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Marines' Jane Wayne Day Offers Hands On Experience

BY MONICA HACKETT, FAMILY READINESS OFFICER, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 41

At the crack of dawn on Saturday morning June 19th, nearly 100 volunteer participants gathered with their Marines and families for Jane Wayne Day, hosted by Marine Aircraft Group 41 and 14th Marine Regiment aboard NAS Fort Worth JRB.

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VMFA-112 Achieves Top Fighter Attack Squadron in Marine Aviation



The Cowboys of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFA) 112 received prestigious recognition when they were awarded the Robert M. Hanson Award as the most outstanding Fighter Attack Squadron in Marine Aviation.

Presented just recently by the Marine Corps Aviation Association, the award was established several years ago in memory of Medal of Honor Recipient and Fighter Ace Captain Robert M. Hanson, USMC, who was killed during World War II after shooting down 25 enemy aircraft.

Anytime a squadron, unit or installation is named number one in their community, the award cannot be attributed to any one individual. It is a TEAM EFFORT. Everyone in the squadron was in-

strumental in this commendable accomplishment. VMFA-112's aggressive training, exceptional planning and execution, and flexibility throughout the year reached a peak of intensity during their overseas deployment. This award is befitting to their exemplary performance and dedication.

The award citation reads as follows:

Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 112 made outstanding contributions to Marine Corps aviation from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009. The Cowboys have achieved greatness through perseverance and an unparalleled dedication to the mission. At home and during deployments aboard, they trained, led and prepared for any mission, exhibiting the finest leadership in the air and on the ground in both peace and combat. In every environment

when the squadron deployed, the results were the same: unadulterated success. VMFA-112 flew 4088.4 accident free hours in 2139 sorties during regular and combat deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Whether in support of the Marines or the multinational forces, in Twentynine Palms or Al Asad, Iraq, the Cowboys did it right and earned the accolades of their peers, their subordinates and their superiors. No matter where the operational environment, the Cowboys trained, prepared and deployed to conduct combat operations in support of the Global War on Terrorism. Through their unmatched professionalism and their numerous accomplishments, the Marines and Sailors of VMFA-112 reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of Marine Corps aviation.

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CAPTAIN'S LOG:

Proud To Forge The Future - Jointly

BY CAPT. T.D. SMYERS

About this time last year, I used my space in Sky Ranger (just a pdf file back then) to write about pride and our joint relationship. The gyst of the piece was this:

"We've built quite a relationship between host and tenants here at NAS Fort Worth. Much of the foundation of this relationship lies in the heritage and culture contributed by our diverse service structure – Navy, Marines, Air Force and Army - and the pride each has in its heritage and legacy. It's this service pride that makes us strong – and on this strength we will build our future."

Now, a year later, it gives me a great deal of professional satisfaction to see how we've leveraged



our diversity to cooperatively forge the future of our base. Half-way through our strategic planning process, we look expectantly to publication of a new Base Master Plan in November. Far from be-

ing just another binder to collect dust on the bookshelf, this new Master Plan is the blueprint for military construction (MILCON) and sustainment projects in both the near term and the distant future. As a matter of fact, many of the improvements and additions that appear in the new Master Plan are already in work!

And the best part is that it was created jointly, by members of YOUR units who represented your mission requirements, near term needs and long term goals. To my knowledge, this will be the first such Master Plan in existence – one designed through coordination between host and tenants. I'm kinda proud o' that.

CO's Suggestion Box

Please allow civilians to eat in the galley every day.

I would love for our galley to serve as a meeting/eating place for all members of our joint team. What we're up against in implementing this kind of policy are Navy Instructions designed to ensure this tax-payer subsidized chow is used primarily for its intended purpose – feeding warriors. Our current practice of allowing civilians to eat there on Thursdays is one that, although within the spirit and letter of the current instruction, pushes the edge of this envelope. Services across DoD are currently evaluating new business models for our galley/dining facility/chow hall enterprises. While were awaiting a positive result, enjoy the barbecue!

I would like you to stock the bar with Jamison's Irish Whiskey.

OK, big spender, our Sports Bar has acquired a bottle. Drink

up; but drink responsibly!

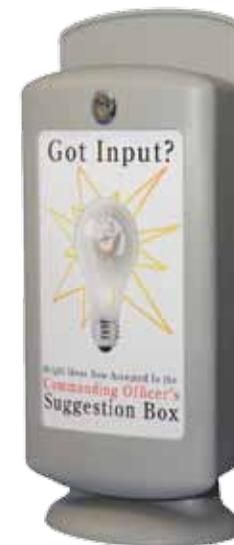
My idea is to build an obstacle course on base.

And a good idea it is! An obstacle course is now on our list of requirements that we are seeking near-term funding to implement.

My recommendation is to make the current road that leads to the back-side of the daycare into a parking lot of sorts for the daycare staff. This would open up more parking for parents.

This is one of several suggestions I received involving traffic and parking around the Child Development Center (CDC). Our new CDC was designed with a parking lot; but this part of the project got broken off into a separate contract. You'll notice that the parking lot is now under construction, so our parking and traffic troubles will soon be history!

I would like for the workers that are building the new training tank to know much I appreciated



seeing every one of them stand at attention during the playing of the National Anthem this morning, including a gentleman at the very top of the building. This made me very proud to know they are working to make NAS Fort Worth JRB a better place. A great feeling of pride today!

Hopefully, the appropriate contractors are reading this – BZ. Pride makes a difference.



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With a dual mission to provide quality goods and services at competitively low prices and generate earnings to support Morale, Welfare and Recreation program, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service, which has contributed more than \$2.4 billion to military

quality of life programs in the past ten years, continues to focus its efforts on reducing theft.

"Shoplifting from the exchange affects the entire military community," said Store Manager Sandra M. Jefferson. "Because AAFES is a military command with a mission to return earnings to quality of life, shoplifting impacts the bottom line and, in essence, takes money directly from the pockets of military Families."

If shoplifting is suspected, AAFES Loss Prevention associates turn the issue over to local law enforcement. In addition to possible disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution, the Federal Claims Collection Act, which began March 1, 2002, allows AAFES to enact a flat, administrative cost (Civil Recovery) of \$200. There may be further fees, in addition to the Civil Recovery Program, depending on the condition of the recovered merchandise.

