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# VT-2 Memorializes Former Instructor Pilot



Brian, 1st Lt. Stacey and Karen Haworth observe the memorial to Maj. Daniel S. Haworth in front of the Training Squadron TWO headquarters. The marker was placed by the unit's flagpole, May 7, to honor Haworth's service and sacrifice. U.S. Navy photo by Lt. j.g. Michael M. Daharsh.

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Training Squadron TWO (VT-2) observed their golden anniversary with a simple yet meaningful ceremony May 7 in front of the squadron headquarters at Naval Air Station Whiting Field. Shipmates, family and friends, both past and present, marked the 50-year milestone with the squadron members

Nine previous squadron commanding officers, former unit members dating back to the inception of the squadron and veterans from every conflict dating back to World War Two attended to recognize the Navy's oldest primary training squadron. To commemorate 50 years of aviation training, VT-2 remembered the service of one of their most decorated instructor pilots.

Maj. Daniel S. Haworth was memorialized with a stone plaque next to the flagpole in front of the squadron's building. It was a way for the squadron to pass on the ideals  
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# Smart Meters to be in NAS Whiting Field's Future

By Lt. j.g. Michael M. Daharsh, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Conservation is a word that people hear a little more often these days. Whether striving to find alternative renewable fuels, reducing a carbon footprint, or supporting last month's Earth day, the public is looking for new ways to reduce waste and inefficiency, while conserving energy.

Naval Air Station Whiting Field is working diligently to meet those goals. One innovation that may help is by installing highly accurate energy monitors on a number of the buildings on base. This highly advanced monitoring system is known as Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI).

AMI is an intricate metering system that provides digital, real-time accurate monitoring of electricity, water, and gas usage. This in turn provides information to both the energy provider and consumer via two way communication. This means at any given time of the day an analyst at NAS Whiting Field can log onto the network and track the energy being used. Currently all the meters around base are read



The graph is a snapshot of electricity usage from a day in Jul. 2003. Most power is used during the peak rate times, increasing costs. If NAS Whiting Field is able to analyze power usage on a daily basis they can stagger usage to reduce energy consumption during peak rate times. The savings incurred could then be applied to other developments. Graphic courtesy of Tom Allen.

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# NAS Whiting Field Chooses Sailors of the Quarter



**ABH1 Stager**

Naval Air Station Whiting Field named their Sailors for the 1st Quarter of 2010 recently. The award recognizes top enlisted performers for their hard work, community

volunteerism, educational efforts and professional training.

Aviation Boatswain's Mate First Class Stager was selected as the senior Sailor of the Quarter. He serves as the Crash Division leading



**MA2 Clark**

petty officer and manages a 92 person division overseeing 13 navy outlying fields across five counties in two states. Stager furthermore volunteered more than 100

off-duty hours during the three-month period with such agencies as Big Brothers Big Sisters for Okaloosa County and with the Naval Sea Cadet Corps at NAS Whiting Field.

Aviation Boatswain's Mate



**AC3 Gloria Peak**

Second Class Clark earned the Junior Sailor of the Quarter award through his duties as the Crash Division training petty officer. He is directly responsible

for the 92-person division meeting their training requirements and professional qualifications. This ensures a safe landing environment for Training Air Wing FIVE personnel, and a

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## Navy, Marines Need Adaptable People, Gates Says



**Secretary of Defense  
Robert M. Gates**

By Jim Garamone, American Forces Press Service

**NATIONAL HARBOR, Md.,**

**May 3, 2010** – The types and numbers of Navy ships will change, but the quality of the Sailors and Marines aboard those ships and serving ashore must endure, Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said here today.

Gates spoke at the Navy League's annual Sea-Air-Space Convention at the Gaylord Convention Center.

Sailors and Marines "...must have moral, as well as physical courage; they must have integrity; they must think creatively and boldly," the secretary said. "They must have the vision and insight to see that the world and technology are constantly changing and that the Navy and Marine Corps must therefore change with the times – ever flexible and ever adaptable. They must be willing to speak hard truths, including to superiors."

