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by Rod Hafemeister

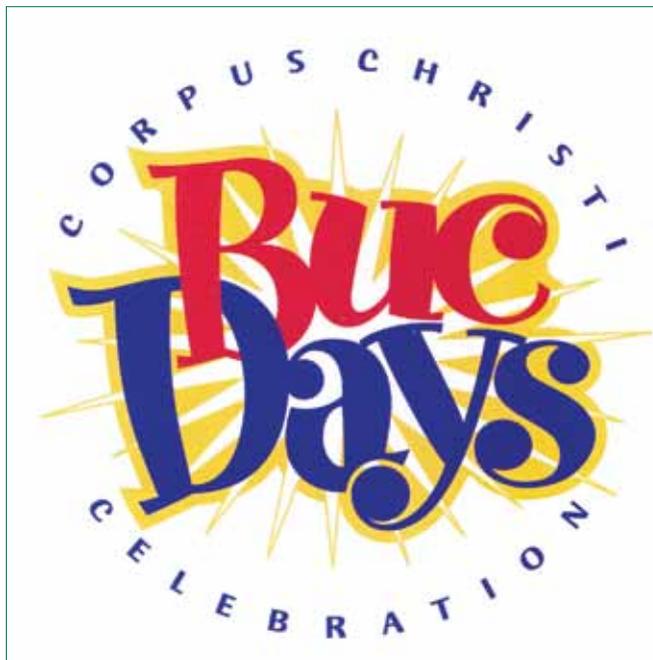
Grab your boots and cowboy hat and head down tonight to the 2nd Annual Military Appreciation Night for the opening night of the Buc Days PRCA Rodeo.

The Rodeo runs April 23-26 at the American Bank Center, on the Corpus Christi bayfront – and the theme for April 23 is “Homecoming Heroes!”

Barbie Baker, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi Ombudsman and Volunteer Project Manager for the Buccaneer Commission, said she has been passing out tickets to “Homecoming Heroes” – those returning from deployments – for the special seating section for the April 23 event.

Chief Petty Officer Charles Kittle of NASCC will be opening the ceremony with the National Anthem. Katie Murch, the current Miss Deaf Texas, and Britnee Denison will be signing during the anthem.

An Active Duty Military Honor Guard and Patriot Band Honor Guard will be presenting the colors for the evening’s ceremony.



The Patriot Guard Riders will be in attendance again, showing their support of our military.

Discounted military tickets are available at the NASCC ITT office.

Thursday the 23rd is an all-service appreciation day, but that’s not the end of military recognition. Friday, the 24th, is Buc Days Corpus Christi Army Depot Night, with CCAD Commanding Officer Col. Joe Dunaway scheduled to attend.

Saturday will include recognition of the U.S. Coast Guard, who also are receiving some special tickets, Baker said.

The 71st annual Buc Days celebration runs April 23 through May 3.

The Buccaneer Commission, a non-profit organization, puts on the 11-day festival. Their mission is to provide safe, fun, family entertainment while raising money for youth scholarships.

In 2008, Buc Days awarded \$70,000 in scholarship money to South Texas youth. The goal for 2009 is to increase that number.

The 2009 Buc Days theme is “Where in the World is Jolly Roger?”

Jolly Roger is the Buc Days’ lively Pirate friend. He will be touring the international festival, including the North American Rodeo, the Australian BBQ Challenge, African Kidz Zone, Latin Flavors and Sounds tent, Taste of Europe and the Asian Gardens.

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Kelley takes the helm at Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi

By Bill W. Love, NHCCC PAO

Capt. Randal G. Kelley, Medical Corps, assumed command of Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi on April 10, relieving Capt. Robert B. Sorenson, Medical Corps, in a ceremony at U.S. Coast Guard Hangar 41 aboard Naval Air Station (NAS) Corpus Christi.

Kelley reports aboard from Naval Branch Health Clinic, Submarine Base, Bangor, Wash., and as the executive officer at Naval Hospital Bremerton, Wash.

Rear Adm. Bob Kiser, Medical Corps, Commander, Navy Medicine East, welcomed Kelley and encouraged him to value his new command.

“Randy you are inheriting an absolutely fine crew,” Kiser said. “I feel confident that you will lead them with passion and dedication. Take what you have learned from others, discard the things that were wrong and lead this crew, take care of them, invest yourself in them, inspire them – earn their respect, focus on your mission and cherish every day.”

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Outgoing Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi Commanding Officer, Capt. R. B. Sorenson (left) officially welcomes the clinic’s new commander, Capt. R. G. Kelley at the April 10 Change of Command Ceremony by fitting Kelley with a cowboy hat.

Photo by Richard Stewart

Skipper's Column

by Capt. Randy Pierson



Pierson

This past weekend's NAS Corpus Christi South Texas Shoot Out Air Show was a profound illustration of the power of planning, cooperation, technical expertise and resultant full-on success!

With great pride I would like to pass my most sincere appreciation to each

and every one of you aboard the Naval Air Station that made the Air Show one of the most successful we have enjoyed here.

Friday's Family Day served as warning that the weather did not intend to fully cooperate throughout the weekend. Friday's schedule was flexed and eventually the Blue Angels had the appropriate weather to begin their familiarization flights.

Saturday was forecasted to be a scrub due to rain showers and possible severe thunderstorms. Sunday was forecasted to be blue skies as soon as 9 a.m.

To our challenge, none of the environmental challenges developed as forecasted. Despite initial weather challenges every morning, the show went on and all acts

performed.

I am very comfortable that those who attended the air show would characterize it as success and my primary attribution is the heart and soul of the volunteers, participants, static displays and airborne acts.

For me, it was a very rewarding weekend. For the efforts of all, I have no appropriate compensation other than a most sincere thanks. Our crowds grew over the weekend to full capacity on Sunday, we safely escorted approximately 50,000 visitors and conducted hundreds of safe flight evolutions.

Bravo Zulu NAS Corpus Christi, and a most heartfelt thanks to the City of Corpus Christi, their supporting public safety, and of course, all the air show visitors!

