



Scientists survey GTMO's coral reefs

Story and photo by MC2(AW) Honey Nixon, Public Affairs

A group of leading marine biologists, contracted by the Navy, visited Guantanamo Bay, March 1-7, to measure and survey the area's unique coral reef ecosystem. Data collected from the coral reef survey will be compared with a previous survey, completed in 2003.

"Our purpose was to assess the reefs and compare that to the 2003 study," said Martha Robbart, the senior scientist. "Since that study, there have been storms, and a severe thermal stress in 2005, which affected most of the Caribbean.

"When this happens, algae living in the coral leaves, because the environment is no longer hospitable due to temperature warming. If the water temperature is above 31 degrees Celsius, that's stressful for coral, and you might see 'bleaching' (when coral leaves the reef to find a more hospitable environment). It's important to get that type of information, and see if systems are recuperating from such an occurrence."

The researchers had one day of dive preparation, and spent four days completing underwater reef surveys at Chapman, Blue, Windmill and Cuzco Beaches.

"One person maps how many organisms per 10 centimeters," said Fred Burns, NAVSTA's environmental director. "Another looks at each



William Precht and Martha Robbart, researchers contracted by the Navy to survey Guantanamo Bay's coral reefs, educate W.T. Sampson sixth grade students on coral fossils, March 8, at Phillips Park. The researchers spent much of their visit conducting a geomarine study of the reefs to compare data they found with that revealed in a survey conducted in 2003.

square meter to record viable colonies to see if they are new, old, and if they are free of disease. Then they observe the fish that inhabit the reef, the variety, the sizes and populations."

So how do GTMO's reefs compare with its Caribbean counterparts such as Puerto Rico, Jamaica and the Virgin Islands?

"I would say GTMO and reefs around this part of Cuba, look to be in the better third of the reefs in the Caribbean right now, in terms of impact," said William Precht, senior program manager. "Also, the human impact here is pretty minimal. One of the reasons we can say that is Windmill Beach, which has the heaviest usage, actually have some of the best qual-

ity reefs. They are in great shape. The fish populations were very high there; the coral population there was also good. So, there doesn't seem to be the relationship between places with human access and whether the reefs are good or bad. It appears that their natural variation is related to exposure and wave energy."

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SECNAV says safety is critically important

By April Phillips, Naval Safety Center Public Affairs

In his role as Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable Donald C. Winter knows that he bears ultimate responsibility for the hundreds of thousands of Sailors and Marines who serve this country every day on ships and bases across the globe. Fully engaged in winning the war against terror, he is aware of the crucial importance of the mission. However, Winter said a key element of the mission that often gets overlooked is safety, and he's made it a priority during his tenure as SECNAV.



Secretary of the Navy Donald C. Winters

leaves the contractor's facility. In the Navy we have much broader responsibility. It's part of what I think is appropriate and necessary because being able to preserve our Navy family at large is critical to us being able to continue in the important missions we're engaged in," Winter said.

Statistically, Sailors and Marines are safer while actually performing their missions than they are during their off-duty time. Winter said he wants to instill what he calls a "culture of safety" that he believes will reduce the number of off-duty mishaps. He said leadership must be involved.

"I think it starts with the management chain. The commands must understand that

"I think safety is critically important in everything we do. The mission is important and safety has to go right along. The men and women of our Navy are the heart of the Navy and if we cannot take care of them, then we are not doing what is expected of us."

Winter said he received a real education about the hazards that go along with military service when he was a government contractor. In his opinion, the Department of the Navy does a much better job of caring for its own than civilian organizations typically do.

"Contractor responsibility really ends when the employee

we're going to hold them accountable for the safety of the Sailors and Marines that are under their responsibility. And that's true whether it occurs during duty hours or after duty hours, on base or off base. It is part of what we need to do to instill a safety culture within the Navy and Marine Corps.

Although a large percentage of Navy and Marine Corps fatalities occur behind the wheel of a personal motor vehicle, the PMV fatality rates are actually well below that of civilian counterparts aged 18 to 34 years. This may be due to the fact that these service members often spend a portion of the year deployed. However, Sailors and Marines seem to do a better job of using operational risk management behind the wheel than civilians. Nonetheless, Winter said he won't be satisfied until every single avoidable mishap has been prevented.

