



2010 Year in Review: Banner year for the air station, Wing

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As 2010 comes to a close, it's only fitting for the staff of the Flying K to take a look back so that we may better see what we've accomplished and, most importantly, where we are headed. Listing all of the significant events of 2010 isn't possible in a single issue of the Flying K, so we're only going to touch on the most significant events. But as you'll see, the accomplishments were many, and "Team Kingsville" kept the air station in the spotlight.

The year opened with a lot of activity and preparations – setting up the 2010 Wings Over South Texas Air Show. The air station was getting ready for their biggest and best show ever featuring the Navy's Blue Angels, the Army's Golden Knights, the internationally-acclaimed Commemorative Air Force's Tora! Tora! Tora!, and world aerobatic champion Rob Holland.

CDC earns credentials: Also in January, the Child Development Center earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the leading organization of early childhood professionals. This continues the CDC's quality

care, as the CDC has maintained accreditation standards for more than 20 years.

Combined Services Luncheon: January wrapped up with a luncheon saluting NAS Kingsville's top volunteers. Chief of Naval Air Training, Rear Adm. William Sizemore, and Corpus Christi radio talk show host Jim Lago were the featured speakers at the Kingsville Navy League's annual Combined Services Luncheon paid tribute to volunteers. Honored at the luncheon were CS1 Holly Clow, Lt. Michael Wildman, Lt. Jackie Shuman and Sue Waddingham.

Basketball Challenge: In February, NAS Kingsville's School Liaison Officer, Jeanie Alexander, and the Youth Activities director, Brent Edwards, began planning a community event partnering with Texas A&M Kingsville to host the Harlem Ambassadors. The event was hosted by the university and open to military families and the public – and it was a lot of fun for spectators as well as participants. More than 600 fans turned out to watch the action on the court and antics off it.

Air Park Addition: NAS Kingsville received a new aircraft with a historical past and a bright future in February. F/A 18 Bureau Number 161967, a former Blue Angel #1, was flown in on her final flight on active duty for the Navy. The Blue Angel was then prepped and placed at the air park at Forrestal and Nimitz welcoming all visitors to the base.

NALF Orange Grove Open House: In mid-February, the Blue Angels' Fat Albert team conducted air show training at Navy Auxiliary Landing Field Orange Grove. The C-130 team was prepping for the Blues' 2010 air show season. NAS Kingsville also took this opportunity to invite the local landowners to meet the crew, get a close-up look at the aircraft, and get more acquainted with the field and personnel. Though it was a cold and bleary day, everyone came out for a delightful barbecue meal and enjoyed the day's activities. Fixings were served up in the newly-remodeled "Touch N Go" diner at the Orange Grove field.

Air Show Preparations: NAS Kingsville personnel and community first responders participated in a tabletop exercise to integrate all in a realistic scenario that would require mutual assistance from all



parties in preparation for the upcoming air show. It is an essential piece of planning for any air show to help plan for any eventuality and reduce risk. As Monette Walker, emergency manager, said, "Our plans will help us recognize and mitigate risk. In Emergency Management we always plan for the worst and hope for the best."

Energy Conservation recognition: In March, NAS Kingsville learned that it was nominated for the 2009 Military Installation Conservation Partner Award by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The award recognizes military installations that have accomplished outstanding work in cooperation with the wildlife service to promote conservation on military lands.

Wings Over South Texas 2010: The key focus of the base during March was the opening of the gates for the air show. With good weather and clear skies in the forecast, personnel prepared for record attendance, hoping for a crowd of about 100,000 – nearly double what the air show drew two years

previously.

As then-commanding officer, Capt. Phil Waddingham stated, "We have a superb lineup of performers ... headlined by the Navy's Blue Angels, the Air Force's Viper East, the Army's Golden Knights, world aerobatic champion Rob Holland. We also have some exciting new acts this year like the Commemorative Air Force's Tora, Tora, Tora, aerobatic performer Jack Knutson, along with air show veterans Jan Collmer and Paul Fiala. We're really excited about the show and can't wait for the show to get underway."

The air show weekend kicked off Friday morning, March 26, when school children from throughout South Texas muscled at Texas A&M Kingsville's Javelina Stadium for an Air Show Pep Rally, hosted by the college. School age children met the Blue Angels and other performers, as well as witness the Army's Golden Knights para-

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From the Bridge



Capt. Mark McLaughlin
Commanding Officer



Greetings Team Kingsville:

As we head into the New Year, I hope your Christmas Holidays were enjoyable, safe and refreshing.

2011 will see many changes to the appearance of NAS Kingsville. Over the next six months, we will see the re-opening of the Branch Medical Clinic after an extensive remodel, the Army Reserve Center, the new 96-rooms Navy Gateway Inns and Suites, and Hangar 760 with the Army Medevac

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Greetings Team Kingsville,

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas this year! Pam and I, along with our daughters Sally and Amy, had a great time last week in San Antonio! Since both girls are grown now, we thought it would be better (and much easier!) to let them shop for their own Christmas gifts. Needless to say, I was glad to get home after two and a half days of shopping with three women; I needed to get back to work so I could get some rest! While in San Antonio we stayed at the Powless House on board Fort Sam Houston. It's a great facility located adjacent to Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC).