Last month, several of the on-base Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) facilities revised their hours of operation. If you didn't catch these changes in last month's Sky Ranger, here they are again.

Main Store	M-Sa 9 a.m. -7 p.m. Su 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
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Anthony's Pizza	M-Sa 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Su 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Robin Hood	M-Sa 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Su 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Make the Call After Recall

BY ARMY & AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

With the recent major recalls of cars, toys, and even a popular fast food franchise's promotional glassware, the Army and Air Force

senior enlisted advisor. "We strive to stay abreast and quickly post all recalls that affect our customers."

The U.S. Consumer Product

ties buyers to determine whether exchange shoppers have been affected. Buyers then provide information such as the scope, Universal Product Code and disposition information. Once quality assurance specialists send recall information to impacted stores and distribution centers, details are posted in the stores and online. Once the item is recalled it can be systematically blocked at the registers and the distribution flow is stopped.

"If the customer is knowledgeable of how this process works it makes their experience better," said Helm. "And we are in the business of making sure customers are taken care of."

Helm and AAFES invite Exchange patrons to utilize the CPSC and AAFES websites as well as in store information to stay up to date on the latest recall information.

Safety Commission (CPSC) generates recalls and alerts on products. These are based on regulatory website information, supplier notifications, inspections, testing results and Department of Defense Hazardous Food and Non-Prescription Drug Recall System alerts. CPSC is the federal agency charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death.

In the event of a potential recall, AAFES Quality Assurance no-

"The fact of the matter is, the customer needs to be informed and reassured," said Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Jeffry Helm, AAFES senior enlisted advisor.

Exchange Service wants to ensure their patrons know the recall process for goods sold in exchanges.

There are two ways to check recalls specific to exchange operations. Authorized shoppers can go to their local exchange and check the customer service area or log on to www.aafes.com for the latest recall information.

"The fact of the matter is, the customer needs to be informed and reassured," said Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Jeffry Helm, AAFES se-



Brig. General Kevin Pottinger (right), Air Reserve Personnel Center commander and former 301st Fighter Wing commander, was in attendance June 12 at Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base, Texas, to show support for the first joint Reserve mass muster for the Individual Ready Reserve. He spoke to IRR members during the event, including Lucas Smith, who has been on IRR for three years. (U.S. Air Force Photo/TSGT Shawn David McCowan)



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Normally, each military branch holds separate musters in different regions and bases. However, according to Sherrie Briggs, chief of plans and programs at Air Reserve Personnel Center (ARPC), which is responsible for the Air Force IRR program, experts at IRR conferences have discussed combining mass musters for more than ten years. Joint mass musters could bring improvements like shorter drives for reservists, financial savings to supporting units and adding to the spirit of jointness shared by today's military.

Brig. General Kevin Pottinger, ARPC commander and former 301st Fighter Wing commander, was in attendance to show support for this new joint process.

"It's really a great feeling to see such a positive result after a lot of coordinating. I hope this new joint muster makes every-

one's life a little easier. That's our goal, and it looks like it worked," said General Pottinger.

General Pottinger believed that NAS Fort Worth JRB would be an ideal location to launch this new concept.

"Having been commander for the fighter wing here, I knew

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this was a perfectly centralized place to try this mass muster."

Lt. Colonel Doug Ottinger, Director of Assignments at ARPC, and one of the key coordinators for the event, said the mass muster had been in planning for almost a year, but really started to

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Local Marine Recruiting District Welcomes New Commander

BY CPL. TIMOTH STEWMAN, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, 8TH MCD

In front of a crowd of over 150 fellow Marines, family and friends, Col Mark J. Toal relinquished his command of the 8th Marine Corps District to Col. Ted Studdard at the Ashton Depot in downtown Fort Worth on June 30.

Maj. Gen. Ronald L. Bailey, Western Recruiting Region Commanding General, spoke briefly about Col. Toal's performance while in command of the district. He stated that within two minutes of meeting Toal his infantry officer mentality shined through emphasizing that Toal used that attitude to keep the district at the top.

Bailey also addressed the new district commanding officer with some words of advice and encouragement.

"Most of the time when someone replaces someone who has done a great job, they tell them that they have big shoes to fill, but you don't have to worry about filling those shoes Ted, you

bring your own," Bailey said. "I have no doubt about your abilities and what you'll do here."

After Bailey's speech, Col. Toal was awarded the Legion of Merit award for his outstanding service while in command from May 30, 2007 to June 30, 2010.

During his tenure the district achieved 100 percent of its enlisted shipping mission, contracted 103.4 percent of its contracting mission, and accomplished 150 percent of Officer Candidate Course mission.

When given the opportunity to address those in attendance, Toal guaranteed that he would make his speech less than 10 minutes and that he wouldn't cry. Despite heartfelt thank yous and quotes from his late father, he managed to accomplish both.

Col. Studdard addressed the crowd, giving thanks and praise to Toal and expressed his excitement to be part of the district

family.

Studdard came from 1st Marine Division and I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he served as the Deputy G-3 Operations officer and subsequently as the G-3 Operations Officer for Task Force Leatherneck.

From here, Col. Toal is set to embark on his next position as Chief of Staff Manpower Personnel Family Readiness Division at Marine Corps Base, Quantico Va.

(Right) Cols. Mark J. Toal and Ted Studdard wait to receive the district colors from 8th Marine Corps District Sgt. Maj. JB Edwards during the district change of command ceremony Thursday at the Ashton Depot in Fort Worth. After three years of exceptional service, Toal relinquished command of the district to Studdard. (Official USMC photograph by Cpl. Joseph Lambach, USMC).



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In with the new, out with the old. Jack Snyder, Senior Quality Control Manager of Walton Construction (left) passed the door keys to the new Air Control Tower to Capt. T. D. Smyers, CO of NAS Fort Worth (center), then cut the yellow ribbon officially opening the tower that will begin full operations July 4th week. Assisting is Lt. Lenny Gonzales, the NAS WEPS/GEMO and Lt. Sandranell Moerbe from NAVFAC (Public Works). The \$11.6 million tower and its \$5 million or so in equipment and electronics replaces the control tower located by the Passenger Terminal and Fire Department that was built in 1955.



