

Trainees take aim at targets with their M-16 rifles during a drill at the Granadillo shooting range in Guantanamo Bay, April 28. They also performed several drills involving weapons handling safety tips and incapacitation drills. The one-week course for Range Safety Instructors was hosted by the Naval Station Weapons Department in conjunction with the National Rifle Association.

Photo by JO1 Igo Wordu



Firearm instructors get NRA training

By JO1 Igo Wordu, Public Affairs Office

Shooting a firearm is more than aiming at a target and pulling the trigger. It is a process that involves both physical and mental coordination of the shooter.

With this in mind, the Naval Station Guantanamo Bay Weapons Department, in conjunction with the National Rifle Association (NRA), hosted a one-week training course in Combat Patrol and Rifle Marksmanship, April 24 – 28, for 18 range safety instructors.

This is the second time the NRA has been involved in training here.

Retired Navy Gunner's Mate Chiefs, Scott Gustafson and Marcus Lipp, the training instructors, said the course was geared towards sharpen-

ing the firearm-handling skills of the trainees.

They said these skills will aid them in becoming better instructors.

"The training course focuses primarily on the mindset of the individual who has the weapon in his hands," said Gustafson.

One of the most essential aspects of handling a firearm is being aware of the elements in the shooter's vicinity, which impacts his or her decision-making process while in the line of duty. Safety of all is paramount.

"The trainees in this course are proficient marksmen," said GMC(AW/SW) Joseph Thomason, Weapons Leading Chief Petty Officer. "This course only improves on the skills they

already know and use in their jobs."

The course included training in patrol rifle marksmanship and handling techniques, range stances, loading and unloading procedures, as well as administrative procedures involving management and implementation of both military and civil laws and protocols governing the use of firearms. Trainees also applied handling techniques to the M-16 rifle and 9mm pistol.

Numerous day and night scenarios enacting real-life situations were used during the training. Trainees had to show a high level of proficiency during incapacitation drills, and were given written tests at the end of each section to demonstrate their

knowledge and understanding of the instructions.

During the incapacitation drills, trainees were placed in various scenarios where they conducted a full-scale operation in the dark.

They were also required to load and unload an M-16 rifle with one arm tied behind their backs. The idea is to teach the trainees how to handle themselves in unusual circumstance in the real world," said Gustafson.

Safety has always been a paramount in the Department of Defense, and that was pre-eminent throughout the course as the NRA instructors emphasized the vitality of safety in every step of the training.

"Knowing the safety tips in-

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CNO says Navy primed for expanding missions

From Chief of Naval Operations Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Sailors are ready and willing to take advantage of the Navy's expanding mission roles, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Mike Mullen told an audience at a leadership breakfast sponsored by Government Executive Magazine April 24 at the National Press Club in Washington.

Mullen said the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, spurred Department of Defense leadership to think differently about future conflict.

Since the global war on terrorism has ushered in an era of changes in the Navy's missions, which have steadily grown to support the Joint Force even further and are key components of the 2006 Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR), he said it's absolutely vital now that the Navy be prepared to fight and win "both the big and small wars."

"We've gone from a blue-water Navy, which is clearly where we were before the [Berlin] Wall came down, to a Navy that has vastly expanded its mission sets in a world that's much more uncertain, much more unpredictable, and in a world that I believe the Navy and the Marine Corps have the ability and the maneuverability



Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. Michael Mullen

to be out and about," Mullen said. Mullen noted that many Sailors are seeking ways to contribute to the Navy's increasing role in Iraq, Afghanistan and other new missions around the globe, including Joint Task Force Horn Of Africa (JTF-HOA) and detainee operations at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

"The Navy's really trying to pitch in here," he said. "We've got a lot of talent. I know that. And we've got COs that we can count on to lead the challenge."

Mullen noted that Navy commanding officers will soon lead half of the 12 U.S.-led Provincial Reconstruction Teams in Afghanistan and that there are more than 10,000 Sailors serving in combat and combat sup-

port roles on the ground throughout the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility (AOR).

He spoke at length about the new Naval Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC), established this winter in Norfolk, Va.

"I think [NECC] actually represents both old missions and new missions," Mullen said. "It signifies the change. When it's fully stood up, I think that it'll be a command that oversees about 40,000 Sailors. Thirty thousand or so of them exist right now. There are Seabees, our cargo handlers, there are our EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) personnel, our master-at-arms forces.

"We needed a command to oversee that - to really organize, train and equip these forces for the future. In addition to that, the new capability - specifically riverine - is where that will be embedded. We're very excited about that," Mullen added.

The Navy plans to build three

12-boat riverine security squadrons, the first of which is training now and will deploy to Iraq next year.