Air Show a Team Success

Chaplain's Message

by Fr. John Mc Kenzie, Chaplain

Human nature tends to believe that revenge is sweet. People get hurt in different ways and they try to get even.

The way someone might try to get even is smearing their target's reputation, getting them fired, or doing something that will cause terrible physical harm.

Seeing someone suffer for doing them wrong is considered "sweet revenge."

The Bible warns against seeking revenge. Consider the words of Lev. 18:19 "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against your countryman."

Revenge can hurt the person worse than one wished to and in turn force one to live with the hurt he caused. I would like to share a story of two high school friends back in the 70's.

Both boys were juniors in high school taking the same classes and both were on the football team. One was good in chemistry and

Revenge Is Not Sweet

a good football player. The other struggled in chemistry and with football. The good player and student helped him along. After all, they were good friends.

The good player had a girlfriend and they went out a lot. The not-so-great player and student started to lure his buddy's girlfriend his way. And, by hook and crook it worked. The good player's girlfriend was now secretly going out with his buddy.

The good player decided to get even because he believed that revenge was sweet.

While still pretending to be friends with his buddy who lured his girlfriend away, he said he would not be able to help him prepare for the upcoming chemistry test because he had to finish a paper.

His friend was desperate for help so the good player suggested that he make cheat notes to hide under his long shirt sleeves. He did just that and he used the cheat notes

on the chemistry test. After the test, the bell rings and the students are fixing to leave the classroom.

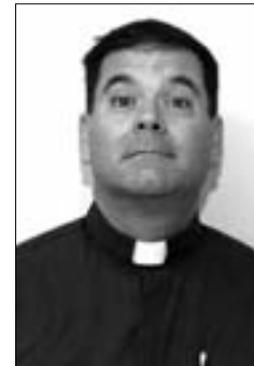
The good player's buddy said, "That was a tough test but I know I passed it."

The good player said, "You can throw away your cheat notes."

The teacher heard it and made him roll up his sleeves. What the teacher found were cheat notes.

The teacher said: "Well Mr. Football Hero, you are not the bright star you thought

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Mc Kenzie

Editor's Corner

by Rod Hafemeister



Hafemeister

Let me tell you about the other Blue Angels.

Sure, the pilots put on a heck of a show and do other PR, like give rides to folks who can influence potential recruits.

But there were more than 100 other officers and enlisted people backing them up – and they do some pretty neat stuff, too.

On Saturday morning, I stuffed four of them into my little Mazda – Lt. Johannah Valentine, the team's flight surgeon; Lt. Amy Tomlinson, Blue Angel #8 who rides the back seat of #7 and is the team's event coordinator;

HM1 Michael Horning, aerospace medicine corpsman; and AO1 Evan Bradbury, aircraft crew chief – and took them to the local office of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

There, they met with more than 50 foster children, ranging from toddlers to teens, and their foster parents. They each explained their jobs, showed a video, answered questions and spent almost an hour signing autographs on Blue Angel and Fat Albert photos.

Privacy rules – and in some cases, safety concerns – prohibit identifying the kids by name or photo. But I heard some pretty excited kids, asking questions like "How fast have you flown?" and "How do I become a Blue Angel?"

The answer to the second, by Tomlinson, was clear, to the point and especially

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Less Visible but Still Angels



Lt. Amy Tomlinson, Blue Angel # 8, autographs a photo for a foster child on April 18.

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HM-15 bids Farewell to Skipper Padula

by Lt. j.g. Michael Hood, HM-15 PA

On April 23, the Blackhawks of Helicopter Mine countermeasures Squadron 15 will bid farewell to their Commanding Officer, Cmdr. David M. Padula – bringing in a new CO for their final departure from Naval Air Station Corpus Christi.

HM-15, the largest operational aircraft squadron at NASCC, is moving to Norfolk, Va., as part of the realignment of Navy mine warfare ordered under the 2005 BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) Commission.

Padula will turn over the squadron to Cmdr. Richard Hencke, who will oversee the move beginning in June and culminating in December.

For the past year, HM-15 has flourished under Padula's outstanding leadership. During this time the Blackhawks have operated at a near breakneck pace, conducting natural disaster relief operations on top of their normal operational commitments. The Blackhawks also completed numerous operational exercises across the globe and maintained a permanent forward deployed detachment in Bahrain.

In September, HM-15 was called in to provide relief to Galveston after Hurricane Ike struck. The Blackhawks proved



Padula



Hencke

“Once a Blackhawk, always a Blackhawk”

indispensable, transporting support teams and their equipment to and from the disaster site.

At the same time the Blackhawks were tasked for a critical mission near Lake Charles, La. Using a specialized towed sensor system, the aircraft conducted an underwater survey of the Calcasieu shipping channel. This mission enabled the reopening of the shipping channel to one of the nation's largest refineries before critical shortages could affect the nation's petroleum supply. The crew of the aircraft were awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for their accomplishment.

With Padula at the helm, the Blackhawks met all operational commitments and exceeded Fiscal Year 2008 flight expectations. Commander Padula's dynamic leadership led to heightened readiness levels and his energetic presence leaves a positive command climate and fond memories at HM-15.

Padula is expecting follow-on orders to the Pentagon.

The Blackhawks of HM-15 would like to thank Skipper Padula on a job well done and wish him and his family, “fair winds and following seas.”

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Navy couple an important asset to Navy Marine Corps Relief Society

by Amy Bridges Jacobs

Today's Navy officer has to exhibit many different and challenging characteristics. One of the more challenging attributes is leadership; another is compassion.

Despite the demands of flight school, Lt. j.g. Jennifer and Lt. j.g. Peter Barkley have found a way to assist their fellow sailors and military families while enriching their own lives.

Both 2006 graduates of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Jennifer and Peter have a long standing history of serving with the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society. While at Annapolis, they heard a lecture from guest speaker Adm. Abbott, the CEO of the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society. Admiral Abbott addressed the class regarding the ethics of payday and high interest loans for junior enlisted service members.

Starting in October 2007, the couple began their service as caseworkers with NMCRS in Pensacola, Fla., while waiting to begin the flight training program. Jennifer and Peter even helped to open the NMCRS office at Whiting Field in Florida and continued to serve until their August 2008 transfer to NAS Corpus Christi - just in time for the Hurricane Ike scare that threatened the Coastal Bend.