Balfour Beatty Communities Set to Kick-off Annual Housing Survey Time

BY SHEENA MARVIN, BALFOUR BEATTY COMMUNITIES

The Annual CEL Housing Survey time is upon NAS Fort Worth JRB once again. Soon, family housing residents will be receiving the CEL Resident Satisfaction Housing Survey.

Balfour Beatty Communities encourages residents to come and pick up, fill them out and enter the first drawing at our Pool Party to be held on July 09, 2010 to kick-off survey time. The event is set to begin at 7:00 pm at the Base Pool. Please note if the event location should be changed due to the pool not opening we will notify you of the location change.

By completing and handing surveys in, residents will qualify for weekly drawings. Residents that hand in the surveys by August 13 will also qualify for a special Early Bird Drawing.

The survey is part of a performance assessment program. Balfour Beatty Communities ranks

“extremely” satisfied and “very good” a passing grade on the survey and any score that is less than this is considered unacceptable.

agement Office and drop it in the authorized locked mailbox. Only CEL employees will open the returned envelopes. Survey results

By completing and handing surveys in, residents will qualify for weekly drawings. Residents that hand in the surveys by August 13 will also qualify for a special Early Bird Drawing.

“We truly strive to exceed our resident’s expectations and hope that every resident enjoyed their home and the services that we provided,” explained Sheena Marvin, Community Manager for Balfour Beatty Communities.

Once residents complete their surveys and seal them in the postage paid envelopes provided, they can simply bring it to the Balfour Beatty Communities Man-

are completely confidential and anonymous.

“The survey allows us to see where we are succeeding and where there is room for improvement,” said Marvin, “it’s important for residents to fill them out honestly.”

The survey deadline date is September 15, 2010.



Installation’s New Air Traffic Control Facility Begins a New Era

BY LT LENNY GONZALES, NAS FORT WORTH WEPS/GEMO

NAS Fort Worth’s new air traffic facility is up and running. At a cost of over \$16 million, the new tower and its electronics is one of the Navy’s “state of the art” facilities and is equivalent or more advanced than its local FAA counterparts.

Built by Walton Construction, the new facility was built with the capacity for future operational

movement and will serve NAS JRB Fort Worth for generations to come. The old tower and Air Operations building was built in 1955 and air traffic controllers had limited sight in a few spots on the airfield. Not anymore. The Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) RADAR displays provide better tracking and clarity of air traffic enhancing overall safety of flight. An improved floor design allows for better habitability and comfort with ergonomic design applications for personnel performing critical Air Traffic Control missions. Other upgrades include a new Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR-11), National Airspace System Modernization Program (NASMOD), Standard Terminal Automation replacement System (STARS), and Enhanced Terminal Voice Switch (ETVS). As a part of an installation wide “green” initiative, the new equipment operates cleaner, uses less electricity and operates at significantly decreased operating costs. Improved training capabilities include radar and tower simulators which will improve controller proficiency and both maximize and reduce training time of air traffic controllers here.

Next month, Walton Construction will begin removing the old tower.

The tower’s new location on the airfield allows for maximum visibility of both air and ground movement and will serve NAS JRB Fort Worth for generations to come.

growth with 21st Century technology vice the 1930’s technology of the old facility. While there is no manpower change in the operation of the new facility, the enhanced capabilities allow the air traffic controllers to provide better and more effective services for its military and civilian users.

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Volunteer To Help A Veteran

BY MC2 (AW) BRADLEY DAWSON

VITAS Innovative Hospice Care of Fort Worth is initiating a program, “Veteran’s Day Every Month” and is seeking active duty, Guard and Reserve military service members to volunteer a little time to honor former military members.

What’s this all about? The program is designed to combine VITAS staff and a uniformed service member or two to make personal visits to military veterans who are now Hospice patients or nursing home or assisted living residents. During the visit, the former service member is given a certificate and flag lapel pin in appreciation for their prior service.

Last November on Veterans Day, several NAS Fort Worth military volunteered their time on the holiday to visit with several Hospice patients and nursing home residents, all former military. Those they visited thought

the military had forgotten them. The event was a huge success, so

To help you plan ahead, VITAS plans to conduct these special visits on the following dates:

- July 29
- August 26
- Sept 23
- Oct 21
- Nov 11 (Veteran’s Day)
- Dec 16

VITAS is now looking to initiate monthly visits with the help of military members volunteering a few hours.

Consider this as an opportunity to say “thanks” to those military who served before you. These visits occur once per month, so check your calendars and consider volunteering. Several military

in uniform are needed.

The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and normally ends around 3 p.m. Lunch is provided. Military volunteers are not expected to participate every month, but are certainly welcome to do so if available. Volunteers meet at the VITAS Office downtown Fort Worth to team up with their staff. Feel free to recruit those you feel would be interested in participating too.

The point of contact for more information or to volunteer is Kathy Campbell, Manager of Volunteer Services at 817-870-7117.

If you are interested in participating in May or a later month, please let Kathy know as soon as you can consult your calendar.



Navy Reserve's Oldest LDO Eyes Retirement

BY LCDR BILL SCHROEDER, PAO, COMNAVRESINTCOM

Captain Michael "Snap" Conger, one of the longest serving members in the Navy, retires this month after serving 38 years. He is arguably the oldest serving Limited Duty Officer in the Navy Reserve.

Born into a Navy family stationed in Long Beach, CA, Captain "Snap" Conger is a 1968 graduate of Marion Military Institute, Marion AL with an A.S. in Chemistry and a 1972 graduate of University of Texas (UT Austin) with a B.A. in Geology. He also graduated from the Navy War College Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) program.

Conger got his "snap" moniker after being part of a triumvirate in a unit training department. "The unit used to call us 'Snap, Crackle and Pop' so the nickname

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just stuck" said Captain Conger.

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After graduation from UT, he was the last member of Draft Board 21 (NORVA) to receive notice and was quickly drafted into the United States Navy. After boot camp, he graduated from Photo Intelligenceman (PT) "A" School at Lowry AFB, CO in 1973; he is one of three remaining former PTs left in the U.S. Navy. In 1975 Snap attended Survival, Escape, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) training in the fall at Warner Springs CA. "SERE didn't quite prepare me for the types of billets I would hold in various NIRR MA NORVA units, but

it helped," said Conger.