Mullen stressed that one of the key missions of expeditionary forces will be to build relationships with other navies and nations, to deal with conflicts in "phase zero" - in other words, preventing events from escalating to the point of conflict through better security and stronger relationships.

"One of the most important parts I believe of QDR, is to focus us on what I call 'theater security cooperation and forward engagement.'

It's a strength for us," he said. "Anybody who's been in the Navy, operating around the world, has always engaged with countries in many places.

And this is not just a push from the United States Navy, this has been a requested capability of several chiefs of navies in recent years."

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Local teacher recognized, soon to retire

By JO2(AW) Honey Nixon, Public Affairs Office

Wearing a Pink Floyd T-shirt and a smile younger than her years, Anna Massengill, gathers up papers and books in her classroom at W.T. Sampson High School, now eerily quiet after the school day's end.

Even after 29 years of teaching, her energy and passion for her life's work has not dwindled.

It is because of this passion for her students that the Gazette is paying tribute to Massengill during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7 - 13, is a time to recognize the gift that teachers, like Massengill, offer students throughout the school year—the gift of knowledge and learning.

With a bachelor's degree in drama and a master's degree in psychology, Massengill didn't begin what would become her life's passion until later in life.



Photo by JO2(AW)Honey Nixon

Anna Massengill stimulates class discussion on daily news events with students to reinforce study material. Massengill often uses this technique to keep her students involved in current events.

"I think I knew when I was little that teaching is something I could do well," she said, "but life plays tricks on you. You have kids, and you build a fam-

ily. "I didn't start out as a teacher," she added. "I actually had a typesetting company in Boston, and when I got bored

with the company, I would substitute teach, or take off a year, here and there, to go teach.

"Whenever I wanted to do something that really struck my fancy, I would go into the classroom."

When Massengill's youngest son graduated from high school, she started her long career with the Department of Defense Schools (DoDS).

Her first assignment, ironically, was to Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, in 1985, where she was stationed for three years. "I loved it," she said. "You could go on ship trips to Jamaica and there were probably 15 restaurants you could eat at.

"People also were out and about, doing all sorts of fun things. They weren't as consumed with sitting in front of a

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Children join in Month of Military Child celebrations

By JO2(AW) Honey Nixon, Public Affairs Office

April is the Month of the Military Child and with it comes the chance to celebrate the military's extended family.

MWR's Child and Youth Program celebrated with a parade that began at the Teen Center and ended at Cooper Field, where children and parents enjoyed many fun activities including food, informational and giveaway booths, and moonwalks.

Local organizations, such as the Red Cross, used the event to pass out information to children and their parents while they enjoyed the festivities

"It was wonderful to see some of the children carrying the Red Cross flag during the parade," said Denise Clark, director of the local Red Cross

chapter.

"All the children seemed so excited to be part of this community event."

Representatives from Home Depot were also on hand distributing birdhouses that children could build as individual craft projects.

Terrill Hill, the Child and Youth Program Administrator, felt the event was a success.

"We had a good turnout," said Hill.

"The Child Development Center, Youth Center, and Child Development Home Providers all participated, and there were about 100 children that came out. This is the first year we had a parade, and we plan to do it again next year."



Photo by JO2(AW) Honey Nixon

Raquel Saspe, and daughter Sarina, gather materials for a birdhouse craft project.

The puck stops here!

By JO1 Robert Lamb, Public Affairs Office

Hockey is normally a cold weather sport, played on the frozen ground of the great northwest and east coast, but very few play hockey in the Caribbean, right?

Wrong! Now that construction has been completed on the new MWR in-line skating rink, Guantanamo Bay residents may have found a way to remember those cold mornings, walking down to the nearest pond and lacing up their skates for a game of hockey and a little exercise in the process.

NAVSTA Commanding Officer, CAPT Mark Leary, sporting a Boston Bruins jersey, and Heidi Sheaffer, MWR Regional Quality of Life program director, cut the ribbon on April 27, officially opening GTMO's

newest sporting arena, located beside the base gym and next to Cooper Field.

"I just want to thank the contractors for a great rink," said Leary. "I've been waiting for this, a hockey rink, my whole entire navy career. It took coming to GTMO to get one. "This is a beautiful job you've done. I know MWR will run it as another great form of recreation on base. This should also help us with our fitness goals, and I look forward to it too, so thanks to you all for making this possible."

After the ceremony, Leary and CDR Jeff Johnston, Public Works Officer, suited up for a little one-on-one, with Johnston in goal.

"This is just like at work,"



Photo by Harriot Johnston

NAVSTA Commanding Officer, Mark Leary, takes a slap-shot on CDR. Jeff Johnston, soon after the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new MWR inline skating rink.

said Johnston, "it's pretty normal for the CO to take potshots at me."

