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Navy, NASCC continue conservation efforts, save money, resources

Story & photos by Eric Lobsinger
NASCC Public Affairs Office

October is National Energy Awareness Month, an opportunity to highlight and focus on conservation efforts at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, where conservation of resources is an everyday mission.

Although the energy conservation month occurs annually, it is significant this year in that it is the beginning of the implementation of Executive Order 13693, signed by President Barack Obama, which established 2015 as a baseline year and provides goals and guidance through 2025.

Under the newly established goals, the Navy is required to reduce its energy usage by 2.5 percent per year, which is a 25 percent reduction, said Roberto Reece, NASCC installation energy manager. On the installation, the cuts will be achieved through reductions in use of electricity and natural gas.

The executive order also calls for a reduction in transportation oils and

fuels.

The mandate follows the earlier Executive Order 13423, signed by President George W. Bush, aimed at reducing energy usage by 30 percent, from 2003 through 2015. If the past is any indication of future success, NASCC should be well on its way to achieving these new milestones.

“NASCC has done very well,” said Reece, referencing the installation exceeding the earlier mandates. “The installation not only met the goal, it exceeded it by approximately 5 percent.”

In all, he said, the base reduced its energy consumption between 34-35 percent from its 2003 baseline.

In energy conservation, said Reece, the bottom line is that saving energy saves jobs.

“Energy conservation is a 24/7 mission,” he said. “Without conserving energy all of the time, we fail. Within the federal government, and even in the public sector, there is a concerted

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Tom Lafferty, an electrician with Public Works, works on LED lighting outside Building 7. PW recently completed a project to replace 110 parking and walkway light fixtures with LED lights, which will conserve energy.

Ehret to replace Morillo at helm of NOSCCC during Oct. 17 ceremony

The helm of Navy Operational Support Center Corpus Christi will change Oct. 17, at 1 p.m., during a change of command ceremony at the Center's Building 1723. Cmdr. Reinaldo J. Morillo will relinquish command to Cmdr. Carmen N. Ehret.

Capt. Lance Bach, commander, Navy Region Southeast Reserve Component Command Fort Worth, will serve as the presiding officer.

Most recently, Ehret was as the head of Reserve Pay and Incentives, Commander Navy Reserve Forces Command, Norfolk, Va. She is a native of St. Louis, Mo., and a 1999 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. Previous assignments include: electrical division officer, legal officer and public affairs officer, USS Shreveport (LPD 12); training officer, main propulsion officer and PAO, USS Lake Erie (CG 70); and executive officer, Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Honolulu, Hawaii.

Ehret transitioned to the Navy Reserve as



Cmdr. Reinaldo J. Morillo (left) will relinquish command to Cmdr. Carmen N. Ehret during a change of command ceremony Oct. 17.

a Selected Reservist in 2006. Her assignments included Carrier Strike Group Six in Mayport, Fla., and Maritime Expeditionary Sensor Detachment 104 in Jacksonville, Fla., where she served as the weapons officer and the assistant officer-in-charge. Ehret was then selected for

recall to active duty into the Reserve Full Time Support community in 2008, and was the OIC of Personnel Support Detachment Point Loma, San Diego, from 2010 to 2012.

Ehret also attended the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where she completed Joint Professional Military Education Phase 1 and earned her master's degree in human resource management.

Morillo's next assignment is on the staff of Training Air Wing Four, at NAS Corpus Christi.

Morillo is a native of Bayamón, Puerto Rico. He graduated from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in 1994 and was commissioned through Officer Candidate School. Upon completion of Navy flight training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla., he was designated a Naval Aviator in March 1999.

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Executive Officer's Column



Cmdr. Scott Wilmot
Executive Officer

October is National Energy Awareness Month, a time we recognize the importance of energy to our prosperity, our security and our way of life.

Energy conservation is emphasized at the highest levels of government, and at the highest levels of our Navy. The cost of energy can be staggering. In fiscal year 2013, the Navy spent an estimated \$4 to \$5 billion

on fuel alone – approximately 1.3 billion gallons. NAS Corpus Christi spent \$11.4 million on electricity in 2014.

Although these expenses are significant, they are merely one-third of the Department of Defense's estimated \$14.8 billion of operational energy for vital missions such as military operations, training and readiness.