Conger proudly completed the Chief Petty Officer Initiation ceremony at NAR Norfolk in early 1984 to start his journey. In his next role, Captain Conger was selected as the first 6455 Limited Duty Officer in NIRR MA and was commissioned an Ensign in April 1985. He is currently the longest serving LDO/Intel in the active & reserve components of the U.S. Navy. Since then, he has served in countless intelligence billets and leadership positions, both on active duty and in the Navy Reserve from Counter Narcotics to NCIS Officer Agent to unit Commanding Officer and many, many others.

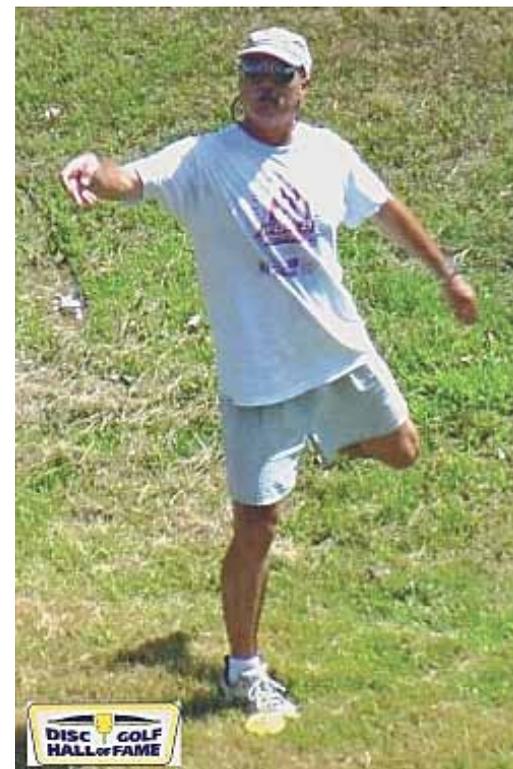
A national level leadership billet at COMNAVRESINTCOM in Fort Worth became available and Conger was board selected in March 2004 to serve as the last National Basic Reserve Intelligence Training (BRIT) Director. Because of a name change due to ongoing Active and Reserve Integration (ARI) efforts he served as the first National Navy Basic Intelligence Training (NBIT) Director. In September 2006, he was selected as JRICP 0186 unit Commanding Officer. Snap's current challenging tour is the COMNAVRESINTCOM's N7 at NAS Fort Worth JRB.

In his free time "Captain Snap" is an avid Frisbee player. Snap's sport passion is throwing Frisbee flying discs in local, national and world class overall event competitions and demonstrations. He has played at a high ranking competitive level for years and frequently travels to tournaments throughout the country. He has designed Frisbee parks for several cities and actually has several Frisbee discs named after him. "You want the "Captain Snap signature disc that I designed for Wallops Flight Facility in Virginia. You can find them on eBay," said Conger.

Captain Conger's military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (2), Joint Services Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, and vari-

ous campaign, unit and service awards. In his civilian employment, Captain Conger is a Honeywell (HW) Project Manager at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility, Wallops Island VA. He is the lead HW PM for the upcoming November 2010 ORS-1 orbital launch from Wallops and on the launch team for the first Commercial Orbital Transportation Program's International Space Station resupply mission.

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(Top) The Navy Lodge Fort Worth staff is all smiles after they were awarded the Edward E. Carlson Award on June 22 by Mr. Michael Bockelman, Vice President NEXCOM, Director Navy Lodge Program, Captain Emil Spillman, Deputy Commander, NEXCOM, and Karla Hardy, Regional Manager. Pictured with the awarding winning staff is Capt. Spillman (left) and Capt. Smyers, NAS Fort Worth Commanding Officer. The Edward E. Carlson Award is presented to the Navy Lodge facility that is rated highest in guest satisfaction, associate satisfaction, operations, quality assessment and financial performance. The award is named for Edward E. Carlson, a member of the Secretary of the Navy advisory committee, whose leadership and guidance was invaluable to the Navy Lodge Program. (U.S. Navy photograph by Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class (AW) Bradley Dawson).

(Top Left) POWER ON POWER... The Fort Worth Cats got to check out a few of our aircraft during their visit to the base last month. The Cats are part of the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball who has had players make it to the big leagues with the Chicago Cubs and Boston Red Sox. Fort Worth's lagrave Field is home for the Cats. (Official Fort Worth Cats Baseball photograph)

(Bottom Left) 301st Fighter Wing Commander Colonel Richard Scobee (left) and NAS Fort Worth JRB Commanding Officer Captain T. D. Smyers had a chance to square off on the ice on Memorial Day prior to the annual "military only" hockey game at NYTEX Sports. Captain Smyers reported he won the ceremonial faceoff. The NYTEX Sports sponsored event celebrates veterans by inviting hockey-playing veterans, both retired and currently serving, to participate in a hockey game pitting the Army and Air Force versus the Navy and Marines. Quite a bit of media put a spotlight on the night's event. (Photograph by Mrs. Barbara Smyers)

(Bottom) Waiting to see what command NMCI will display next on one of the Security Department computers are the sixth grade students from Monnig Middle School. The students spent an entire week on board NAS Fort Worth participating in the Vital Link Summer Program, an annual partnership in education program between the base and the Fort Worth Independent School District (ISD) coordinated by Mike Arnett, the installation's School Liaison Officer. The students were split between Security, the Fleet & Family Services Center and the Library all week and were afforded the opportunity to shadow NAS personnel each morning as they went about their normal daily duties. Students were given routine tasks to complete and each afternoon, they reported to the library to record their experiences in a journal. A Fort Worth ISD teacher monitored the students as they participated in this unique learning opportunity. (U.S. Navy photograph by Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class (AW) Bradley Dawson).

BASE HAPPENINGS





Marines' Jane Wayne Day Offers Hands On Experience

BY MONICA HACKETT, FAMILY READINESS OFFICER,
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 41

At the crack of dawn on Saturday morning June 19th, nearly 100 volunteer participants gathered with their Marines and families for Jane Wayne Day, hosted by Marine Aircraft Group 41 and 14th Marine Regiment aboard NAS Fort Worth JRB. With obvious anticipation, this group of Marine Corps spouses, parents, siblings, and friends were ready to endure the strenuous experience of what it is like to be a Marine for a day.