Despite evacuation efforts by local officials, Jennifer and Peter stayed in the area and served hours at the NMCRS helping to

issue emergency debit cards to area service members.

Both Jennifer and Peter have received Caseworker II level training and each have seen, and helped, approximately 100 clients.

Service at the NMCRS offers different rewards to both Jennifer and Peter.

For Jennifer, she enjoys helping individuals and families to learn money management skills that will last a lifetime.

"It is very rewarding to see people get it - a light bulb goes on," she said.

Peter, however, enjoys combining his leadership skills with his ability to help others. Both Jennifer and Peter genuinely enjoy helping junior enlisted service members, especially with emergency family leave situations.

As Naval officers, Peter and Jennifer earned their wings on Feb. 20. Soon after, they transferred to Jacksonville, Fla. to complete FRS training for P-3s.

Both Jennifer and Peter planned to continue their service as caseworkers for the NMCRS while completing flight training and then in their respective squadrons.

Originally from Charlotte, N.C., Jennifer received her B.A. in English; Peter, from Orlando, Fla., received his B.S. in Math. The couple was married in June 2007 prior to beginning the flight program.



Capt. David Price (left), Commodore of Training Wing 4 and Cmdr. Mark Springer (right), CO of VT-35, present Lt. j.g. Jennifer Barkley and Lt. j.g. Peter Barkley with their certificates of appreciation as the "neglected spouse" of an student pilot. Both Barkleys who also volunteered with NMCRS, received their wings Feb. 20.

Photo courtesy of Hugh Lieck Event Photography

NMCRS has extended their annual fund drive until April 30, said NMCRS Corpus Christi Director Tambi Parker.

"At the present time (April 15) we have pulled in less than half of what we collected in March 2008," she said. "Last

year we collected \$79,178 — we haven't even hit \$30,000 yet.

"Last year, we issued \$331,084 in interest-free loans and grants to Corpus Christi military families and retirees. We need people to donate."

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Navy Achievement Medals for two NASCC Sailors — April 7



Naval Air Station Corpus Christi Commanding Officer Capt. Randy Pierson presented Navy Achievement Medals to AC2 Dusty Heaton (left) and BM2 Aaron Miller (right) on April 7.

Pierson also presented five Good Conduct Medals, two Letters of Commendation and gave special recognition to the NASCC Honor Guard for their work honoring deceased veterans at funerals.

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Five stages will allow for more musical and cultural demonstrations than ever before.

Also, the Buc Days volunteer organization, the Bucraders, put on the Illuminated Night Parade on May 2. This parade is viewed by more than 150,000 spectators as it travels more than three miles from Buccaneer Stadium to Memorial Coliseum. Buc Days has a 5K run/walk that precedes the illuminated night parade.

This year, they are attempting to break the Guinness Book of World Records by having the largest gathering of pirates in one location. Registration is available at active.com and the cut off number of participants is 2,000.

Buc Days Stripes Carnival (April 23 – May 3)

Includes 4 stages featuring live music and cultural demonstrations!

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Buc Days Miller Lite Pro PRCA Rodeo presented by Coastal Bend Chevy Dealers

April 23–25, 7:30pm performances

April 26, 2:00pm performance

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Buc Days Dos Equis BBQ Challenge presented by HEB (April 23 – 25)

Music on two Stages!! More music than ever before!

Buc Days Folklorico Y Mariachi Competencia (April 24-25)

Selena Auditorium

Buc Days Dunking of the Mayor & Friday Night Fireworks presented by Pizza Hut and Univision (April 24)

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Fireworks 9:30pm – best viewed on the Buc Days festival grounds

Buc Days IBC Bank Junior Parade (April 25, 11:00am)

Buc Days Bulls, Bikes & BBQ (April 25)

KIII TV Domingo Live at Buc Days (April 26, 10:30am)

Las Donas Coronation (April 30, American Bank Center)

Buc Days Pirates Run for Scholarships (May 2, 6:00pm)

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Buc Days Pre Parade Stadium Spectacular (May 2, 6:30pm)

Buccaneer Stadium Gates open at 5:00pm

Buc Days Illuminated Night Parade (May 2, 8:00pm start)

KIII TV Domingo Live at Buc Days (May 3, 10:30am)

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Navy Lodge Employee of the Quarter



Commanding Officer Capt. Randy Pierson recognized Melissa “Missy” Marvin as the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi Navy Lodge Employee of the Quarter on April 9. Marvin’s achievements included changing the front desk policies and procedures to make them more efficient and provide better customer service.

Captain’s Cup Bowling Crowns Champion



(l. to r.): Hernandez, Sykora, Henry, Baker, Large

Photo courtesy MWR

On March 16, Captain’s Cup bowlers bowled five games, with five more on March 23 to make a 10-game qualifier.

After the 10 games, Wayne Sykora (CCAD) led with Kevin Large (HM-15) second, Beto Hernandez (CCAD) third, Dustin Henry (CCAD) fourth and Myron Baker (AIMD) fifth. The top five came back on March 27 for the stepladder roll-off.

The first game had Henry defeating

Baker, 231-149. Next match had Hernandez defeating Henry, 211-199.

In the third match, Hernandez defeated Large, 255-146, setting up the championship match with Hernandez defeating Sykora 185-133 - making Hernandez the 2009 Captain’s Cup Bowling Champion.

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After receiving his command pin from Kiser, his former commanding officer at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, the new Skipper's first thoughts and remarks were about his new staff.

"When I had the opportunity this morning to inspect the troops, you go through and you look at the different Sailors, and one of the things that you often times focus upon is the ribbons and the honors that they have received," Kelley said.

"And I have to tell you, as I went through and saw Combat Action ribbons, Valor, and Purple Hearts; I was humbled and impressed by the staff that I am getting ready to lead. I am very, very proud of being here, and I just want to take a short second to give a round of applause to the staff."