With these huge numbers, you may wonder how we can make a difference in conserving energy at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi? The answer is simple; take one small action every day. Turn off lights each time you leave the office. Combine multiple trips in our government vehicles. Adjust thermostats to proper setting, which is 78 in the summer months. All of these actions, by themselves, may seem insignificant. However, when you

consider that these decisions could be made by the approximately 10,000 individuals on this base, you can begin to see the influence.

Take the initiative to become an energy conservation advocate. Find a way to make a difference in your work activities and your family activities. Only through our combined efforts can we begin to make a difference.

Here are two links to the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, which identify ideas to help make a small difference in saving energy through our daily activities.

-Ideas for conserving energy at the office can be found at: <http://energy.gov/eere/femp/office-energy-checklist>

-Ideas for conserving energy at home can be found at: <http://energy.gov/eere/femp/home-energy-checklist>.

Chaplain's Message



Holiday Food Basket Program

Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne
Command Chaplain

The Holidays can be one of the most joyous times of the year as special meals are celebrated with friends and family.

Each year the Chaplain's Department on board NAS Corpus Christi sponsors a holiday food drive to collect items normally prepared during family holiday meals.

'Baskets' are then created the week before

Thanksgiving using nonperishable food items and commissary gift cards to be distributed primarily to junior enlisted military families. Each year, dozens of local families benefit directly from the generosity and goodwill of others through this program.

Collection boxes are located in the Catholic Chapel foyer, the Protestant Fellowship Hall, and the Commissary. Non-perishable food items such as canned green beans, corn, cranberry sauce, pie filling, canned yams, and a variety of other holiday meal items can be donated.

If you know of someone who would benefit from receiving a basket, please contact their senior enlisted representative or work supervisor and request a basket on their behalf.

Baskets will be distributed as anonymously as possible to those who might benefit most.

I encourage everyone to please consider giving to this worthwhile program.

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Hangar 46 micro market provides healthy choices

Navy Exchange assists Naval Air Station Corpus Christi's largest base tenant, Corpus Christi Army Depot, by bringing new dining options to the more than 4,000 depot employees and contractors looking for a quick bite during their lunch break.

Micro markets promote healthy living to the workforce by offering better lifestyle choices in what to eat.

The Hangar 46 micro market is the latest in automated food service innovation and technology. This is a collaborative effort between CCAD and NEX to promote a healthier and happier workforce.

The long-awaited Hangar 46 micro market opened Oct. 2. This is the first of several new automated food service locations open at Corpus Christi Army Depot.

The Navy Exchange Services began delivering individual fresh food vending machines to CCAD earlier in 2015 to offer federal employees healthier dining alternatives at work. The larger self-checkout micro mart is the second phase of the initiative to bring an accessible variety of beverages, foods, snacks, and other goods to approximately 4,000 civilian personnel.

The micro market concept is an innovated automatic merchan-



Corpus Christi Army Depot's very first micro market opened Oct. 2. Provided by Navy Exchange Services, Hangar 46 is the first of several markets throughout the helicopter maintenance repair depot. (Photo by Kiana Allen, CCAD)

help those who get to work before the sunrise. It features Starbucks brand coffee products and other premium coffees and beverages, like handspun milkshakes. A few sundries and other over-the-counter medical items are also available.

The micro market is open Monday through Friday between 5:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. It's closed on weekends. With the Hangar 46 micro market up and running, NEX expects their next CCAD site, in Building 1700, to open by the end of October. Other sites will pop up soon. (CCAD news release)

dising. Unlike boxy cash-only vending machines that take your money, micro markets take on the look and feel of a self-checkout retail food store.

With a focus on employee health and wellness, these shops will be stocked daily with fresh and healthy dining options, including prepared entrees, breakfast items, fruit, salads, wraps and sandwiches.

A healthy workforce is a happy workforce, which is just one of the reasons depot leaders are excited about bringing micro markets to the production floor. The shops promote healthy living to the workforce by offering better lifestyle choices in what to eat.

The Hangar 46 micro market will also

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This paper is published for people like Soraida Baretto, a Puerto Rico native, who is a division manager at the Navy Exchange. Baretto has been working with the Navy Exchange for 5 years.

