. When we started our Facebook page, not only did our members start following the page, but so did their friends and families. I think it's awesome that families across the country are able to keep up with our page and see how we are trying to give back."

She said social media is one of the main reasons the chapter has been so successful. Her chapter is up to 15 members its Facebook likes are up more than 70 percent in the past two months. Ray said she expects those numbers to continue to grow.

Battle said he also expects growth, not only at the NAS Jacksonville chapter, but at chapters throughout the region.

"The CSADD program has been a great success

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Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel addresses shipyard workers and sailors as he delivers remarks in front of the guided-missile destroyer Pre-Commissioning Unit Zumwalt (DDG-1000).

## Hagel visits PCS Zumwalt

By Karen Parrish  
American Forces Press Service

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said the not-yet-launched Zumwalt-class destroyer he toured recently "represents the cutting edge of our naval capabilities."

The ship, now known as the Pre-Commissioning Unit, or PCU, Zumwalt, will become the USS Zumwalt, named for former Navy Adm. Elmo Zumwalt. Officials said the ship is about a year away from joining the fleet.

Now littered with large protective crates storing systems not yet installed, the ship is being fitted with new automated systems.

The Zumwalt, Navy officials explained, has highly accurate long-range weapons, an impressive power generation capability and a design emphasizing "stealthy" radar-defeating materials and shapes.

Hagel thanked General Dynamics and its workforce at Bath Iron Works, which will produce all three of the Zumwalt-class ships planned for production.

Sharon E. Burke, assistant secretary of defense for operational energy plans and programs, said that the ship's power generation capacity — 78 megawatts, impressed her. One megawatt of power can power about 1,000

American homes.

Officials said the guided missile destroyer is the first Navy ship to be fully electrical, and it was designed to use automated systems as much as possible to decrease the number of sailors needed as crew.

For example, officials said, automatic systems route, store and load the 300 rounds of 24-pound ammunition each of the ship's two 155mm guns can fire.

The guns have, in testing, successfully fired at a rate of 10 rounds a minute and with 20- to 40-inch accuracy at a range of more than 60 nautical miles, officials noted.

## Walker speaks of disorder

By Raymond Applewhite  
Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune  
Public Affairs

Former Heisman Trophy winner and NFL Superstar Herschel Walker visited Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune to share his personal story with Sailors, Marines, Wounded Warriors, family members and base personnel during a two-day visit to the Camp Lejeune area beginning Nov. 26.

During his time at the hospital, Walker spoke to hundreds of Marines and Sailors as well as hospital staff, patients, and visitors. He also signed autographs, posed for photos, toured the hospital and interacted with hospital staff and patients.

"We wanted to host this event again because many of our Sailors and wounded warriors can personally relate to his story," said Capt. David Lane, commanding officer, NHCL. "Herschel was a big hit during previous visits. We are very pleased that his schedule allowed him to visit us again."

Walker's personal story is compelling and he talked openly about having been diagnosed with Dissociative Identity Disorder. DID is commonly referred to as multiple personality disorder.



Navy photo by MCSN Johans Chavarro

Herschel Walker, former NFL player, stands with Cdr. Luke A. Frost, commanding officer of the guided-missile destroyer USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60), during his visit to the ship in July.

Walker also talked about how he was bullied as a child and what he did to help himself overcome the challenges his disorder caused.

The main point of his message was that it's OK to seek treatment.

Walker is a three-time All-American college football player for the University of Georgia and a Heisman Trophy winner.

After college, Walker played for the New Jersey Generals of the United States Football League.

He later joined the National Football League where he played for the Dallas Cowboys, Minnesota Vikings, Philadelphia Eagles and New York Gi-

ants. After his initial meeting with the commanding officer, Walker visited the mental health village on the hospital compound to meet the mental health staff and patients.

Following the meeting, he spoke to several hundred Marines, Sailors, hospital staff, patients, and visitors at the hospital quarterdeck and signed autographs and took photos.

On the second day he visited with NHCL's mental health inpatients at Brynn Marr Hospital. NHCL partners with the Brynn Marr Hospital to provide behavioral health services to children, adolescents and adults.

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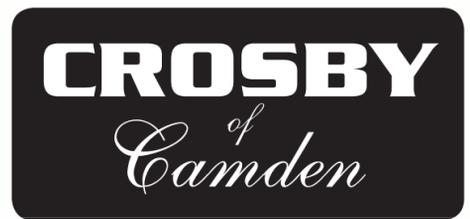


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## Our best-loved Christmas shows, movies

Last year, *A Christmas Story* mopped up as the answer to this question. This year, we've got a lot of great choices. I'll take one that's not here, *A*

*Christmas Carol*, whether Scrooge is played by Reginald Owen, George C. Scott, Patrick Stewart or even Mr. Magoo. It's a classic that reminds me not to become the

crabby, old grouch that *I am becoming* and to keep the true spirit of Christmas in your heart every day, which for me usually lasts until about a week into the new year.



**Teah Bowen**  
Family member  
Moutrie, Ga.  
"Frosty The Snowman's my favorite. It's got that big, old, scary abominable snowman thing. It's a sweet, classic story."



**Wendy Patrick**  
Family member  
Miami  
"A Christmas Story. I like that little boy who keeps getting told he'll shoot his eye out."



