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*Troopers teed up in annual  
golf tournament*

## ***Families from afar***

*Fostering families from a  
world away*

***“All I Ask is a Tall Ship...”***

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Saturday 5 p.m.

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Sunday 4:35 p.m.

### General Protestant

Sunday 11 a.m.

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Sunday 1 p.m.

Christian Fellowship

Sunday 6 p.m.

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Sunday 9 a.m.

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Gold Hill Galley - :37, :57, :17

Windjammer/Gym - :36, :56, :16

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# JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO



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## Remembering 'Old Glory' on this Flag Day

By Rear Adm. John W. Smith

Joint Task Force Guantanamo Commander

June 14 is celebrated both as Flag Day and the Army Birthday, and it is a great honor to celebrate Soldiers, past and present, who have carried our flag, worn our flag and defended our flag.

Throughout history, our flag has inspired heroism, patriotism and hope. And while I find our flag to be beautiful and filled with symbolism, there is nothing magical or hypnotic about 13 red and white stripes, or 50 stars on a field of blue. Our response to the flag comes from what it represents – the very idea of the United States of America, and the people who brought that idea to life.

The idea of our American government is truly OUR government – by the people, for



Rear Adm. John W. Smith

And this idea was brought into reality by the United States Army.

The United States Army was formed June 14, 1775, more than a year before the Declaration of Independence. The revolutionary forces in the colonies were determined and brave, but varied in skill, strength and ability. They operated independently, with no

the people. Our Constitution provides the executive, legislative and judicial branches a fine balance of checks and balances on their authorities.

unified chain of command.

In the spring of 1775, this “army” confronted British troops near Boston, Mass. The revolutionaries had to re-organize their forces quickly if they were to stand a chance against Britain’s seasoned professionals. On June 14, the Second Continental Congress passed laws giving the legal authority, rules, regulations and resources to unify the colonial forces in New England and form ten companies of expert riflemen to support them.

Two years later, in 1777, the Second Continental Congress passed the Flag Resolution and adopted the flag with 13 stripes and stars - depicting a new constellation.

With an Army, a flag and a Declaration of Independence, the colonies won our freedom from the British, and built a country with high ideals for

life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

No system is perfect, and no person is perfect, but the genius of our government lies in the ability to recognize problems and right wrongs – in the words of the preamble to the Constitution, “to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and ensure the blessings of liberty, for ourselves and our posterity.”

Since then, our flag has travelled around the world and beyond. Six American flags are on the Moon. It has inspired hope to millions, here and abroad. And when worn on the shoulder of an American Soldier, it is carried in war and peace by those who helped bring America to life. Happy Birthday to the U.S. Army!

## TROOPER TO TROOPER

## Values and goals are key to professionalism

By Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Acosta

428th Military Police Company

The United States military instills a set of core values in all Troopers. Each Service has a unique set; honor, courage, commitment, and integrity are common amongst them all.

Regardless of your branch, there is an expectation that you will serve as a professional. As professionals, it is important to set goals that will help facilitate your success.

Making sure you set personal goals is part of being a professional. I constantly try to set new personal goals in the realm of physical fitness. Keeping physically fit is important as a representative of the United States Military and the truth is that appearance is a direct representation of professionalism.

Additionally, studies have shown that physical fitness is directly linked to your mental fitness. Since we must always stay in the fight mentally, staying physically fit is invaluable. Commitment to the fight means having the courage and integrity to tell yourself, “I can always improve and set

new goals.”

Professionalism is a key factor on how successful we are in our daily duties.

Keeping and upholding the standard in the face of adversity, shows our strength that we will not be defeated. I have been told on many occasions by my leadership that everyone who serves should always have the integrity to “do the right things even when you think no one is looking.” It does not matter what task is being performed, you prove your dedication by always doing the right thing and not quitting until the mission is complete.

A couple months ago, Troopers assigned to the Joint Task Force were invited to attend an FBI brief at Trooper Chapel. The lead case agent for the FBI’s 9/11 task force presented an emotional and detailed overview of the 9/11 attacks. He discussed how everything had unfolded from the planning and execution stages to current day commissions and tribunals. At the end of the brief, the 525th Military Police Battalion (I/R) Command Sgt. Maj. Baker made a statement that really hit home for me.



Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Acosta

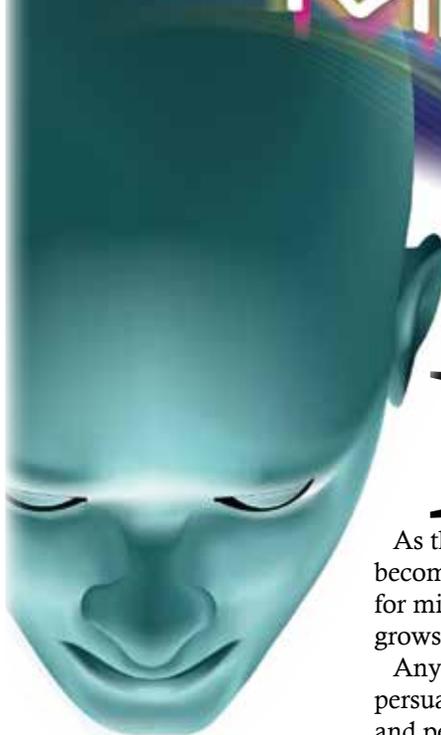
“Our troops are being tested day in and day out by enemy combatants and many of those who committed terrorist acts,” he said. “Any lapse in professionalism gives the enemy an advantage and an opportunity to exploit our shortcomings. Once we give the enemy ammunition, we make a very difficult and heavily scrutinized mission, even more difficult. Once we advance in our fighting position, we cannot give that ground back to the enemy; we must constantly strive to improve our fox-hole and advance our fighting position.”

To do this requires extreme mental toughness and our Troopers demonstrate the highest levels of professionalism every day. The resiliency of our Troopers in the face of such adversity is nothing short of amazing and truly represents the professionalism of our organization.

This is why remaining true to our core values is so imperative. We must be professional and set new goals in every aspect of our lives. We can constantly improve and consistently train our bodies and minds. Always hold true to the core values, regardless of your branch. Always do the right thing, even when you think no one is looking.