Energy Action Month 2015: delivering power, presence

From Chief of Naval Operations
Energy and Environmental Readiness Division

WASHINGTON (NNS) – Worldwide throughout October, naval commands are using Energy Action Month 2015 as an opportunity to strengthen their workforce's commitment to responsible energy use as an enabler of the mission.

The Navy's Energy Action Month theme for this year is "Power. Presence." It makes clear the connection between the energy operating forces depend on and the Navy's commitment to be on station when and where our nation requires, 24 hours a day, seven days per week. Without the fuel needed to resupply conventionally powered ships and aircraft, and the electricity needed to run the shore facilities that support those operational platforms, the Navy's ability to deter threats, put munitions on target and be responsive in humanitarian assistance/disaster relief scenarios could be seriously degraded.

Navy commands will promote the Energy Action Month theme and activities with posters, electronic displays and social media posts that highlight energy saving tips, programs and initiatives.

Numerous senior leaders throughout the Navy will also release short videos on energy-related topics. The content will be posted on <https://www.facebook.com/navalenergy> and command websites/social media channels.

Oct. 14, Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus will participate in an energy roundtable with David Crane, president and CEO of NRG and Ira Ehrenpreis, Silicon Valley venture capitalist and Tesla Motors board member. Phyllis Cuttino, director, Clean Energy Initiative for The Pew Charitable

Trusts, will moderate the discussion. The event will take place at National Defense University's Eisenhower School on the grounds of Ft. McNair in Washington, D.C.

The Navy is also launching a new version of its Energy Warrior app this month, and will release new videos highlighting Navy personnel who are exploring new technologies and pursuing innovative practices to optimize energy use. The app is available for free download at app stores, and the videos can be viewed on the Navy's Energy Warrior TV YouTube channel, <http://www.youtube.com/channel/UckJiid-zKaaD525DZHUEOsg>.

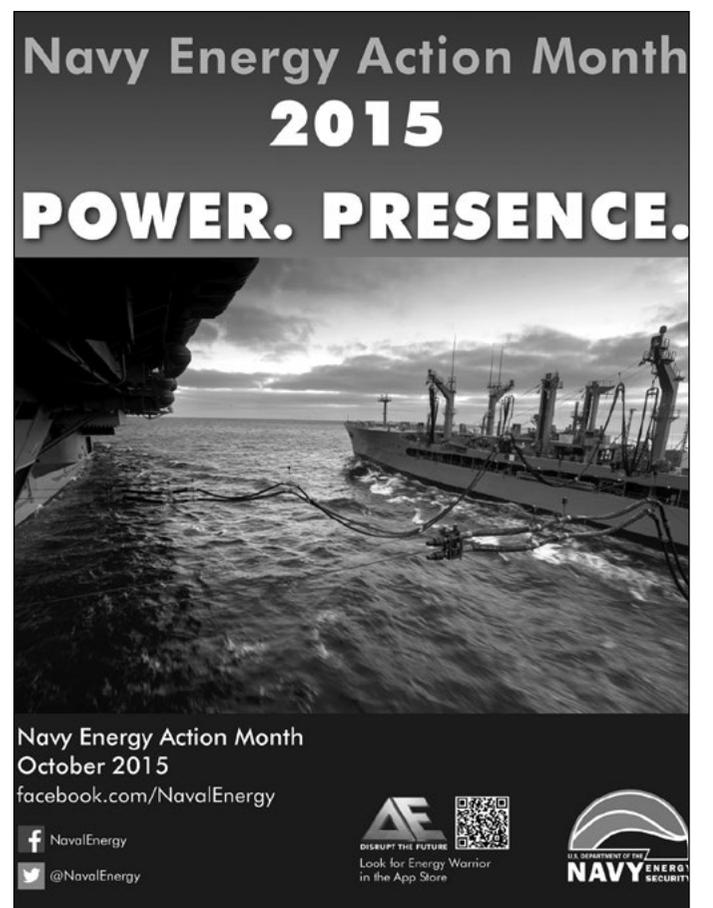
In a recent video, Rear Adm. Doug Morton, director of the Chief of Naval Operations Energy and Environmental Readiness Division, challenged Navy personnel to find solutions for reducing energy consumption and submit their ideas to energywarrior@navy.mil.