How the United States handles the increasingly complex security challenges of the future will depend less on the quality of its hardware than on the quality of the leaders, the secretary said, noting that he spoke about this at some length with midshipmen at the Naval Academy last month.

As examples, he used Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Victor Krulak, the visionary behind the Higgins boat who later contributed greatly to U.S. understanding of counterinsurgency in Vietnam. He also cited Navy Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz,

who as a young officer helped to develop the circular formation for carrier escorts, used to great effect in World War II and for decades after.

Finally, he spoke of Navy Lt. Cmdr. Roy Boehm, who after World War II designed and led a special new commando unit that became the Navy SEALs. Boehm's legacy is at work every night, he said, tracking down America's most lethal enemies in Afghanistan and elsewhere around the world.

"The reason I wanted to talk to midshipmen about these leaders ... is not that they were always right, nor that they should be emulated in every way – to put it mildly," Gates said. "What is compelling about each of these leaders is that they had the vision and insight to see that the world and technology were changing, they understood the implications of these shifts and then they pressed ahead in the face of often-fierce institutional resistance."

These qualities would come to the fore in any era, Gates said, but they are especially important today, given the pace of technological changes and the agile and adaptive nature of the most-likely and lethal U.S. adversaries. The enemy could run the gamut from modern militaries using asymmetric tactics to terrorist groups with advanced weapons.

"Over the past three-and-a-half years, in the fury of two wars, I have seen the future of the Navy and Marine Corps onboard ships, on the ground in Iraq and Afghanistan, at Navy bases and Marine camps, and at the Academy," he said. "These young men and women fill me with confidence that the future of our sea services is incredibly bright and that our nation will be secure in their hands."

# News and Notes

**Red Cross Classes** - Lifeguard training will be held at NAS Whiting Field, May 29 - Jun. 6, Saturday and Sundays only. (Class will be on May 29, May 30, Jun. 5, and Jun. 6). Morale Welfare and Recreation department is also still registering for Red Cross Swim Lessons. For more information, please call Kelsey at 623-7032.

**Big Band Music** - Milton High School will host the Drum Corps International Drum and Bugle Corps show, Thurs., Jul. 29. The show is titled Sounds of the South. There will be seven drum and bugle corps at this event and the DCI corps are the elite of the elite when it comes to marching bands. For more information go to one of the following two links: <http://www.mhsbandboosters.info/index.php?menu=event4> or <http://www.tealsound.org/drum-buglecorps/events/soundsofthesouth/>. Tickets are \$20 for the Super Section and \$15 for General Admission. There is also a \$5 Military discount with ID at the gates. For additional information, please call 207-8206.

**Fifth Annual Blackwater Bicycle Festival** - Bicycle enthusiasts can view and test ride bicycles, compete in bicycle show, and ride bicycle prediction rides from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 15 at the Blackwater Heritage State Trail Visitor Center in Milton. Entrance fee for the bike show is \$5. Pre-registration forms are available online at [www.blackwaterheritagetrail.org](http://www.blackwaterheritagetrail.org). All event proceeds will be used to benefit the trail. For more information, call Gerard Graco 983-5338.

**Eighth annual Navarre FunFest 5K and one-mile fun run** - The event begins at 7:30 a.m., May 15 beginning and ending at the Navarre Beach parking lot. The fun run for children 12 and younger begins after the 5K course closes. 5K registration is \$22 in advance, \$25 on race day. The kid's fun run registration is \$15. A post-race party and awards ceremony will feature live music and refreshments. Register online at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com), or download a form at [www.navarrechamber.com](http://www.navarrechamber.com)