"We may be better than national averages at large, but I have to tell you that every time

I look at the safety incident reports, I see fatalities and serious injuries that result when Sailors and Marines are speeding and losing control of their vehicles, driving without seatbelts, driving under the influence. These are avoidable, preventable accidents and until we eliminate all of them, I will not be satisfied that we've done all that is incumbent upon us to do," he said emphatically.

With so much importance placed on safety, the Secretary of the Navy said it's important to properly fund proven initiatives. However, he said money isn't everything.

"I think it's more of an issue of ensuring that the priority is safety and the core aspects of safety are fully understood throughout the fleet. I think that is what we really need to emphasize."

Winter said this emphasis has to begin early and it's not limited to personal behavior. He said safety must be built into the process of acquiring new

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Photo submitted by Terrill Wicks

CDR Sylvester Moore, NAVSTA Executive Officer, assisted by Craig Bassel, MWR Director, and Terrill Wicks, MWR Child and Youth Program Administrator, cut the ribbon officially opening the resurfaced CDC playground on March 12.

65 years of Seabee support

By ENS Jeremy Gerrard, AROICC/Project Manager

Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, and all the other Seabees that are deployed here or assigned permanently to Naval Station or Joint Task Force-Guantanamo, will celebrate 65 years of Seabee history on Saturday, March 24, 6 p.m., at the Windjammer Ballroom.

The Seabees came into being shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.

With the United States entry into the war, the use of civilian labor in war zones became impractical. Under international law civilians were not permitted to resist enemy military attack. Resistance meant summary execution as guerrillas. The need for a militarized Naval Construction Force to build advance bases in the war zone was self-evident. Therefore, Rear Admiral Ben Moreell determined to activate, organize, and man Navy construction units.

On Dec. 28, 1941, he requested specific authority to carry out this decision, and on Jan. 5, 1942, he gained authority from the Bureau of Navigation to recruit men from the construction trades for as-

signment to a Naval Construction Regiment composed of three Naval Construction Battalions.

This is the actual beginning of the renowned Seabees, who obtained their designation from the initial letters of Construction Battalion. Admiral Moreell personally furnished them with their official motto: *Construimus, Batuimus* — “We Build, We Fight.”

Today's Seabees provide military contingency construction support to naval and joint forces in major combat, the GWOT, theater security cooperation, humanitarian assistance and Phase 0 shaping and stability operations.

On Monday, March 19, at 8:10 a.m., The Naval Station gym, G. J. Denich Gymnasium, will be rededicated to EO3 G.J. Denich, a local Seabee who lost his life at GTMO in the service of his country. The general public is invited to attend.

Anyone wishing to purchase tickets to the Seabee Ball, should contact ENS Jeremy Gerrard at 4503.

Ferry service up and running

The temporary ferry landing on the Leeward side has been inspected and approved by Naval Station Port Services.

Ferry service to and from the Windward and Leeward sides of the station have been up and running since Saturday, March 10.

Thanks to the hard work from the Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, and all civilian contractors involved, general ferry operations are now back in service.

For general operating and safety precautions for transporting vehicles and personnel aboard ferry boats, check out NAVSTAGTMOINST 9820.3S.

Elliptical trainer option implemented locally

Story and photo by MC1 Igo Wordu, Public Affairs Office

Local Sailors can now choose to use an elliptical trainer as an alternative testing device for the Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA) 1.5-mile run, starting with this spring's PFA cycle. Permission from commanding officers or officers-in-charge is required to use this option.

The elliptical trainer provides a challenging testing option for the cardio respiratory system equal to the run, but with less impact to lower extremities. It can reduce the shock associated with running, and decreases the risk of physical damage or injury. The elliptical trainer option to the PFA is stipulated in NAVADMIN 293-06, issued at the start of the new fiscal year.

“This option was not developed for sailors who are fully capable of completing the 1.5-mile run or swim test,” said

NAVSTA's command fitness leader, NDC (DSW) Jose Castilla. “It's rather for those who may need waivers for the run portion of the PFA due to leg problems or injury. Such Sailors can now participate in our culture of fitness.”