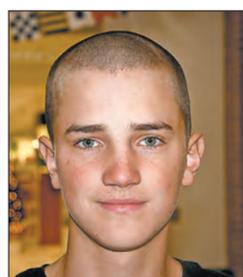
**LSC Vincent Witherspoon**  
Submarine Group 10  
Laurel, Miss.  
"This Christmas, with Chris Brown and Idris Elba. It's about a family coming together."



**ETCS Dan Furlan**  
USS Georgia Gold  
Charleston, S.C.  
"I like all the classics, Frosty the Snowman, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. I look forward to watching them with the kids."



**Connor Phillips**  
Family member  
Brunswick, Ga.  
"Jack Frost. It's just a really nice, family-oriented movie."



**Corey Jenkins**  
Family member  
Bremerton, Wash.  
"Christmas Shoes. It's about a boy whose mother is dying, and he gets her a present before she passes."

## DOD eyes climate change

By Cheryl Pellerin  
American Forces Press Service

The effects of climate change are already evident at Defense Department installations in the United States and overseas, and DOD expects climate change to challenge its ability to fulfill its mission in the future, according to the first DOD Climate Change Adaptation Roadmap.

John Conger, the acting deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment told American Forces Press Service the roadmap was completed in 2012 and published early this year.

The document "had us do a variety of things," Conger said. "But the piece that I think is the crux of the report is, rather than creating a stovepipe within the DOD organizational structure to deal with climate change, [the document says] we are going to integrate climate change considerations into the normal processes, the day-to-day jobs of everybody."

Such language is going to be integrated into various guidance documents, he said, "and we've already started doing that."

The department's action is part of a federal government effort to address the

global challenge.

In June, President Barack Obama launched a Climate Action Plan to cut carbon pollution, prepare communities for climate change impacts and lead similar international efforts.

Across the United States, local communities and cities are updating building codes, adjusting the way they manage natural resources, investing in more resilient infrastructure and planning for rapid recovery from damage that could occur due to climate change.

And on Nov. 1, the See Climate, Page 10



Navy photo by MC2 Justin Ailes  
Hurricane Sandy makes landfall at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Climate change affects storm surges and storm intensity.

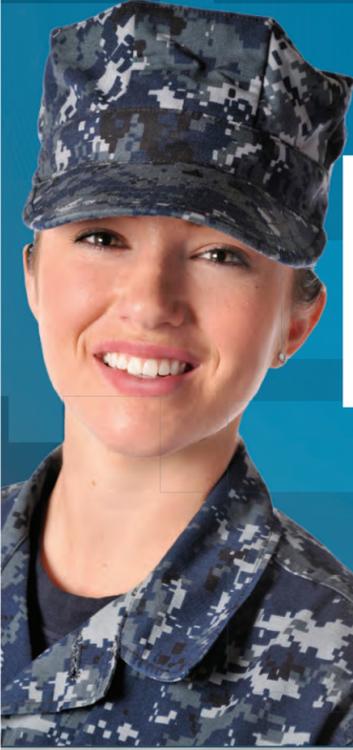


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## Thursday

**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Eggs and Omelets to Order  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Asst. Instant Oatmeal & Grits  
 Rolled Oats  
 French Toast w/Asst. Syrups  
 Sausage Patties  
 Cottage Fried Potatoes  
 Asst. Yogurt  
 Pastry Bar

**Lunch**  
 Chicken Noodle Soup  
 Fried Shrimp  
 Hot Rolls  
 Creole Macaroni  
 Franconia Potatoes  
 Rice Pilaf  
 Simmered Carrots  
 Steamed Peas  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Assorted Condiments  
 Cocktail Sauce  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Chicken Pattie Sandwich  
 Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich  
 Grilled Peppers & Onions  
 Baked Beans  
 Chili  
 Cheese Sauce  
 Sandwich Bar  
 Cold Cut Sandwich

**Dinner**  
 Cheddar Cheese Soup  
 Beef Stroganoff  
 Fried Catfish w/Tartar Sauce  
 Mashed Potatoes & Gravy  
 Buttered Egg Noodles  
 Seasoned Corn  
 Herbed Broccoli  
 Toasted Parmesan Bread  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Cocktail Sauce  
 Hot Rolls  
 Buttermilk Biscuits  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Friday**  
**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar

Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Eggs to Order  
 Grits  
 Omelets to Order  
 Blueberry Pancakes w/ Syrup  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Asst. Instant Oatmeal / Grits  
 Cottage Fried Potatoes  
 Sausage Links  
 Hashed Brown Potatoes  
 Pastry Bar  
 Asst. Yogurt

**Lunch**  
 New England Clam Chowder  
 BBQ Chicken  
 Tempura Battered Fish  
 French Fries  
 Baked Macaroni & Cheese  
 Green Bean Almandine  
 Simmered Succotash  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Cornbread Muffins  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Grilled Cheeseburgers  
 Grilled Hamburgers  
 Baked Beans  
 Burger Bar  
 BBQ Chicken  
 Pulled Pork  
 BBQ Ribs  
 Bratwurst  
 Cole Slaw  
 Macaroni Salad  
 Potato Salad

**Dinner**  
 Doubly Good Chicken Soup  
 Roast Turkey  
 Baked Ham  
 Mashed Potatoes & Gravy  
 Steamed Rice  
 Savory Bread Dressing  
 Seasoned Corn  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Hot Rolls  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Saturday**  
**Brunch**  
 Cream of Chicken Soup  
 Chili Dogs / Hot Dog Bar  
 Chili w/o beans  
 Chicken Nuggets  
 French Fries  
 Steamed Broccoli  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Oven Fried Bacon  
 Eggs & Omelets to Order  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Hot Dog Rolls  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Pastry Bar  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Dinner**  
 Minestrone Soup  
 Asst. Pizza  
 Asst. Wings