Kelley brings extensive Navy experience to his new command. He is board-certified with the American Academy of Family Medicine and is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, Uniform Services Academy of Family Physicians and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

He attended medical school at University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kansas City, Mo., on a Navy Health Professions Scholarship, then completed a transitional internship at Richmond Heights General Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio in 1984 and was selected for residency in Family Medicine at Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

After internship, he entered active duty as medical officer and Department Head on the USS Guam (LPH 9). In 1985, he was assigned to the J. T. Boone Clinic, Little Creek, Va., as head of Family Care Team Three. After completing his residency in 1989, he served as staff family physician at U.S. Naval Hospital, Guam.

In 1992, Kelley earned his Flight Surgeon wings and served as flight surgeon for Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron One (VQ-1), and Department Head of the Naval Air Station (NAS) Agana Branch Medical Clinic. He then assumed the duties of Director of Branch Medical Clinics at U.S. Naval Hospital, Guam, until 1996, coordinating the closure

of the NAS Agana Branch Medical Clinic. Next, he served as Senior Medical Officer and Primary Care Manager at Branch Medical Clinic Ingleside, Texas.

Kelley became Director of Prevention and Screening in 1999, and then advanced to the Director of Clinical Operations at U.S. Naval Hospital, Guam. He then served as Group Surgeon of Amphibious Group TWO where he provided medical oversight, training and certification for all amphibious ships on the east coast.

Kelley also served as Task Force Surgeon during NATO exercise Destined Glory on the HMS Ark Royal (RO 7), and participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom. In June 2004, he reported to Navy Personnel Command as Head, Medical Corps Assignments.

His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (Five Awards), the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal and numerous unit commendations and expeditionary awards.

Kelley follows a class act at Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi.

Under Sorenson's 23-month leadership, the command and its crew supported the efforts of our country in two wars in far away places while bringing the best possible care to those individuals served at NHCCC.

His capable stewardship was rewarded with the Legion of Merit Medal.

Expressing appreciation to Sorenson for his energy, passion, and focus, Kiser credited him with being a rare individual who has cared for the command and its crew, "with exceptional heart and dedication, focusing not on 'what's in it for me' or 'what is good for my career', but rather what is best for the folks that he is blessed to lead and blessed to serve."

The admiral stated that everyone within earshot of his voice is better for Sorenson's leadership, and he thanked the outgoing Skipper for leaving the command and its crew a better place.

"Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi has been exceptionally fortunate to have been led by a servant leader of his caliber," Kiser said.

Sorenson departed Texas to assume duties as the U.S. Marine Forces Command Surgeon.

After thanking his family for their support, Sorenson said of the Naval Health Clinic team, "The staff is representative of all Navy Medicine. It is a microcosm and a smaller niche market for Navy Medicine, but the staff here I will put up against anybody's staff at one of the medical centers or the larger medical treatment facilities."

Kiser (right) and Kelley (left) applaud after Kiser awards the Legion of Merit to outgoing NHCCC Commanding Officer Capt. Robert Sorenson.



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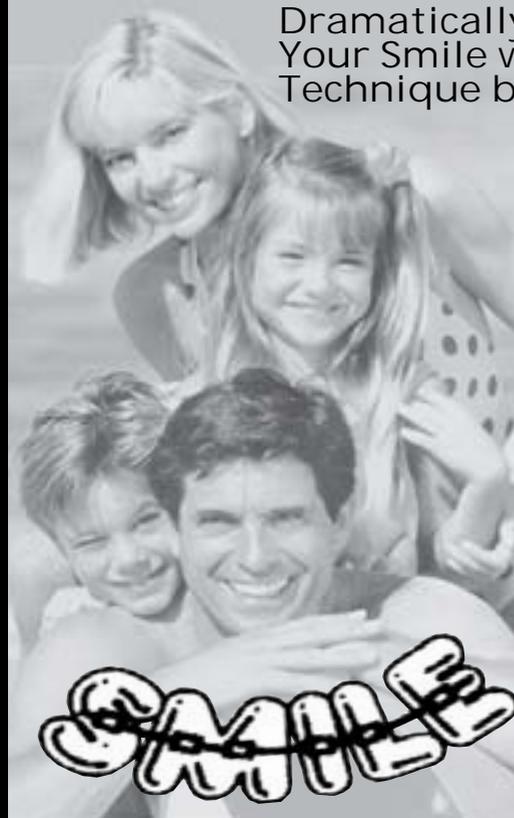
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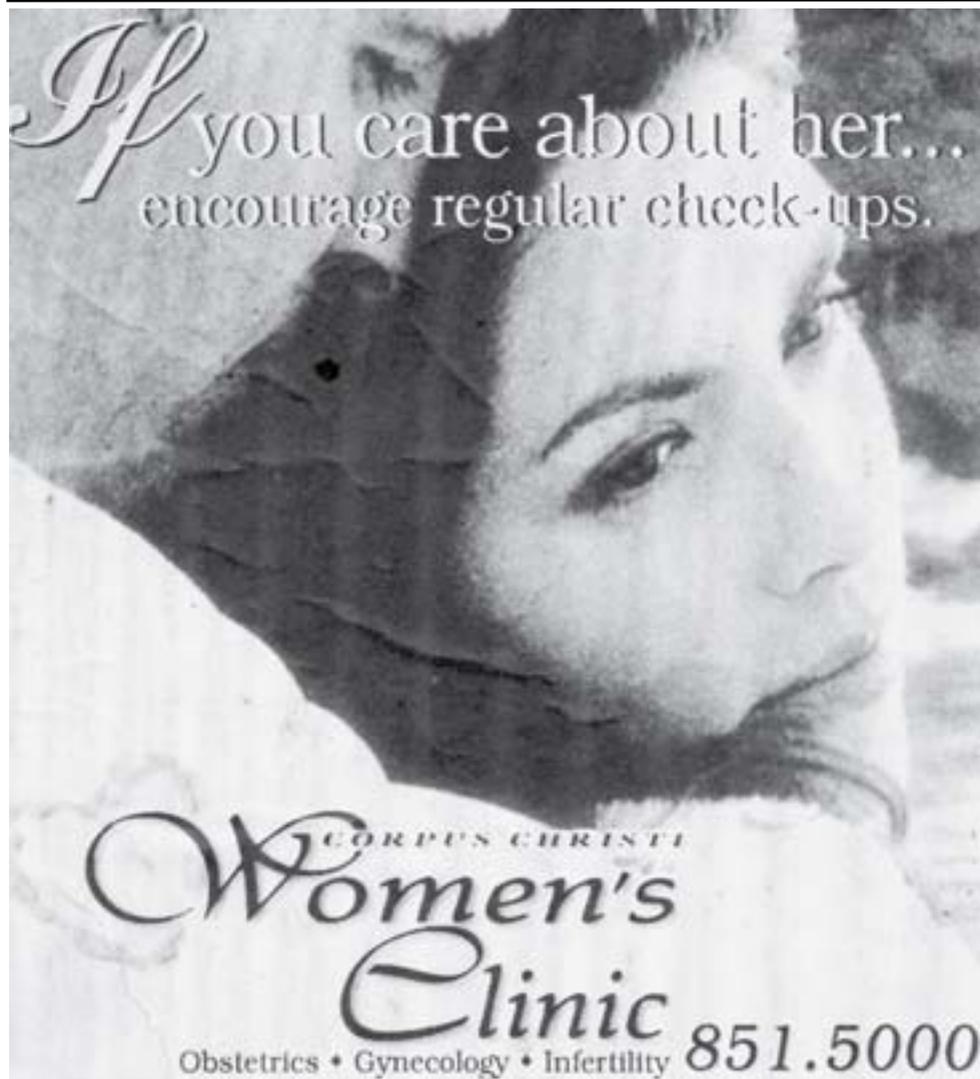
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CCAD initiates local business partnership