While having both daughters home for the holidays was wonderful, our stay at the Powless House made me realize that many young men and women are literally putting their lives in harm's way to afford us, as Americans, the opportunity to enjoy the freedoms we frequently take for granted. You see, with the Powless House being adjacent to BAMC, many of the folks staying there were wounded warriors whose family members were in town to spend the holidays with them.

We saw many great Americans during our stay at the Powless House and I could tell by the way they acted with their families (and others) that they were proud of their service. I saw several injured servicemen in wheelchairs with babies in their arms as their spouses pushed them down the halls. Big smiles were on every face we passed.

We are so fortunate to have great Americans, like those I saw last week in San Antonio, serving in harm's way in support of our

Unit occupying. I for one am excited to see the changes.

The challenges we face in the future will be tied directly to the defense budget. As we have all heard through channels, the 2011 budget, and future budgets for the next few years, will show controls that require all of us to scrutinize every aspect of our operations.

These challenges will be difficult and will require even more difficult choices, but we will prevail for the betterment of NAS Kingsville.

I'll end this note with a few "New Year's Resolutions" in the event ya'll need some help. First, please assist us in energy conservation. Your small part in the greater scheme of operations does make a tremendous difference, so shut off that electricity when not needed, and also, conserve water usage. Secondly, send me your suggestions

freedom.

As the CMC, I realize how real this situation is to us, as we have NAS Kingsville Sailors who have served and who are currently serving in harm's way on Individual Augmentee assignments.

As this year comes to a close, I would ask each of you pause for a moment to remember those who are defending our freedom at the tip of the spear. God bless them all and grant them a safe return home.

V/R
CMC

Command Notes:

Combined Services Luncheon:

The 40th annual Combined Services Luncheon will be held at the NAS Kingsville Captain's Club Wednesday, Jan. 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The luncheon recognizes the annual NAS Kingsville enlisted, Jr. Officer, and spouse volunteers of the year, in addition to the City of Kingsville volunteer of the year.

Tickets are \$10 per person and are on sale now at the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce.

Congratulations:

To **Air Operations Department** and departmental career counselor AC2 Carl Ross! Air Operations, UIC 42095 recently earned the Navy's Retention Excellence Award for the fourth quarter of 2010.

Well Done!

To the **Hawks Landing** Public/Private Venture Housing Unit! Hawks Landing made the CEL Survey's Customer Satisfaction A List for the 8th consecutive year.

The annual A List Award is based on the number of personnel residing in PPV housing units who (a) respond to the annual survey and (b) Customer satisfaction.

Hawks Landing will receive their award at the annual Professional Housing Management Association (PHMA) awards ceremony in New Orleans next month.

for base improvement.

We have posted a CO Suggestion Box on the first floor of the NAS HQ building and at Air Operations, and our Public Affairs office has started Facebook pages for both NAS Kingsville and the NAS Kingsville Skipper with [soon to be] links for suggestions.

NAS Kingsville will start the New Year with a Safety Stand-Up on Jan. 3 at the Captain's Club. The Safety Office is putting this event together, and it's designed to get our minds back on track as we head back to work after the holidays. This will be 8:30 to 10:45 a.m. for all NAS Kingsville personnel.

Feel free to send me a note. I'm not up on Twitter yet, but that too, will come soon. Happy New Year Team Kingsville!

Until next time ~ Skipper Mac



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Farewell: AC3 Kiana Kahlbaum, a member of the NAS Kingsville Public Affairs Office and *Flying K* staff, will be departing the command and active duty in January. We thank her for her significant contributions to the command, and wish her "Fair Winds & Following Seas." Her contributions to this newspaper have been truly outstanding, and we will miss her cheerful smile and "can do" spirit and enthusiasm.



ing our Saturday show!"

Flying K Award: Wrapping up a successful month, the Flying K staff learned that they were among the winners, for the second straight year, for the annual Chief of Navy Information Merit Awards program for print and broadcast journalism excellence. The Flying K took home second place for a three-part series on the command's Bird/Aircraft Strike Hazard (BASH) program at NASK and NALF Orange Grove.

Earth Day: On April 16, Commander, Navy Region Southeast Rear Adm. Tim Alexander kicked off the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, celebrated April 22, by signing a proclamation urging the Navy's Southeast community toward environmental stewardship, environmentally-healthy mission partnerships and energy conservation. NAS Kingsville's Public Works Department and FISC Jacksonville Det NAS Kingsville answered the call by holding an old appliance pick-up and turn-in for base commands and activities on Earth Day.