**Embry Riddle Registration for Summer Term** - Em-



## A Fond Farewell

**The final day of operation for the Wings Club will be May 14. The food service operations out of the facility will cease and other food service locations; such as the bowling alley, golf course and South Field snack bar will offset the closing with additional options for base personnel. U.S. Navy photo by Lt. j.g. Michael M. Daharsh.**

bry Riddle Aeronautical University is now registering for the Summer Term through May 31 on Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00-4:00 in building 1417, room 633 on board NAS Whiting Field. New Student Orientation will be held Saturday May 29, 8:30-12:00 in Bldg. 634, Suite 033 on board NAS Pensacola. Everyone is encouraged to register early. Embry Riddle Aeronautical University's Pensacola Campus offers certificate programs, associate and bachelors degree programs with various specializations in Professional Aeronautics and Technical Management and the Master of Aeronautical Science degree. Email [pensacola.center@erau.edu](mailto:pensacola.center@erau.edu), visit [www.embryriddle.edu/pensacola](http://www.embryriddle.edu/pensacola) or call 458-1098 for more information.

**Swimming Pool Open** - The Training Pool is now open for lap swimming. Hours of Operation are from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon. through Fri.

**Troy University is Back** - Troy University now has a new student services specialist for Naval Air Station Whiting Field. Christi Berrey will be the contact person for their office located in the Atrium building near Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and ITT. Office hours have been changed to better assist students needs: Mon. - Fri. from 9am to 3pm. She will be available to answer questions about degree programs and how to get started with Troy as well as schedule appointments for students to meet with Sandra, the local academic advisor. Please feel free to stop by, or call 850-458-4736 with any questions or concerns.

**Riverwalk Arts Festival** - Historic Downtown Milton will host the 22nd Annual Riverwalk Arts Festival May 22-23 in the town's waterfront area. The weekend festival will feature Juried Classic Fine Art, Heritage/Folk Art, continuous music, cultural entertainment, festival foods, children's activities and more. The event will open at 10 a.m. and close each day at 5 p.m. Visit [www.santarosaarts.org](http://www.santarosaarts.org) or call 850-981-1100 for more details.

**Navarre Krewe of Jesters Golf Tournament** - The Krewe of Jesters will hold a golf tournament May 14 at 9 a.m. at the Club at Hidden Creek in Navarre. The event helps fund their Mardi Gras parade and scholarship fund. Cost is \$75 per player and \$65 for military. Lunch is included. Call 515-1441 for details.



## Onward and Upward

**Master Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate Jeffrey Jones receives his new "anchors" during his frocking ceremony to his new rank. His wife, Anita, and his father, Preston, put the collar devices in place. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.**

## Upcoming Events

May 14, 1130 - Military Appreciation Picnic - Sports Complex

May 14 & 15 - VT-6 50th Anniversary Reunion

May 21, 1300 - Winging Ceremony - Auditorium

May 27, 1100 Asian Pacific Heritage Luncheon - Auditorium

May 31 - Memorial Day

May 31, 1100 - Milton Memorial Day Event - Veteran's Park

# Fleet and Family Support Center Classes

## Time Management - Wednesday, 19 May, 1300-1400

At the end of the day, do you ask yourself "where did the day go?" and feel like you have accomplished very little on your list of "things to do?" Then this class is for you. This class will provide you with tools that will help you make the most of your busy and demanding days. Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, call 623-7177.

## Common Sense Parenting for Ages 5 - 18 - Wednesday, 19 May, 1800-2000

Unfortunately, children do not come with instruction manuals. So FFSC is holding a class that will provide you with tools that will equip you with the skills for raising responsible and well-adjusted children. This class is for any parent who wants to "brush up" on their parenting skills or new parents that are not sure of where to begin. Call a Work and Family Life Specialist at 623-7177 for details.

## VA Representative (Call for Appointment) - Friday, 21 May, 0800-1200

## How to Apply for a Federal Job - Monday, 24 May, 0800-1000

"Is it worth your while to invest your time and effort in searching and applying for a Federal Job?" Then you need to attend this class in order to learn how to prepare the best application possible. You will learn how to read an announcement, analyze core competencies for language, analyze vacancy listings for keywords, and how to apply for jobs. Call 623-7177 for more information.

## Deployment Support Group for Children - Monday, 24 May, 1800-1930

Kids and youth ages 5-18 who are children of deployed service members are invited to meet for fun and fellowship! Creative activities engage the mind and promote conversation. Share experiences and feelings with others who are also dealing with the absence of a parent due to deployment. For more information, please contact the FFSC at 850-623-7177. Hope to see you there!