"Being energy smart gives our Navy a marked advantage over our adversaries," said Morton. "Think about how you and your command use energy, then come up with innovative ideas to reduce consumption."

The U.S. Navy currently uses an average of 3.2 million gallons of fuel daily. Annually, the Navy accounts for 28 percent of DoD's total petroleum use.

Additional information and Navy resources for Energy Action Month are available at <http://greenfleet.dodlive.mil/energy/energy-action-month/>.

Follow the coverage on Naval Energy Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/navalenergy> and Twitter, <https://twitter.com/navalenergy> throughout the month of October.



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Completing Impact Aid forms vital to support local school funding

By **Mary Jane Garza**
Naval Air Station School Liaison Officer

Local school districts are seeking support from parents to ensure Impact Aid forms are completed and submitted in a timely manner.

Public education is supported primarily by local (property tax revenues), state, and federal funding. Most school districts rely heavily on these resources to support educational programming – classroom instruction, extracurricular activities, faculty training, transportation, administrative services and more.

Recent economic conditions have placed most families, businesses, and government agencies in the position of having to operate under more stringent budgetary constraints, and tighter budgets have resulted in some cutbacks, scaling down of some operations and, in some cases, eliminating some services all together. School districts are no exception.

The federal government recognizes that districts face added economic pressure as a result of economic conditions.

One form of financial assistance for the local community is known as Impact Aid, which is paid to the local school district for the “financial burden” that results from federal activities in a local community.

Impact Aid is paid for federal property that is used to support military installations, low-income housing, Indian lands, and for

children whose parents who work on or live on federal lands.

In order to qualify for these funds, the local school district must verify the numbers of federally connected students served by its local public schools.

The Flour Bluff Independent School District, Corpus Christi ISD and other neighboring districts will distribute their annual Impact Aid forms in the coming weeks. Parents are asked to review the form and verify that the information provided is correct.

Although the form is easy to read and review, there remains a few common misconceptions regarding Impact Aid.

Administered by the U.S. Department of Education, the Impact Aid program is one of the oldest education programs, dating from 1950.

The information provided on the Impact Aid form is basic contact information available from school records.

Parents are not asked questions about salary or family income, nor are they asked to provide social security numbers or other important identifying data. In most cases, they are simply asking parents to confirm the family information provided at the time of student enrollment.

Completing the Impact Aid form will only take minutes. Please complete the form, sign it, date it and return it.

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Providing a helping hand ...

Food, support, a calling for many NASCC personnel

Story & photos by Eric Lobsinger
NASCC Public Affairs office

Personnel aboard Naval Air Station Corpus Christi dedicated their time, energy, imagination and resources in gathering food and money to support those in need in the Corpus Christi community.

Their efforts were just a small, local part of the national Feds Feed Families program.

Led by the command chaplain's office, the NASCC community efforts led to more than 45,000 pounds of food donated through the campaign, which kicked off July 15 and ran through Oct. 2.

The impact of providing the support is significant, not only on those receiving the food but for those involved in the donation process as well, said Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne, NASCC command chaplain.

"We have the privilege to put the food in the hands of the people," said Warne. "When that happens, you're impacted more than words can say. Although you are giving, you definitely receive. You are a partner in this – the blessing of being

able to help."

At NASCC, donations have markedly increased each year. In 2014, the base's efforts resulted in the donation of almost 35,000 pounds of food, which was a dramatic increase over the 18,000 pounds donated in 2013.

The program, instituted in 2009 under President Obama's United We Serve campaign, is designed to assist local food banks and pantries in overcoming a traditional decrease in donations during the summer months. The decrease comes at a time when families develop a greater need for food when children are at home for the summer and cannot participate in the food programs at school.

Feds Feed Families provides all of the federal entities – to include the military – an opportunity to assist in helping to feed the homeless, explained Warne. It does this through working with local food banks. Navy chaplains also work through their channels with the local ministries.

The items collected are given to the civil Corpus Christi Food Bank and the food bank ministries the chaplain's office partners with: the Salvation Army's food pantry, Timon's Ministries and Church Without Walls.