Youth 4-H: The NAS Kingsville Youth Center's 4-H Club participated in a proclamation reading by Kleberg County Judge Pete De La Garza at the Kleberg County Courthouse on April 26, in honor of the Month of the Military Child.

Things heat up in May: May began with sizzling news. The NAS Kingsville fire department was selected as the Navy's 2009 Fire Department of the Year for medium-size installations in the Navy's annual Fire and Emergency Services Awards program.

chute onto the field. That evening, the City of Kingsville hosted a "Meet the Performers" event at JK Northway Coliseum, which was open to the public free of charge.

"Our air show was, without a doubt, a huge success for the air station," Waddingham said. "Our attendance numbers were staggering and our performers literally went above and beyond to give spectators a top-notch show. The show also received national news coverage through Fox News Bureau West out of Dallas, and international coverage through a number of Web sites, including the site for country music band Emerson Drive who performed a free concert follow-



Cmdr (Ret) Scott Allen receives the Key to the City from Kingsville Mayor Sam Fugate.

Fire Chief Ruben Perez was also recognized as the Navy's best fire chief.

Sailor Awards: The selections of the Navy and Marine Corps 2009 Air Traffic Controller and Air Traffic Control Technician of the Year were announced and one NAS Kingsville Sailor was at the top of the list. ET1(SW) Daniel Tapia was selected as the Vice Adm. William P. Lawrence Technician of the Year, from a strong field of candidates from Navy and Marine Corps commands worldwide.

XO farewell: On June 4, Cmdr. Scott Allen retired from active duty and stepped down as executive officer of NAS Kings-

ville.

Allen told Kingsville that almost 4 years had passed since he had arrived. He stated that between the construction and the awards NAS Kingsville personnel had received, indications were "that NAS Kingsville is doing it right. The professionalism and commitment to excellence displayed by our team are second to none and exemplify the Navy's core values of honor, courage and commitment.

"It is hard to explain transformation," Allen said, "what it takes to get there and how together we can achieve results far beyond what was expected, but that is what we have accomplished. ... we are changed by each other's commitment, dedication and sacrifice."

June. After nearly two years, McFall Memorial Chapel officially re-opened its doors June 4, following an extensive, \$1.5 million rehabilitation. Capt. Waddingham and Chaplain Mark Haley conducted the "grand reopening" ceremony. Corpus Christi's KIII news was on hand to cover the ceremony.

Command Change: Headlining the list of events in June was the NAS Kingsville change of command, as Capt. Mark McLaughlin became the 32nd commanding officer of NAS Kingsville during an official change of command ceremony on board the air station June 25. McLaughlin relieved Capt. Philip L. Waddingham, who had com-

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Capt. Mark Brooks
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Seasons' Greetings!

I hope this finds all of you enjoying the holidays having had a visit from Santa that resulted in wonderful presents instead of bags of coal. We were fortunate in the Brooks household – as were our extended families in Alabama and Australia – so, life is good! And that is my message today as we end 2010 and move into the New Year: life is good!

A good friend and Naval Academy classmate of mine signs off all his e-mails with "Life is good!" He is one of those guys I've been fortunate to have in my life, always positive despite having had more than his share of challenges. Frankly, it seems that is true for all of us: life is full of challenges.

The year 2010 has been no exception. One morning last week Melissa and I were watching the morning news when they did a short year in review segment. Afterward we looked at each other and just sighed – 2010 was a challenging year: much animosity on the political front, disasters both natural and man-made (e.g. the Gulf Oil Spill), continued loss of life in southwest Asia, etc. We had our share of challenges, both personally and professionally. All in all, I'm looking forward to 2011. Yet, I say that because 2010 was a very successful year for all of us and 2011 will be as well!

The year ending this Friday was dynamic, busy and, well, challenging. This time last year we were well behind our production schedule in TW-2, due to poor weather

month after month. December of 2009 was our lowest flight hour month in the last 5 years. As a result, I asked VT-21 and VT-22 to push the throttle forward and do whatever it took to meet our production goals... safely.

By contrast to last December, August of 2010 was the highest flight hour month in the last 5 years. As those that are intimately involved with our "production line" know, we are budgeted for flight hours; but, those are based on the number of Student Naval Aviator (SNA) completed events ("Xs") that we need for each Fiscal Year (FY). In other words, it's not really the flight hours that count – it's the Xs.

We fell short of our goal for completed Xs in FY10, those Xs being several days worth required on SNAs that will complete their training in 2011.

What we did NOT fall short on was delivering Winged Naval Aviators to the fleet. Through the dedicated efforts of all those that contribute to the TW-2 mission, and the expert management of our Naval Aviator Production Process (NAPP) staff led by Lt. Col Barry Dowell, USMCR, the combined Strike and E2C2 production efforts of TW-2 and TW-1 at NAS Meridian, Miss., (known collectively as Task Group Tactical or TGTAC), met all Navy and Marine Corps requirements. Considering where we stood this time last year, and the trials and tribulations being endured by our brethren at the Primary TRAWINGS (TW-4 and TW-5), I'm very proud of our efforts here at TW-2/NASK. So... life is good!