## Understanding Military Pay Issues - Wednesday, 26 May, 1400-1500

Why is it important that you know about the elements of military compensation? To know what you are currently entitled to? To know what you may be entitled to as your circumstances change? Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information call our Financial Educator at 623-7177.

*The "World Famous"*  
**VT-6 SHOOTERS**  
*Of NAS Whiting Field*

*Invite YOU to join us in celebrating*  
**FIFTY YEARS of TRAINING EXCELLENCE!**  
*Friday, 14th May 2010*

1200: Fun, food, games, and aircraft displays begin with NAS Whiting Field's Community Appreciation Day.  
1600: VT-6 Dedication Ceremony & Happy Hour

*Saturday, 15th May 2010*

0900: Shooters Archery Tournament  
0900: "Flying Death" Motorcycle Ride  
1000: Shooters "6K" Runway Run  
1130: Shooter Family Picnic w/Sponsor Booths  
1300: Shooter Golf Tournament  
1830: Flight Suit Formal "Aviation Training Through the Decades"

*For details, locations, and RSVPs visit us on the web at:*  
**www.traronsix.us**



# VT-2 Celebration

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of devotion to duty and dedicated service.

"We wanted something to link the traditions of the past to the future. A touchstone for those yet to serve at VT-2 to remind them of the tremendous responsibility they have to carry on like those before," said U.S. Coast Guard Cmdr. Timothy McGuire, the commanding officer for the unit. "Every officer who now raises the colors of our nation each day will read about one of this squadron's heroes and that plaque will provide them the motivation to persevere."

Haworth was an instructor pilot with the "Doer-birds" from Oct. 1981 to 1985. While with the squadron, he was named instructor of the month four times and surpassed more than 1,000 hours in the T-34C Turbomenter aircraft.

His greatest legacy, however, came on Oct. 4, 1987 while assigned to Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 onboard the USS LaSalle (AGF-3) in the Persian Gulf. He was flying a UH-1N Huey helicopter during a night vision goggle gun shoot exercise, when the aircraft suffered a tail rotor malfunction.

"His superb airmanship, composure, and exceptional courage at the controls of his crippled aircraft were solely responsible for the survival of all his crewmembers, sacrificing his own life," reads a portion of his Distinguished Flying Cross citation. The award was presented posthumously to his wife Karen.



Eric Hannel, military liaison to Congressman Jeff Miller reads an entry from the Congressional Record honoring Training Squadron TWO's 50 years of aviation training. Squadron commanding officer, Coast Guard Cmdr. Timothy McGuire stands to receive the proclamation. U.S. Navy photo by Lt. j.g. Michael M. Daharsh.

Karen Haworth still lives in the area and attended the ceremony with their children. Their daughter 1st Lt. Stacey Haworth is also now a Marine pilot flying the CH-53 aircraft in MCAS New River, Jacksonville, NC. Their son Brian also intends to join the military following college.

"It's just an amazing day," Haworth stated. "Just to  
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# SR County to Offer Volunteer Training for Clean Up

Santa Rosa County is hosting volunteer training opportunities for persons interested in helping to clean up should oil from the Deep Horizon spill affect local coast lines.

To register for the volunteer training listed below, send an e-mail titled "Santa Rosa County Volunteer Training" to [horizonresponse@ecpremier.com](mailto:horizonresponse@ecpremier.com) <<mailto:horizonresponse@ecpremier.com>>. In the body of your e-mail, include your name, a contact phone number and the date, time and place of the training you would like to attend.

There are four levels of volunteer training available based on the level of involvement for the individual and the work being performed.



Module 1 (Basic HSE Training) – This volunteer would never come in contact with spilled oil (Ex: helping with beach cleanup at pre landfall conditions)

Module 2 (Contractors and Paraprofessionals) – This person would be a contractor conducting

work at the staging site.