French Fries  
 Baked Beans  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar



## Sunday

**Brunch**  
 Tomato Soup  
 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches  
 Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwiches  
 French Fries  
 Oven Fried Bacon  
 Lyonnais Carrots  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Grilled Sausage  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar  
 Pastry Bar

**Dinner**  
 Chicken Rice Soup  
 Prime Rib au Jus  
 Fried Shrimp  
 Cocktail Sauce  
 Twice Baked Potatoes  
 Wild Rice  
 Cheese Sauce  
 Steamed Broccoli  
 Corn on the Cob  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Hot Rolls  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

## Monday

**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Assorted Oatmeal  
 French Toast w/ Asst. Syrup  
 Omelets to Order  
 Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Grits  
 Eggs to Order  
 Soft/Hard Cooked Eggs  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Breakfast Burritos

Hash Brown Potatoes  
 Pastry Bar  
 Asst. Breads & Spreads  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Asst. Beverage Bar  
 Asst. Yogurt

**Lunch**  
 Crab Bisque  
 Fried Fish  
 Beef Brisket  
 Roasted Red Potatoes  
 Orange Rice  
 Hush Puppies  
 Glazed Carrots  
 Simmered Peas  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Tartar Sauce  
 French Bread  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Asst. Pizza  
 Potato Bar  
 Chicken Tenders

**Dinner**  
 Asian Stir Fry Soup  
 Beef w/ Broccoli  
 Sweet and Sour Chicken  
 Shrimp Fried Rice  
 Boiled Pasta  
 Stir Fired Vegetables  
 Egg Rolls  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Hot Rolls  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

## Tuesday

**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereals  
 Eggs To Order  
 Waffles w/ Asst. Syrup  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Asst. Instant Oatmeal / Grits  
 Cream of Wheat  
 Soft/Hard Cooked Eggs  
 Omelets to Order  
 Texas Hash  
 Cottage Fried Potatoes  
 Pastry Bar  
 Asst. Yogurt

**Lunch**  
 Texas Tortilla Soup  
 BBQ Ribs  
 Grilled Chicken Breast  
 Chicken Gravy  
 Steamed Rice  
 Mac & Cheese  
 Simmered Green Beans  
 Steamed Carrots  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Corn Bread Muffins  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Chicken Tacos  
 Beef Tacos  
 Spanish Rice  
 Refried Beans

Taco Bar  
**Dinner**  
 Beef Noodle Soup  
 Chicken Alfredo  
 Blackened Salmon  
 Wild Rice  
 Buttered Linguine  
 Corn O'Brien  
 Steamed Broccoli  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Toasted Garlic Bread  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar



## Wednesday

**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereals  
 Eggs & Omelets To Order  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Corn Beef Hash  
 Asst. Instant Oatmeal & Grits  
 Grits  
 Soft/Hard Cooked Eggs  
 Grilled Steak  
 Pancakes w/ Asst. Syrup  
 Asst. Breads & Spreads  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Hash Brown Potatoes

**Lunch**  
 White Bean Chicken Chili  
 Baked Italian Fish  
 Chicken Parmesan  
 Cream Gravy  
 Rice Pilaf  
 Boiled Pasta  
 Mixed Vegetables  
 Club Spinach  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 French Bread  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Hot Dogs  
 Grilled Hamburger  
 Grilled Cheese Burger  
 French Fries  
 Baked Beans  
 Burger Bar

**Dinner**  
 Chicken Noodle Soup  
 Meatloaf  
 Turkey Pot Pie  
 Egg Noodle

Mashed Potatoes  
 Brown Gravy  
 California Medley  
 Steamed Peas  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Hot Rolls  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

## Thursday

**Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Juice Bar  
 Ready-to-eat Cereal  
 Eggs & Omelets to Order  
 Grilled Bacon  
 Asst. Instant Oatmeal / Grits  
 Rolled Oats  
 Soft/Hard Cooked Eggs  
 Sausage Patties  
 Hash Brown Potatoes  
 French Toast w/ Asst. Syrup  
 Pastry Bar  
 Asst. Yogurt

**Lunch**  
 Black Bean Soup  
 Fried Pork Chops  
 Grilled Salmon  
 Noodles Jefferson  
 Mashed Sweet Potatoes  
 Steamed Green Beans  
 Steamed Zucchini  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Cornbread  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

**Lunch speed line**  
 Chicken Pattie Sandwich  
 Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich  
 Grilled Pepper and Onions  
 Baked Beans  
 Chili  
 Cheese Sauce  
 Sandwich Bar  
 Cold Cut Sandwich

**Dinner**  
 Minestrone Soup  
 Meat Lasagna  
 Grilled Italian Sausage  
 Marinara Sauce  
 Bow Tie Pasta  
 Mixed Vegetables  
 Herbed Cauliflower  
 Healthy Choice Salad Bar  
 Assorted Salad Dressings  
 Garlic Bread  
 Assorted Desserts  
 Asst. Fruit Bar  
 Assorted Breads & Spreads  
 Assorted Beverage Bar

## Galley hours

**Monday through Friday**  
 Breakfast 6 to 7:30 a.m.  
 Lunch 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.  
 Dinner 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.  
**Weekends and holidays**  
 No breakfast served  
 Brunch - 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.  
 Dinner - 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.  
**Menu items subject to change.**



Navy photo by MC3 Benjamin Crossley

Cmdr. Walter Glenn, officer-in-charge of San Clemente Island, right, gives an endangered California Channel Island fox to Daniel Biteman, from the Institute of Wildlife Studies.