When it comes to handling a hockey puck, you won't confuse Leary with NHL Hall of Famer Bobby Orr, but his eagerness to score a goal against Johnston was just as big and bright as all the hockey greats combined.

The new outdoor in-line hockey rink dimensions cover 163-ft. by 60-ft.

"We poured approximately 240 cubic yards of concrete," said ENS Joseph Wignarajah. "ROICC (Resident Officer-in-Charge of Construction) was responsible for overseeing the contractor, BRDC (Burns & Roe and Dick Corporation), while they placed concrete for the playing surface and erected the lights. The surface was placed in 24 sections over a period of approximately 14

days.

MWR maintenance was responsible for adding everything from the surface up the walls, to the benches, goals and painting the lines within the rink," he added. "Public Works Department put about \$100,000 into the concrete and lights, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation did the rest," said Johnston. Most of the hockey equipment that will be used here came from Naval Activities Puerto Rico, which was downsized several years ago.

According to MWR Director, Craig Basel, a number of activities are planned for the rink, including teen skate nights, adult skate nights, and the possibility of youth and adult hockey leagues organized in the future.

For more information about the new in-line skate arena, contact the base gym at 2193.



Photo by JO1 Igo Wordu

John Miklas strides towards the finish line along Sherman Avenue during the GTMO's 'Half-Marathon held Saturday April 29. Miklas finished first ahead of the pack.

W.T. Sampson third-quarter Honor Roll

Principal's High Honors (GPA 3.5 and higher)
Hayden Kemp

Honor Roll (GPA 3.0 - 3.49)
Grades 9-12: Jonathan Sloan

These names were inadvertently left off, or mis-graded in the Honor Roll published in last week's Gazette.

Fuels Officer recognized as Civilian of the Year

Defense Fuel Support Point, Guantanamo Bay, also recognized as runner-up for best bulk fuel terminal in the Navy.

By CDR Mike Gardella, NAVSTA Supply Officer

Mr. Larry Blackman, the NAVSTA GTMO Fuels Officer, was recently named the American Petroleum Institute (API) Civilian of the Year. Blackman serves as Fuels Officer and Contracting Officer Representative (COR) for DFSP Guantanamo Bay.

Throughout the year DFSP Guantanamo Bay has demonstrated effective response capability in an organized and timely manner.

Success is attributed to a highly effective team of experienced contract project managers and on-site government personnel providing oversight, technical expertise and guidance.

As a result of a tremendous team effort, DFSP Guantanamo Bay was named runner-up

for Best Bulk Fuel Terminal in the Navy.

Under Blackman's leadership, the facility issued more than 21 million gallons of petroleum products without incident.

In addition to more than 2,700 issues to ships and aircraft, 4,150 issues were made by the mobile refueler.

Blackman's aggressive pursuit of accurate laboratory testing and reclamation and sampling ensured quality fuel products to all customers.

A major contributor to both the personal and command recognition was presence of an extensive infrastructure improvement program.

His Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization (SRM) program consisted of more than 170 projects, of which 58



Larry Blackman, API's Civilian of the Year.

projects are either in the design phase or being executed. Total dollar value of those 58 projects is \$22.3 million. In addition, MILCON projects totaling more than \$20 million are in various stages of design and programming.

The GTMO SRM program currently boasts numerous tank repair projects, emergency repairs to an F-76 DESAL line, renovation of numerous JP-5 tank vaults and repairs to Pier Quebec.

In close coordination with various contractors and the Public Works Department, Mr. Blackman and the entire Fuels Team have initiated numerous additional key projects to include renovation of the Leeward admin. building, construction of the Leeward fuel testing laboratory, construction of a vehicle maintenance facility, installation of a 10,000 gallon JP-5 tank, retrofitting of numerous pier fueling stations to accommodate larger vessels and higher flow rate and the addition of new ground and aviation refuelers.

In an effort to eliminate potential environmental hazards, reduce real property costs, and consolidate assets, Blackman also sponsored projects to de-

molish nine antiquated tanks. This effort significantly reduced manpower and maintenance requirements on facilities well past their service life. Another critical repair project involved the replacement of a 400 ft. section of deteriorated four-inch F-76 piping located in a storm water trench.

This line provides a daily supply of fuel to the Naval Station Power Plant. Additional infrastructure improvements included a \$500,000 dollar renovation project to the Leeward administrative and fuel testing laboratory and modification of pump house 107.

Also, a two-stall vehicle maintenance workshop equipped with vehicle lift and air compressor was completed within the fuels compound.

Perhaps the most significant achievement in facility improvements involves two projects scheduled to commence this summer.

First is the extensive refurbishment of Pier Charlie. Mr. Blackman's relentless five-year pursuit of funding for this project has paid off in the form of a significant overhaul for this antiquated asset.