Castilla notes that the elliptical trainer is not necessarily an easy test.

“There have been Sailors who finished the 1.5-mile run in 11 to 13 minutes on a regular basis. They trained on the elliptical trainer two to three times a week, but failed to get a passing score using the elliptical trainer,” said Castilla.

The 12-minute, fixed-time elliptical test correlates to the 1.5-mile run. Caloric output obtained from the test is converted into an equivalent run time using the elliptical calculator pro-



BM2(SW) Andres Rolonviera trains on an elliptical trainer as NDC(DSW) Jose Castilla monitors his progress.

gram available at www.npc.navy.mil.

The goal is to burn as many calories as possible during the test. The Naval Station currently has several Life-Cycle model 9500HR elliptical trainers for use by eligible sailors during the PFA. However, Sailors are encouraged

to use any type of elliptical trainer for their aerobic workouts to improve fitness and overall health and wellness.

“Those planning to test this way should gradually build up to be able to sustain at least 8 of the 12 minutes of the test at high level intensity,” added Castilla.

Credit card fraud alert: Beware!

By MC1 Robert Lamb, Public Affairs Office

Millions of Americans are victimized by some sort of identity-theft, and according to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) that number will increase every year.

Scammers or hackers are tracking where people work with 'phishing scams,' where cyber thieves forward e-mails that look like messages from trusted financial institutions asking to verify certain information, like account or credit card numbers. Some scammers even call a person's home.

Electronic theft of sensitive information is a leading cause of certain types of fraud, including credit card, debit/ATM card and bank account transfer fraud. But imagine if someone called directly and said they wanted to protect an individual's credit because they had information that someone else had a person's credit card information?

For example, a person receives an email from what appears to be an employee with the Security and Fraud department of a major credit card company who can verify a person's address, their 16-digit credit card number, and their expiration date, and wanted just three more digits to ensure that the person's credit was safe.

Many people would voluntarily give them the three digits on the back of the card in or-



der to save themselves from being violated.

The first four numbers on the back of any credit card is part of a person's card number, the other three are the security numbers that verify they're the possessor of the card. These are the numbers that a person may be asked to verify when purchasing items over the Internet.

Sounds pretty easy, and these scammers are real convincing.

For example, a person may give the caller the three digit number and the caller may then reply, "Thanks, that's correct." "I just needed to verify that the card has not been lost or stolen, and that you still have it. Do you have any other questions?"

Some people may hang up feeling that their card is safe and

that their credit card company is on the alert, but what really happened is that within the next 15 minutes someone will make a new purchase and charge \$497.99 to that person's credit card.

What should a person do in this situation?

They should tell the person calling that they'll call them back. Get a number. Never give out credit card information over the phone without knowing absolutely who they are talking too.

Credit card companies already have a person's card information — they issued the card to the cardholders.

"In an instance of someone contacting a member by telephone or via e-mail, the best advice I could give would be not to release any personal information at all, regardless of what info they may already have," said Brandy Thirumalai, Member Service Representative for the local branch of the Navy Federal Credit Union. "I would advise the member immediately to cancel all credit and debit cards, and request new ones sent to a secure address."

According to a major credit card company, unauthorized

charges to credit cards rose nearly four-fold, from an average of \$734 in 2005 to \$2,550 in 2006.

It's hard to figure out how some people get a hold of a person's detailed information, but they can, and they use it to their fullest advantage.

With technology moving at such a high rate of speed, it's up to the consumer to protect him or herself in these situations.

For more information on how to prevent or recover from identity theft, or to report a case of fraud, visit the NCIS web site at www.ncis.navy.mil/idtheft and click on the "special" link.

"Many banks or credit unions have means in place to monitor your accounts," added Thirumalai, "but individuals should monitor them, as well, for suspicious activity. If your credit card company suspects your card has been compromised, they should immediately flag your account, cancel the potentially compromised card, and issue new cards to your address of record. A formal letter should also be issued to any member whose card is believed to have been compromised."