Module 3 (Wildlife Recovery and Rehabilitation) – This person would be a trained Wildlife Recovery & Rehabilitation volunteer tasked with aiding in the clean-up of wildlife. It is a graded certification course.

Module 4 – Responders who might have direct contact with petroleum (this would include boat captains and crew who are already contracted

to BP). Those who are not contracted must work through the Vessel of Opportunity program. Safety, Marine and Hazwoper training is delivered if their vessel is selected to be contracted through that program.

Volunteer Training Dates include: **Friday, May 14** - Modules 1&2 (45 minutes each), 3 p.m. at the Gulf Breeze Recreational Center located at 800 Shoreline Dr., Gulf Breeze, FL. **Friday, May 14-** Module 3 (4 hour), 5 p.m. at the Gulf Breeze Recreational Center located at 800 Shoreline Dr., Gulf Breeze, FL. **Monday, May 17** - Modules 1&2 (45 minutes each), 6 p.m. at the Community Life Center located at 4115 Soundside Drive, Midway FL. **Friday, May 21** - Modules 1&2 (45 minutes each, 6 p.m. at the Milton Community Center located at 5629 Byrom Street.

# Smart Meters

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manually by a worker who walks around base once a month and transposes the data on an excel spreadsheet.

"The smart meters will allow us to get real-time tracking every 15 minutes instead of once a month," Tom Allen, Utilities Energy Manager of NAS Whiting Field's Public Works Department, said. "It gives us the visibility to find problems."

By monitoring real-time reports, the energy provider can respond to any problems a consumer may have and also establish real-time electricity prices. As a consumer is able to track these prices, they can monitor the electricity usage from their end and cut back on usage during peak pricing times.

"We would rather stagger power usage throughout the day, instead of having every building kick on their air conditioner at the same time when electricity is most expensive," Allen said.

NAS Whiting Field will tentatively shut down feeders around base beginning Fri., May 14, and throughout the weekend to survey what size meters will be necessary and the overall design of the network. By monitoring these outlets more closely they will be able to cut back on inefficiency, and save money by strategically using power during off peak times when available.

"It doesn't necessarily conserve energy, but it allows us to keep the cost down and apply that saving elsewhere for conservation," Allen said.

The Public Work Department is slated to install 50 electricity meters, 24 water meters, and seven gas meters beginning sometime in 2011.

## TRICARE Notes

NEW WEB PAGE GUIDES TRICARE BENEFICIARIES TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESOURCES

*A new web page for TRICARE beneficiaries takes the brainwork out of seeking help. May is Mental Health Month, and at [www.tricare.mil/mentalhealth](http://www.tricare.mil/mentalhealth), TRICARE is committed to providing beneficiaries with the most current information about available behavioral health resources.*

*The web page supports two DoD initiatives: promoting awareness about post-traumatic stress disorder treatment, and assisting returning service members by providing expanded counseling services. It also provides information for family members dealing with deployment stress, moves and separation situations.*

# Sailors of the Quarter

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capable response to any emergency by stand-by crews. Clark also volunteered with the Sea Cadets as well as serving as an exemplary Sailor on the NAS Whiting Field color guard team.

Within her first six months at the command, Air Traffic Controller Third Class Gloria Peak qualified in ground control for the base's North Field, in flight data/clearance delivery, and as flight planning dispatcher. She utilized less than 40 percent of the normal allocated time for gaining the dispatcher qualification, and has already qualified six new flight dispatchers as an instructor. For those achievements, she was named the Blue Jacket of the Quarter.

"Selecting the Sailors of the Quarter is always a challenging process. All the nominees are talented individuals with strong packages," NAS Whiting Field Command Master Chief Hari Singh said. "These Sailors all exceeded the expectations of the board, and are very deserving of the recognition."

The three Sailors will receive letters of commendation and will now automatically be considered for the Naval Air Station Whiting Field Sailors of the Year recognition.