## Climate

From Page 9

president issued an executive order on climate preparedness directing federal agencies to modernize programs to support climate-resilient investments, manage lands and waters for climate change preparedness and resilience, and plan for climate-change-related risk, among other things.

The order also forms an interagency council on climate preparedness and resilience, chaired by the White House and composed of more than 25 agencies, including the Defense Department. As the acting deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment, Conger also is the department's senior climate official, and his first job is to manage the installations and environment portfolio. "That includes over 500 bases and 300,000 buildings and 2.2 billion square feet of space," he said. "The infrastructure has a plant replacement value on the order of \$850 billion. There's a lot of stuff out there that is all going to be impacted by changes in the climate."

Conger said the department has to plan for the contingencies that climate change poses just as it would plan for any other contingency, driven by any other force in the world.

"As I look at managing the infrastructure, I have to think about risk as well in that context," he said. "What is climate change likely to do? What are the major changes that will occur that will affect that \$850 billion real property portfolio?"

The obvious threats are things like a rise in sea-levels, storm surges and storm intensity, but there's also drought and thawing permafrost that affects bases in Alaska, the deputy undersecretary added.

"Similarly, on our installations we have over 400 endangered species," he said. "We manage those species through documents called integrated natural resources management plans and we manage [them] not through some degree of altruism ... but the fact is that if we don't manage those species effectively and they do appear more threatened, then other regulatory agencies will put limits on what we can do on our property and that will impact training."

# Navy College information



Ongoing and Upcoming Events			
Event	Date	Time	Location
Main NCO Office Individual Assistance	Mon - Fri	0800-1530	Navy College Ed Center (nco.kingsbay@navy.mil) Walk-in or make appt.
Satellite NCO Office Individuals or groups	Wednesday	0800-1600 PACE Contractor only	Off Crew building On Quarter Deck
Checking In	Thursday	For all who KB is 1st Duty Station, after "A" school. = 1100-1130 (Group Brief) All others.... Anytime for 5 min check-in/Q&A.(1-on-1)	Navy College Ed Center
TA Training	Thursday Any day	1300-1330 Any time	Navy College Ed Center <a href="https://www.navycollege.navy.mil/docs/TA-ONLINE-BRIEF-OCT2012-V5.htm">https://www.navycollege.navy.mil/docs/TA-ONLINE-BRIEF-OCT2012-V5.htm</a>
Info: In class we teach using WebTA website, entire year planning, & other funding options.			
NCPACE Brief	Date/time to be determined	As scheduled w/ individual Sub Command	
Info: Required for all who want to participate in their Boat's upcoming PACE term.			

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Where: Navy College Office, Bld 1030  
 Cost: Military: 1st attempt is free for each test.  
 Family: CLEP-\$92 DSST-\$109

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 Office Hours

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Brenau Univ	Mon-Thi Fri 0900-1800 & 0900-1530
Coastline Comm Coll.	Tues - Th 0800-1600
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Univ of Md, Univ Coll	Every Thursday 0830-1500
Valdosta State Univ	Mon - Fri 0830 - 1630

**Navy College Office Testing Schedule**  
 Conducted at the education center (Bld 1030)

Test	Date / Time	Fees
SAT (active duty and reserves only)	Oct 2, Dec 3 0730-1400	1st: Free 2nd: SAT=\$Call
ACT (active duty and reserves only)	Jul 2, Aug 6, Sep 10, Nov 5 0730-1400	1st: Free 2nd: ACT=\$Call
GED (active duty)	Contact NCO to schedule	Free
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 • Base Library (next to Liberty center) has ACT, SAT, GED preparation materials for check-out.  
 • GED testing can be done in multiple sittings.



Photo by Angela Kershner

High-ranking U.S. and Chinese officials observe the Practical Field Exchange during the 9th annual Disaster Management Exchange.

## U.S., China conduct drill

U.S. Army Pacific

Soldiers from U.S. Army Pacific, the Hawaii Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers along with representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency participated with members of China's People's Liberation Army in a disaster management exchange, Nov. 12 to 14 at Marine Corps Training Area-Bellows.

The 2013 DME is a subject matter expert exchange focused on an international humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operation.

The highlight of the DME was a practical field exchange that occurred Nov. 14.

The participants also held expert academic discussions, based on an international humanitarian and disaster relief scenario calling for U.S. and Chinese military cooperation to provide assistance in a fictional third country.

"The expert academic discussions allowed USARPAC, the PLA and others to work through a common HA/DR scenario to share best practices, lessons-learned and strategy for support to a third nation," USARPAC geographer Jason Pummell said. "We are headed in a positive direction for future collaboration, which will increase effectiveness and efficiency."

The U.S.-China exercise included "our first practical, hands-on field event on a mock-up rubble pile to practice saving lives in a collapsed building," said Army Gen. Vincent K. Brooks, commander of U.S. Army Pacific.

"I am very pleased with the momentum that is being gained in our U.S.-China military-to-military relations, especially around the framework of disaster response," Brooks said.