## THE SUBTLE ART OF

# MIND READING



**E**ffectively managing Troops can be an extremely difficult issue for a leader.

As the American military continues to become more and more diverse the potential for miscommunication and misunderstanding grows accordingly.

Any manager knows that being able to motivate and persuade are key components to leading. But motivating and persuading people almost requires you get in their heads – a subtle piece of magic, or is it?

Long before Professor Severus Snape uttered the word “ligilimens” to get inside the mind of Harry Potter, psychologists like Carl Jung, Isabel Myers and Katherine Briggs developed methods for categorizing personality types based on how they interacted with their environment.

“Personality testing is all about determining how you perceive the world, process information and make decisions based on those observations,” said Kathy Selves, director, Fleet and Family Support Center at U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

“It is a psychological method that has been very thoroughly developed and tested.” Psychologist Carl Jung developed a system of “types” to categorize people according to their responses to personality questionnaires. Myers and Briggs expanded on Jung’s types to create the widely-used Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) personality test.

Now, it’s being used in resiliency programs across the Service branches, to assist Troopers with their ability to grow and thrive in the face of adversity. From the battlefield and beyond, the goal is to provide better leaders.

Using personality testing, you can better understand why you act the way you do. You can better identify triggers that may cause reactions that for others may be normal, but for you are not. And vice versa. It helps you understand how coworkers could react to events and make the decisions they do – in turn, this could assist with avoiding unnecessary conflict within your organization.

“In addition to being important for daily teamwork,” said Selves, “understanding personality types would also be very important in crisis management and decision-making.”

For more information about personality testing, please contact the Fleet and Family Support Center at ext. 4141.

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# Not another Perry Movie?!

By Sgt. David Bolton

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Courtesy LIONSGATE films

He's done it again. The man who made and re-branded TBS with his multiple television shows has co-produced another film. In this latest edition, Tyler Perry brings together a group of somewhat well-known actors and actresses as characters in "Peeples."

In this ill-fated attempt at amusing audiences, Perry has graciously removed himself from appearing on-screen as an entire cast unto himself and let others have a turn at acting.

The movie, which is a title that I use in the loosest sense of the word, centers around the Peeples, a well-to-do, Hampton-dwelling New England family. Virgil Peeples (David Allen Grier) leads his household as the overbearing and stern father of three children: Grace (Kerry Washington), Gloria (Kali Hawk), Simon (Tyler James Williams) and his wife, Daphne (S. Epatha Merkerson). Everything is going well for his ordered and structured family until Grace's boyfriend, Wade Walker (Craig Robinson) comes for a visit during the Moby Dick festival.

But you'll never guess what happens when Wade decides to ask Grace for her hand in marriage.

Oh wait, yes you will. The plot line of this movie is far from un-

predictable and it didn't fail to disappoint. Wade plays the proverbial fish out of water and tries to prove himself worthy of Grace's hand to Virgil. The staunch judge, who rules his house with the same authority and autocracy as his courtroom,

obviously objects to Wade even coming near his daughter. The whole movie is about Wade trying to prove himself to his potential father-in-law and all the hijinks that would follow in typical Tyler Perry fashion

to include puns, slapstick and no shortage of innuendos. In the end Wade stands up to Virgil and makes a valiant attempt at a speech to change everyone's opinion about him, which apparently worked. Wade gets Grace, Virgil turns out to have a wild side, the family divulges all their secrets and they all lived happily ever after.

In the end, "Peeples" plays off its own title in an attempt to show the viewers that there are many kinds of people and there is a place for everyone if we can all just learn to live and love. All in all, this movie failed to fill seats and was just as predictable as every other film in the Tyler Perry saga. That's why I'm giving "Peeples" the same number of banana rats that I saw at Bulkeley Lyceum, one. 🍌



|                        | 14 FRI   | 15 SAT   | 16 SUN                                  | 17 MON  | 18 TUE  | 19 WED  | 20 THU                                    |
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| <b>Downtown Lyceum</b> | Man of Steel (NEW) (PG-13) 8 p.m.<br>Now You See me (PG-13) 10:45 p.m. | Epic (PG) 8 p.m.<br>The Hangover III (R) 10 p.m.                       | Tyler Perry's Peeples (PG-13) 8 p.m.    | Fast & Furious 6 (PG-13) 8 p.m.   | Star Trek Into Darkness (PG-13) 8 p.m.  | Pain and Gain (Last showing) (R) 8 p.m.   | The Big Wedding (Last showing) (R) 8 p.m. |
| <b>Camp Bulkeley</b>   | Fast & Furious 6 (PG-13) 8 p.m.<br>Iron Man 3 (PG-13) 10 p.m.          | Man of Steel (NEW) (PG-13) 8 p.m.<br>Now You See Me (PG-13) 10:45 p.m. | Star Trek: Into Darkness (PG-13) 8 p.m. | CLOSED<br>Note: Concessions at Camp Bulkeley are also closed every night until further noticed. | CLOSED<br>Note: Concessions at Camp Bulkeley are also closed every night until further noticed. | CLOSED<br>Note: Concessions at Camp Bulkeley are also closed every night until further noticed. | Mud (PG-13) 8 p.m.                        |

Call the movie hotline at 4880 or visit the MWR Facebook page for more information.



# Triple Threat

Increase your cardiovascular fitness



Graphic by Staff Sgt. Aaron Hiler/The Wire

By 1st Lt. Brian Pennington

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*Editor's Note: This column is intended to increase the cardiovascular fitness of the participant.*

Last week the focus was on push-up/sit-up improvement, this week we will center our attention on aerobic endurance. Some Troopers find the aerobic event, or running in general, troublesome. Gyms are full of guys and gals pushing and curling weights, but cardio equipment rooms sometimes look like a ghost town.

Troopers preparing for their physical training test rarely prepare for the running event as they would for

push-ups, sit-ups, crutches or pull-ups. Why? Running can become tedious and bothersome; results don't come in the form of bigger biceps or a larger chest, and let's be honest, it's just more difficult.

This workout only requires a good running surface and a bicycle. I prefer a treadmill and stationary bike, but

let preference be your guide. The key is continuous movement – there is no resting period during this workout.