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aircraft, vehicles, and other equipment for the fleet. He identified two aspects of safety in the acquisition process that must be closely scrutinized — manufacturing and testing. One area that's currently receiving a lot of attention deals with the vehicles Sailors and Marines are using in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Such aspects as proclivity of rollover, how to be able to survive rollover, and things of that nature are becoming more

and more integrated into the development process," Winter said.

Ultimately, the Secretary said leadership is the most important aspect of ensuring mission readiness is not negatively affected by unsafe behaviors and equipment.

"Leadership, first and foremost in my mind, is a critical part of being able to set a standard. It is absolutely essential. We have to demonstrate con-

sistency in terms of how we hold people accountable. That's not only the individuals who may be directly engaged in unsafe acts but also their supervision and the chain of command above them to ensure the chain is appropriately motivating the proper behaviors we want to see. If that's the way they look at their activities, then I believe we will significantly enhance the overall safety of these activities."



Edward and Jennifer Cornelius, announce the birth of a daughter, Cassandra Rose Cornelius, on Feb 27.



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Antonio Parker and Tamara Clayton announce the birth of a daughter, Jelani Nicole Parker, on Jan 10.



JV League standings

<u>Teams</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>
Hawks	5	2
Cavaliers	4	3
Knicks	2	6

— Hawks are the regular season JV league champions.

League results and standing reflect games played through March 13. Regular schedule for the Captain's Cup will continue for all leagues until March 13. First round of Men's play-offs are being held March 13-16. Results in next week's Gazette.

Captain's Cup basketball league

Men's League First Round Play-offs

Tuesday March 13

Fusion Devastators	vs	Leeward Heat
CBQ Warriors	vs	BCO Bandits
Gangsta	vs	Int'l Players

Fusion Devastators, BCO Bandits and Int'l Players advance to the next round of playoff after winning their respective games.

Thursday March 15

Winter's Hencemen	vs	W.T. Sampson
525 Vigilant Warriors	vs	Prime Projects
Burns & Roe	vs	Coast Guard

The results of Thursday's games were not available at press time.

Friday March 16

Maryland Boys	vs	Devils
Pentad	vs.	Hospital Rams

First game at 7 p.m.; followed by second game at 8 p.m.

Women's League standings

<u>Teams</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>
NAVSTA	3	2
Hospital	3	2
W.T. Sampson	2	3

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“One thing that’s great about Navy bases is there are so many restricted areas,” adds Precht. “Because there are rules and regulations, people don’t go out and trash the base. In Florida, where I live, anyone can access these places.”

Educating the local community goes hand-in-hand with the preservation of these delicate ecosystems. The researchers did not miss the chance to inform residents about the very reefs they explore by participating in open education forums at the Windjammer, ‘Open Line,’ radio show, and W.T. Sampson High School.

“All the people I work with have a strong attitude on the education component,” said

Precht. “We feel that this is part of what we do. To me, the most fun thing we have done here isn’t diving on the reef, its interacting with the kids and community.”

“The greatest thing has been interacting with the kids and to see them excited,” said Robbart. “With the lecture yesterday (at the high school), we got lots of good questions. This is the next generation of people that will be doing this work. We are excited to be here, and to share this with the kids is incredible.”

Researchers wrapped up their visit showing local sixth graders the well-preserved coral fossils at Philips Park.

“The coral here is about 125,000 years old,” said Burns. “The water was about 25 feet deeper then, than it is today.

This ancient coral is some of the best they have seen in their careers.”

“This is the first time I have ever seen *pocillopora palmatta*,” added Robbart, “it’s an extinct coral, once only found in the Caribbean. The outcrops (preserved reef that was once underwater rock face) are incredibly preserved, this is among the best.”

The data gathered in the most current GTMO study will be taken to Florida for analysis, and results will be published in the near future.

“We have yet to look at the data,” said Precht. “We have to see if it’s statistically different from the last survey. It’s been an absolute unique opportunity to come here. I hope to come back.”

Downtown Lyceum

Friday, March 16

The Queen

8 p.m., PG-13, 105 min.

300

10 p.m., PG-13, 117 min.