Participants were given a safety brief along with a welcome

That they did. With one-on-one Marine marksmanship coaches, participants fired 20 rounds with the M-4 service rifle, the new weapon of choice for Marines. As each heat of shooters exited the range, they proudly flaunted their shot-up targets for photographs.

Wide-eyed and in awe, the participants sat in the pilot seat while flying the F/A-18 fighter jets and KC-130 aircraft... in the simulator center, of course. Marine pilots explained the take off and landing procedures and what all

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aboard speech from Colonel Kevin "Wolfy" Iiams, Marine Aircraft Group 41 Commanding Officer. Each participant then boarded a military seven ton truck wearing kevlar helmet and flak jacket and carrying his or her USMC water bottle and MRE (Meal Ready to Eat). Separated into four groups, the participants and spectators were led through the day's events by their Marine group leader, two drivers, a Corpsman and their unit Family Readiness Officer.

"We get to fire real military guns?!" one spouse exclaimed.

of those little buttons and gauges do in the cockpit. In complete darkness, the participants wore night vision devices to explore a miniature three dimensional terrain model of a city from a bird's-eye view of an aircraft.

Another highlight of the day was a thorough, hands-on presentation of the heavy artillery, crew-served weapons and military vehicles. Dwarfed by the massive size of M198 Howitzer, the participants learned how many people it took and all steps involved in firing the cannon.

(Upper Right) Sergeant Daniel Collins assists his wife, Amanda Collins, with the M2 .50 CAL machine gun.

(Lower Right) Samantha Iiams works with her sparring partner, SSgt Joshua Sherrill, during the Marine Corps Martial Arts event.

However, the combat conditioning event site was by far the most arduous. "This is going to hurt," a participant warned before attempting a groin kick into their partner's sparring pad. After a lap around the football field, the participants learned about the new Combat Fitness Test and a few of the many Marine Corps Martial Arts moves lead by highly qualified black and brown belt Marines.

Sweaty, exhausted, blazing hot and even a little scraped and bruised, the participants were proudly beaming ear to ear as they received their completion certificates and Jane Wayne Day dog tags at the end of the day.

This annual event gives Marine supporters a glimpse into the life of a Marine and a chance to further share their esprit de corps. MAG and 14th Marines carried out this event safely and with care in providing the best experience possible for all of the wonderful Marine Corps families and friends who attended.



Mustering Success In 'Jointness'

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take shape in the last six to seven months.

Guy Stratton, principal director, manpower and personnel, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Washington, D.C., met with staff as well as addressed the attendees during the briefings. He was happy to see this endeavor become a success.

"This has been a big plan for a while, but the challenge was getting the right people at the right time in the right place to make it

work. It looks like we found that here," said Mr. Stratton.

Past musters forced service members on IRR to travel much greater distances to separate facilities in order to fulfill their annual requirements. This mass muster only had to reach a 50-mile radius to bring in the 250 participants. Reservists like 1st Lt. Lucas Smith can appreciate the change.

"I've been on IRR for three years now. Last time I had to go to a muster it was three hours away in Abilene. So this is much more convenient," said Smith.

An additional sign of success

was the surprising results for recruiting, one of the agencies in attendance. According to 301st Fighter Wing recruiters, it is normal for them to get recruitment leads from an average 10% of the muster attendees, and mostly from active duty members. This event gave the recruiters a record 24% of attendee leads. The recruiters reported this as the highest lead rate ever for their mass musters.

ARPC leadership plans to review the success of this event to decide if they will continue joint mass musters in the future.

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Crash of a TF-102 Fighter at Carswell AFB

BY BOB ADAMS

It was a hot day at Carswell AFB, Fort Worth, Texas. It was about 2:30pm, when my crew chief said load up we are going to fuel the crash truck. We headed out to the fuel pit that was on the active runway. The base had moved it out there so we would

get back in service quicker if we had a crash. We had fuel, foam and water on the runway.

We had just completed fueling and we started to leave the area when I saw a TF-102 getting ready to take off, so I said lets hold here and watch him. The crew chief said, "Okay". The TF-102 was used to train pilots to fly the B-58 Bomber, as they were both delta winged aircraft.

The TF-102 started down the runway, it got about 100 yards from us and it jumped about 100 feet in the air, then the dragchute popped out and caught on fire. Then the aircraft came back down and slammed into the runway

and started sliding toward us. I thought it was going to hit us, but it sled by us and down the runway on fire. I was the turret operator on the crash truck so I started my pump engine and put my bunkers on, and the driver took after the burning aircraft.

The aircraft then sped off the runway onto the grass, as it was sliding on the grass I had my pump engine running and I was foaming her before she stopped. The aircraft stopped about 25 yards off the runway and I was foaming it, when the crew chief said, "Let's go". He and I were the rescue men, so I started out of the truck; I was ready to rescue

the two pilots. If I would leave the truck the driver would take over the turrets. Just before I got out of

This is one time being at the right place and at the right time was good for the aircrew.

the truck I saw the canopy on the aircraft pop up and the two pilots jumped out and ran away from the burning aircraft.

As I sat back down in my seat the aircraft really started to burn, so I started foaming the rear of the aircraft and my handlinemen and crew chief. The two handlinemen and crew chief did a great job,

first putting out the engine then and then the left wing I kept foam on them and the wings. Because

of their fast work and training, they knew what to hit first, they kept her from blowing up. I was very proud of the work they did as they kept me, the driver, and the other crash trucks that were rolling in from being burned. We all got there so fast the fuel did not have time to explode. We almost had the fire out before the crash trucks from the fire station got there, but it was a team effort with three crash trucks that put out the aircraft fire. If it had been in today's time my crew chief and handlinemen would have been given medals for what they did, but back then they were just doing what the Air Force was paying them to do. I think they should have been given at least, "Letter of Recommendation".

The aircraft crew was very lucky as not only were we in a position to put out the fire, but there were two other crash trucks in the area to help.

There was a crash truck from Convair following a B-58 aircraft and a Carswell crash truck that was following an Air Force, Air Vac, on the runway and all the crash trucks were on the scene within minutes.