Donation from the base and the community provide true value and service for those in need, said Brother Rey Escalante, from Church Without Walls.

"Chaplain Warne found out about us, was interested in what we do, and came out to visit," said Escalante.

Since then, the chaplain's office embarked on a program in which they visit Church Without Walls the fourth Thursday of every month and provide dinner to a group of 30-40 participants following services.

For many, participating in programs such as this provides an opportunity to support the local community, which, in turn, provides such a tremendous amount of support to Naval Air Station Corpus Christi.

"We federal employees care for those going through hardships – and anyone who may go through them in the future," said Esther Haigood, management assistant and NAS official mail manager with Navy Supply, Fleet Logistic Center Jacksonville detachment.

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Edward Nagbe, who works in quality assurance with Navy Supply, pours himself a drink as he prepares to enjoy his lunch during a Feds Feed Families "Frito Pie" lunch Sept. 29.



Shannon Harrell, site director, and Esther Haigood, management assistant, both with Navy Supply Fleet Logistics Center, present a check for \$634.45 to Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne as part of the Feds Feed Families program Oct. 1. (Photo by Pete Lutz, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center)



(Top) RP3 Nicole Schuster passes a bag of beans during a food distribution Oct. 1 at Church Without Walls in Corpus Christi. Meanwhile, (Center) community members comb through an assortment of food. (Bottom) A volunteer helps one of the visitors select a desert. During the Feds Feed Families program, the NASCC team efforts led to more than 45,000 pounds of food donations.

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Brother Rey Escalante, from Church Without Walls in Corpus Christi, meets with community members who gathered to pick up donated food Oct. 1. The NASCC command chaplains office led the NASCC team efforts that resulted in the donation of more than 45,000 pounds of food during the Feds Feed Families campaign.

“We want to show the community we can make a difference in their lives today or during the holidays. We do this to help our military families, our civilians and our community, to where they do not need to worry where their next meal will come from.”

The U.S. Navy, as a whole, and the southeast region in particular, have been strong supporters since Feds Feed Family’s inception.

“The southeast region is always a very strong supporter,” said Warne, “and Corpus Christi is always one of the top five in donations.”

FLC personnel conducted three fund-raisers, said Haigood. The donations received through the “Frito Pie” lunch, added to the previous hotdog and popcorn fund-raisers, raised more than \$630 in donations.

The monetary donations equate to 5 pounds of food for every dollar, explained Warne. This equates to a contribution of more than 3,100 pounds of food through these three fund-raisers alone.

“We just do it out of our hearts and to help to support the community,” added Haigood.

The people in South Texas, and particularly here at NASCC, do amazing work in supporting the program, said Warne, and their efforts truly help in making a difference – especially those who have the opportunity to meet with those in need.

“You gain a more accurate perspective of how much we are blessed – and how much we do,” said Warne.

“Everyone who’s ever helped served the homeless comes away saying ‘I need to get more people involved,’ and they themselves have a different perspective on life itself.”

And, at times, that involvement is even more personal in how it directly involves those who are receiving the assistance. For Escalante, the help he received from programs such as this truly changed his life.

“Somebody helped me about 17 years ago ... and I’m returning the favor,” he said. “I was living on the streets 18 years ago ... for a couple of years. There was a family that was doing something like this, that helped me out, and I got my family back.

“We live our lives with one hand up and one hand down: One hand down to pick up our brothers and sisters around us, and one hand up to drop our pride when we need somebody to help us out.”

Navy pays homage to fallen as bell rings

Story & photos by Eric Lobsinger
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Military and civilians gathered at the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi headquarters quarterdeck Sept. 23 to honor the memory of their fallen comrades during a bell-ringing ceremony.

Bell-rings were held throughout Navy Region Southeast as a preview to Gold Star Mother’s and Family’s Day, which is traditionally observed on the last Sunday of September.

The day serves to recognize and honor those who have lost a significant other: a daughter, son, husband, wife, mother or father while serving during a time of war or conflict in the U.S. armed forces, explained Patrick Reinford of the Fleet and Family Support Center, NASCC.

“It serves to honor and remember our fallen Navy Sailors and their families,” he said, “who are forever part of the Navy family.”