Let your own level of condition be your guide. If that's strenuous try starting at a lower point. You can try a two mile run, 4 mile bike ride and ¼ mile sprint using the same percentages of your heart rate. If you want to throw in some variety try substitutions. I sometimes replace the ½ mile sprint with rope climbing. You might find the elliptical is more in-line with your fitness objectives. Bottom line is starting with what you feel comfortable with.

Don't forget to hydrate, and if you're not accustomed to a rigorous plan, talk with a medical professional to make sure the workout is safe for you.

Do you have an incredible workout that you would like to share? If so, email [thewire@jftgmo.southcom.mil](mailto:thewire@jftgmo.southcom.mil).

Keep it simple; try not to include weight vests, sleds or things that might be harder for the majority of Troopers to obtain. 🌟

- ▷ **RUN:** 3 miles - between 80 and 90 percent BPM
- ▷ **BIKE:** 7 miles - between 70 and 80 percent BPM
- ▷ **SPRINT:** 1.5 miles - 90 percent BPM

## Pasta Night!

Tuesday, June 18th at 6-9 p.m.

Join us at the Bayview Club for relaxing, candle-lit pasta dinner. Includes choice of pasta, sauces, house salad and bread sticks.

Adults: \$9.25; Children (5-12): \$5.25  
Children (<5yrs): Free!



## MARBLEHEAD LANES

### Red Head Pin Bowling

On Thursday nights, roll a strike with a red head pin and get a free game.

### Cosmic Bowling

Fridays & Saturdays, 9:00-11:30 pm

Take bowling to new heights with cosmic lights, a stellar sound system and videos by request on 4 big screens. Your cost is \$13, including shoes and 2 1/2 hours of bowling.

### Marblehead Lanes

Mon-Fri: 5:30-11:00 pm

Sat: 1 pm to Midnight

Sun: 1-11 pm

ext 2118



# Ready for Code 3

*Naval Station's Fire Department answers call to duty for base and JTF*

**Story and photos by Sgt. Cassandra Monroe**

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**T**urnout gear, boots and helmets line at attention, waiting for inspection. Chatter stops as a bell rings loudly three times - signaling the end to one shift and start of a new at Station One.

The morning roll call meeting has begun, and the men prepare to switch shifts by informing the incoming platoon what happened the previous day, including any emergency calls that were attended to.

The possibility of new equipment on an incoming barge gets a few hoots from the crowd, and just like that the shift-change is over and it's back to work.

For the firefighters who serve at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay Fire Department Station One, this is a usual, emergency-less morning, one that means that no one on

base is in need of assistance.

After the shift change, the firefighters performed preventative maintenance checks and serviced all equipment and vehicles.

"Everyday, we come in and check the equipment, especially because the shift before may have used it and we have to make sure everything is up to par," said Capt. Steve Fearon, NAVSTA Fire Dept., Station One. "We can't take risks and we can't take chances."

Some of the items on their checklist: making sure the rescue tools, like shears and power-saws, are readily accessible; ensuring the medical supplies are stocked and radio batteries are charged.

It's important to have all equipment ready, said Firefighter Dwayne Anderson.

These steps are crucial and important because you can be called out at any time here, according to the crew.

The Station One firefighters – there are four stations on GTMO – also train with the NAVSTA Hospital Emergency Medical Services monthly to keep their medical skills sharp.

"We are first responders, so if we do get to a scene first, there's a certain level of training that we have, which can help until the EMTs arrive," said Fearon. "Whenever there's a medical situation and someone needs help, we are responding."

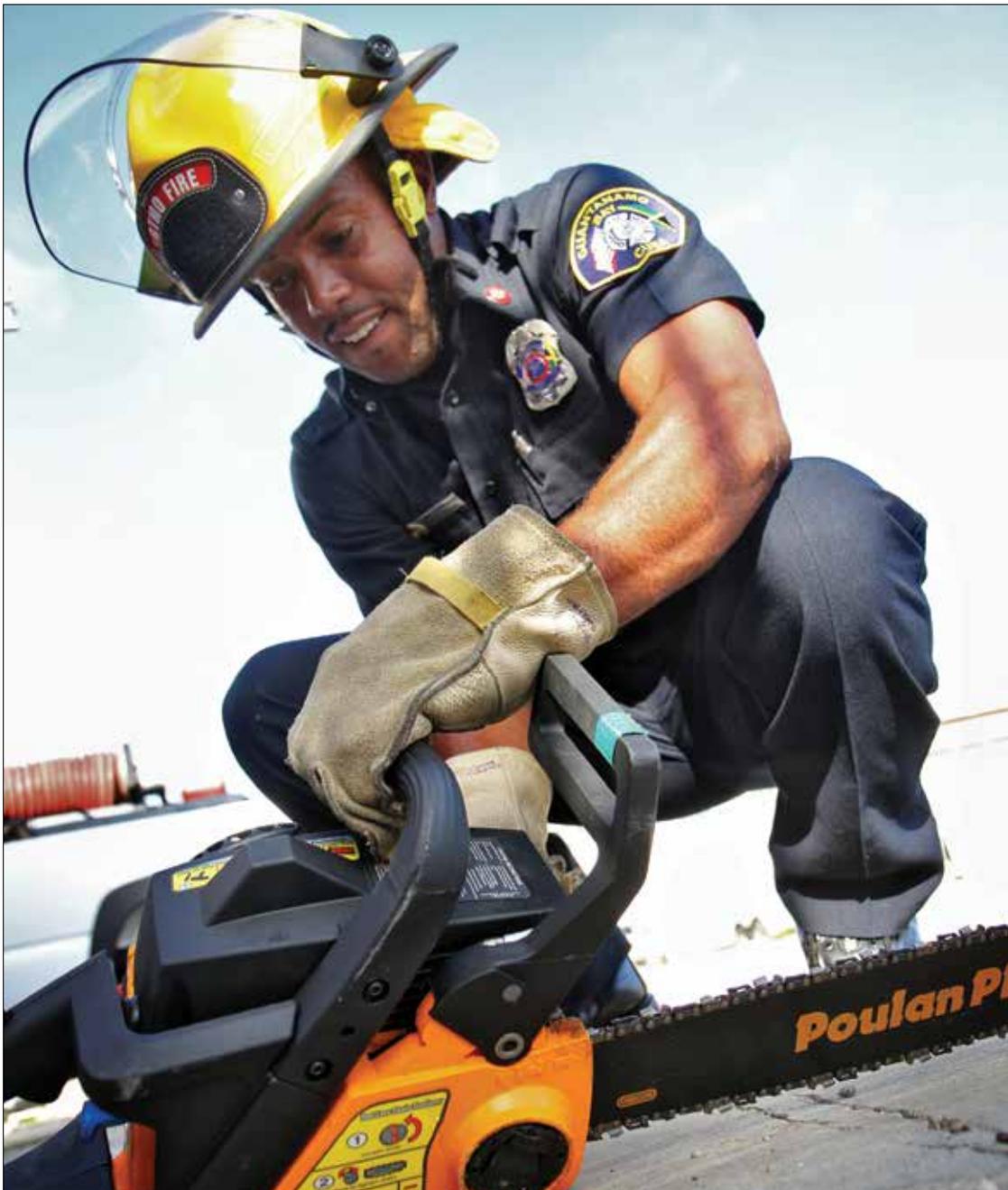
Although the group aims to keep a routine schedule, the unexpected does happen. When it does, the team must respond quickly. Upon arriving to an incident, the team is prepared to handle any situation and must pass down information, such as what happened at the scene, what aid was given and if any conditions have changed, to the