by CCAD Public Affairs

Corpus Christi Army Depot's Business Development Office (BDO) held its first depot-to-business workshop at Del Mar College's Business Center, March 23, to discuss opportunities for local businesses to contract with the area's largest employer.

The CCAD team met with representatives from more than 30 local machine shops to present a roadmap to do business with CCAD and the Dept. of Defense.

CCAD's BDO partnered with the Corpus Christi Regional Economic Development Commission, Del Mar College's Procurement Technical Assistance Center and Small Business Development Center to bring about the workshop.

"This is an excellent opportunity to create a vital relationship with the local business community," said Bob Straiton, CCAD Business Development Office Chief. "It is one way CCAD can incorporate local business while meeting our customers' requirements."

The three-hour workshop laid the groundwork for the local machinists to initiate business with the government and included details about contracting issues, certifications and registration.

The machinists were the first group targeted to help the aviation complex decrease a backlog of tool and die manufacturing.

Requirements for manufacturing the needed special tools were addressed by Gary Richmer, Chief CCAD Tool Engineering Support Division, who presented details about the type of tools needed, critical aviation manufacturing requirements, design tolerances, and a schedule of upcoming events. This included future meetings and visits to the shops to survey the equipment and capabilities of each.

CCAD's partnering with small business will infuse the local economy with work and reduce the lead time for manufacturing tools necessary to repair helicopters, said Richmer.

"We can get tools into the hands of those who need it which in turn helps get our helicopters to the Warfighter sooner," Straiton said.

CCAD Contracting Officer, Rod Wolthoff, laid out the process of registering on the Central Contracting Registration (CCR), Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website and the steps necessary for a business to contract with CCAD.

"There are necessary procedures that every contractor must complete to be considered for work at the Depot," said Wolthoff. "This is one occasion where we are reaching out to the local community to satisfy a Depot need."

This is an important connection between CCAD and the local businessman said Joe Cisneros, CCREDC Vice-president. This workshop, which came together very quickly, is an excellent opportunity to grow business and create jobs for the area.

"We're doing this at a time when the economy is vulnerable," added Cisneros. "CCAD is pro-active with this program."

Participants viewed this workshop as an opportunity to get their foot in the door with the government after what previously seemed like futile attempts.

Gary Gillham of Alice, TX., noted that this was not his first workshop. "It's more promising than those in the past," he said. "It'd be good to find out that there's a benefit for us."

Another, Robert Rosales, owner of a local equipment repair shop, saw the workshop as an opportunity to get work rolling in his shop.

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC), housed at Del Mar College's Business Center on Kostoryz Road, aids local businesses by working through an array of requirements or paperwork.

Geared toward small business (defined as a business with less than 500 employees), Sean Smith, PTAC Program Director, mentioned they'll work with any small business wanting to work with the government.

"We're here to guide you through the process," said Smith. "One step at a time but we'll point out all the opportunities available."

There are different small business categories, including small business set-aside, Section 8(a), small disadvantaged business, Historically-underutilized business zone, Women-owned, Veteran-owned, and Service Disabled Veteran owned that might give a business an edge in dealing with the government, Smith said.

The workshop also included a presentation by the Small Business Association that detailed ways to help small business open doors or create more opportunities for employment.

"The bottom line in conducting this workshop," said Richmer. "Is to help stimulate the local economy while, at the same time, get special tools, jigs and fixtures into CCAD artisans' hands in a timely manner so we can get the aircraft back in the field for our Warfighters."

More monthly workshops are being planned in order to build relationships with local vendors so as to include them as approved contractors and present bid opportunities.



(l-r) Gary Richmer, David L. Garcia, Ron Howe, Rod Wolthoff, members of the CCAD business development team, at March 23 seminar.

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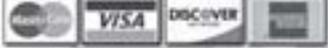
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by Sgt. Timothy Hair, NASCC Veterinary Treatment Facility

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We also require a yearly heartworm test for dogs before any heartworm preventative can be dispensed. Annual testing is important as giving heartworm preventatives to a dog with heartworm disease can cause serious complications.

As National Pet Week will be Capt. Gorenzel's last week seeing patients, it is our intent to schedule as many appointments as possible. We will be not be doing sick call appointments during that time; we will focus only on routine vaccinations and heartworm tests, so that we can see as many animals as possible.

As always, there is a limit of three animals per client per day.