Our mission doesn't change, there will most certainly be challenges ahead, and there will be no relief from our very important requirement to send combat quality aviation professionals to the fleet. And that's as it should be.

Have a happy and prosperous 2011! Life is good!! Regards, Fingers.



Commodore's List: Capt. Mark Brooks, right, presents a TW-2 plaque to Lt. j.g. William Marshall in recognition of academic excellence during flight training. Photo by Richard Stewart, CNATRA Public Affairs.



Capt. McLaughlin presents a Navy Commendation Medal to ABFC (AW/SW) William Tirado of the MWR Department.

Six Sailors were presented medals at the NAS Kingsville awards ceremony Dec. 16. Capt. Mark McLaughlin made the presentations, recognizing superior performance and command/community participation.

McLaughlin presented a Navy Commendation Medal to Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Fuels) William Tirado of the Air Operations Department. Tirado's award was forwarded from his previous command, USS H.W. Bush (CVN 77), and highlighted Tirado's management and leadership skills in the safe delivery of more than 4.5 million gallons of JP-5 fuel to more than 2,000 aircraft from June 2008 to September 2010.

Additionally, Tirado led the flawless execution of five underway replenishment evolutions, which contributed to the 100 percent operational availability of the ship's JP-5 fuel system during a number of key evolutions – including carrier qualifications, flight deck certification, command readiness inspections, and sea trials.

Three Sailors were presented Navy Achievement Medals at the ceremony for their professional achievement as members of the NAS Kingsville Honor Guard. AC2 Foy Fleming, AC2 Matt Hartopp and AC2 Trevor Leon received the awards, which highlighted their performance in more than 50 ceremonies, parades, military funerals, and special events throughout South Texas over the past 18 months.

McLaughlin also presented a Navy Achievement Medal to CS2 Erick Soliz for outstanding leadership and command/community support from October 2009 to October 2010. Soliz' citation noted his leadership role as president of the Junior Enlisted Association and involvement with numerous community outreach programs. In addition, Soliz assisted with the coordination and installation of more than \$250,000 in furnishings into the new bachelor enlisted quarters, and his off-duty efforts in preparing the Navy Gateway Inns & Suites building for a \$1.6 million renovation project.

Other awards presented included a Navy Good Conduct Award to AC2 Christy Collins, and a frocking certificate, marking the advancement to Petty Officer 1st Class presented to AC1 Martin Adrian Jr.

Civilian awards included Civilian of the Quarters awards to Laura Jo Crosnoe and Chris Code; and Length of Service Awards to: Financial Manager Anna Carvajal (35 years), Firefighter Corrine Retault (20 years), MWR's Daniel Rackley (15 years), and Security's Leonard R. Early Jr. (5 years).

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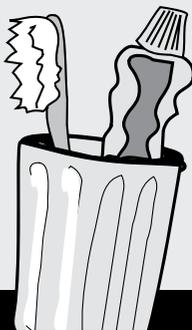
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manded the air station since August 2007.

Rear Adm. Townsend "Tim" Alexander served as the presiding officer and guest speaker for the ceremony. Alexander commands Navy Region Southeast, which comprises 19 Navy installations throughout the southern United States, including Texas installations, and Cuba.

"Capt. Mark McLaughlin is the perfect choice for assuming command of this air station," Alexander told more than 400 people who attended the ceremony. "He is a proven leader, a true visionary, and a tested combat aviator. I have no doubt he will take NAS Kingsville to new heights."

McLaughlin reported to NAS Kingsville from the staff of the Chief of Naval Air Training, where he served as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Training for the past three years.

"The opportunity to command NAS Kingsville is a true privilege," McLaughlin said. "The fact that it will be my second command in the same area is a blessing that my family and I have been most gracious in accepting. The department heads I have met with so far have been superb in training me and I'm fortunate to have such a wonderful team to work with as we move forward," he said.

Rear Adm. Alexander, presented Capt. Waddingham with a Legion of Merit for his superb professional performance as commanding officer of the air station from August 2007 to June 2010. Waddingham's follow-up assignment was with the Chief of Naval Operations staff at the Pentagon.

Hurricane Season: As the page on the calendar turns every year to June 1, we begin Hurricane Season, and it didn't take long to test the air station's emergency preparations. The first Atlantic hurricane of the year raged in the Gulf and grew to a Category 2 storm before it made landfall in Mexico June 30.

All eyes followed the storm's path and NAS Kingsville personnel promptly prepared as the tropical storm advanced toward the South Texas coast. Capt. McLaughlin directed staff on June 29 to set modified COR 3 in preparation of the arrival of tropical storm force winds.