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If the crew could not have gotten out, we would have been there to rescue them. We did not save the aircraft, but we did keep it from blowing up.

The Air Force put the TF-102 in our fire pit about four weeks later, after the investigation. We were able to practice putting out a real aircraft fire again.

This ended up being a good day, no one was hurt. We lost an aircraft, but you can always build another one of them. We never did find out why the aircraft crashed. This was the only aircraft I watched crash and it was a terrible thing to see, but if there has to be a crash, this is the good kind when no one gets hurt.

Summer Citrus Chicken



- 4 chicken breasts, split**
- 1 tablespoon olive oil**
- 1 large pink grapefruit**
- 1 large orange**
- 1 small onion, chopped**
- 1/4 cup dry vermouth**
- 2 tablespoons orange marmalade**
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint**
- 1 tablespoon butter**
- 3 cloves garlic**
- salt**
- 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar**
- romaine lettuce**



Cut segments away from pith of grapefruit and orange and set aside. Squeeze any remaining juice from the membranes into a bowl. Add enough water, if necessary, to make about 1/2 cup and set the juice aside.

Pound chicken breasts thin, sprinkle with salt & pepper. Grill on each side for about 4 min, or until done. Cover, keep warm, and set aside.

In a medium skillet, heat olive oil and saute onion until tender; about 3 minutes. Add reserved fruit juices and vermouth and bring to a boil; reduce by half. Lower heat and add Marmalade, reserved fruit, mint and pepper to taste.

In another skillet, melt butter. Make a paste with garlic and salt and add to the skillet. Add romaine lettuce (in batches, if necessary) and drizzle white wine vinegar over top. Heat just about 1 minute and place on serving plate. Top with chicken and fruit mixture.

(Photo by Barbara Smyers)



Dance Studio, Health Studio and Martial Arts Studio Contracts

BY MR. THOMAS E. WALLACE, ESQ., *

A common fact pattern seen in our legal assistance offices is the individual who has entered a dance studio, health studio, or martial arts studio contract and who then subsequently wants to cancel the contract before com-

pleted the contract term. The desire for canceling the contract can come from many reasons; physical injury, transfer, or just being tired of the activity to just name a few. The problem is that these contracts, like many commercial contracts, do not often provide an easy way to terminate the contract.

Some of these studios will allow a buyer to terminate if the buyer relocates and there is not another affiliated studio in the location to which the buyer transfers, but again any consumer should ensure that this right to terminate for this or any reason is in writing in the contract before the contract is signed.

licensed to provide such diagnosis of the physical inability of the buyer to continue the physical activity. A buyer can also terminate the contract if the studio goes out of business and ceases operating or relocates to a geographic

area outside of where the buyer resides. Some of these studios will allow a buyer to terminate if the buyer relocates and there is not another affiliated studio in the location to which the buyer transfers, but again any consumer should ensure that this right to terminate for this or any reason is in writing in the contract before the contract is signed.

Termination laws on health studios, martial arts studios and dance studios vary from state to state. While Florida may not have a statute that allows a military member to exit such studio contracts, other states may. You should consult your local legal assistance office if you want to terminate such a contract to determine what methods for termination may exist in the state in which you are located. Moreover, a state may have laws regulating one of these studios but not the other. For example, the State of Florida regulates health studios in sections 501.12 to 501.019 of the Florida Statutes and regulates dance studios in section 501.143 of the Florida Statutes. However, a common mistake in Florida is to assume that a martial arts studio is also regulated by the same statutes that regulate health studios. This is not so unless the martial arts studio can also be considered a health studio because of the existence of separate physical fitness equipment in the martial arts studio. Currently, Florida has

no separate statute for regulating a pure martial arts studio. One thing that everyone must remember about health studio, martial arts, or dance studio contracts is that there is no provision in such contracts or in the law for simply terminating the contract because the buyer gets tired or bored of the activity and just wants to quit. Thus, if the contract is being entered for the extended family, including the children, you must make sure that everyone is going to maintain an interest in the activity. If not, you should probably not enter such a contract. The contacts with these studios are often sold for long periods of time and have automatic renewal periods that often extend beyond the timeframe that a servicemember and their family may be stationed in a particular area. Again, as with any contract for a term, you must scrutinize the contract for how you may terminate the contract. As there is no special statute in this area that allows servicemembers to terminate these contracts early,

any servicemember would have to have termination provisions clearly specified in the contract.



If the studio is not willing to do that the servicemember should

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Nineteen Marines Complete Latest Corporals Leadership Course

BY AZ2 CRYSTAL JANES, FRC WEST

Three weeks of grueling combat conditioning and combat tactics culminated when 20 local Marines proudly marched across Base theater stage the on May 21 to accept their Completion Certificates for Corporals Leadership Course, Class 72-10.

During the training process, students received practical applications over sword manual, land navigation, compass, and radio set up and operation in addition to physical conditioning drills and three comprehensive exams.

Course instructors included Sgt. Jamestomas Riley and Sgt. Joseph Grandmaison from VMGR 234, and Sgt. Billy Mckee from VMFA-112. The course SNCOIC was SSgt. Peter Sharpe of MAG 41.

Marines participating in the course included:

Cpl. Juan Cruz
 Cpl. John Ochoa
 Cpl. Amando Monroy
 Cpl. Deaundrae Sims
 Cpl. Jose Gonzalez
 Cpl. Kyle Ramirez
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consider not signing the contract and finding another studio with which to do business. And, as with any contract, a servicemember should never sign a contract

in which they waive their protections under the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act or any other act that specifically affords servicemembers protections.

Another issue with these contracts is that the buyer will not realize that special programs, such as dance competitions or testing for various martial art belts,

are extra additional costs over and above the fee for membership at the studio that may not be revealed to the buyer when the contract is originally signed. These hidden costs can greatly increase the overall cost of the particular activity. Servicemembers and their family members should determine if the activity is provided for low or no cost on the base. As with any service, if it is not available on the base, shop around for the best deal and have any contract scrutinized by your local legal assistance office before signing the contract. If you must go out in town and buy the service on the local economy, please consult the Better Business Bureau online at <http://www.bbb.org> or other consumer complaint sites to determine the history of a particular health, dance or martial arts studio in resolving consumer complaints and the overall rating of the studio. Please consult your local legal assistance office for assistance with a martial arts studio, health studio or dance studio contract or any other legal issue.