We request your patience during that week, as we anticipate it will be very hectic. In order for everything to run as smoothly as possible, if we have not seen your pet before, or if you have had your pet seen elsewhere, it is important that you bring a copy of your pet's last vaccinations and heartworm tests (for dogs).

Keeping track of your pet's medical care is part of being a responsible pet owner, and it is good medicine for us to know what your pet has had in the past. It will significantly slow us down if we have to call around and get information faxed to us from other clinics.

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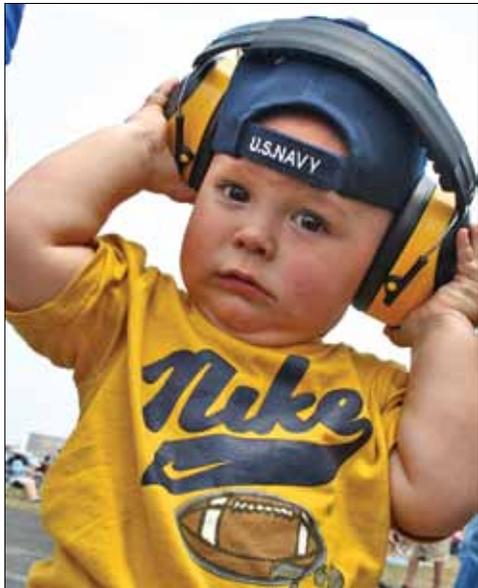
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We can't bring you the sounds — LOUD! — but here are a few of the sights of the Air Show held April 18 & 19 aboard Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, including the rare formation flight of two Blue Angels with restored F8F Bearcats, the plane used by the Blues 50 years ago.

Photos by Bob Torres, Rod Hafemeister, and MC3 Maria Garza.



AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Winging Ceremony - April 10



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Official party, from left: Lt. j.g. Robert Fasnacht, Chaplain; Lt. Col. Robert K. Blagg, USAF, XO VT-35; Capt. Robert Paulison, USCG, CO Sector Corpus Christi Coast Guard; Rick Geiter, Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce; Col. Thomas S. Clark III, CO MATSG; Capt. Randolph F. Pierson, CO NAS Corpus Christi; Capt. David R. Price, Commodore Training Wing 4; Cmdr. Dennis R. Crews, CO VT-31; Cmdr. Mark F. Springer, CO VT-35.

Wingees, in alphabetical order: Lt. j.g. Elroy Sylvester Allen Jr, USCG; 2nd Lt. Brett Douglas Agatep, USAF; Ensign Robert Howard Arthur; 2nd Lt. Frederick George Backhus IV, USAF; 2nd Lt. Matthew Kyle Berg, USAF; 2nd Lt. Robin Johan Bergoo, USAF; Ensign Brett Alan Butterfield; 2nd Lt. Christopher Allen Carp, USAF; 2nd Lt. Lee Austin Damon, USAF; 2nd Lt. Joseph DeMonte IV, USAF; 1st Lt. Khalil Christian Guest, USMC; Ensign Stephen Chadwick Gungoll; Lt. j.g. Kevan Patrick Hanson, USCG; 2nd Lt. Matthew Deane Huber, USAF; 2nd Lt. Joshua David Hunt, USAF; 2nd Lt. Scott Randall Lichtwardt, USAF; 2nd Lt. Dereck Jason Monnier, USAF; Lt. j.g. James Thomas Radtke; 2nd Lt. Jared Lee Ramsey, USAF; 1st Lt. Glenn O'Neal Ryberg, USMC; 1st Lt. Robert Wayne Schomaker, USAF; 2nd Lt. Russell D Smyth, USAF; 2nd Lt. Ryan James Wasson, USAF.



Chief Hospital Corpsman Timothy J. Alonzo (right), accepts the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal from Capt. Robert B. Sorenson, the commanding officer at Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi. Alonzo's meritorious service as Navy Liaison for Brooke Army Medical Center from January to December 2008 led to his selection for the NHCCC 2008 Senior Enlisted Leadership Award.

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AC3 Heather Hitzel was awarded a one hour orientation flight on April 7 with Capt. Dave Price, Commodore, Training Air Wing 4, for attaining her Precision Approach Radar (PAR) qualification and for continuously working hard in Air Operations as a radar final controller.

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SRBs disappearing for most Sailors

by Rod Hafemeister

Unless you are in a high-demand rating, your chances of getting a selective re-enlistment bonus are fading fast.

A combination of high retention rates and the need to still reduce overall manning to meet the fiscal year 2009 end-strength goal of 329,000 Sailors caused Navy leaders in March to adjust SRB rates, eliminating most of them effective May 1.

And with the requirement that SRB requests have to be submitted at least 35 days before the re-enlistment date, the window for getting an SRB is already closed for most Sailors.

"Basically, as of May 1, nobody has an SRB except cryptological technicians, SEALs and nukes," said Chief Michael Howard, the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi chief career counselor. "Everybody else is done."

The new SRB rates, announced in NAVADMIN 075/09 released March 12, revised award levels for all but 56 Navy enlisted classifications (NEC) in 10 skill groups listed in the NAVADMIN. All others are reduced to or remain at zero.

SRB

The Navy had previously announced a major reduction in the 2009 SRB options in February.

"Selective reenlistment bonuses are a dynamic market-based incentive designed to retain those Sailors in our most critical ratings and NECs," said Vice Adm. Mark Ferguson, chief of naval personnel, in a prepared release.

"We felt it was necessary to reduce the current levels in light of the very positive stay Navy behavior we're seeing."

Navy leaders will continue to adjust as needed based on retention, he said.

On March 19, in prepared testimony to Congress, Ferguson said he had ordered a complete review of all bonus programs to see if they are still necessary and if the payouts are in line with "market demands."

Ferguson also told Congress that retention rates were the highest they had been in at least a decade.

Earlier this year, the Navy also expanded its Perform to Serve (PTS) re-enlistment program, which requires Sailors to get approval to re-enlist in their current rating or be approved to retrain into an under-manned NEC.

The program serves both to manage re-enlistments and move Sailors from over-manned to under-manned NECs.