"Safety of our resources, especially our personnel is paramount," McLaughlin said. "Everyone responded swiftly in preparing for the foul weather we were expecting. We were able to secure personnel early so they could travel safely and put their homes in order."

The storm's presence in the Gulf forced the air station to reschedule its plans for a Food, Fun and Fireworks celebration July 4 to Labor Day weekend.

TW-2 continues to train: Training Wing TWO completed its third weapons detachment of the year to El Centro, Calif., June 15 to July 1. El Centro provided hot temperatures and clear skies during the two-week training. More than 35 students and 20 instructors completed 528 total sorties, with just over 578 total hours flown. Students and instructor pilots completed weapons deliv-



Capt. McLaughlin, left, and Capt. Waddingham cut the ceremonial change of command cake following the ceremony.

ery, single- and two-plane low levels, and instrument flights.

July CQ Det: In July, Students and instructor pilots from VT-21 and VT-22 traveled to Cecil Field, Fla., July 16-19 to complete carrier qualifications off the Florida coast on board USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77). Training Air Wing TWO personnel were not the only VIPs arriving aboard USS Bush that week, former president George H.W. Bush and his wife Barbara also paid a visit to see how the ship named after the 41st president is helping to training Navy and Marine Corps flight students.

Clinic change of charge: On July 23, Lt. Cmdr. Dawn M. Harden, officer in charge, Branch Health Clinic (BHC), turned over the Clinic to Lt. Cmdr. Russell Braden during an official change of charge ceremony. Harden also closed out her 27-year Navy career with an official retirement ceremony later that day.

Golden Eagles change of command: On July 6, Cmdr. Gerry Murphy passed the VT-22 command flag to his friend and executive officer, Lt. Col. Terrence Latorre during an official change of command ceremony at the Captain's Club. The passing of the flag symbolized the change in leadership for the squadron, with Murphy relinquishing his command to Latorre, who in turn, passed his executive officer responsibilities on to Cmdr. Darren Guenther. Training Air Wing TWO Commander, Capt. Mark Brooks, served as presiding officer and guest speaker for the ceremony.

"It has been a pleasure working (again) with Cmdr. 'Sticky' Murphy," Brooks said during his remarks. "His leadership and vision have set the Golden Eagles up for continued success as Lt. Col. 'Sponge' Latorre takes the reins."

New Ombudsmen: NAS Kingsville announced the new command ombudsmen in August, with military spouses Laurie Harrison and Brie Watson accepting the roles as command liaisons for family members. The pair were officially welcomed at the Fleet & Family Support Center's (FFSC) tribute for the 40th anniversary of the command ombudsman program on Sept. 17. NAS Kingsville's FFSC sponsored the ceremony for area-wide Ombudsman at the Town Club in Corpus Christi. FFSC director Frank Firma-

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14 receive wings at TW-2's holiday winging ceremony

Training Air Wing TWO held its final winging ceremony of 2010 on Dec. 17, with 14 Navy and Marine Corps students earning their Wings of Gold.

Capt. Mark Brooks, Commander Training Air wing TWO presided over the ceremony. Special guests included Lt. Col. Nathan Neblett, executive officer Marine Aviation Training Support Group (MATSG) 22 based at NAS Corpus Christi.

Pictured are: front row, (l-r) Cmdr. Chip Kelsey, VT-21 CO; Cmdr. Scott Wilmot, NAS Kingsville XO; Capt. Michael Souza; 1st Lt. Lanier Bishop; 1st Lt. Adam Desy; 1st Lt. Jarrod Allen; Capt. Mark Brooks, Commander, TW-2; and Lt. Col. Nathan Neblett.

Back row, (l-r) are: Capt. Matthew Halbett, VT-22 senior Marine; Cmdr. Quino Alonzo, VT-21 XO; Lt. j.g. Andre Webb; Lt. j.g. William Marshall; Lt. j.g. Nicholas Choffel; Lt. j.g. Nathan Jump; Lt. j.g. Travis Thomas; Lt. j.g. Hunter Hollrah; Lt. j.g. Patrick Gahan; Lt. j.g. Scott Lindahl; Lt. j.g. Nathan Green; Lt. j.g. Joshua Kash; Cmdr. Rey Molina, Chief Staff Officer, TW-2; and Maj. Eric Sprague, VT-21, senior Marine.

The winging ceremony marked the end of nearly 13 months of undergraduate jet/strike training at NAS Kingsville for the students. (Photo by Richard Stewart).

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tura served as master of ceremonies.

VT-21 welcomes "Little Redhawks."

On Aug. 20, VT-21 personnel welcomed aboard children and grandchildren of instructor pilots, students, and civilian employees for their annual "Little Redhawk Day." The purpose of the event was to spark the children's interest in the careers of their parents and to show appreciation to Navy and Marine Corps families for their continued support. More than 50 children from VT-21 participated in the day's activities, which included visits to Air Operations, the Fire Department, and squadron spaces.