Wild Hogs

Genre: Action/Adventure and Comedy
John Travolta, Tim Allen, Martin Lawrence, William H. Macy, Tichina Arnold

Storyline: A group of middle-aged friends decide to rev up their routine suburban lives with a free-wheeling motorcycle trip. Taking a long dreamed-of breather from their stressful jobs and family responsibilities, they can't wait to feel the freedom of the open road. When this mismatched foursome, who have grown far more used to the couch than the saddle, set out for this once-in-a-lifetime experience, they encounter a world that holds far more than they ever bargained for.

Saturday, March 17

Catch and Release

8 p.m., PG-13, 111 min.

Wild Hogs

10 p.m., PG-13, 99 min.

Sunday, March 18

Smok'in Aces

8 p.m., R, 109 min.

Monday, March 19

The Queen

8 p.m., PG-13, 105 min.

Tuesday, March 20

300

8 p.m., R, 117 min.

Wednesday, March 21

Wild Hogs

8 p.m., PG-13, 99 min.

Thursday, March 22

Catch and Release

8 p.m., PG-13, 111 min.



Catch and Release

Genre: Comedy, Drama, Romance
Jennifer Garner, Timothy Olyphant, Juliette Lewis, Sam Jaeger, Fiona Shaw

Storyline: A woman must deal with the untimely death of her husband and the revelation of secrets he kept from her.

MWR Happenings

Windjammer Dinner Theater

Monday, March 19, 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, "Night at the Museum," begins at 5:30 p.m., and the second movie, "The Holiday," begins at 8 p.m.

Liberty Events

— March 17, 7 a.m., Daytime Fishing, depart from Marina.
— March 19, 6 p.m., Night Fishing, depart from the Marina.
— March 20, 7 p.m., Tiger Woods Xbox 360, at Deer Point.
— March 22, 7 p.m., Texas Hold'em, at the Windjammer.
— March 23, 6 p.m., Paintball Tournament.
— March 24, 5 p.m., Barracks Bash, at Camp America.
FMI call 2010 or 77421.

St. Patty's Fishing Tournament

March 16-18, 8 a.m. showtime. Entry fee is \$10 in bounds, and \$20 out of bounds. Free T-shirts, trophies, and food. Register at Marina up until showtime. FMI call 2345.

St. Patty's 5K Run

March, 17, 6:30 a.m., starts from the base gym. Prizes for best costumes. FMI call 78344 or 77262.

Children's Book Signing

March 18, 4-5:30 p.m., at the Triple 'C.' Come and Meet children's author, Lydia LaBouliere, for a signing of her recent book, 'Gumbo! in the Land of Fusion.'

Racquetball Tourney

March 23, 24, 9 a.m., at the Base Gym. Doubles the first day, singles the second day. Register by COB March 22. FMI call 78344 or 77262.

GTMO Shopper

For Sale

- (2) Twin Jet fins, medium, snorkel, mask, \$90; Men's XL Nautica Jacket, red, \$30. FMI call 75641.
- (2) Dell computer w/new printer, \$250; office and computer desk, \$70; living room w/coffee table, \$150; dining room table w/4 chairs, \$90; king bed w/mattress, \$80; microwave and kitchen items; dishes, knives, spoons, grill, and more, \$120; TV and VCR, \$100. FMI call 75712.
- (2) Six-piece bedroom set, sofa, loveseat and chair, dining room set, coffee table and 2 side tables, satellite dish network, all for \$600. FMI call Jamal Fadlalla at 75712 AWH or 8031 DWH.
- (2) 45 DVD movies, \$150; 32-in. Sony LCD, flatscreen w/remote control, \$1,100. FMI call JB at 78020.
- (2) APEX 3-disc DVD player multi-system will play all regions DVDs, \$75; Xbox game system w/wireless and one wired controller and 14 games. Will sell as package or separately. FMI call Ryan 78284.
- (2) Sony 400 DVD player, \$300; ProForm 495PI treadmill, \$300 OBO; baby exerciser, \$25; baby bathtub, \$5. FMI call 77954.
- (2) Yamaha speakers, two front speakers (250 watts each), a subwoofer (500 watts) and center speaker. FMI call 75507 or 4494.
- (2) 32-inch Magnavox TV w/remote, great condition, \$150; PS2 slim w/many accessories, like new, \$150; more than 15 PS2 games, \$5-\$40 each. FMI call Greg at 78665 AWH.
- (2) Emily convertible crib, crib-to-toddler-to-full bed, natural pine color, \$90. FMI call 77024.