"As we continue with the PTS process, I wouldn't be surprised to see SRBs go away for most ratings," Howard said. "Right now, with the economy the way it is, nobody is getting out. There's no need for SRBs."

Some PCS Moves Delayed Until October

from Navy Personnel Command PA

The Navy announced plans April 14 to place a temporary hold on selected permanent change of station (PCS) moves in order to remain within budget.

The decision means that as many as 14,000 Sailors who have not already received orders may not be able to transfer until after Oct. 1 when the new fiscal year begins.

Individuals currently under orders will be allowed to rotate as planned.

“Delaying these moves will help us live within the manpower resources we have been allocated,” said Rear Adm. Don Quinn, commander, Navy Personnel Command. “We have chosen this path instead of other more painful options, such as involuntary separations. We fully understand the impact on our Sailors and their families, but this was clearly the best option in these extraordinary times.”

Exceptions to the PCS hold include orders for Sailors separating from the service, individual augmentees and Global War On Terrorism Support Assignments (GSA), new accessions, organization moves as well as selected Joint Professional Military Education (JPME), graduate education moves and readiness moves.

Navy leaders will continue to work this issue and should additional funds become available, Navy will act promptly to restore these delayed PCS moves.

“We are working very hard to focus the remaining PCS funds on critical moves that are directly tied to fleet readiness,” said Quinn.

For more news from Navy Personnel Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/npc/.

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appropriate for kids who often are at risk to drop-out: “Stay in school, do well, go to college – you have to graduate college just to be a pilot.”

And when the kids swarmed them for autographs, the Blues were simply awesome.

Despite having a long day ahead of them, they treated each child as if he or she were the most important person in the world.

Special recognition also should go to the foster parents, who cared enough about the kids to bring them in on a Saturday morning.

Department spokesman John Lennan said that the experience would become part of the “Life Book” each foster child keeps, a collection of positive events and memories to help offset the negative parts of their lives that brought them to foster care.

The Blues don’t keep a “Life Book” – but my take-away was that the experience was as significant for them as it was for the kids.

“This is the best part of my job,” Horning said.

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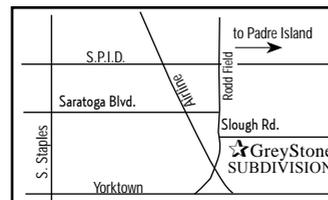
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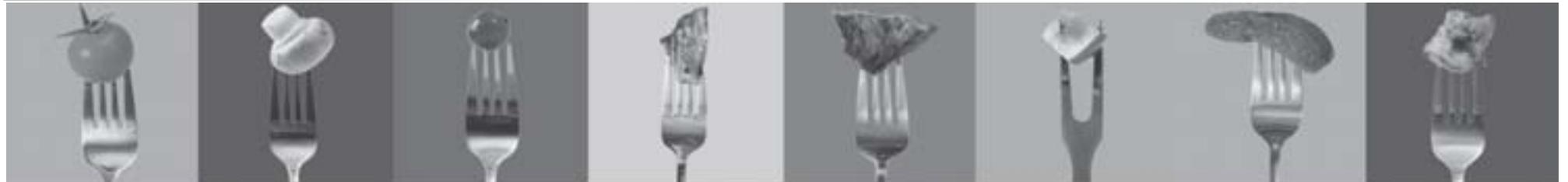
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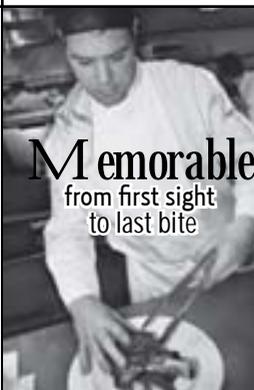


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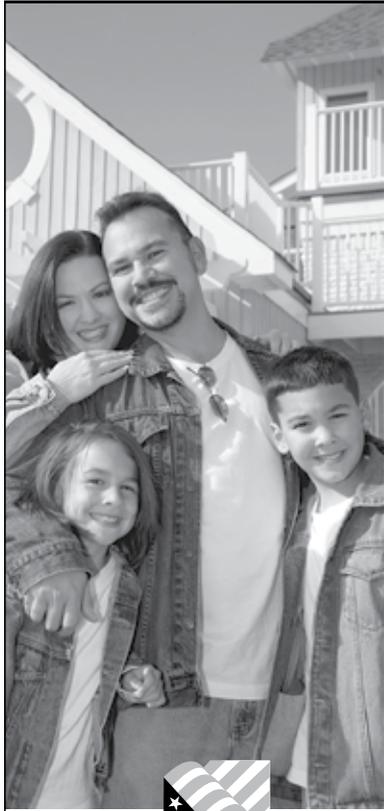
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Q: How can I apply forgiveness in my marriage?

A: One of the best definitions of forgiveness I've ever heard is: *Forgiveness is me giving up the right to hurt you for hurting me.*

Forgiveness is the greatest attribute that you can cultivate in your character. If you want to include forgiveness in your marriage, or any place in your life, there are three essentials – no limits, no remembrance, no hanging on – to keep in mind. These are not optional; they are nonnegotiable.

Real forgiveness requires the following:

No limits. This is crucial. You cannot place any limits on your forgiveness. Real forgiveness does not have requirements or contingencies, and it does not have to be earned. It is freely given. There cannot be any limits to your forgiveness – especially when it comes to your spouse.

No remembrance. When it comes to forgiveness, you also must choose to forget the offense against you, and refuse to rehearse or replay the situation through your mind. Don't keep mentioning the incident to your spouse. You have to let it go. Forgetting is a choice and it's a choice that has to be a lifestyle change for you.

No hanging on. A story is told that when Leonardo da Vinci was painting *The Last Supper*, he got into a fight with a fellow painter. He got so angry that he painted the

face of that painter on Judas' body. But when he went to paint the face of Christ, he couldn't do it – he was harboring bitterness and anger in his heart. Da Vinci erased the painter's face from Judas' body so that he could finish his masterpiece. When it comes to forgiveness, you cannot forgive 99 percent and leave 1 percent unforgiven; you have to forgive completely.

Q: When does a relationship become destructive?

A: Over the years, I have come across five distinct types of harmful relationships.