A firetruck waits for a call June 12, at Station One, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.



Turnout gear at Station One June 12.



Firefighter Dwayne Anderson, Station One, Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, inspects a power saw June 12, as part of a preventative maintenance checks and services during his shift. Anderson's responsibilities include preparing all equipment so that it is emergency-ready

arriving EMTs.

"We pass down information because we are trained and certified as a first responders but they are the EMTs, and are the ones that will come and take over," said Fearon.

"This job can be unpredictable," said Firefighter Robert Graham. "You have something planned for the day and an emergency happens. Your mind has to be ready for the unexpected."

Although the job as a firefighter can be tough, an appreciation for helping those stationed at GTMO proves to outweigh the hard parts.

"This job is dynamic and the team learns a lot while working on the job," said Anderson.

"It's really good to help people and you feel like you did something good," he said.

It's all about safety in everything the team does. Saving lives, protecting property and preventing fires from spreading are the main concerns for the team.

Just as fast as the team continued their checks and services on vehicles and equipment, the alarm sounded and someone yelled, "emergency, emergency!"

The firefighters raced off into their vehicles, answering the call of duty to those stationed here. 🚒

# The *Eagle* lands at GTMO

By Staff Sgt. Lorne Neff

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Cadets aboard the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter *Eagle* sailed into Guantanamo Bay June 7, during an annual summer training exercise. The crew sailed from its homeport in New London, Conn., aboard the 295-foot barque – dubbed ‘America’s Tall Ship’ – the only active-commissioned sailing vessel in the U.S. military.

“The *Eagle* is special, both for the Coast Guard and for the nation,” said Capt. Wes Pulver, skipper of the *Eagle*. “Working with the crew, the cadets, it’s such an exceptional training mission.”

The five-week training mission gives cadets from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy the understanding of running a sailing ship.

“We get paid to sail a modern-day pirate ship in the Caribbean,” said Jake Carlton, cadet 3rd class. “It’s amazing how much I know now after just five weeks of sailing.”

“This is a once-in-a-lifetime event. Not many people get to come on and do this,” he said.

The ship was built and commissioned in 1936 in Nazi Germany as the *Horst Wessel*. The U.S. took the vessel as war reparation after World War II and commissioned it into the U.S. Coast

Guard in May 1946. It was the seventh vessel in the U.S. military to bear the name *Eagle*.

Today, the *Eagle* serves as a training ship for the U.S. Coast Guard Academy with a standing crew of 57 personnel. During training missions, the *Eagle* can carry more than 100 cadets.

Sailor Luis Escobosa works as a boatswain’s mate of the watch. He was assigned to the *Eagle* after basic training and instructs the cadets assigned to the *Eagle* for training missions.

“For most of them, it’s their first extended underway period,” said Escobosa.

“A lot of them get seasick. They work through it, they work hard and we teach them everything we know about the ship,” he said.

Their lessons are heavy with teamwork, he said, because “this ship takes a lot of teamwork to sail.”

According to Escobosa, a typical day includes four to eight hours of watch as well as training including use of the damage-control equipment to fight fires or taking the helm to steer the ship.

The *Eagle* also serves as a good will ambassador wherever it goes. During its Guantanamo port, visitors were welcomed aboard for a self-guided tour and experienced first-hand accounts from the crew.

The experience was a welcomed insight into Coast Guard history and life for North Dakota National Guard 1st Sgt. Dean Richter, 191st Military Police Company.

“I’ve never seen a boat this size before,” he said. “We don’t have anything that would support a boat this size.”

Interested in proper terminology, Richter asked the crew if the *Eagle* is a boat, or a ship.

“They said it’s ‘kind of a small one,’” he said. “It’s amazing to me that it could even float in the water.”

The *Eagle*’s port was a big deal for families stationed at the Naval Station, offering a new weekend activity besides the typical beach or park trip.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Anthony Martinez and his wife, Jessica, toured the *Eagle* and were thankful for the opportunity.

“I just love that we get to see this at Guantanamo Bay,” Jessica said.

“It’s such a different opportunity,” she said. “In the States, you may not even know it’s there, but this is such a small community, you get to see this kind of thing.”





Photo by Staff Sgt. Lorne Neff/The Wire



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Photo by Staff Sgt. Lorne Neff/The Wire

Navy and Coast Guard personnel assigned to the Joint Task Force Guantanamo, and Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, climb the mast of the Eagle June 8, during a tour of the ship. The tallest ship in America was docked at GTMO June 7-8. Personnel and their families were able to tour the ship, which is the only sailboat still in commission in the U.S. fleet.

# THE OTHER MISSION

How one Trooper deals  
with being a father  
away from home

*I will always place  
the mission first.*

For many Troops, the opening line of the U.S. Army's Warrior Ethos is a group of words that inspire thoughts of duty, honor and service. Thoughts of working through adversity and achieving victory in the face of defeat. No matter what, the mission must always take priority.