The ceremony was all the more significant with Gold Star members attending the remembrance, added Capt. Stephen Banta, commanding officer, NASCC.

“Amy, Irene, Harriett, thank you so much for being here,” said Banta. “I really appreciate you coming, out of your way, and allowing us to be part of your lives – and to be part of this with you.

“I think it’s very important to honor your sacrifices.” During the recognition, CMDMC Jeffery Tidwell, NASCC, read off names of the fallen as EN1 Derrick Scranton, assistant security manager, rang a bell in honor of their memory.

“The names we call,” said Reinford, “represent just a few of many who gave their lives for our great nation.”

After the final name had been read, and after the final accompanying bell toll, a succession of four bells were rung to represent the fallen who had not been called.

Events such as this help surviving family members cope with the loss of their loved ones. It also demonstrates that the family members are never truly alone.

“They are great because they help the wives, many of whom don’t know what to do,” said Amy Kaminski, whose husband, Chief Petty Officer Cary Kaminski, died four months ago. “It’s really strange – going from being a Navy military family and then going back to your ‘other’ family.”

She said the Gold Star program is unique in that it serves as a kind of a “Band-Aid” that fixes everything. Perhaps one of the key benefits is that it provides family members an opportunity to meet others who are going through similar challenges.

“They (Gold Star program) are really special,” said Harriet Layne, Amy’s mother. “It’s a phenomenal program. The Navy has taken care of (Amy) since day one to ensure that every step was taken – to ensure that everything that needed to be done was done. They have provided and have been there.”

Layne said she truly appreciated being invited to the ceremony and for the opportunity to take part in honoring their loved ones.

“I think it’s important to continue to remember them,” she said. “All of them – to honor our loved ones and to keep their memories alive ... and to appreciate what they’ve done for our country.”



CMDMC Jeffery Tidwell, NASCC, reads the names of the fallen as EN1 Derrick Scranton, assistant security manager, rings a bell in honor of their memory Sept. 23 at the headquarters quarterdeck.

The names read during the ceremony were:

Petty Officer 3rd Class Mitch Gold
Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey Paschel
Lt. Gregory Fulco
Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey Hamilton
Petty Officer 2nd Class Adam Hall
Lt. Cmdr. Gregory Ballenger
Chief Petty Officer Mike Kaesberg
Chief Petty Officer James McDernan
Petty Officer 1st Class Dennis Joyce,
Petty Officer 2nd Class Shane Epperon
Lt. Shawn Jacobs
Petty Officer 1st Class Erick Sims
Petty Officer 3rd Class Scott Bartik
Fireman Gary Swenchonis
Chief Petty Officer Cary Kaminski
Petty Officer 3rd Class Eric Rasmussen
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conservation effort moving forward. Energy is a big deal on a global scale.”

Instrumental to the base's past success, as well as its future endeavors, are building energy monitors, explained Reece, who play a critical role in maintaining the Navy standards for energy use in the facilities: 78 degrees in the summer months with a humidity of 60 percent, and 68 degrees in the winter months.

“The BEMs are critical in making sure these thermostats in the buildings are reflecting what the Department of the Navy's policy is,” he explained.

Other huge savings in energy expenditures include simple measures, such as making sure lights are turned off at the end of the day and ensuring standard policies are adhered to, such as no personal refrigerators or coffee pots, to unplugging the “energy vampires:” the chargers for radios, cell phones, etc., when they are not in use.

The culture of energy conservation can play a vital role as well, he added, because culture can reduce energy consumption by 3 percent.

“Culture is extremely important,” said Reece. “If everyone saves energy, just based on culture, we would exceed the 2.5-percent per year goal that began on the new fiscal year.”

Public Works is looking at several methods to save future energy use. These include tracking all energy use, such as

measuring temperature and relative humidity, by building, to identify when energy use is at its premium.