Another major success was the support he received for funding of road repairs in the Happy Valley Tank Farm Facility.

This project will significantly reduce the risk of erosion having an impact on the ability of the Fuels Team maintaining uninterrupted distribution from this important asset.

Congratulations to Mr. Blackman and the entire DPSC Guantanamo Bay Fuels Team!



Photo by PH1 Terry Matlock

Fair Winds and Following Seas — CAPT Mark Leary, NAVSTA commanding officer, presents BM2(SW) Robert Warren with his Fleet Reserve certificate. Warren retired after 20 years of active duty on Friday, April 28, in a traditional ceremony at the Windjammer Club.

Dance Recital

**May 6, 6:30 p.m., Windjammer Ballroom,
Sponsored by GTMO School of Dance.**

FMI call Rachel at 5551.

DoD health records go state-of-the-art

By LT Kelley A Quinn, Patient Administration Officer, USNH Guantanamo Bay

All DoD medical records are the property of the United States Government and are a part of what is called a 'closed' medical records system.

Without a person's medical record in our custody, it becomes more difficult to ensure that current information and treatment plans are recorded in their file so all DoD medical records must be turned in upon arrival to GTMO.

Personnel may request a "certified true" copy of their record for their files by filling out a "Request for Medical Records" at the hospital's outpatient records room.

Please allow at least 30 days for copies, especially for those leaving the island permanently, to ensure a they have a copy upon transfer.

Proper identification is required for all medical record transactions. People must also have authorization to access another individual's patient health information of anyone 18 years or older.

If family members would like to sign an authorization for such a request, ask any staff member at Outpatient Records.

This closed record system is a prelude to what may be one of the most radical changes in recent years to the DoD's health care system, the electronic health record.

The system of choice is called AHLTA which is an interoperable, globally-accessible, protected, and always available electronic health record.

The Department of Defense plans to have it fully implemented for military members, retirees and their families by 2011.

AHLTA will provide global access on demand around the clock and around the world. Only authorized users can access records and they are protected from natural or man-made disasters.

It is the largest; most significant electronic health record system of its kind. When fully implemented, ap-



Photo by JO1 Igo Wordu

HM3 Virgilio Franqui, who works in the U.S. Naval Hospital medical records department, manually files records in proper order. Once the AHLTA system becomes operational, medical professionals will be able to access patient records electronically.

proximately 60,000 military healthcare professionals at DoD medical facilities in the United States and 11 other countries will use this electronic health record system.

A massive training program for AHLTA is currently underway within DoD's medical community to ensure all who have access to the system are

properly trained in its usage and health record security.

USNH GTMO personnel will be receiving this training and will implement the new system this summer.

Anyone with questions or comments regarding their personal health record should contact the Patient Administration Department at 72350.



Photo by JO1 Igo Wordu

Beautification Project — CE2(SW/SCW) Jamie Williams and BU1(SCW) Freddie Pagan, members of the PWD Self-Help division put the finishing touches on an upgrade project of the courtyard at the Fleet and Family Support building.



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Red Cross ceremony

A ceremony honoring all Red Cross volunteers, past and present, will be held May 8, 5:30 p.m.

If you have volunteered in GTMO or any other location, please RSVP by May 7, with the American Red Cross of-fice.

FMI, call Denise Clark at 5060.



Photo by JO1 Bob Lamb

Underway on a sunset cruise — *Members of the Enlisted and Civilian Spouses Association and guests shove off on a Wine and Cheese Sunset Cruise. The ladies and one gentlemen filled an MWR pontoon boat April 29, and cruised around Guantanamo Bay with libations and appetizers.*

Spouses invitation

The Officers and Civilian Spouses Club cordially invites all GTMO spouses to join CAPT and Mrs. Mark Leary for an afternoon of fine food at the Bayview Club, Saturday, May 20, noon - 3 p.m. Celebrate our spouses and 'That Thing You Do.'

Yes, I'll be there _____ (name)

For my free food selection, I'd like: (circle one)

Chicken Caesar Wrap

Caribbean Chicken Salad

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Prosecution supports detainee self-representation

By Sgt. Sara Wood, American Forces Press Service

The chief prosecutor for military commissions reaffirmed last week that the prosecution believes detainees should have the right to self-representation.

The prosecution supported defense lawyers when they sought self-representation for a detainee in 2004, and the prosecution still supports the defense's attempts for that right in other cases, Air Force Col. Morris Davis said at a news conference.

"It's their name on the charge sheet, and I think they ought to have the right," Davis said of the detainees.

Self-representation has been an issue in many of the commissions cases since hearings began.