Legal assistance attorneys

are available to help. Call them at the following number at NAS Fort Worth JRB (817) 782-6009. This

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article is not intended to substitute for the personal advice of a licensed attorney.

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Need an ID Card? Check the Newly Revised Hours

The ID card facility at NAS Fort Worth JRB, located in the Visitor Control Center at the main gate, has implemented new customer service hours and updated its appointment scheduler to better serve their many customers.

The updated web scheduler is open to all personnel entitled to

Uniformed Services Identification Cards. The new web scheduler's address is <https://admin.appointments.cac.navy.mil>. Should the requestor be navigated to the old site, there will be a redirect to the new site.

The ID card facility's revised hours of operation will be Mon-

day through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a walk-in cut-off time at 3 p.m. On Saturdays, the facility will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a walk-in cutoff time at 2 p.m.

Questions may be directed to ID cards at 817-782-5244.



SEMPER FIDELIS Leadership Luncheons To Begin

The Fleet Marine Force Association is pleased to announce that beginning this month a new series of luncheons with distin-

eral, 4th Marine Air Wing. Then on August 13, General James Mattis, Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command, is schedule to be the

special event. Table requests should be coordinated through James Hensley at 817-247-7282.

The luncheons are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Accepted forms of payment are cash or check. For further information about these luncheons or for sponsorship opportunities or to RSVP for the luncheon, contact James Hensley via email at: fmf.luncheon@gmail.com or by phone at 817-247-7282.

Complimentary Valet Parking is available at Colonial Country Club.

A new series of luncheons with distinguished senior Marine Corps leadership as keynote speakers will be held at the Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth.

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On July 16, the keynote speaker will be Major General John Croley, Commanding Gen-

luncheon speaker.

In addition to the luncheon and guest speaker, there will be a 20 minute 'Networking' session that will be available for organizations to have tables setup and present their information or spe-

Now Hear This: Base Announcements

The Sky Ranger is looking for submissions for a new column called "Spouse' Corner." This is an opportunity for husbands and wives of NAS Fort Worth to submit information of interest to the base's military community such as family oriented activities and helpful hints for newcomers, etc. Contact the Sky Ranger staff at 817-782-7815 if you have something of interest. All submissions may be edited to fit our news format.

The Work in Texas representative will be at the Fleet & Family Support Center (FFSC) on 13, 20 and 27 July. The Texas VA representative will be at the FFSC 8, 15, 22 and 29 July. If interested in speaking with either representative, please call the FFSC at 817-782-5287.

Getting out of the service soon? The Fleet & Family Support Center has a Transition Assistance Program (TAP) scheduled on 27-30 July. Call the FFSC to sign up.

The Fleet & Family Service Center is hosting an Ombudsman Assembly from 10a.m. until noon on 10 July. Contact the FFSC for more information.

The Child Development Center is looking for members interested in becoming CDH certified. This program allows more options to military parents looking for quality care for their children. Please contact the CDC at 817-782-7520 if interested.

Check out the Seafood Roadshow at the Base Commissary on July 16-17. For more info, call 817-782-3664 or stop by the Commissary.

Mark your calendar. Every Thursday, the Base Dining Facility, Moreland Hall, is open to base civilians and military retirees for lunch.

Don't forget. There is now an OMNI American ATM machine located inside the TexPlex Bowling Center for customer convenience.

Pass and Decal at the Visitor Control Center's New Hours of Operation started January 4th.

Mondays-Thursdays	6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fridays	7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays	6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sundays	Closed

Have something to sell or trade? The Sky Ranger is now accepting Personal Ads from military personnel, NAS Fort Worth JRB base employees and military retirees. Contact us at 817-782-7815. All ads are subject to editing (and omission if needed).

PERSONAL ADS

For Sale: 2008 Buick Lucern, \$20,000. Twelve-speed racing bicycle, \$75. Single bed with iron headboard, \$200. 817-249-4891, Mr. or Mrs. Hatchette.

For Sale: Ruger LCP 380 pistol. Gov. Rick Perry Coyote Special. Brand new, still in original box. Never used. \$399. 817-249-4456, Mr. Cummings.



Leadership of the Tactical Support Wing Changing

In the traditional Navy ceremony fashion, leadership of the Tactical Support Wing here is changing tomorrow, 9 July, with Captain James Kuhn relieving Captain John Hefti.

Hefti is moving onto Norfolk, VA with the Fleet Forces Command.

Kuhn has been serving as the

Wing's Deputy Commander.

Guest speakers for tomorrow's change of command ceremony will be Rear Admiral Stephen Voetsch, Director, Navy International Program Office and Rear Admiral Patrick McGrath, Commander Naval Air Forces Reserve.

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TexPlex Bowling Center, Bldg. 1815

A place for fun, food and family entertainment. Bowlers have a great opportunity to get free game coupons during the week of July 31 – Aug. 7 which is National Bowling Week. Bowl at the TexPlex during that week and get free game coupon, plus bowlers will be entered into a prize drawing that will take place on Aug. 7. Go to www.gobowling.com and download a coupon to join the fun and participate in the World Bowling Challenge. For additional information, call the JRB Bowling Center at 817-782-6121/6122.

Have a command event or birthday party coming up soon? Call the TexPlex for special group pricing.

Also, don't forget the Chuckwagon Grill in the TexPlex is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, plus they have pizza delivery. Great food at great prices! For pizza delivery, call 817-782-5505.

LakeSide Oasis is Now Open

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Rent the pontoon boat, buy some fishing bait, or get something to eat or drink for yourself at the Lakeside Oasis by the Marina. The Oasis is open Friday – Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Make your pontoon boat reservation at the TexPlex.

What's on the menu?

Tacos, Mexican salad, hot dogs, nachos, rice beans, potato chips, cherry and orange shaved ice, ice cream, ice pops, soda, bottled water, beer, frozen drinks and nonalcoholic drinks. Check it out!

You can't beat the prices. Call-in orders are available too at 817-782-5575.

Is Your Command Good Enough?