- (1) Women's clothing, sizes small and medium, women's shoes, sizes 6, 7, name brands in great condition. FMI call 77113.
- (1) Evenflo 'My Step' twin stroller, excellent condition, \$50. FMI call 77828.
- (1) AbLounge abdominal machine, like new, \$85. FMI call 75828.
- (1) Sony 400 disc DVD, \$300; baby 'Exersaucer,' \$25; baby bathtub, \$5. FMI call 77954.
- (1) iRiver H10 20GB MP3 player, 1,000 songs, excellent condition, \$150; large crock pot, \$10. FMI call 75666.
- (1) Brother MFC-210 all-in-one-printer/copier/scanner, includes USB cable and extra ink cartridges, new, \$100; large, oversized, chair w/matching ottoman, fair condition, \$35; full size couch, good condition, \$100; Olympic weight set and bench, \$100. FMI call 9794 DWH or 77806 AWH.
- (1) Cocktail, side, and sofa tables, glass top and bronze finish on legs, \$125; kitchen table, black wood w/gold trim on side and 4 matching chairs, \$65. FMI call 77098.
- (1) Lawn mower, \$120 OBO; weed-eater, \$80 OBO, 27-in. TV, \$120 OBO, 19-in. TV, \$60 OBO. FMI call 77123 or 3287.
- (1) Compaq 15-in. flat panel monitor, mint condition, \$200. FMI call Fergie at 6277 DWH.

Vehicles/Boats

- (2) 2005 Black Dodge SRT-4, low miles, stage 2 upgrades. FMI call 77295.
- (2) 2005 Raw Titanium Kawasaki ZX-6R Ninja, 2,200 miles, like new. FMI call 77295.
- (2) 1988 Chevy G-10 cargo van, storage box, seating in the rear, GTMO special, runs great, will pass safety inspection, \$800; 1988 Chevy S-10 pick-up, tool box bed, GTMO special, runs great, \$800 OBO. FMI call Ryan at 78284.
- (2) 1999 Silver Nissan Quest SE Minivan, 91K, multi-changer, CD, video system, 7-pass. seating, new tires, brakes, belts, battery, \$7,900. FMI call 4815, 77419 or 84043.
- (1) 2000 Chevy Silverado 1500 pickup, 77,762K, excellent condition, \$9,200 OBO. FMI call Mr. Owens at 3108, 77198 to 90020.
- (1) 1993 Honda Civic LX, green automatic, power windows, AC, 4WD, good condition, \$2,900 OBO.

- FMI call 78663 or 9804.
- (1) 1992 BMW 535i, black, very good condition, \$5,000. FMI call 77696.
- (1) Harley Davidson, 1200 Sportster, Anniversary edition, \$7,900. FMI call 77310.
- (1) 2000 Toyota Celica, black, 70K, new tires, new brakes, \$12,000 OBO. FMI call David 77123 and 3287.

Employment

- (2) Human Resources Office announces the following vacancies: Purchasing Agent, GS-1105-06/07, closes March 23; Budget Technician, GS-0561-06/07, closes March 23; Purchasing Agent, GS-1105-06/07, closes March 23; Budget Technician, GS-0561-06, closes March 23; Protocol Specialist, GS-0301-09, closes March 23; Supply Technician, GS-2005-04/05, closes March 23; Financial Technician, GS-0503-05/06, closes March 26.
- (2) The Navy Federal Credit Union is seeking a part-time member service representative. Approx. 30-35 hours per week. Applicants should be flexible, outgoing, and possess a professional appearance. For more information contact Kim or Brandy at 74333.
- (1) SAIC has a job opening for an Administrative Assistant. The position is within NAVSTA's Information Systems Department. Please forward resumes to dellmi@usnbgtnavy.mil or call 4616.
- (1) The Navy Lodge is seeking a part-time Front Desk Clerk. Please submit application in person to the Navy Lodge manager at the Navy Lodge. FMI call 3103, 77970, or 3526.
- (1) The NEX has the following job openings: Lead Sales Clerk, Leeward Mini-Mart, full-time position, LGS-2091-04; Personalized Services Clerk, full time position, LGS-2091-03; Cashier, Cash Office, full-time position, LGS-0530-03; Sales Clerk, part-time, LGS-2091-01; Cashier, Front Line, LGS-2091-02; Customer Service Clerk, full-time, LGS-2091-3. FMI call Kitty Case at 75041 or Maci Georgi at 74115.
- (1) W.T. Sampson has the following positions available: Educational Aid, GS-04/04, part-time (16-38) per week, closes March 19. Applica-