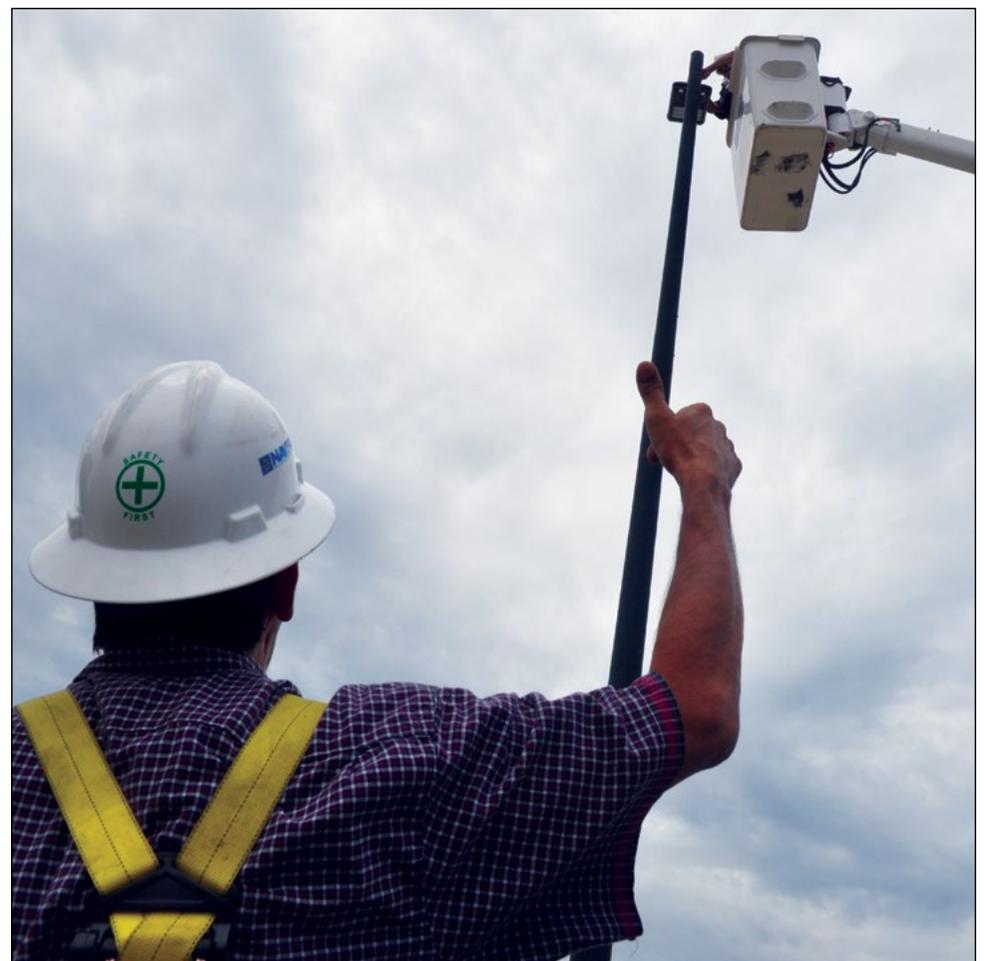
There are also a variety of ongoing and future projects aimed at meeting future conservation measures.

These include a recently completed lighting project that replaced 110 parking and walkway light fixtures – 400-watt fixtures were converted to 90-watt LED lights, which dramatically reduced energy consumption, and 250-watt fixtures were replaced by 60-watt LEDs.

Upgrading the Coast Guard hangar from fluorescent lights to LED lights is also in the works.

How can we make a difference in conserving energy? It's as easy as turning on – or off – a light. These decisions are made by more than 500,000 individuals each day – by approximately 330,000 Sailors and 195,000 civilian employees – in addition to another 110,000 members of the Ready Reserve, it becomes apparent that each individual action makes an enormous difference when added to the actions of others.

Public Works will hold a symposium Oct. 28 at the Catalina Club, designed to provide training from key leaders on energy conservation efforts for the installation's tenant units and organizations. For more information, call Roberto Reece at 961- 2152.



Karl Juarez gives a “thumbs up” to Tom Lafferty as the two Public Works electricians install LED lighting outside Building 7 at NASCC.