Several detainees have rejected their detailed defense counsel and asked to represent themselves. However, a 2005 ruling by John D. Altenburg Jr., the appointing authority for the Defense Department's Office

of Military Commissions, says that self-representation in a military commission is "impracticable."

A main sticking point in the self-representation issue has been that the commissions cases will involve classified information and closed hearings that detainees cannot have access to. Not having access to all the evidence will prevent the detainee from getting a full and fair defense officials have said.

Davis said April 27 that an ideal situation would be for detainees to be allowed to represent themselves, with counsel assigned to assist in areas the detainee cannot have access to, such as interviewing witnesses and looking at classified documents.

"We're going to continue working with the defense and try to find a satisfactory solution," Davis said.

He added he was pleased with the conduct of the prosecution and defense attorneys



File photo, Department of Defense

Detainees pray in preparation for the noon meal in Camp 4, the medium security facility within Camp Delta at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. In Camp 4, highly compliant detainees live in a communal setting and have extensive access to recreation.

and the detainees who appeared.

"I think this week we saw professionalism in the courtroom and civility outside the courtroom, and I certainly hope that trend continues," he said.

Davis also defended the military commissions, saying, "The military commissions are here to prosecute conduct, not persecute belief," he said. "This is about terrorism, not about Islam."

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involved with this type of job increases the odds of staying alive while we do our jobs, either in law enforcement, or while defending our nation," said Lipp.

"When we conduct this type of training, we hope that we don't ever have to use these methods, but when the situation demanding such a method arises, you want to be equipped both mentally and physically. You want to be in control of your safety and the situation."

Lipp expressed the importance of the training, not just to the trainees, but also for those who will be trained in the future by the trainees.

"What we're teaching them

here is the same knowledge that will be passed on to their students. Thus, we are not just affecting their jobs but also the many people that look up to them."

NRA has been involved with military training courses for more than two decades, and now sponsors one of five alternative courses that range safety instructors must complete in order to earn their instructors' certification.

"We do this training hoping never to have to use them, but in the real world, situations arise where you have to apply these skills. When you get to that point, you are better off prepared than not," Gustafson said.



Photo by JO1 Igo Wordu

Trainees check their M-16 rifles while reloading for another round of drills and target practice at the Granadillo shooting range April 28.

Worship Services

Catholic

Catholic Mass (Main Chapel)
 Tuesday-Friday, noon
 Daily Mass (Cobre Chapel)
 Confession, Saturday, 4 p.m.
 Vigil Mass, 5 p.m.
 Sunday Mass, 9 a.m. (Cobre Chapel)
 Eucharistic Adoration, daily 24 hrs.

Protestant

Sunday
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Services, Main Chapel, 11 a.m.
 Children's Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.
 Gospel Worship Service, 1 p.m.
Monday
 Prayer Group, 6 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday
 Men's Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.
 (Fellowship Hall)
 Gospel Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.
 (Sanctuary A)
Thursday
 PWOC - 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
 Sunday, Protestant Liturgical Service,
 10 a.m. (Sanctuary B)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

(Sanctuary A)
 Monday, Family Home Evening, 7
 p.m. (rm. 8)
 Sunday Sacrament, 9 a.m.

Filipino Christian Fellowship

(Sanctuary A)
 Sunday Worship, 7 p.m.

Iglesia Ni Cristo (Sanctuary B)

Bible Study, Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Sunday Worship, 5:30 a.m.

Pentecostal Gospel Temple

(Sanctuary D)
 Sunday Worship, 8 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Seventh Day Adventist (Sanctuary B)

Prayer Meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
 Vesper Meeting, Friday, 7 p.m.
 Sabbath School, Saturday, 9:30 a.m.
 Divine Service, Saturday, 11 a.m.
 Bible Study, Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Islamic Service (Sanctuary C)

Friday Worship, 1:15 p.m.

United Jamaican Fellowship

(Bldg. 1036, next to Phoenix Cable)
 Sunday Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Second Friday of the month, Rm. 11,
 7:30p.m.



Photo by Andrea White

Fish tales — *Tony Roberts shows off one of the fish he caught during the Ocean Enterprises and Reef Raiders Club free dive and scuba spear-fishing competition last weekend. He garnered first place in the free dive with 42 pounds of fish, out of the total 130 pounds caught by all the free divers. First place for the scuba divers went to ABE1(AW) Mica Cochran who caught 34 pounds out of a total of 160 pounds.*

Gazette recognizes area teacher ...

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computer. It was just wonderful.”

Then she went to England, to South Korea, and then to Japan, where Massengill accepted a promotion position as assistant principal.

“I didn’t like it all,” she said. “I missed being with the kids. So, I went back into the classroom once more.”

“I came back to Cuba in 1994,” said Massengill.