tions can be picked up and submitted to the W.T. Sampson High School Main Office. FMI call Ramonia at 3500.

Announcements

- (2) The Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC) is a newly formed group which meets every other Thursday, 7 p.m., at Iguana Crossing to study and grow in faith and fellowship. Anyone needing baby-sitting services should contact Marianne Airhart at 77799 or place prayer requests in the box at the back of the chapel. The next meeting will be March 22.
- (2) The Chapel Social Welfare Committee (CSWC) is collecting luxury soaps, lotions, shampoos, socks, t-shirts, food snacks and other treats, which will be distributed to JTF workers for Easter. A box for donations is located in the back of the Chapel. Anyone who would like to help decorate the bags or contribute, please contact Marianne Mabbitt at 74909, or Charlotte George at 75674.
- (1) Guantanamo African American Association (GAAA), formerly the African American Cultural Organization (AACO), will be having its bi-weekly meeting March 21, 6:30 p.m., at the Acey Ducey. Anyone interested in joining the organization are invited to attend. FMI call Maurice Elkins at 3831.

Wanted

- (1) Female cat needs good home, spayed, declawed in front, 6-years-old, moving. FMI call 75666.
- (1) Need a home for affectionate and easygoing male cat, one-year-old, neutered, declawed in front, loves children and other pets, moving April 7. FMI call Rebecca 79242, 2450, or 79569.

Lost/Found

- (1) Camera lost at Windmill Beach. FMI call Richard at 78630 or 3505.

Yard Sales

- March 17 — Villamar, #45A, 7 a.m.
- March 17 — Nob Hill, #19B, 7-10 a.m.
- March 17 — Caribbean Circle, #37A, 7-11 a.m.
- March 17 — Caribbean Circle, #36C, 7-9 a.m.
- March 18 — Villamar, #45A, 7 a.m.

GTMO HOT SPOT



BASKETBALL SKILLS COMPETITION

Hosted by
MWR & OARDEC

MARCH 24, 2007
at the **BASE GYM**
STARTS 12PM

OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 9-18

This competition involves shooting from five (5) "Hot Spots" marked on the Basketball Court

Register at the Gym by **COB March 22nd**

FMI: Bill Brigrman (OARDEC) 78191 or Jessica (MWR) 2113

GTMO Happenings



Leadership — *Thirty graduates from the Work Center Supervisor's Course pose for a photo March 9, after completing the week-long course. SKCS(SS) Paul Davison and BMC(SCW/FMF) Thomas Thomas (center) from the Center for Naval Leadership, were the course instructors. The students donated \$130 to the local chapter of the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society.*

Photo by MC2(AW) Honey Nixon



Photo by Devon Christie

Entertainment — *R&B singer, 'Margot B,' sings for GTMO residents March 8 at the Bayview.*



Photo by MCC Timm Duckworth

Car Wash — *Members of the GTMO Chief Petty Officers Association (CPOA) wash cars in front of the Navy Exchange on March 10. They raised \$932, which will help fund the W.T Sampson Schools' proposed trips to the 2007 Odyssey of the Mind competition at Michigan State University in May. The CPOA thanks the GTMO community for their support.*



Photo by Stacey Byington

Sunset — *The American flag waves at GTMO as the sun sinks slowly in the horizon.*

St. Paddy's Day at the Bayview

March 17, 6 p.m., featuring 'The Shillaley Brigade'

\$15 includes first green beer

FMI call 75604 or 84415