There is a mission out there that a select group of individuals take part in everyday; a no-fail mission, a must-win mission; a mission often obscured by life in a deployed setting.

Fatherhood.

For Army Sgt. James L. Enochs, a military policeman assigned to the 428th Military Police Company, his current deployment with Joint Task Force Guantanamo marks the third time he has been called to service.

As the father of three girls, Enochs has had to face the reality that going to war is

something that cannot be easily communicated or understood by children.

"I have a 10-year-old who doesn't understand where I'm at or what I'm doing," said Enochs. "Its hard to explain over the phone what you're doing and why you're gone. The hardest part is the loneliness of my children always seeing me there, and then me leaving, and not understanding why."

Being a father, or parent for that matter, who is deployed means that there will be moments in the child's life that are going to be missed. These moments will include birthdays, holidays and pivotal times of childhood progress.

"I have another daughter who is nine," Enochs said. "I missed her going through the stages of her being a baby and walking. A month ago, my third daughter was born."

Although his mission as a father has been stressful, as a leader, Enochs makes

sure that he maintains a steady focus on the tasks at hand while on-duty.

"Being a leader, I have to keep my head in the game," said Enochs. "I don't think about home when I'm at work or dealing with army stuff because I don't want to make mistakes here. There isn't an easy way to cope but I can't let myself go as a leader."

While he strives to stay on target for the mission at JTF-GTMO, Enochs realizes that the success of the mission on the homefront is equally dependent on the work of his most important battle buddy — his wife.

Together, they have made plans to ensure that their children's needs are taken care of.

"A strong supportive spouse and wife is key," said Enochs. "What they can do is keep themselves busy and be sure to take lots of pictures.

"I think about what it'll be like when I get home and

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Military Police Sgt. James L. Enochs, the father of three girls, and three-time deployment Veteran, looks at a photo of his family after shift June 12. Enochs will celebrate this Father's Day at Guantanamo Bay, and while he has missed many parts of their childhood, Enochs said he knows he will see them again soon.

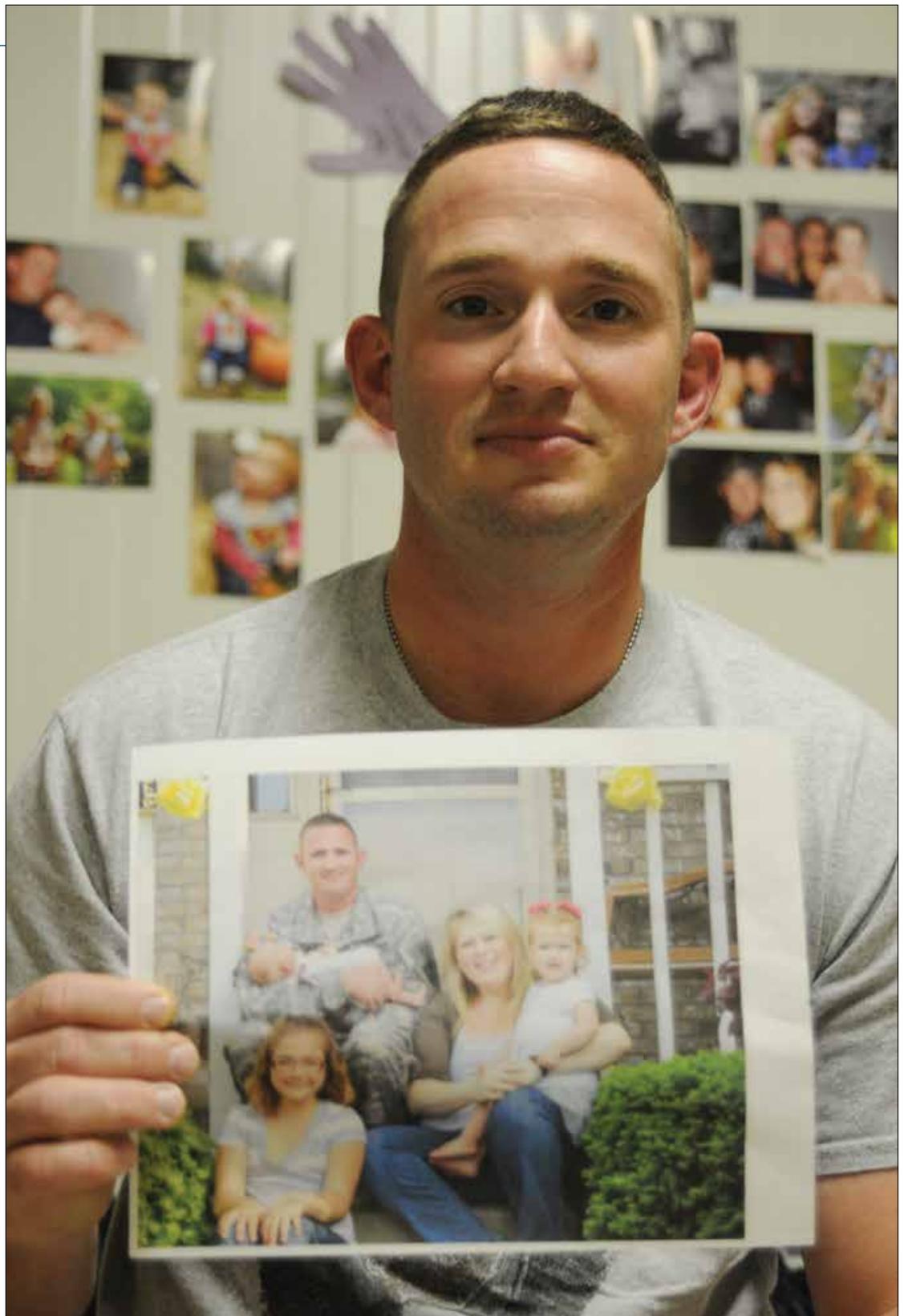
how much fun I'm going to have and I get overjoyed," said Enochs. "I love my children every day like tomorrow isn't going to be there."