"We want to show that we can work together and cooperate on something important to all of us here in the Pacific disaster management," said Army Col. John Lee, the strategy and plans officer for USARPAC's security, cooperation and policy directorate.

"HA/DR exchange ... symbolizes a new phase of cooperation between the two militaries ... and it is of great significance in bolstering our pragmatic cooperation in nontraditional security areas, fostering our common aspirations and capabilities to cooperate together," said People's Republic of China Minister of National Defense Foreign Affairs Office, Rear Adm. Li Ji.

"This event represents a key component to U.S.-China relations. The United States remains steadfastly committed to partnering with China and other Asia-Pacific nations for disaster preparedness, response and recovery because it essentially saves lives," said USARPAC Deputy Commanding General for the Army National Guard Maj. Gen. Gary M. Hara.

The DME is one of the key security cooperation events the United States conducts with the PLA each year. The DME has evolved from basic visits and briefings into an exchange that employs an academic exchange to focus and facilitate cooperation and interaction between the U.S. Army and the PLA.

## Cutter named for David

From Coast Guard Compass

Around 1 a.m. on Feb. 3, 1943, German submarine U-223 torpedoed the U.S. Army Transport Dorchester, which carried more than 900 troops, civilian contractors and crew,



David

off the coast of Greenland. Coast Guard Cutter Comanche was one of the escorts for Dorchester and its crew began to search for survivors. The temperature was below freezing, with sea spray icing Comanche's decks and superstructure.

Many of the survivors who were in the water were already lifeless, but lookouts spotted lifeboats full of survivors. One of the men who volunteered to dive into the treacher-



Coast Guard photo by PO3 Mark Barney

The Coast Guard Cutter Charles David Jr. was commissioned at Coast Guard Sector Key West, Fla., Nov. 16.

ous, North Atlantic waters was Stewards-Mate 1st Class Charles David Jr.

David was hypothermic from his heroic efforts to save Dorchester's survivors. Tragically, he contracted pneumonia and succumbed to his illness.

A crewmember aboard the Comanche, later described David as a "tower of strength" for his actions that day. It was a natural way to describe Da-

vid, who was over six-feet tall and 220 pounds. But it wasn't his height being alluded to; it was his strength of character.

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# Morale, Welfare and Recreation happenings



Santa Claus will be at Under the Pines Park Dec. 7 and host breakfast Dec. 14.

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## Santa's here Dec. 7 and 14

'Tis the Season! Yes, you guessed it, it's that time of year and Morale, Welfare and Recreation has the jolly ole elf lined up to show himself on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. sharp at the Under the Pines Park. An inflatable race track with giant trikes, a train, crafts, a photo booth, foam machine, monkey motion bungee, glitter tattoos, a snowman, Rudolph, a Christmas tree, penguins, Buddy the Elf and a Stocking Walk with music, cookies and cocoa for all. Fun is from 4 to 8 p.m. with an outdoor movie starting at 7 p.m. We will be showing *Arthur Christmas*. For more information, call (912) 573-4564.

### Just for kids

**Breakfast with Santa** — It's Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Kings Bay Conference Center. Breakfast will be served 8 to 10 a.m. and Santa will be there from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Photo ops with your camera will be available. Advanced tickets may be purchased at Information, Tickets and Travel and the Navy Exchange Customer Service Counter. Tickets are \$5 for over 12 years old, \$3 per child 3 to 12 years old. Children 2 and under are free with paying adult. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Breakfast includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, biscuits with gravy, assorted fruit, milk, orange juice, coffee and water. A holiday movie, holiday characters and story times with Mrs. Claus are 8:30 to 10 a.m. For more information call (912) 573-4564.

**Free Movies for the Kids Weekend and more** — The movie at 1 p.m. is *Polar Express* Dec. 7 and 8, *Arthur Christmas* Dec. 14 and 15, *Planes* Dec. 21 and 22 and *Despicable Me 2* Dec. 28 and 29. There also will be movies showing daily during Camden County's schools winter break, from Dec. 23 to Jan. 10. The movie schedule is listed in Facebook under the events tab on mwrkingsbay page. All youth under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or adult. Snacks foods and beverages are available for purchase. If 15 minutes after the scheduled start time no one comes in, the movie area will be available for open viewing. For the latest information, call (912) 573-4548.

## Dodgeball, hoops coming

Intramural Sports Dodgeball and 3-versus-3 Basketball Tournaments are coming your way. Registration is now through Dec. 5 for both. Team fee for Dodgeball is \$30 with a format of 5v5, double elimination. Team fee for Basketball is \$50 with champions receiving team trophy and \$150 cash. Format is a four-game guarantee. For more information, call IM Sports at (912) 409-1611.

**Ten Dollar Tuesday at Rack-N-Roll Lanes** — It's 5 to 9 p.m., Tuesday nights. \$10 will get you shoes and all the bowling you can handle.

**Holiday Pajama Fun Run** — Kicking the 'Tis The Season events into high gear is a family friendly fun run designed for all family members to walk, run or jog at 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7 at Under the Pines. Wear your craziest pjs and there will be prizes for the best. For more information, call Navy Adventures Unleashed at

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**Tae Kwon Do** — It's at the Fitness Complex Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. for 7 year olds and under, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. for 8 to 12 and 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. 13 to adult. For more information, call (912) 573-3990.