Goshawk reaches million mark: The Navy and The Boeing Company celebrated the Naval Air Training Command's one millionth flight hour of the T-45 Goshawk, the Navy's premier jet trainer aircraft, Aug. 26 at Cecil Field in Jacksonville, Fla.

"This milestone is another testament to the quality that this team has put into each and every T-45 that we have training our future aerial combat warriors," said Rear Adm. William Sizemore, Chief of Naval Air Training. "It's an exciting time in Naval Air Training as we forge into the future with the T-45 Goshawk, converting the remaining analog models into digital/glass cockpits to mirror the aircraft in the fleet."

Boeing presented a plaque to the Naval Air Training Command (CNATRA) and each of the three CNATRA training air wings that fly the T-45, TW-1 (Meridian, Miss.), TW-2 (Kingsville), and TW-6 (Pensacola, Fla.) during a ceremony following



Training Air Wing TWO's command T-45 Goshawk with Centennial of Naval Aviation paint scheme flies over NAS Kingsville.

a formation flight over USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) to celebrate surpassing the milestone.

Ground-breaking: On Aug. 30, an official ground-breaking ceremony was held for the highly-anticipated new Fitness Center complex, marking the start of a \$12.1 million state-of-the-art fitness complex aboard the air station. Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz, Texas Congressional District 27, was on hand for the ceremony.

Labor Day Bash: On Sept. 2, an estimated 500 people turned out for the Food, Fun & Fireworks celebration at the Captain's Club Thursday, Sept. 2. The event, which was rescheduled from July 4 due to Hurricane Alex, exceeded all expectations, as the Morale, Welfare & Recreation Department staff had something for everyone planned throughout the evening. The event

included free hot dogs, hamburgers and water while supplies lasted, a number of games for children and adults, music, and a spectacular fireworks show.

"We had to cancel our fireworks show from the Independence Day celebration due to Hurricane Alex," said MWR director David Haigh. "But we didn't want to cancel it altogether. So, with the Commanding Officer's permission, we decided to focus the celebration around Labor Day. We were certainly happy with the turnout for the event."

Tropical Storm Hermine: NAS Kingsville dealt with its second storm of the hurricane season when Hermine quickly formed into a tropical depression Sept. 5 in the Gulf of Mexico and provided quite a punch to South Texas when it came ashore south of Brownsville on Labor Day. The storm moved on a north-northwesterly path, making landfall early Tuesday, Sept. 7. By 5 a.m., the center of the storm moved over Kingsville, producing wind gusts of up to 60 miles per hour and heavy rain.

NAS Kingsville Emergency Manager Monette Walker began tracking the storm Saturday, Sept. 4, and followed Navy weather reports throughout the weekend.

"We weren't expecting anything serious from the storm," Walker said after the storm had passed Kingsville. "We knew we'd be getting some rain and strong winds. As it turned out, the winds were a little stronger than we expected because the storm shifted its path a bit after making landfall."

New Chiefs: On Sept. 16, NAS Kingsville welcomed aboard two of the Navy's



Capt. McLaughlin, left, and Cmdr. Troy Hamilton check out the new Smart Meters that will help the base monitor energy use.

newest Chief Petty Officers. CSC (SW) Pearlina Myers and MAC (SW) Ronnie Murchison were officially frocked to Chief during a frocking ceremony at the Captain's Club conducted by Capt. McLaughlin and Command Master Chief Charlie Ratliff.

Energy Lead: NAS Kingsville became the first command throughout Navy Region Southeast to initiate the Navy Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) program Sept. 28. The program will soon be employed in earnest throughout the Southeast Region as a means of monitoring electrical use and tracking reduction progress. NAS Kingsville became the first of 13 sites across the region to have "state of the art" utility meters installed.

October: Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz returned to the air station Oct. 13, to participate in the NAS Kingsville Diversity

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Parading the Colors: NAS Kingsville Honor Guard

Part 2 of a 2-part series

By Jon Gagné, NAS Kingsville Public Affairs



Team members perform at a memorial service in downtown Kingsville.



Going over last minute details.

Performing in front of people isn't easy, especially when it's a major event like the 2010 Wings Over South Texas air show with more than 25,000 people in attendance. Events like that can be nerve-wracking. But for the NAS Kingsville Honor Guard, parading the colors takes precedence over nerves and self-doubt. Focusing on mission at hand is what drives them.

"Sure, we get nervous sometimes," admits AC1 (AW) Jarred Lee, NAS Kingsville Honor Guard leading petty officer. "But we get over it, and do what we're there to do. Preparation is the key for us, and that's why we train so often."

Lee conducts training for the NASK team twice a month, focusing on everything from parading the colors, to flag folding procedures, flag presentations to family members, rifle commands and even bugle procedures. The team trains so that they can fight away the nerves when they're performing, knowing that they are mentally prepared for whatever they're tasked to do.