If you experience even one of these patterns consistently in your relationship with someone, the behavior will cause harm to both you and your relationship if left unaddressed.

1. One or both parties commit physical, emotional, verbal, or sexual abuse upon the other.

2. One person is regularly overprotective, overbearing, or both toward the other.

3. One person is overdependent upon the other to affirm his or her personal value and worth, to meet all of his or her needs and to make most of his or her decisions.

4. One person demonstrates a pattern of deceiving the other through lying, hiding, pretending, misleading, or twisting information to make something appear other than what it is.

5. One person exhibits chronic indifference, neglect, or both toward the thoughts, feelings, or well-being of the other.

What makes these unhealthy interactions destructive is their repetitive pattern, as well as lack of awareness.

Ruben G. Garcia, Ph.D., LMFT is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and co-founder of The Healing Institute. Submit your questions to Dr. Garcia via email at troubadour55@hotmail.com. You can also contact Dr. Garcia at (361) 814-4556.

April is Alcohol Awareness Month

As part of Alcohol Awareness Month, the Department of Defense offers free, anonymous assessment tools online in an effort to educate service members and their families on the symptoms and signs of alcohol abuse.

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A recent study by the University of Minnesota and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) revealed

that alcohol abuse is a problem among active-duty military personnel and is strongly associated with many health and social problems, just as it is in the general public.

"Providing service members and their families with information and resources empowers them to learn the potential risks associated with drinking and determine if they or a loved one may need to seek appropriate support," said Col. Joyce Adkins, Ph.D., MPH, Department of Defense, Office of Health Affairs.

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you were. Consider yourself flunked and you can bet your coach is going to hear about this."

That afternoon in the locker room, the coach called aside the player and said, "I can understand someone failing a test but cheating is something else. You are finished for the season."

The good player got his revenge and he thought he would be happy.

Things were not that great for the good player. He thought that by his former buddy failing and getting kicked off the football team for cheating that his former girlfriend would come back to him.

It did not work that way. He saw his former friend with his former girlfriend together. He also felt bad. He got his revenge but there was no sweet taste to it.

It is true that his former buddy should not have lured his girlfriend away but he should also have realized that he did not own her. They were not married and she was free to choose her boyfriend.

The good player would have to go through life knowing that he got someone who was once his friend to cheat, get caught and in turn fail chemistry as well as get kicked off the football team for cheating. That is a real heavy load to carry through life.

In reality, we can hurt people; we can get even. It does not take a lot of effort. Do we really want to do that?

All too often, the hurt we cause is more than getting even. I like to have a clear conscience. Those who get revenge also have a troubled conscience.

Save yourself the trouble of a bothered conscience and say "no" to getting revenge. You will sleep better at night and feel a lot better.

South Texas Military Housing Spring Cleanout 2009

South Texas Military Housing is proud to announce the second annual Spring Cleanout 2009.

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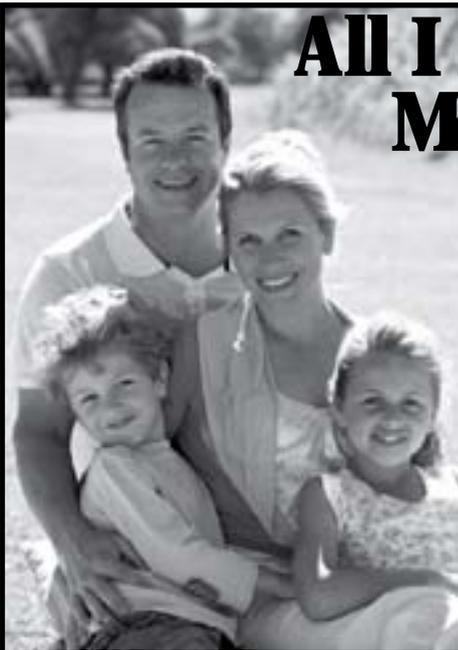
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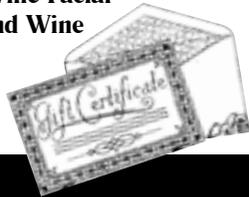
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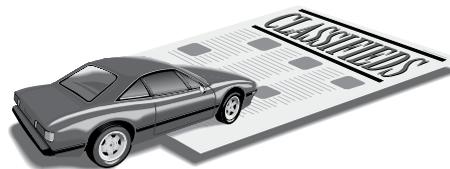


Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class (Fleet Marine Force) Johnathan L. Elliott (right), accepts the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2nd Award) April 2, from Capt. Edgardo Perez-Lugo, the executive officer at Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi. Elliott was praised for professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties while serving as the dental department assistant leading petty officer, NHCCC from March 2007 to April 2009.

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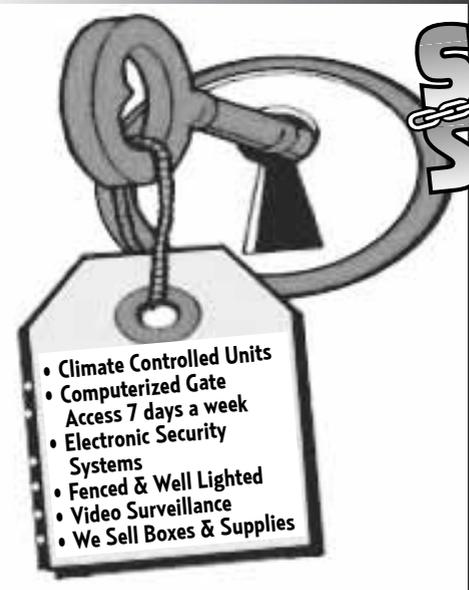
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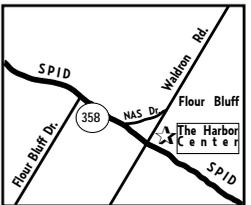
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Morales recognized as Outstanding Volunteer



Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class (Fleet Marine Force) Oscar M. Morales (right) accepts the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal April 2 from Capt. Edgardo Perez-Lugo, the executive officer at Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi. Morales was praised for outstanding public service for volunteer activities from March 2006 to February 2009.

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