Bravo Zulu



Capt. Steve Banta, commanding officer, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, presents a letter of appreciation to Zane Thomas, community planning liaison officer, for his efforts to limit encroachment around NASCC and Navy Outlying Fields Waldron, Cabaniss, and Goliad. (Photo by Eric Lobsinger, NASCC Public Affairs Office)



Lt. Scott Beck, the admin officer for Headquarters, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, presents MA2 Ambrielle Murray with a Certificate of Reenlistment. Murray, a patrol supervisor with the NASCC Security Department, reenlisted for two years and is preparing to PCS overseas. She is a Tyler, Texas, native, with 3 years service (Photo by Eric Lobsinger, NASCC Public Affairs Office)



Capt. Steve Banta, commanding officer, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, congratulates MA3 Leland Free after presenting a Navy Achievement Medal to the NASCC Security Department patrolman. Free and his family members are preparing for their move to Fleet Activities Chinhae in South Korea. (Photo by Eric Lobsinger, NASCC Public Affairs Office)



James Dunn, security officer, was named FLC's Civilian of the Quarter for third quarter of fiscal 2015. Presenting the award to Dunn is Esther Haigood, management assistant, the previous Civilian of the Quarter. (Photo by Pete Lutz, Navy Supply, Fleet Logistics Center)

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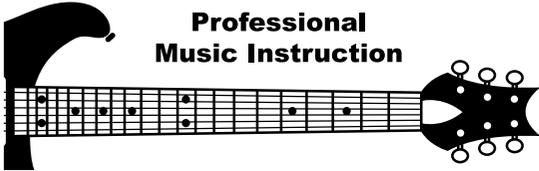


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Gilbert Montoya addresses the staff at Chief of Naval Air Training during a National Hispanic Heritage Month pot luck luncheon Sept 25. Montoya, director of Logistics, Installations and Mission Support, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio. (Photo by Richard Stewart, CNATRA public affairs office)

Hispanic Heritage celebrated with luncheon, speaker

By Richard Stewart
CNATRA Public Affairs Office

Members of the NASCC community gathered to commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month during a pot luck luncheon Sept. 25 at Chief of Naval Air Training headquarters.

Gilbert Montoya, director of Logistics, Installations and Mission Support, Headquarters, AETC, served as the keynote speaker for the event.

Hispanic Heritage Month is observed annually from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15 to celebrate the contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America and South America.

"These types of events help to break down barriers and stereotypes that may exist," said Maria Alvarez, administrative assistant, CNATRA Aviation Maintenance/Contract Logistics, who said she appreciated the opportunity to recognize and celebrate the rich diversity of her Hispanic heritage. "It provides context to our contributions to the Navy, and the nation, while showcasing our heritage and where we

came from."

Montoya shared his thoughts on the importance of getting involved in communities to increase awareness of the Hispanic culture.

"I enjoy giving back to the community and sharing our history and heritage with others," said Montoya, "and as this observance comes around every year, it provides more opportunities to learn about our culture."

The 2015 National Hispanic Heritage Month Presidential Proclamation, issued Sept. 14, speaks of the many faces of America's Hispanic community and its role in shaping our nation.

"Hispanics contribute to our Nation's success in extraordinary ways – Hispanics serve in the military and government, attend schools across America, and strengthen the economy," states the proclamation.

"Each day, we see the tremendous impact Hispanics have on our communities, and they reflect an enduring truth at the heart of our Nation: no matter where you come from or where your roots are, with hard work and perseverance, you can make it in America."

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His operational/joint assignments include Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadron Fourteen (HM-14) flying the Sikorsky MH-53E; Training Squadron Two (VT-2) and Training Air Wing Five Instructor Training Unit as T-34C instructor pilot, Fleet Logistics Support Detachment New Orleans as UC-12B transport pilot; Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix as Operations Officer for the Afghanistan Counterinsurgency Training Center in Kabul, and VT-35 as Associate Flight Instructor in the TC-12B.

Morillo's Reserve management as-

signments include executive officer and reserve programs director at NOSC New Orleans; the staff of Commander, Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia; Naples, Italy, as deputy director of Total Force-Manpower and Operational Support Officer; and since July 2013 as commanding officer of NOSC Corpus Christi.

Morillo is a graduate of the EMBA program at the Naval Postgraduate School, the Joint Forces Staff College, the Air Command and Staff College and has accumulated more than 3,500 flight hours in U.S. Navy aircraft.



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