Despite having to spend so much time focused on completing the mission of the U.S. Army, Enochs has made it his personal mission to make time for his family, focusing on their needs and how to meet them. Now, nearing the end of his deployment, Enochs is looking forward to going back home to his family and making up for all the time he was away. The thought of spending time with his family is one of the motivators that helps him push through to the end of his deployment.

"Keep in mind there will be an end to it," said Enochs. "You'll meet your kids and move on with life."

When Sunday rolls around and fathers back in the states enjoy a lunch or party with their kids, Enochs will have his own modified celebration.

"I'll call my wife and talk to my daughters this Father's Day." 🏠



Army Military Police Sgt. James L. Enochs, Joint Task Force Guantanamo (JTF-GTMO), displays one of many photos of his family that he has posted on the walls of his room June 12. It's the third deployment, and though he will miss father's day, Enochs is reaching the end of his mission at JTF-GTMO and is looking forward to seeing his family again.

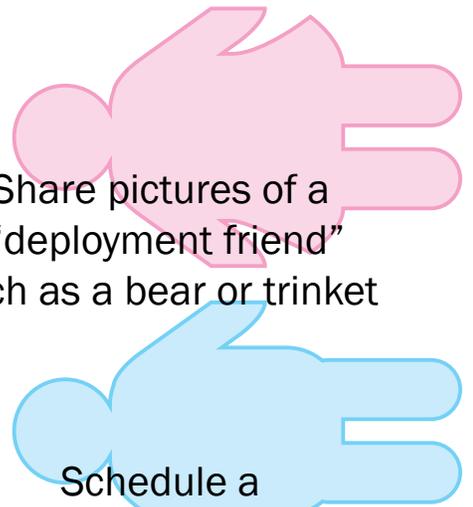
# Parenting from a DISTANCE



Read a  
book over  
the phone



Share pictures of a  
“deployment friend”  
such as a bear or trinket



Schedule a  
dinner over the  
phone



Stay involved

This Father’s Day, *The Wire* knows that the fathers out there deserve a pat on the back. So go ahead and give yourself one.

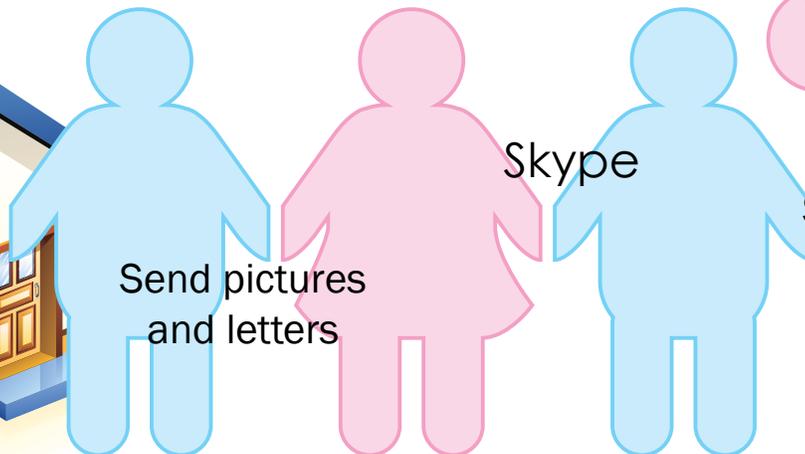
If you’re a new Trooper just getting to GTMO, here are some tips to help you continue to be the Super Dad (or Mom) that you are from this little island.

And if you want more information, Fleet and Family Support is just a phone call away at ext. 8127, 4153 or 4141.



Send pictures  
and letters

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Graphic by Staff Sgt. Aaron Hiller and Sgt. David Bolton/*The Wire*

# Lovin' the Links

*Troopers tee-off for fun in the sun*

**Story and photos by Spc. Lerone Simmons**  
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Five teams hit the links at the Lateral Hazard Golf Course June 8, for the 2nd Annual Liberty Golf Tournament.

With a shotgun start and best-ball scramble, it didn't matter if you were a pro or amateur at this competition. All that mattered was that you were having fun.

"Guantanamo Bay has the best Morale, Welfare and Recreation program I've ever seen, with tons of fun activities for Service members," said Lt. Col. Mike Shoen, Joint Detention Group, Joint Task Force Guantanamo.

That is thanks in part to Liberty events coordinator, Katie Stanley.

"Money was a great issue with getting planning off the ground," she said, "but it didn't stop us from getting things together."

And though there was no Tiger on the course, the Troopers who participated drove, chipped and putted their way using the best ball of the play. Playing the best ball turned out to be the fail-safe that prevented several teams from slipping back a place or two in the overall standings.

At the end of play, Col. Timothy Barron, JTF, and Maj. Brandon Christensen, JTF, took home the 1st place trophy. Taking home the 2nd place trophy was Staff Sgt. Steven Jastrzembski, JDG, and his teammate Sgt. 1st Class Jeffrey Vernon, JDG.

"It was a great way to get out, get refreshed, and rejuvenated," said Shoen. 🍷



Lt. Col. Mike Shoen, Joint Detention Group, chips a shot as Sgt. Maj. Catherine Farrell, JDG, looks on during the 2nd Annual Liberty Golf Tournament June 8.



Col. Timothy Barron, JTF, and Maj. Brandon Christensen, show off the first place trophy at the 2nd Annual Liberty Golf Tournament June 8.



Katie Stanley, Liberty events coordinator, presents Sgt. 1st Class Jeffrey Vernon, JDG, and Staff Sgt. Steven A. Jastrzembski, JDG, with the second place trophy at the 2nd Annual Liberty Golf Tournament June 8.

This week at the

## Fleet & Family Support Center

Call ext 4141

### Stress Management

Tues., June 18th, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

### Job Searching

Weds., June 19th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.



## Chaplain's Word of the Week: "SANITY"



Drawing by Sgt. Darron Salzer/The Wire

Sanity is the state of being in one's right mind. To keep soundness, or health of mind -- even in adversity. Sanity is key to completing the mission.



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## CLASSIC CORNER

### Purple history of OPSEC

*Dragons keep watch over our info*

Ever wonder why a purple dragon is associated with OPSEC?