“Two weeks later I was evacuated to Panama,” she chuckled.

“I can remember getting all my household goods and packing up my classroom.

The base didn’t have enough water, there were a lot of power outages, and the refugees were here, and so they evacuated the whole base (dependents and non-essential civilian personnel).”

After teaching in Panama for three years, she went to Seoul, Korea, where she took an administrative position as the area’s district coordinator for language arts. She again missed the student interaction.

The transition back into the classroom brought Massengill full circle, and she returned to Guantanamo Bay, where she has been since 2002. She will retire

in June.

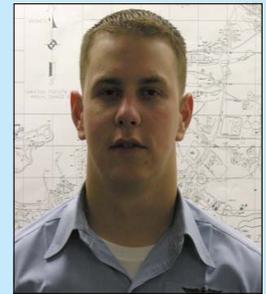
“It’s going to be the kids I miss,” she said. “Not the 10 lesson preparations each week and definitely not the 16,000 papers I have had to grade.”

Retiring is something Massengill looks forward to, and one of the first things she plans to do is visit one of her sons, who works in Thailand.

“I am going on a ‘walk-a-bout,’” said Massengill.

“I don’t call it retiring. You know, how the Aborigines in Australia go on ‘walk-a-bout’ from place to place. I am doing the same thing. It’s time to go play,” she laughs.

Sailor of the Week



AEAN James Vacek
 Air Operations

Vacek enlisted into the Navy in June 2004. He reported to GTMO in July 2005.

"I am honored to be recognized by my chain of command. To the people whom I work with everyday, impact me in a positive way. I want to thank everyone in my department for helping me become a better Sailor."



**Happy
 Cinco de Mayo
 May 5**

Downtown Lyceum

Friday, May 5

The Shaggy Dog

8 p.m., PG, 99 min.

16 Blocks

10 p.m., PG-13, 102 min.

Saturday, May 6

Aquamarine

8 p.m., PG, 104 min.

The Hills Have Eyes

10 p.m., R, 107 min.

Sunday, May 7

Failure to Launch

8 p.m., PG-13, 97 min.

Monday, May 8

The Shaggy Dog

8 p.m., PG, 99 min.

Tuesday, May 9

16 Blocks

8 p.m., PG-13, 102 min.

Wednesday, May 10

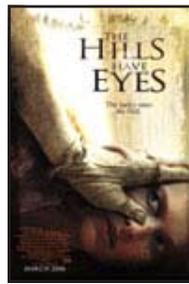
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Thursday, May 11

Aquamarine

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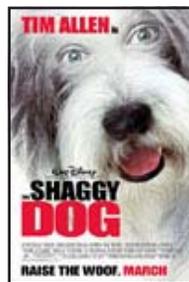


The Hills Have Eyes

Drama, Suspense/Horror, Thriller

Cast: Aaron Stanford, Ted Levine, Kathleen Quinlan, Vinessa Shaw

Storyline: A family road trip goes terrifyingly awry when the travelers become stranded in a government atomic zone. Miles from nowhere, the Carters soon realize the seemingly uninhabited wasteland is actually the breeding ground of a blood-thirsty mutant family...and they are the prey.



The Shaggy Dog

Comedy, Kids/Family, Remake,

Tim Allen, Kristin Davis, Danny Glover, Craig Kilborn, Robert Downey Jr.

Storyline: It all begins when workaholic Deputy D.A. Dave Douglas (Allen) takes on a case involving an animal laboratory — one that will take him away yet again from his wife (Kristin Davis) and kids (Zena Grey and Spencer Breslin), who already yearn for his all-too-distracted attention. But when Dave is accidentally infected with a top-secret, genetic-mutation serum, everything he thought he knew about being himself and his family changes.

MWR Happenings

Windjammer Dinner Theater

Monday, May 1, at 5:30 p.m. Bring the family to the Windjammer Club to enjoy dinner and then watch family oriented G- or PG-rated movies. This Monday, "Spy Kids 2," begins at 5:30 p.m., and the second movie, "Bad News Bears," begins at 8 p.m.

'King and his Court'

May 7, 7 p.m. at Cooper Field, Don't miss the 'King and His Court' touring softball team. One show only. FMI call 5225.

Hot Molina Band

May 10, 8 p.m. at Club Survivor; May 11, 7:30 p.m., on the Bayview patio; and May 12, 8 p.m., at the Windjammer. Latin, Pop, and Top 40 music. FMI call 5225.

CDC Mother's Day Luncheon

May 11, 11 a.m.- noon, at the Child Development Center. Mothers, don't miss this special treat. FMI call Nadine at 3664.