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**Winter Break 2013 at the Youth Center** — Camp runs Dec. 23 to Jan. 10, but is closed Christmas Day and New Years Day, for kindergartners to 12 years old. SAC patrons, single/dual military, wounded/fallen warriors, and IA's registration begins Dec. 2. Active duty with working or student spouse and DoD employees, registration begins Dec. 9 and DoD contractors and all others will start on Dec. 16. Register 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, except holidays. Cost is based on total family income.

Most recent LES/pay stub for sponsor and spouse or student letter of enrollment must be provided. Birth certificate must be available for confirmation of age. IA's must provide orders. Single/Dual Military must provide dependent care form at time of registration. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided. No outside food allowed. For more information, call (912) 573-2380. Navy Child & Youth programs welcome children of all abilities.

**The Combined Federal Campaign season has started** — Kings Bay's Child and Youth Program team are two of the organizations you can support with your giving. The numbers are Youth Center School Age Care #37328 and Child Development Center #47018.

## Fleet & Family Support Center workshops



### Expectant Family Workshop coming

Expectant Families can receive training on second Wednesday of every other month to ease the adjustment to a newborn baby. Information will be provided about WIC, Navy Marine Corps Relief Society and various other benefits and services available to expectant parents, along with answers to your questions. Frequent breaks offered for the comfort of expectant moms. The next class is 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 12. Registration is required. Call 573-4512.

### Parenting classes offered on Mondays

Are you frustrated with your children? Would you like suggestions on how to stop temper tantrums or how to get your teen to complete chores without asking them 14 times? We believe parents are the experts on their children. But, children don't come with a manual! So, sometimes you need help to figure out what to do with them. Meet with the parenting class from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Mondays, Dec. 9, 16, 23, and 30. Enrollment in this six-week class is ongoing. Attendees must complete all six weeks in order to receive a certificate. A minimum of six participants is needed in order for a new class to start. Registration required at 573-4512.

### New Moms and Dads Support Group to meet

A New Mom's and Dad's Support Group will meet every Tuesday at the Fleet and Family Support Center throughout the month. These workshops are scheduled for 10 a.m. to noon, Dec. 10 and 17. This workshop is an opportunity to share experiences, meet and gain support from others, and exchange new ideas. To register, call 573-4512.

### Deployment Return and Reunion class set

This workshop addresses the challenges of deployment and offers tools and techniques to managing the cycle of deployment those challenges. It also prepares family members for reunion so that problems will be minimized and the positive aspects of reunion can be maximized. Topics include expectations, communication and financial awareness, and hints for a happy homecoming. The class is 10 a.m. to noon, Dec. 11. For more information or to register, call 573-4513.

### Stress management covered at workshop

Events, schedules, daily pressure and many other items can cause undo stress in your life. Stress may or may not be good for your health depending on how you manage that stress. This workshop is slated for 1 to 4 p.m., Dec. 19. Pre-registration is required. Call 573-4512 for details.

### Anger management seminar Dec. 18

Anger is not an effective method for getting what you want and is often a smoke screen for other emotions. This workshop is slated for 8:30 a.m. to noon, Dec. 18. It can help you focus on identifying the feelings anger hides and explore behaviors helpful in resolving primary issues. Pre-registration is required. Call 573-4512 for details.

### SAPR advocate initial training classes set

The command Sexual Assault Prevention and Response point of contact is responsible for coordinat-



ing mandated, annual awareness training, maintaining and providing current information on and referral to base and community programs for victims and ensuring the mandated collection and maintenance of sexual assault data per OPNAVINST 1752.1B. Individuals attending the training are appointed by their command and will represent the command in all sexual assault cases. This training is 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 16 to 20. Registration is required by calling 573-4512.

### Survivors Benefit Plan program Dec. 11

The survivor Benefit Plan is a program that provides basic information on the key provisions of the Survivor Benefit Plan. This information will assist service members and their spouses in making informed decisions about SBP's role in their retirement plan. This workshop is scheduled for 2 to 4 p.m., Dec. 11. Registration is required. For more information call 573-4513.

### Transition GPS class upcoming

Transition GPS is a seminar for those separating, retiring or contemplating leaving the military. The five day seminar provides information on benefits, job search skills, employment resources, resume writing, interviewing and other skills. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Separation Transition GPS is 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Dec. 9 to 13. You must be registered by Command Career Counselor. For more information, call 573-4513.

### Smooth Move Workshop set for Dec. 10

Smooth Move Workshops are designed to help personnel with military relocations and transfers. Areas covered include transportation, travel pay, allowances, and important forms and documents, housing referral office and relocation services. All service members and their spouses are encouraged to attend six months before their transfer date. Due to limited seating, please do not bring children. The workshop will be 2 to 4 p.m., Oct. 15. For more information, call 573-4513.

### Fleet and Family offers classes on site

FFSC will take most of its regular workshops on the road if a unit can furnish a conference room or classroom and guarantee a minimum of five participants. Additionally, personnel will tailor presentations to cover a unit's General Military Training requirements when those requirements deal with human resources and social issues. Counselors also can create a presentation in response to a unit's area of special concerns. Personnel

are available to participate within areas of expertise in the indoctrination of newly assigned personnel and family members of active duty personnel. All classes listed here are held at the Fleet and Family Support Center, unless otherwise noted. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursdays.