Get your game face on NAS Fort Worth. The 2010 Captain's Cup Tournament is starting up again. Sign up deadline is July 14 by 1200 at the coaches meeting. Competition for the tournament will fall between the months of July and September this year. Teams must specify sports they wish to compete in at registration. The meeting, which also marks registration deadline, is mandatory be able to the head coach and assistant coach. If your team does not have representation at this meeting, you will not compete in this year's tournament.

Here are a few guidelines to consider when formulating teams to compete. Players will not allowed to compete for commands which they are not a part of, nor may they compete for more than one team. Only up to 20% of any team may be non military. Games will not be re-scheduled unless it is for severe weather. All tournament games will be played outside of the weekends – Monday through Thursday. Come out and compete in the fun and prove who is the best of NAS Fort Worth 2010.

Upcoming Events at the Library

Come join the Summer fun at the Base Library. On tap are free information seminars, family movie nights and of course tons of reading material and computers for internet access.

The next movie night at the library will be July 9 at 6 p.m. "Nim's Island" will be the Friday night movie.

Come join in the Pirate Program on July 14 with games and activities and a ship load of fun for all. Activities begin at 1 p.m.

"Shark Tale" will be the July 23 movie at 6 p.m.

Want to know more about buying Texas land? On July 27, there will be a free Texas Land Board and Home Buying Seminar beginning at 11:30.

Todd Mckinney the Comedy Magician will make you laugh on July 29 at 10:30 a.m. What a way to start the day – with a good laugh.

The End of Summer Reading Party will take place on Friday, August 13 at 1 p.m. There will be certificates and prizes for all reading club members, plus a treasure hunt. Don't miss out!

Indoor Pool

Get in some laps before work or take a leisurely dip after work or on the weekend.

Pool hours of operation:
Monday – Saturday 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sundays 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Holidays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

From 6 a.m. to 8 a.m., the pool will be open to active duty military only. Lap lane swimming is free to all. Leisure swimming costs \$1 for everyone. (No need to break open the piggy bank!).

Have a command event or party coming up? The pool is available after hours for parties. For more information, call 817-782-1220.

Get Out the Grass Skirts and Wild Shirts

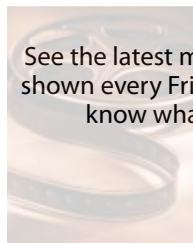
Hawaiian Luau at the Base Pool
July 23, 7 p.m. – 11 p.m.
For more information, call 817-782-1220

ITT (Ticket Office in the TexPlex Bowling Center)

Kids home from school and already complaining they're bored? Need something to do this weekend? Stop by ITT and check out what discount tickets they have to local amusements and others. Grapevine Vintage Railroad, Dinosaur World (Glen Rose), Hawaiian Falls Waterpark, NRH20, Schlitterbahn Waterparks (New Braunfels, Galveston, South Padre Island), Ft. Worth Zoo, Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus, SeaWorld, Fiesta Texas, Disney World, Disneyland and more are just a few of the attractions ITT has tickets for. Coming up this month, Hurricane Harbor has a special-Wednesday, July 21-Sunday, August 1-\$15.50. Take advantage of the discounts and pocket the cash.

Movie Reel Theater, Bldg. 1845

See the latest movies at much lower price at the Movie Reel Theater. Movies are shown every Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. If you want to know what's showing for the upcoming weekend, call 817-782-6037.



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AM1 Trevor Mills, VR-46	Meritorious Mast	ADCS Sammie Mathis, FRC West	Navy Com
AWF1 Danielle Haskins, VR-46	Meritorious Mast	SSgt. James Devoll, MAG-41	Navy Com
AZ3 Jeff Munguia, VR-46	Meritorious Mast	GySgt. Robert Butler, VMFA 112	Navy Com
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AWF2(NAC/AW) Jaime Colon, VR-46	Eagle Eye	AM1(AW) Abdul-Rahim Muhammad, VR-46	FTS Sailor of Quarter
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AD2 Julie Neiser, VR-46	Eagle eye	AZ3 Jeffery Munguia, VR-46	Community Service Award
AD3 Jason Riley, VR-46	Eagle Eye	IT3(SW) Devandreon Dunn, VR-46	Community Service Award
AWF3(NAC) Vanessa Elbelau, VR-46	Eagle Eye	PS3 Diana Namara, VR-46	Community Service Award
AE3 Jeremy Shelton, VR-46	Eagle Eye	YN3 Tynichella Danzie, VR-46	Community Service Award
AWFAN Steven Rutz, VR-46	Eagle Eye	YNSN Joseph Phinizy, VR-46	Community Service Award
AD2 Kevin Dochtermann, VR-46	Eagle Eye	TSgt. Ian Senerchia, 301st Maintenance	2009 AFRC Safety Award
AM2(AW) Mark Self, VR-46	Eagle Eye	Cpl. Joseph Martinez, VMFA-112	Cpl Course 72-10 Honor Grad
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AD3 Jason Riley, VR-46	Eagle Eye	Cpl. Paul Chandler, MWSS 473	Cpl Course 72-10 Personal Recognition Award
AWF2(NAC/AW) Jaime Colon, VR-46	Eagle Eye		Cpl Course 72-10 Personal Recognition Award
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AD1 Herman Watson, FRC West	NAM		
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AS1 Jeremy Johnson, FRC West	NAM		
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AWFAN Steven Rutz, VR-46	Naval Air Crew designated		
AWF3 Dominic Neusbaum, VR-46	Naval Air Crew designated		
AWFAN Michael Perry, VR-46	Naval Air Crew designated		
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		AWF3 Steven Rutz, VR-46	Afghanistan
		AWF3 Zackary Rosen, VR-46	
		AWF3 Michael Perry, VR-46	
		AWF3 Alex Mandel, VR-46	
		AWF3 Melissa Dalpez, VR-46	
		AWF2 Vanessa Elbelau, VR-46	
		AWF2 Robert Frawley, VR-46	
		AZ2 Jeff Munguia, VR-46	
		CDR Gregory Storm, VR-46	
		AWF3 Dominic Neusbaum	
		LS3 Farideh Schmidtke	
		AEAN Adedeji Adebayo	
		Spc. Trong Pham, 90 th Aviation Battalion	
		Spc. Brandi Simek, 90 th Aviation Battalion	
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