Poker Pet Walk

May 13, 7:30 a.m., starting and ending at the Downtown Lyceum. Come celebrate National Pet Week with the Vet Clinic. The best poker hand wins, and lots of pet-goody giveaways. FMI call 2212.

Mother's Day Craft Fair

May 13, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. at the Windjammer. Sign-up for a table (\$5) during normal business hours prior to day of sale. Set-up time is between 7 - 8 a.m. FMI call Scott at 4795.

Mother's Day Brunch

May 14, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Bayview. Reservations needed for groups of 10 or more. FMI call 5604.

Knowledge Bowl

May 19, 7 p.m. at the Windjammer. Register at the Library by May 18. FMI call 4700.

Tech Workshop

The Teen Center is offering a computer workshop for teens interested in increasing their technological skills. They will learn to build and upgrade a gaming computer. FMI call Trecia at 2096.

GTMO Shopper

For Sale

- (2) Women's scuba gear, BCD, \$80; women's wetsuit, \$50; MD men's wetsuit, \$30; LG men's wetsuit, \$30. FMI call 7024.
- (2) Computer, monitor, keyboard, scanner, printer, \$175. FMI call 5705 AWH or 4063 DWH.
- (2) HP laptop, Celeron M processor, HP quick play, HP mobile remote control, \$750. FMI call Emil at 8111.
- (2) Large couch, \$200; dining room table w/glass top and tapestry-style chairs, \$750. FMI call Hall at 2222 DWH or 9557 AWH.
- (2) Citizen Eco-Drive watch, stainless steel, new, \$175; Sharp 20-in., flat panel monitor, \$325 OBO; Bose triport headphones, new, \$70. FMI call 3861 AWH.
- (1) Black 5-piece dining-room set by Ashley, \$250. FMI call Nikcole at 7570.
- (2) Nikon Coolpix 5400 digital camera, 5.1 megapixels, Compact flash cards, 2 batteries w/charger, \$325. FMI call 7024.
- (2) Carpet/rugs, 5-ft. X 8-ft. to 10-ft. X 10-ft. sizes, various plants, palms, prices vary. FMI call 4620.
- (1) Washer and dryer set, \$300. FMI call Sam at 9525.
- (1) Wooden computer desk w/ hutch, excellent condition, \$200 OBO; size 7 diamond anniversary band, 14-K white-gold, 12 channel-set diamonds, \$250. FMI call 9494.
- (1) 2 bookcases, \$15 each; bathroom stand w/shelves,

pewter, \$10. FMI call 2650.

Vehicles/Boats

- (2) 1994 Buick Century, AC, CD player, power locks and windows, runs good, \$3,500 OBO. FMI call 7544.
- (2) 272-ft. parasail, high performance, rigged and ready to fly, \$650. FMI call 3864 DWH or 7795 AWH.
- (2) 2002 Honda CBR 600 F4i motorcycle, yellow/black, chrome rims, 2 helmets, jacket, \$5,200 OBO. FMI call Chris at 5851.
- (1) 1998 Ford ZX2, AC, power windows and doors, remote entry, Alpine stereo, CD player, runs great, \$3,900 OBO. FMI call Scot at 2351.
- (1) 1995 Ford Escort, AC, CD, new tires and speakers, \$3,000 OBO. FMI call Martin at 7333 AWH or 4325 DWH.
- (1) 2003 Honda Elite, black, spare battery, helmet, \$1,000. FMI call 3044 or 8658.
- (1) 1998 Saturn SC1, AC, new brakes and tires, good gas mileage, \$5,500 OBO. Call T at 7024.
- (1) 1995 Chevy Camaro, blue, AC, CD, t-top, new muffler and battery, excellent condition, \$5,000. FMI call Brian 7690.
- (1) 1994 Jeep Grand Cherokee, fully loaded, good condition, \$5,200. FMI call Jeff Pierce at 84143 or 4409.

Employment

- (1) Human Resources Office announces the following vacancies: Accounting Technician, closes May 5; Teller, closes May 12; Social Services Aide, closes Dec. 29; FMI call Delaine at 4822 or 4441.
- (1) Columbia College is seeking a part-time academic advisor for 20 hours a week. Work schedule is flexible and pay starts at \$12 per hour. A bachelor's degree and U.S. citizenship is required. FMI call 5555.
- (1) Team Trident is looking for talented military technicians to fill roles for work offshore. Will be part of a three to six person crew maintaining and operating sub-sea equipment. FMI call Rick at 713-823-9325.

Announcements

(2) The Burns and Roe Leader's League is sponsoring a GTMO Idol Talent Competition, May 13, 7

p.m., at the Sunken Garden. FMI call 5200, 5737, or 2404.