"Funeral services for fallen veterans are the toughest assignments," said AC3 Israel Cansino, who has been with the team about eight months. "But funerals are also the most important assignments because we [interact] with families who have lost a loved one. Funerals are emotional for us, too."

Lee coordinates performance requests on a local level for the team for ceremonies and local parades. Funeral details, which often times require more than 4 personnel, are coordinated through Navy Region Southeast headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. NAS Kingsville Sailors often perform at these events Honor Guard personnel from other

South Texas Commands. So, Lee admits, it's important to have communication – both on a local, and regional level.

The NAS Kingsville team consists of 15 junior enlisted personnel who have each volunteered for the collateral duty. They are motivated by the fact that they know what they are doing is important – whether they're posting the colors at a small command ceremony, or leading a parade in the local community, or paying tribute to a fallen vet. Serving their command and country is what drives them all.

"I personally think that my team – NAS Kingsville's Honor Guard team – is the very best throughout Navy Southeast," Lee stated. "We sort of hold ourselves up to the highest of expectations so that we know when we go out we're going to do our job well. And our teams are consistently praised for their performance."

The team normally performs about 50 events each year, from command and community events in Kingsville, to ceremonies and funerals throughout South Texas. They are asked to perform at local schools and veteran's organizations, civic ceremonies and special events, and occasionally at religious events. The team carries the colors of the nation with them and represents not only their own command, but their Navy, as well.

"I can't praise these Sailors enough for how well they perform and how dedicated they are," said NAS Kingsville Commanding Officer Capt. Mark McLaughlin. "They are truly professional Sailors in every aspect. And when I see them perform in events that I'm involved in they make me proud to be their commanding officer."



Team members present the colors at Bishop Elementary School's 'Salute to Veterans' on July 4.



NAS Kingsville Honor Guard Roll Call

AC1 Jarred Lee, LPO	AC2 Joshua Hight
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AC2 Fomai Aokuso	AC2 Terry Walker
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Air Ops Re-Enlistment:

Lt. Sean Duncan, left issues the oath of enlistment to AE1 (AW) Jonathan Ballard during a ceremony held at the Air Operations building in late October. Ballard reenlisted for an additional 4 years of military service. (Photo by AC3 Kiana Kahlbaum, NAS Kingsville Public Affairs).

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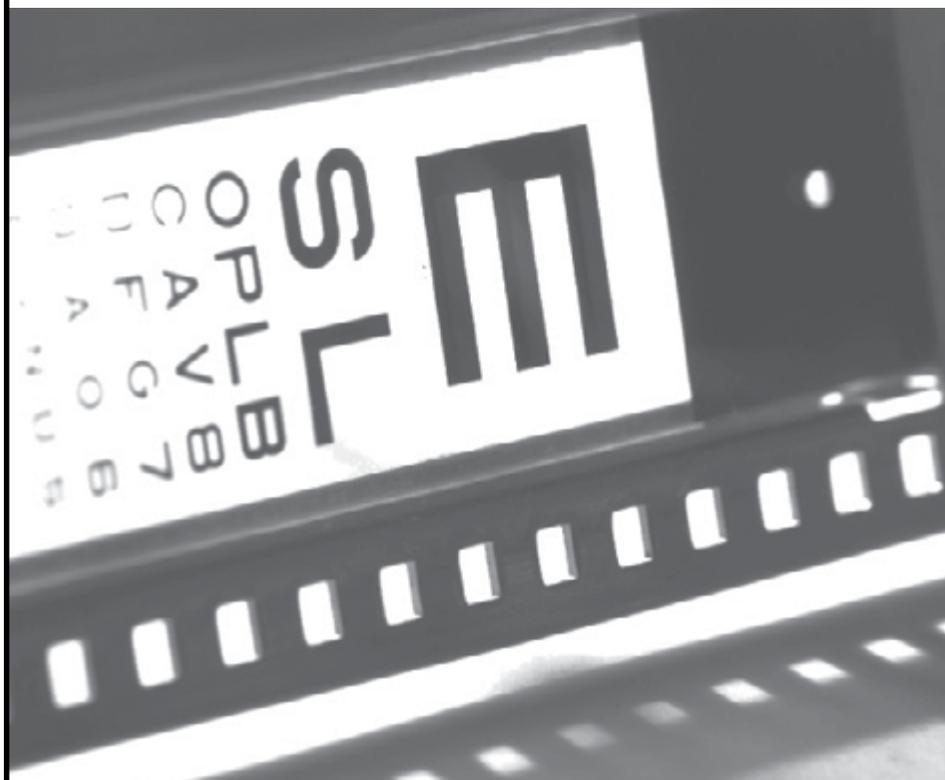
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Committee's Hispanic Heritage Month celebration at the Captain's Club. Ortiz served as guest speaker for the event.