Eco-nomics

*Try installing water filters on your faucets instead of buying bottled water- you'll save money over time and better taste water. You buy a water filter for as little as \$29 or about a month's worth of bottled water (if you drink a liter a day). About 1.5 million tons of plastic are used in the bottling of 89 billion liters of drinking water each year. That's enough plastic to make two water filters for every household on the planet. One billion people around the world lack access to clean drinking water.*

*Keep your head out of the refrigerator and the door closed! The refrigerator is the single biggest energy-consuming kitchen appliance. Opening the fridge door accounts for between \$30 and \$60 of a typical family's electricity bill each year. The amount on energy saved in a year by more efficient refrigerator usage could be enough to light every house in the U.S. for more than four and a half months straight.*

*The tips above are from The Green Book, by Elizabeth Rogers and Thomas M. Kostigen*

# VT-2 Celebration

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see all the support, it was like a reunion. We saw a lot of people we hadn't seen in a long time."

She, her children, the youngest member of the squadron, and the most senior squadron veteran unveiled the memorial stone.

"This flagpole is dedicated on the 50th anniversary of the commissioning of VT-2. It is dedicated in memory of Major Daniel S. "Fever" Haworth, USMC 9 Nov. 1952 - 4 Oct. 1987. Marine officer, Naval aviator, VT-2 Instructor Pilot, mentor, and friend who died in the service of his country saving the lives of his crew in EG-41. Fortiter in re, suaviter in modo," is how the inscription reads.

The final Latin phrase translates as "resolute in matter, gentle in manner."

Training Squadron TWO was established on May 1, 1960. Their mission is to provide primary and intermediate stage flight training to selected student aviators of the United States Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and several allied nations.

The "Doerbird" team is comprised of approximately 67 Naval Officer Instructor Pilots and 9 civilian personnel to produce approximately 210 "completers" each year. Logging nearly 2,000 flight hours each month, Training Squadron TWO has flown in excess of 1,800,000 flight hours and trained more than 19,000 students since commissioning 50 year ago.

That effort was recognized during the ceremony by Eric Hannel, military liaison for Congressman Jeff Miller. He read a portion of the Congressional Record entry that Miller inserted during the May 6 session.

"Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure to rise and recognize the 50th anniversary of the Doerbirds of Training Squadron Two. Over the years, the Doerbirds have served our country with great distinction and valor. For their commitment to training outstanding student aviators, Training Squadron Two rightfully holds a place in the annals of naval history. For that reason, I am proud to recognize the Doerbirds of Training Squadron Two for their exceptional training and excellent performance over the last 50 years," Hannel read.

The squadron held a short reception following the ceremony and held a squadron dinner later that evening at a local restaurant for members from all periods of the squadron history to mingle and tell sea stories. However, for McGuire, the memorial stone for Haworth was the most meaningful part of the anniversary recognition.

"We wanted something that will last longer than a scorecard or program," he said. "this is a touchstone where the sages of the past reach out to the warriors of the future...As long as there is a VT-2 and a Naval Air Station Whiting Field, that touchstone will be here instructing each successive generation of the world's best hope for defending liberty."

*The full Congressional Record entry may be found at <http://frwebgate3.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/TEXTgate.cgi?WAISdocID=59418522879+3+1+0&WAISaction=retrieve>*

## Military Appreciation

### Schedule of Events at Whiting Field, Friday, May 14, 2010

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| <b>12: 00–12:30</b>  | <b>Official Welcome<br/>Events Kickoff by CAPT Pete Hall and Robin Punyko</b>   |
| <b>12:00-14:00</b>   | <b>Food and Refreshments<br/>Games- Kids Activities- Face Painting,<br/>Entertainment- Live Radio Remote- Music, and<br/>Door Prizes</b>  |
| <b>13:30 - 14:30</b> | <b>Congressman Jeff Miller<br/>Proclamation and Flag Presentation<br/>Proclamation by Representative Greg Evers<br/>Recognition of 50th Anniversary for VT-2/ VT-3<br/>VT-6</b> |
| <b>14:30 – 16:00</b> | <b>Team Events</b>  |
| <b>16:00</b>         | <b>Conclusion</b>   |