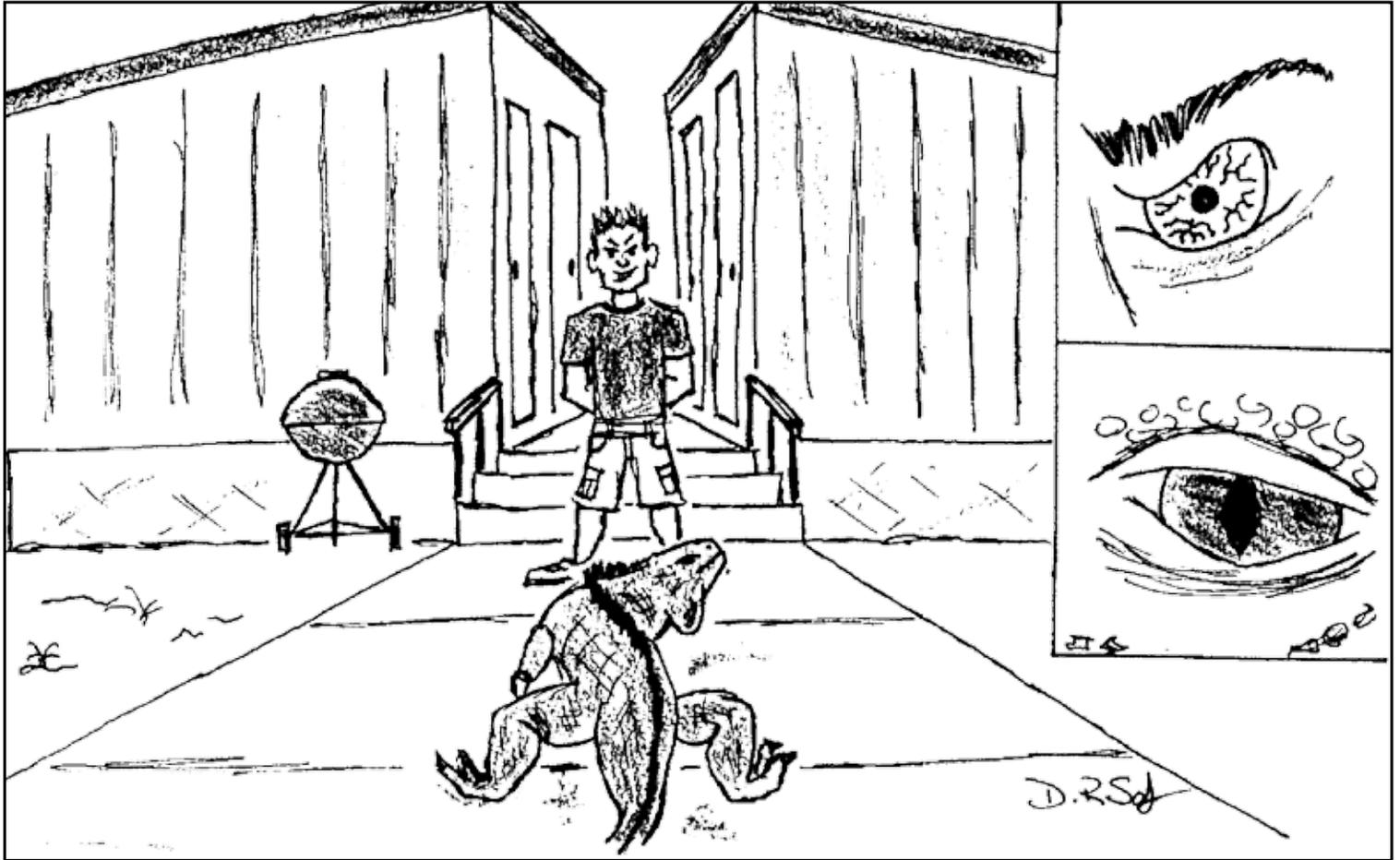
In Vietnam, we discovered overwhelming evidence that a relatively unsophisticated adversary had foreknowledge of our intentions. Counterintelligence couldn't find any indications or information that we had spies, or that classified information was leaked in any way.

The "Purple Dragon" team was formed, conducting OPSEC surveys in South Vietnam throughout the conflict. The team found that our operations were predictable to the enemy and that no secret can be kept forever.

Because of the success of the Purple Dragon team, President Ronald Regan issued the National Security Decision Directive, 298, formally establishing OPSEC as a national policy in 1988.

# THE DOWNSIDE UP

by Sgt. Darron Salzer



“Cuban Standoff”

## GTMO JOE by Spc. David Marquis



*Editor's Note: This is an excerpt printed at the request of Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Borlin, Joint Task Force Detention Group. This story tells the history of the "Star Spangled Banner" as we celebrate Flag Day. The true author is unknown.*

"There was a lawyer once; his name was Francis Scott Key. He penned a song that I'm sure you're aware of – you've seen it – it's in most hymnals throughout our churches.

It's the National Anthem. It is our song as an American. We go ... to a ball game ... and we sing the words of that song. And they float over our minds and our lips, and we don't even realize what we're singing. Most of us have memorized it as a child, but we've never really thought about what it means.

Let me tell you a story. Francis Scott Key was a lawyer in Baltimore. The Colonies were engaged in vicious conflict with the mother country, Britain. Because of this conflict, and the protractedness of it, they had accumulated prisoners on both sides. ...They said, "We want to send a man out to discuss this with you." They were holding the American prisoners in boats about a thousand yards offshore. And they said, "We want to send a man by the name of Francis Scott Key. He will come out and negotiate to see if we can make a mutual exchange."

On the appointed day September 12, 1814 ... in a rowboat he went out to this boat and he negotiated with the British officials. And they reached a conclusion that men could be exchanged on a one-for-one basis. Francis Scott Key, jubilant with the fact that he'd been successful went down below in the boats and what he found was a cargo hold full of humanity; men. And he said, "Men, I've got news for you. Tonight you are free." He said, "Tonight, I have negotiated successfully your return to the Colonies." He said, "You'll be taken out of this boat; out of this filth; out of your chains."

As he went back up on board to arrange for their passage to the shore, the Admiral came and he said, "We have a slight problem." He said, "We will still honor our commitment to release these men, but it'll be merely academic after tonight. It won't matter." And ...Key said, "What do you mean?"