Happy Birthday: More than 250 military and civilian personnel attended the annual Navy Birthday Ball, held Oct. 16 at the Captain's Club. Capt. Mark McLaughlin and Capt. Mark Brooks co-hosted the event, while Lt. Cmdr. (Ret) Babe Crouch served as guest speaker.

Crouch, who has served as South Texas director the Navy League's Sea Cadets for a number of years, was stationed at NAS Kingsville from 1942-1945 as an enlisted aircraft mechanic. Crouch focused his remarks on the proud history of the air station.

November: Students and instructor pilots from Training Air Wing TWO headed to the West Coast for carrier qualifications on board USS Nimitz (CVN 68) Nov. 4-9. The detachment also included personnel from Training Air Wing ONE out of Meridian, Miss. Both training air wings based their training out of Naval Base Coronado.

Veterans Day: For the 22nd consecutive year, Bishop Elementary School celebrated Veterans Day with a tribute to the military, and NAS Kingsville was well represented.

This year's ceremony, held at the Bishop ISD Joe Trevino Theater, welcomed nearly 600 people and military veterans from throughout South Texas. The NAS Kingsville Color Guard got the ceremony underway by parading the colors. Representing NAS Kingsville were AC2 Michael Daugherty, AC3 Trevor Leon, AC3 Fomai Aokuso and AC3 Israel Cansino.

Later in the day, the NAS Kingsville Color Guard, Command Master Chief Charlie Ratliff, and NAS Kingsville's First Class and Junior Enlisted Associations turned out in force to help celebrate Veterans Day at the annual Kingsville Salutes Veterans parade. Carrying the colors for NASK were AC2 Christy Collins, AC2 Matt Hartopp, HN Christopher Pharris and AC3 Megan McCall.

Installation Excellence: Rear Adm. Tim Alexander, Commander, Navy Region Southeast announced Nov. 21, that NAS Kingsville had been selected as his nomination from the Region to compete against the other regions' top nominees for the coveted Commander, Navy Installations Command, Installation Excellence Award.

Capt. McLaughlin made the announcement to base personnel, saying, "to be recognized by the Region as the nominee to compete for this award is a testament to all personnel at NAS Kingsville for their hard work and dedication to the mission of supporting the Fleet, Fighter and Family.

"Further," McLaughlin added, "I truly believe the communication, working relationships and leadership of the installation's department heads, chief petty officers, leading petty officers and civilians occupying leadership positions are the cornerstones of our organization. Everyone on board the

air station has performed superbly and this award shows how far we've come in the last year."

Operation Shipmate: During the Thanksgiving holiday season, base personnel did their part to support the Chapel's Operation Shipmate. Chaplain Mark Haley, RP2 Ross Curiel, and RP3 Quentin Williams gathered up the donated food items and , while the NAS Kingsville Chief's Mess donated Thanksgiving turkeys, and the NASK Wardroom donated Christmas hams for the food baskets. The program was also supported by the Kingsville Navy League, which donated \$750 to the program. The chaplain's office handed out a total of 21 baskets this holiday season to junior enlisted Sailors.

Back at the Ranch: About 50 volunteers from NAS Kingsville, Branch Health Clinic Kingsville and the training squadrons stood alongside countless community volunteers to serve breakfast to thousands of visitors to the King Ranch on Nov. 20, at the annual "Ranch Hand Breakfast."

Volunteers and King Ranch employees served up heaping plates of eggs, refried beans, biscuits and gravy, sausage and tortillas to more than 4,000 visitors during the day. NAS Kingsville firefighters were also on hand as a community partner.

Top Sailors: On Dec. 1, NAS Kingsville officially recognized its Sailors of the Year for FY 2009. Selected was AC1 (AW) Jarred Lee, Sr. Sailor of the Year; FC2 (SW) Natascha Josey, Jr. Sailor of the Year; and CS3 (AW) Erick Soliz, Bluejacket of the Year.

NAS Kingsville Commanding Officer Capt. Mark McLaughlin and Command Master Chief Charlie Ratliff made the official announcement of the 2010 top Sailors at a command quarters and awards ceremony in late October.

"I'm extremely happy and proud to announce the 2010 Sailors of the Year here today," McLaughlin said.

"Each one of them has proven themselves to be not only reliable leaders, but also, great representatives of the command and the Navy. They are all truly deserving of this recognition and I congratulate each of them on their selection."

Congressional Visit: As the holidays approached, NAS Kingsville rolled out the red carpet for a visit by Congressman-Elect Blake Farenthold, Texas 27th Congressional District. Farenthold, a native of Corpus Christi, defeated 24-year incumbent Solomon P. Ortiz in the November election in a very close race. The visit was the first to the air station by Farenthold, who will take office in January.

As 2010 comes to a close, we can definitely say, "We've left 'the ranch' better than we found it." That's what Capt. Mark McLaughlin said his goal was as he took command of NAS Kingsville in June. It appears, the command took him to heart.

Happy New Year, Team Kingsville!