### Job search workshop scheduled for Dec. 9

A job search workshop will be 1 to 3 p.m., Dec. 9. It provides an overview of local and national employment

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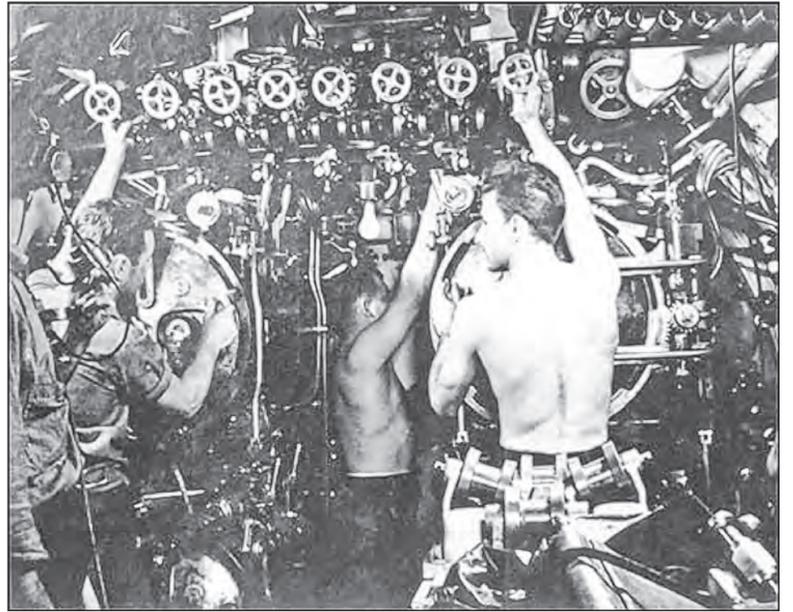
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Loading a torpedo on USS Spot (SS-413) in port at Saipan during World War II.



Navy photo

The torpedo room of a U.S. Navy World War II submarine.

## World War II torpedos frustrating to fix

*Editors note: This is the second in a two-part series on torpedo failures in World War II*

By John Patrick

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Unlike the Germans, the Americans lacked combat experience with torpedoes.

By the time America entered World War I, the primary naval mission was protecting Allied shipping from German torpedoes.

Only 11 U.S. torpedoes were fired in anger, all of which either missed or were aimed at phantom targets.

Still, American submariners had confidence in their torpedoes.

The Navy's World War I-era "S-boats" used the Mark 10 steam torpedo, an impact weapon of proven reliability.

For the more modern boats that eventually followed, the Torpedo Station at Newport, R.I., developed the much more capable Mark 14 steam torpedo, which could use either an impact detonator or the new, top-secret Mark 6 magnetic influence detonator.

However, funding was very scarce during the 1920s and 1930s, so the Mark 14 and the Mark 6 detonator were developed and tested on a shoestring budget.

The Torpedo Station conducted only one test using live warheads, with hand-built Mark 6 detonator prototypes installed in old Mark 10 torpedoes. In two shots on the Newport test range using a decommissioned submarine as the target, one torpedo passed beneath without exploding, apparently running too deep, but the other exploded below the keel, quickly sinking the sub.

Subsequent tests at sea near the equator seemed to demonstrate that the detonator performed as designed regardless of variations in the earth's magnetic field.

However, the cruiser used as a target was an operational warship, so the test torpedoes carried only exercise heads. Instead of an explosion, a photoelectric sensor called an "electric eye" activated a film camera to record the shadow of the target's hull as the torpedo passed beneath, and the detonator ignited a small amount of guncotton to show it was activated by the ship's magnetic field.

The influence detonator went into production with no additional testing. To ensure that it remained a closely guarded secret, the Mark 14 torpedo entered service with only the impact detonator installed. Not until the summer of 1941 were the first fleet boat crews introduced to the Mark 6 detonator and told that it would enable them to sink a ship with a single torpedo.

**Ignoring the failures**

Once hostilities began, American submarine

commanders encountered the same problems as the Germans: premature detonation, failure to detonate, and running too deep.

Some skippers took great pains and incurred great risks to investigate and document these problems during war patrols, to no avail. Unlike the German submarine leadership, American shore-based commanders had no combat experience and felt little solidarity with their embattled skippers.

Before the war, the American submarine service had demanded excessive caution from its skippers. As a result, higher-level commanders had to weed out timid, unproductive skippers in the early days of the war.

Driving their sea-going subordinates to achieve results, shore-based commanders persistently dismissed complaints about malfunctioning torpedoes and blamed skippers and their crews for failing to get hits.

Occasionally, someone might refer a complaint to the Bureau of Ordnance and the Torpedo Station, but these organizations invariably concurred with the operational leadership in blaming the failures on poor shipboard maintenance or faulty combat procedure.

### Correcting the depth problem

The first problem to get addressed was excessive depth. Pre-war tests at the Torpedo Station indicated the Mark 10 and Mark 14 both ran 4 feet too deep because of calibrating with exercise heads, but submariners in the Far East were not informed until nearly a month after Pearl Harbor.

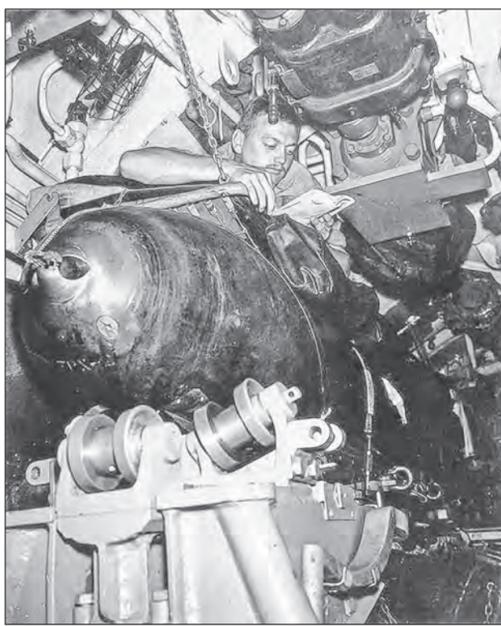
After assuming command of U.S. submarines based in Fremantle, Australia, in May 1942, Rear Adm. Charles Lockwood, decided to conduct his own tests. A series of realistic trials in June and July revealed that the Mark 14 ran an average of 11 feet below the depth setting.