And he said, "Well, Mr. Key," he said, "Tonight, we have laid an ultimatum upon the Colonies. Your people will either capitulate and lay down the colors of that flag that you think so much of, or you see that fort right over there – Fort Henry?" He said, "We're gonna remove it from the face of the earth." He said, "How are you gonna do that?"

He said, "If you will, scan the horizon of the sea." And as he looked he could see hundreds of little boats and he said, "That's the entire British war fleet." He said, "All of the gun power, all of the armament is being called upon to demolish that fort. It will be here within striking distance in a matter of about two and a half hours." He said, "The war is over. These men would be free anyway." He said, "You can't shell that fort." He said, "That's a large fort." He said, "It's full of women and children." He said, "It's predominantly not a military fort."

...The Admiral said, "Do you see that flag way up on the rampart? ...We have told them that if they will lower that flag the shelling will stop immediately, and we'll know that they've surrendered. And you'll now be under British rule."

...Key went down below and told the men what was about to happen ...

As twilight began to fall and as the haze hung over the ocean as it does at sunset, suddenly the British war fleet unleashed. Bam! Bam!

"The sound was deafening. There were so many guns that there were no reliefs." He said it was absolutely impossible to talk or hear. He said, "Suddenly the sky, although dark, was suddenly lit." And he says from down below all he could hear the men, the prisoners, saying was, "Tell us where the flag is. What have they done with the flag? Is the flag still flying over the rampart? Tell us." One hour, two hours, three hours into the shelling every time the bomb would explode and it would be close to the flag, they could see the flag in the illuminated red glare of that bomb. And ...Key would report down to the men

below, "It's still up. It's not down."

The Admiral came and he said, "Your people are insane." He said, "What's the matter with them?" He said, "Don't they understand this is an impossible situation?" ...Key he remembered what George Washington had said. He said, "The thing that sets the American Christian apart from all other people in the world is he will die on his feet before he'll live on his knees." The Admiral said, "We have now instructed all of the guns to focus on the rampart to take that flag down." He said, "We don't understand something. Our reconnaissance tells us that flag has been hit directly again and again and again and yet it's still flying. We don't understand that." But he said, "Now, we're about to bring every gun for the next three hours to bear on that point."

...Key said the barrage was unmerciful... Sunrise came. He said there was a heavy mist hanging over the land, but the rampart was tall enough. There stood the flag completely nondescript in shreds. The flagpole itself was at a crazy angle, but the flag was still at the top. Francis Scott key went ... into Fort Henry to see what had happened. He found ...that the flagpole and the flag had suffered repetitious direct hits and ...had fallen.

But men...who knew what it meant for that flag to be on the ground – although knowing that all of the British guns were trained on it – walked over and held it up humanly until they died. Their bodies were removed and others took their place. ...Key said what held that flagpole in place at that unusual angle were patriots bodies. He penned the song, "Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming. O'er rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night that the flag was still there. Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet fly and wave, o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?" 🌟

# Meals with Monroe

## A recipe guide to easy eats and tasty treats

If you're a fan of comfort food like I am, a good ol' baked macaroni and cheese dish is definitely on the menu. Most may think of mac and cheese as a popular side dish, but for me, it's perfect as the main meal. This recipe, adapted from Aimee (Shugarysweets.com), calls for Gouda cheese, however, the Navy Exchange does not carry Gouda. Instead, I used Muenster cheese, which still provided a creamy tang and worked nicely with the bacon pieces. (Also, I may or may not have added more than a half cup of bacon...)

 p.s.  
(one last thing)

I want to hear from you! Did you try my recipe and loved it? Did you try my recipe and hated it? Well... that's too bad but email me anyways! If you have a recipe you'd like for me to try, **contact me!**  
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## The Main Course...

### *Gouda Bacon Macaroni and Cheese*

#### Ingredients:

- ▶ 16 ounces elbow macaroni, cooked and drained
- ▶ 2 1/4 cups skim milk ▶ one half cup flour
- ▶ 1-1/4 cups of heavy cream ▶ 2 tsp kosher salt
- ▶ 1 tsp ground black pepper ▶ one half tsp dry mustard
- ▶ 2 tsp Worcestershire ▶ 1 pound smoked Gouda cheese, shredded ▶ one half pound sharp cheddar cheese, shredded ▶ 5 slices bread ▶ 3 Tbsp butter, melted ▶ one half cup bacon, cooked and crumbled

#### Directions:

- ▶ Preheat oven at 375-degrees and prepare macaroni according to package directions; set aside. In large pot, melt butter over medium-high heat. Add skim milk and bring to near boiling. Reduce heat to medium and sprinkle in flour. Whisk vigorously over medium heat for 1-2 minutes. Mixture should be thick and boiling. Slowly add cream, while whisking. Add in salt, pepper, mustard and Worcestershire sauce. Reduce heat to low and continue to stir for about five minutes.
- ▶ In a food processor, shred Gouda and cheddar cheese. (I just used a knife to shred the Gouda, and I bought pre-shredded sharp cheddar.) Add to pot, stir until thoroughly combined.
- ▶ Add cooked macaroni to cheese mixture. Pour into 13x9 dish.
- ▶ In same food processor bowl (no need to wash it after shredding the cheese), process 5 slices of bread to a fine crumb. Add melted butter. Sprinkle over macaroni. Top with crumbled bacon.
- ▶ Bake, uncovered in the 375-degree oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Serve and Enjoy!



Looking for something to do this weekend or early next week? Check out these events brought to you by the Morale, Welfare and Recreation office:

*Dad you're the best!*  
**FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH**



Bayview Brunch  
**Sunday, June 16**  
10 am-2 pm.  
\$14.95 adults  
\$6.95 (kids 5+)  
(children under 5 are free).

Saturday, June 15th  
**TRACK MEET**  
Register at Denich Gym  
Cooper Field, 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 18th  
**CALL OF DUTY TOURNAMENT**  
Deer Point Liberty Center, 7:00 p.m.



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## Photo of the Week

The best snapshot from around Guantanamo Bay



Matthew Roberts snapped this impressive photo of the helm of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Eagle as it sat docked at Guantanamo Bay June 8. For more about this "Tall Ship," see pages 10-11.