- (2) The Philippine Independence Committee is having a bake sale May 7 and 21, 10 a.m. - noon, at the NEX Atrium
- (2) Burns and Roe Leader's League will be having carwash May 7 and 21, 8 a.m. - noon, at the NEX parking lot.
- (2) Quilting and Craft Night will be May 9, 6 - 9 p.m., at the Community Center. All are welcome to bring a current project and enjoy the company. FMI call Gigi at 7365.
- (2) Due to repairs, Deer Point Pool is closed until further notice.
- (1) Registration for summer session classes is underway. Please visit the Columbia College website at www.ccis.edu for both online and course schedules. FMI, or to schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 5555.
- (2) GTMO's School of Dance will hold its 2006 Spring Recital May 6, 6:30 p.m., at the Windjammer. Admission is free. FMI call Jen at 5548 or Rachel at 5551.
- (1) The Fleet and Family Support Center will host Military Spouse '101', May 10, 8 a.m. - noon, at the FFSC. This is a chance to find out what the military has to offer spouses. This is also a great opportunity to meet other spouses. FMI and registration call 4141.
- (1) The Treasures and Trivia second-hand store hours are: Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Thursdays, noon - 5 p.m. Donations are always welcome. FMI call Sherry at 4860.
- (1) A 'Fiesta' Vacation Bible School will be held June 19 - 23. Community volunteers are needed. FMI call Kathy Arlinghaus at 2323.
- (1) There will be a 'Red Hats' bunco night May 26, 6:30 p.m., at the Community Center. No money needed, just finger food and excitement. Remember, over 50 wear purple w/red hat and under 50 wear lavender w/pink hat. All ladies are welcome. FMI call Roberta Stanley at 4063 DWH or 5707 AWH.
- (1) W.T. Sampson Schools registration for the next school year will be held May 8-12. Sure

Start - 6th-grade registration will be at the elementary school, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. 7th - 12th-grade registration will be 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the high school. FMI call 2207 or 3500.

(1) Mother's Day is May 14, so order personalized decorated Mother's Day cakes at Booster's Club bake sale, May 6, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., at the NEX Atrium. Samples of possible designs to choose from will be available. Please support the Booster's Club scholarship program.

(1) The Hispanic American Organization will have its first meeting of the year May 10, 6:15 p.m. at the Naval Media Center. Refreshments will be provided. All GTMO residents are encouraged to attend and make this year's Hispanic Heritage celebration the best yet. FMI call Pete at 2351 or 5617.

(1) Attention GTMO artists. The Navy Ball Committee is looking for artist to design GTMO-theme artwork. Turn in submissions by May 19. Residents will vote for their favorite artwork and the winner will be announced in June. The wining artwork will be the design for this year's fund-raiser t-shirt. FMI call 2351.

Wanted

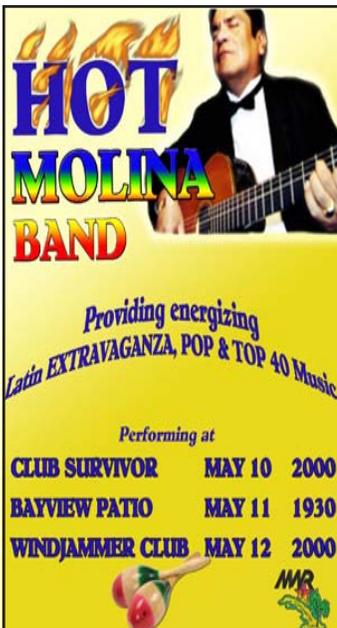
(1) Will pay cash for fishing/pontoon boat. FMI call Mike at 7977 or 2129.

Lost and Found

- (2) 2003 class ring found. FMI call Cynthia at 7648.
- (1) Pair of adult or children's size glasses found at Glass Beach. FMI call 4420.
- (1) Firesole, tailor-made, driver head golf club was lost. FMI call 7734.

Yard Sales

- May 6— Caribbean Circle, #27C, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 6— Center Bargo #1157, 7 a.m.
- May 6— Caribbean Circle, #5A, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 6— Villamar, #37B, 7 a.m.
- May 6— Marina Point, #N325B, 8 a.m. - noon.
- May 7— Caribbean Circle, #27C, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 13— Evans Point, #389, #391, #813, #803, # 815A, and #815B 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.



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Play Ball!



Blake Smaw rounds the bases after hitting an in-the-park homerun in the first inning of the first game of the season.



CAPT Mark Leary throws out the first pitch before the double-header April 30 at Zaiser Field.



Kaitly DeGross shows off her team's banner during opening ceremonies of GTMO's Little League Baseball.



The Marlins show off their team mascot and colorful banner during the introduction of the teams.



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AGC(SW/AW) Tim Valle serves as both umpire and catcher for the Little League baseball teams during the first game of the season.