The Torpedo Station not only failed to account for the different buoyancies of exercise heads and warheads, it also neglected to simulate combat launch conditions or allow for the deterioration of depth control apparatus over time.

It even failed to check torpedo performance against an absolute standard, relying instead on test sensors installed in the torpedoes themselves, which merely echoed the incorrect readings of the weapons' own depth and roll sensors.

Not until August 1942, eight months after Pearl Harbor, did BUORD determine that the torpedoes were running about 10 feet too deep and issue instructions to solve the problem.

Meanwhile, the first defect of the impact detonator was detected and resolved in the spring of 1942.



Navy photo by MC3 Brian Jeffries

A crewman reads in his bunk, atop a torpedo loading rack in one of USS Bullhead's (SS 332) torpedo rooms.

To prevent the explosion of one torpedo in a spread from prematurely detonating another, the detonator included a diaphragm that, when subjected to the pressure of a shock wave, drove a small pin into the firing mechanism, blocking detonation. But the diaphragm was far too sensitive, so even normal water pressure at periscope depth could drive in the pin.

The solution was simply to disconnect the pressure override.

### Eliminating the magnetic influence detonator

By February 1943, when Rear Adm. Lockwood took command of the Hawaii-based submarines under Pacific Fleet Commander-in-Chief Adm. Chester Nimitz, complaints about the Mark 6 influence detonator had become so strident that even BUORD was having second thoughts.

However, the Bureau incorrectly concluded that the malfunctions were caused by variations in the earth's magnetic field, so its recommendations, issued May 7, proved ineffective.

Frustrated by clear evidence of Mark 6 malfunctions in decoded Japanese communications, Lock-

wood took the bull by the horns and persuaded Nimitz to order the Mark 6 disconnected for good.

Nimitz's order, however, did not apply to the submarines based in Australia, which were part of the Seventh Fleet, reporting to Gen. Douglas MacArthur. The commander of those submarines, Rear Adm. Ralph Christie, was an MIT-trained engineer who had been personally involved in developing the Mark 6.

Christie continued to insist that his boats use the flawed detonator right up to the end of 1943, when a new Seventh Fleet commander finally ordered it deactivated.

### The last problem

Elimination of the influence detonator exposed grave defects in the impact detonator.

On July 24, 1943, yet another skipper went to great lengths to document torpedo failures, systematically firing torpedo after torpedo at the same tanker under near-perfect conditions until he had recorded 11 hits with no effect.

Lockwood then authorized the experimental

firing of impact torpedoes against a Hawaiian cliff face, which began on Aug. 11. Examination of the first failed torpedo revealed that the fragile detonator mechanism, distorted by the impact, prevented the firing pin from striking with sufficient force to initiate an explosion.

Subsequent drop tests on land with dummy warheads showed that a perfect hit at 90 degrees crushed the detonator and prevented it from working, whereas a glancing blow at 45 degrees left it sufficiently intact to set off an explosion.

Twenty-one months after Pearl Harbor, the last major torpedo malfunction was finally identified.

While the fleet made interim fixes, the Torpedo Station conducted follow-up tests and ordered a re-design.

### Remembering the lessons

America and Germany learned the hard way that torpedoes are finicky weapons that cannot tolerate shortcuts.

The most complex naval weapons of World War II, they demanded meticulous design, rigorous testing and intensive maintenance, not to mention exacting targeting and launch procedures.

Lack of rigor at any stage from initial design to the torpedo's use in combat could result in failure, and the many opportunities for mistakes made it hard to tell where the fault lay, even after the weapon's poor performance became obvious.

Seen in this light, German and American torpedo failures are quite understandable. Only in hindsight is it apparent that the more complicated torpedoes developed for World War II demanded an unprecedented level of technical and operational

evaluation. And even Germany's veteran submarine leaders never thought to second-guess their Torpedo Directorate until the problems became obvious.

Germany fixed most of its torpedo problems in less than half the time it took the United States because its submarine leadership was more experienced and because submarines were the mainstay of her navy.

Doenitz and his staff knew from the start how to establish a trusting relationship with U-boat skippers and how to evaluate their reports.

Senior American submariners had to learn those skills on the job. U-boats took the lead in Germany's naval war, while American submarines played second fiddle to battleships before Pearl Harbor and to aircraft carriers afterwards.

If U.S. carriers had lost the Battle of Midway because their bombs failed to explode, it's safe to say the problem would have gotten a lot more attention than torpedo failures did.

Fortunately, American submariners and their technical establishment took the torpedo failures very much to heart. The rigorous testing program established after the war continues to ensure the reliability and effectiveness of U.S. torpedoes to this day.

The need for excellence in all aspects of torpedo development and handling, above all in technical and operational evaluation, has never been greater than it is now, and as budget constraints loom once more, the need to bear in mind the bitter lessons of World War II has never been clearer.

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